

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Hicksville Union Free School District
Town of Oyster Bay, Hicksville, NY
Administration Building Boardroom
And Video Conference via Zoom

June 7, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS: Brenda Judson, Sunita Manjrekar, Linda Imbriale, Phil Heckler, Irene Carlomusto
Annette Beiner, and Danielle Fotopoulos

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Marianne Litzman, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Mary Bediako, Interim Assistant
Superintendent for Personnel; Marcy Tannenbaum, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Anthony
Lubrano, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum; Christopher Shishko and Ashley Pope, School
Attorneys; John O'Brien, District Clerk.

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Manjrekar at
approximately 6:33 PM.

NO. 1 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Manjrekar requested a motion to go into Executive Session *to discuss Middle Principal Position, hiring updates, college credit requirements for TAs, a DASA investigation update, Legal items to be discussed include Partial Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighters, restructuring of tenure areas, an office of civil rights complaint, a 913 examination update, RFP transportation, an update for regarding a particular person and for matters of Special Education and Advice of Counsel in regard to action items on the June 7th Agenda.*

Ms. Beiner moved and Ms. Carlomusto seconded that the board move into Executive Session.

Voting on No. 1: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board went into executive session at 6:34pm.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:34PM having taken no action. The meeting resumed at 8:31PM

PLEDGE

Ms. Carlomusto led the pledge.

STATEMENT FROM MS. JUDSON

Ms. Judson made the following statement, "Thank you all. I just wanted to let everybody know there was an announcement that was on the web earlier today as well, that I am resigning from the board for personal and family reasons. I've enjoyed my eleven years. I think I've made a contribution. I appreciate all the support I've gotten from the fellow board members, past and present, as well as all the administrators and the HCT and the HCA, and in particular the superintendent. Both yourself, Maureen Bright and Dr. Bonuso. It's been a wonderful opportunity. I appreciated everything and I'm

looking forward to the next chapter of my life. And I'll still come to meetings. You're still going to see that ugly face, but I will still come. But I thank you all. And this night is about everybody else here. So thank you.

Ms. Manjrekar said, "You are equally special to us and on behalf of the board we would want to present you with flowers and get a picture with you."

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

District Safety & Security Systems and Personnel

Ms. Litzman reported the following, "I just would like to remind everyone that each building in the district has a safety team, and that consists of reviewing and implementing and evaluating our district-wide safety plan and any of the safety drills and other things that are involved at the building level, but also at the district level. And our next safety meeting actually is coming up next week, June 14, and it is an open meeting to the public, and there will be a link on the district website for anyone who would like to join that. So now we have been able to hire additional security guards. So now we have 21 district-wide total. There are nine security guards at the high school, five at the middle school, and each elementary school has one guard. We are also able to add additional guards at activities in the elementary buildings and our secondary buildings commence for special events. So, just so you know, at certain events, you may see more security guards in your child's school.

The district also has a very strong collaboration with our POP officers. And Nassau County Police Department is regularly at all of our schools, not only outside, but walking inside and introducing themselves to the building principal every day. So we thank the Nassau County police department for that. And we do have a district security consultant. I think you've all met him at different meetings. And perhaps if you're out and about at events in the school district and that's Mr. Nick Squicciarini, and he does go to all of our schools, and is quite good at it and covering a lot of ground every day, visiting our buildings, speaking with principals and staff, and he's also spoken to parents. Thank you very much, Mr. Squicciarini. The next slide is what Mr. Friedman will talk about looking at our security system.

Mr. Friedman presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file at the District Clerk's Office). In summary Mr. Friedman stated that there are 423 cameras throughout the district. The district will be replacing 181 cameras which is part of the district plan and some will be replaced with multi-head cameras. Mr. Friedman said, "By taking out 20 single cameras and adding 20 multi cameras, we're actually adding 60 more angles of viewing in 360 degrees. If you've been in some of our buildings, a lot of the hallways that come to a T where there are four directions, or if you're in our pool complex so a principal or another administrator can kind of see every direction and the comings and goings as things happen in our hallways."

Mr. Friedman said the cameras will ultimately be funded by the Smart Schools investment plan. Other security additions include security fences around Dutch and Woodland. Also all schools have mantraps which allow security to check in visitors before they can enter the building. The scholarship system, currently in use at the High School and Middle School will be add to the elementary school systems.

