



THE BOARD REPORTS

Highlights of the White Plains Board of Education Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS: Rosemarie Eller, *President*; Cayne Letizia, *Vice President*; Sheryl Brady, Jessica Buck, Valerie Daniele, Craig Mondschein, Charlie Norris

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Ricca reported on a successful summer school and completion of important capital project work. Demolition of Dammann House is about to begin this week. With opening day not far off, Dr. Ricca is happy to report that there is no wait for PreKindergarten this fall. Plans are being made for the Administrators' retreat and new staff welcome.

PERSONNEL: **Cesilie Vega** was appointed House Administrator at the High School, replacing **Khali Murrell** who has moved into the Director position at Rochambeau School. Ms. Vega has a Bachelor's Degree from Empire State College and a Master's Degree from Mercy College. Most recently she has taught Social Studies at the High School.

The Board accepted the resignation of **Todd Maguire**, House Director at the High School. The Board thanked him for his service.

The Board made eight probationary appointments: **Jordan Sobo** will teach Dual Language Elementary Education at Church Street School, **Amanda Tellez** will teach Reading at George Washington School, **Anthony Ciorciari**, Health at the Middle School-Highlands, **Jaime Finelli**, Special Education at George Washington, **Jessica Gordon**, Dual Language English at George Washington, **Jonathan Kalman** and **Armen Kassabian**, both ENL at the High School, and **Alexandra Wade**, Special Education at Church Street.

DONATIONS: Dr. Ricca thanked the following for their generous donations:

Post Road PTA for \$5,600 to cover expenses for 2023-2024 fifth grade school trips

Bloomberg Philanthropies with the City of White Plains, \$5,000 each for the High School Gardening Club and STEM Club

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