

Little Flower Union Free School District
Board of Education
Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting
Monday March 27, 2023
Library– 4 p.m.

Joseph Delgado, President
Corinne Hammons, Vice President
Marilyn Adsitt
Frank Caliguiri
Laura Cangemi
Nancy Hancock
Bridgette Waite

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steven Gellar

MEMBERS ABSENT

Harold Dean, Superintendent
Robert Scappatore, Principal
Michael Gordon, Assistant Principal / Director of Special Ed.
Kathleen Nolan, School Business Assistant / District Treasurer
Ashley Harlin, District Clerk
DJ Fitzharris, Brown & Brown
Maureen Vu, Art Club
Margaret Jongebloed, Jewelry Club

ALSO PRESENT

1. 4:02 p.m. meeting called to order. Superintendent Dean led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/
PLEDGE:

2. President Delgado welcomed all and introduced club leaders M. Vu and M. Jongebloed. Each presented artwork and jewelry created by afterschool club participants. Students shared their experience participating in the program and presented gifts they made to board members.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S
REPORT

4:11 p.m. M. Vu and M. Jongebloed and students left the meeting.

President Delgado administered Oath of Office to newly appointed Vice-President, Corinne Hammons

3. Superintendent Dean reported on the following:

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Dr. Dean introduced DJ Fitzharris from Brown & Brown who presented on Retiree Medicare Benefits.

4:23 p.m. DJ Fitzharris left the meeting.

- **District Updates**– Annual BOCES Budget Meeting to be held 4/4. BOCES Cooperative Bidding Resolution (A) up for adoption. BOCES board election to be held 4/19. Reminder April’s meeting scheduled to align with the BOCES board elections and budget vote. Request for action on Personnel items and 2023-24 Ran Resolution. Discussion of draft policy #5700 on incidental damages and update on DASNY bond status. CRRSA amendment submitted and approved by SED. OMH Trauma Grant approved to pilot trauma model, Dynamic Mindfulness. Regional Need approved to increase our Day student capacity to 50 students. 21st Century Weekend Activities for Residential students; staff members working on creating programs. Superintendent’s Conference Day was a success. LFEF Golf Outing at Vineyards Country Club scheduled for Tuesday, May 30th.
- **Regional Updates**- SCSSA- SEL Committee to host virtual webinar on 5/17. Long Island budget advocacy items memo. ES BOCES services and positive impact of reimbursement rates. ES BOCES timeline for Standards and Assessments rollout and implementation. NSBA School Law Conference on 3/24.
- **Statewide Updates** – NYSED- Updates on graduation measures. IDEA application for NYS. Updated info on OMH school-related services for SWD. NYSSBA – Senate & Assembly, One-House analysis FY 24 proposed budgets, Special Act School Districts mentioned. NYSCOSS briefing- FY 23 final budget and analysis of FY 24 proposed budget. Coalition Meeting 3/22- Tuition Study Comparison, analysis of tuition proposals in executive and one-house budgets.

4. R. Scappatore presented the report as follows:
- Successful Women’s History Month contest, great student involvement. Little Flower’s March Madness basketball tournament held on Thursdays, throughout the month; PBIS eligibility. Performing Arts students’ Movie set experience facilitated by K. D’Alessio and J. Bailey. Students experienced a real movie production and performed as extras in the movie “Tuesday’s Flu.”

PRINCIPAL'S
REPORT

5. M. Gordon reported on enrollment; 28 new intake packets, 7 students enrolled, billable FTE of 114.5. CSE’s being held during March & April with positive feedback. Alternate Assessment testing underway. Grades 3-8 testing for ELA, 4/19-4/21. Student portfolios to be developed starting with LIVESS students. Portfolios will showcase their vocational work and projects. Overall goal is to prepare students to participate/lead their CSE’s.

