

Little Flower Union Free School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting
September 18, 2017
Video Conference Room – 4:00 p.m.

Walter Denzler, President
Charles Drexel, Vice-President
Gary Bixhorn
Raymond Fell
Nancy Hancock

MEMBERS PRESENT

Joseph Delgado
Corinne Hammons
Grace LoGrande
Sandra Townsend

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cynthia Stachowski, Superintendent
Ann Romeo, Asst. Supt. for Business
Robert Scappatore, Director of Curriculum/Data/Technology
Kathleen Nolan, District Clerk
Derek Kendall, Physical Education Teacher

ALSO PRESENT

1. President Denzler called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Superintendent Stachowski led with the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/
PLEDGE:

2. President Denzler welcomed all.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S
REPORT

3. Superintendent Stachowski reported on the following items:

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

- **New Staff Introduction** - New staff member, Derek Kendall, Physical Education Teacher, introduced himself to the Board and provided a brief bio.

4:08 pm D. Kendall left meeting.

- **ES BOCES - Old Liability Resolved** – In June the District paid the final balance owed to ES BOCES. The funds received from SCDSS enabled the District to pay the debt in its entirety.
- **Contract for Services with LFCFS** – After considerable discussion with the Agency Administration regarding the Nutritional Audit and Food Program, the District has turned over the Food Services Program to the Agency.
- **School Enrollment Data** – The Superintendent provided the Board data (prepared by Ann Romeo) showing the FTE breakdown by sending districts. School Enrollment data can be useful information for board members and administration when discussing the merits of our program with other agencies and school districts.

- **Capital Project Update –**
 - In New Business you will find change orders to be approved.
 - We still need to install the emergency shutdown mechanism for the Tech Room.
 - We also have limited power outlets in the classrooms. We still need to install Smartboards and data lines in numerous classrooms. This will be addressed in the near future.
 - There was a mechanics lien mistakenly placed on Agency property. This is being resolved by the contractor.
- **Did You Know That -**
 - Much credit goes to staff who managed to set up their rooms in one day due to ongoing construction work. Staff did a remarkable job preparing for the students arrival on their first day.
 - Pending the weather, Senator LaValle will be here for a photo-op with the van he obtained the funding for. If we need to reschedule all will be emailed the details.

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| 4. | No Report at this time. | PRINCIPAL'S
REPORT |
| 5. | R. Scappatore reported on how well the new school year is going so far. The students seem to have a different attitude. They are showing more pride and positive behaviors since returning to the newly renovated building. Feedback received from both staff and students has been really positive. The installation of all new data wiring is progressing. However, due to the enormity of the task it is taking longer than anticipated. Also, in 2-3 weeks we will be getting new security cameras installed. | DIRECTOR
CURRICULUM/DATA
TECHNOLOGY |
| 6. | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to approve the consent agenda | CONSENT AGENDA |
| 6.1 | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to approve minutes of the Organizational and Regular Meetings of Monday July 10, 2017. | Minutes |
| 6.2 | | Financials |
| b.1 | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to accept the Treasurer's Reports for the months of July and August 2017. | Treasurer's Report |