DIRECTOR'S
REPORT

6. M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to approve the consent agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 6.1 M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday February 27, 2023. Minutes

- 6.2 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- b.1 M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to accept the Treasurer’s Report for the month of January 2023. Treasurer’s Reports

- b.2 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the schedule of bills for the month of: Schedule of Bills
 - February 2023: WN-30, WN-31 & WN-32

- b.3 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Budget Status Report for the month of February 2023. Budget Status

- b.4 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Accounts Receivable Report for the month of February 2023. Accounts Receivable

- b.5 M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to accept the Claims Audit Report for the month of February 2023. Claims Audit Report

- b.6 M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to approve the following General Fund Transfers: Budget Transfers

LITTLE FLOWER UFSD

PROPOSED BUDGET TRANSFER SCHEDULE - GF TRANSFERS 2022-23

GENERAL SUPPORT

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	TRANSFER IN	TRANSFER OUT
A1620.40	O&M - CONTRACTUAL	11,000.00	
A1620.403	O&M - CLEANING SERVICES	1,900.00	
A1620.45	O&M - MATERIALS & SUPPLIES		12,900.00
A1040.45	CLERK-MATERIALS & SUPPLIES		110.00
A1010.40	BOARD - CONTRACTUAL	110.00	
TOTAL TRANSFER		13,010.00	13,010.00

NET TRANSFER

0.00

- b.7 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Enrollment Projection for February 2023. Enrollment Projection
- 6.3 None at this time. CSE Recommendations
- 6.4 M. Adsitt moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 7-0 to approve the following personnel items: PERSONNEL
- a. Abolish one Library Media Specialist position, 0.5 FTE, effective March 1, 2023. Staffing Positions
Establish one Library Media Specialist position, 1.0 FTE, effective March 1, 2023.
- b. Jennifer Pax, Library Media Specialist, appointed to F/T permanent position. Employees Leaving District P/T Permanent
- c. Jennifer Pax, Library Media Specialist, probationary appointment, effective March 1, 2023 to February 28, 2027, Certification Library Media Specialist Initial, salary and benefits per LFTA Contract (MA Step 2) Employees Entering District F/T Permanent
- Rosemarie Messina, Family & Consumer Sciences (FACS) Teacher, probationary appointment, effective April 24, 2023 to April 23, 2027, Certification Home Economic Permanent, salary and benefits per LFTA contract (MA-75 Step 6).
- Individual Aides – hourly at \$17.00/hr Employees Entering District P/T
Andrades, Kristasia
Loftin, Kainoa
Terry, Dayana
7. NEW BUSINESS
- 7.1 B. Waite moved, C. Hammons seconded, carried 7-0 to approve the Resolution for Revenue Anticipation Notes, as follows: 2023-24 RAN

The Board President may seek a motion to approve the Resolution for Revenue Anticipation Notes, not to exceed \$1,000,000, as follows:

REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 27, 2023

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OF THE LITTLE FLOWER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000.00 FOR GENERAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Little Flower Union Free School District (the "School District"), Suffolk County, New York as follows:

SECTION 1. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell revenue anticipation notes, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said President of the Board of Education, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

SECTION 2. The notes are issued in anticipation of the receipt of 2023-2024 State Aid payments and other revenues to be received by the School District during the remainder of the 2022- 2023 School District fiscal year and in the 2023-2024 School District fiscal year.

SECTION 3. The notes are authorized to be issued against estimated uncollected revenues from public school districts, social service districts, and the State of New York of approximately \$1,500,000.00 or more to be received during the remainder of the 2022-2023 and in the 2023-2024 School District fiscal years.

SECTION 4. The notes shall be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 and shall be used to meet the ordinary operating expenses and other various expenses of the School District. The proceeds of the notes shall not be used to redeem revenue anticipation notes previously issued by the School District.

SECTION 5. The notes shall mature no later than one year after issuance.

SECTION 6. The faith and credit of the School District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such notes as the same become due and payable.

SECTION 7. The President of the Board of Education is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the notes authorized by this resolution as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and to designate the notes authorized by this resolution as "qualified tax-exempt bonds" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

SECTION 8. The President of the Board of Education is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the bonds or notes authorized by this resolution, containing provisions which are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

SECTION 9. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

8. BOARD POLICIES
- a. N. Hancock moved, F. Caliguiri seconded, carried 7-0 to approve the following written polices for “a second reading”:
Board Policies
Home, Hospital, or Institutional Instruction (#8450)
9. 5:06 p.m. M. Adsitt moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 7-0 Executive Session
to enter Executive Session.
R. Scappatore, M. Gordon, K. Nolan, A. Harlin left meeting.
5:13 p.m. F. Caliguiri moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 7-0 to
end executive session.
10. All members: Board Forum
Board members commented on the presentations to the Board, praised the receipt of the trauma and afterschool grants each offering additional opportunities for our students and staff. Board members collectively supported the idea of portfolios to demonstrate student growth.
11. At 5:24 pm N. Hancock moved, L. Cangemi seconded, carried Adjournment
7-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Harlin
District Clerk

Approved: _____