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| b.2 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the schedule of bills for the months of:
July 2017: WN-1, WN-2, WN-3
August 2017: WN-5, WN-6, WN-7
Capital Fund: WN-1, WN-2 | Schedule of Bills |
| b.3 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Budget Status Report for the months of June 2017 and August 2017. | Budget Status Report |
| b.4 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Accounts Receivable Report for the month of June 2017, at 8/31/17. | Accounts Receivable |
| b.5 | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to accept the Claims Audit Report for the months of June 2017, July 2017, and August 2017. | Claims Audit Report |
| b.6 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Enrollment Projection for June 2017 and actual 2016-2017. | Enrollment Projection |
| b.7 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Monthly Board Financial Report for the month of June 2017. | Monthly Board
Financial Report |
| 6.3 | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to accept recommendations of CSE Committee. | CSE Recommendations |
| 6.4 | C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to approve the following personnel items: | PERSONNEL |
| a. | Abolish Custodial Worker (.5)/Food Service Worker (.5) position, effective September 1, 2017. | Staffing Positions |
| b. | Richard Rogers, 1:1 Individual Aide, resignation effective August 31, 2017 to accept probationary appointment. | Employees Leaving
District P/T Temporary |
| c. | Lauren Bilello, Speech Teacher 0.80 FTE, resignation effective September 1, 2017 to accept full time appointment. | Employees Leaving
District F/T Permanent |
| | Caulette Robinson, Teaching Assistant, resignation effective September 1, 2017. | |
| | Tabbatha Smith, Custodial Worker/Food Service Worker, effective September 1, 2017. | |

- d. Lauren Bilello, Speech Teacher, probationary appointment September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021, Certification Speech Teacher, salary and benefits per LFTA Contract (MA Step2). Employees Entering District F/T Permanent

Derek Kendall, Physical Education Teacher, probationary appointment September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021, Certification Physical Education, salary and benefits per LFTA Contract (MA Step6).

Richard Rogers, Teaching Assistant, probationary appointment September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2021, Certification Level I Teaching Assistant, salary and benefits per LFTA Contract (HS+75 Step 1).

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| e. <u>Position</u> | <u>Employee</u> | Employee Additional |
| Student Resource Coordinator | Gregory Dates | Appointments - Stipends |
| VADIR Coordinator | James Mercurio | 2017-2018 |
| CSE Chairperson | Jessica Frost | |

- f. Substitute Teacher - per diem at \$130.00 Employees Entering District P/T Temporary
Stefanie Werner

Teacher Aides – hourly at \$14.00/hr

Robert Bianchi-Fruin
La'Verne Brown
Joshua Conner
Meghan Cordaro
Gregory Cross
Christine Engelbert
Michael Ford
Carla Gitto
David Jefferson Jr.
Julian Jordan
Tanesha Lewis
Brendan McMahon

Rexford Nowak
Kathryn Peterson
Robert Piecuch
Samuel Ruffin
Jonathan Saric
Roni Schunk
Jason Slote
Tabbatha Smith
Maureen Vu
Tiffany Wallahora
Barbara Wright

7. 4:40 p.m. R. Fell moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 5-0 to enter Executive Session to discuss negotiations and legal matters. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Romeo, R. Scappatore, and K. Nolan left meeting.

4:50 p.m. C. Drexel moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to end Executive Session.

8. NEW BUSINESS
- 8.1 G. Bixhorn moved, C. Drexel seconded, carried 5-0 to appoint Guercio @ Guercio, LLP as General and Labor counsel to the Board for the 2017-18 school year. Other Appointment/
School Attorney
- 8.2 N. Hancock moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 5-0 to appoint William Glasshagel as Homeless Liaison for the 2017-18 school year. Other Appointment/
Homeless Liasison
- 8.3 R. Fell moved, C. Drexel seconded, carried 5-0 to approve the contract for services with Little Flower Children & Family Services for 2017-18 in the amount of \$122,960. LFCFS Services Contract
- 8.4 N. Hancock moved, G. Bixhorn seconded, carried 5-0 to approve the Capital Project Change Orders as follows: Capital Project Change
Orders
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| GC-001 | Construction Consultants LI. Inc | \$45,000.99
(offset to allowance / net contract change \$0.00) |
| GC-002 | Construction Consultants LI. Inc | \$25,865.79 |
| E-001 | Palace Electrical Contractors Inc | \$18,335.00
(offset to allowance / net contract change \$0.00) |
9. Board members expressed thanks to all who have worked on the school building project. BOARD FORUM
10. At 4:54 p.m., C. Drexel moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 5-0 to adjourn. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen A. Nolan
District Clerk

Approved: October 23, 2017