Middle School Task Force

Ms. Litzman said, "I would like to thank my co-chairs from the board and the middle school task force members for the strenuous work that we've been doing overtime to bring Positivity back to our middle

school. Our next meeting is an open meeting of the middle school Task Force, and that will be on June 13. And we are going to begin posting information on our district website regarding all the positive progress that we've made. So that would be coming before the next meeting, and then we'll have our meeting on the 13th.

Ms. Beiner added, "I have to say the group that we have and the amount of work that has been put into it is commendable just in the short time of us meeting. And the things that have changed, they are all for the positive and there's more positive changes to come. But I just want to thank everybody from the staff to the parents, to the administrators that are on it, and to my fellow board members and Ms. Litzman. It's been some great accomplishments.

Summer Programs

Ms. Litzman reported, "Many activities are scheduled throughout the summer, in meeting the academic needs of students, the following programs will be in session:

Our extended school year program for our special education students is scheduled from July 3 to August 11. Bryan Offermann is the administrative Coordinator for the program which is scheduled for Woodland elementary school. We have approximately 111 students in the full day program and 117 students who will receive reading support. Teacher and learning will be aligned to themes of superheroes and school spirit.

The district academic intervention services elementary summer program is scheduled from July 5-July 27th with approximately 132 students enrolled. Teaching and learning will include reading, writing, mathematics and STEM technology. A class trip is also planned for students to engage in coding activities, STEM and Lego building. The program is scheduled for Burns Avenue School with Ms. Swanson as the coordinator for the program.

BOCES Consortium Summer School grades 6-12 Is scheduled from July 10-August 15 at the high school. This program allows for credit recovery in core content courses assisting students in meeting graduation requirements. The administrative coordinator for the program is Ms. O'Connell who will also be supervising the administration of the August Regents.

And we have summer recreational opportunities for students through Young People's Day Camp to be held at old Country Road School. The summer camp will run from June 26 through August 18. Hicksville High School students are encouraged to apply for summer employment. Marketing of the program has been through PTA, Facebook, Instagram and a flyer with a QR code. We are looking forward to a fun summer over at OCR."

Capital Work Projects

Ms. Tannenbaum presented a PowerPoint presentation (on file at the district clerk's office). In summary the district projects are as follows:

2023-2024 Approved Maintenance Projects - \$422,451

- Additional bottle-filling stations at each elementary school
- Dutch Lane – New fence
- East Street – New Fence, site work at the playground entrance
- Lee Avenue – Exterior door replacement at the staff entrance
- Old Country Road – Music room refresh

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- Middle School – Instrument storage
- High School – Guidance Office refresh, fence and gate at front loop
- District Wide projects include: Refinish gym/APR/Stage floor, venetian blind replacement, playground replacement parts, and painting

2022-2023 Capital Reserve Projects:

- High School track work part of will begin after graduation.
- High School Art room

HVAC Improvements Federal Stimulus Funds

CRRSA.ESSER II - \$4.4 million

- High School – 21 Room
- Middle School – 21 Rooms
- Lee Avenue – 18 Rooms

ARPA - \$1.2 Million

- Summer projects scheduled for 2024 – Waiting for SED approval
- Sunsets Sept. 30, 2024 – Woodland & East

2023-2024 Initiatives Through Cafeteria Fund

Elementary Schools – New serving lines expected the week of August 1, replacement of cooking equipment, new cafeteria tables delivered and in use, solar shades installation, replacement of interior and exterior kitchen doors, replace lighting in APR Rooms, and New Stainless-Steel Prep Tables.

Middle Schools – New Walk-In Refrigerator & Freezer, New serving lines in Café A & B, Flat Planet TVs to Display Menus, and Replace Middle School Pizza Oven

High School – Door Alarm for Exterior Cafeteria Door and Replace Pizza Oven / Double Convection Oven

New Box Truck for District Food Deliveries

My Voice Matters Initiative

Ms. Litzman stated, “We'd like to include the My Voice Matters campaign that we've done for two years in a row now. And last meeting we were able to highlight a family who had participated in the process and tonight we have members of the Family Engagement Committee and parents within our school community. I would like to once again share some very wise words which are the driving force for our family engagement. And that is, as a community, we are committed to the social and emotional well-being of all our students. We seek to develop the individual potential of each student in a collaborative atmosphere that values intellectual freedom and inspiration. We value families as partners in this work and as partners in recreating the school's unique environment. As a community, we foster respect for an appreciation of individual and cultural differences, emphasize social responsibility and leadership, community service and good citizenship, and value civility and ethical behavior. It's been my honor to support this work and ensure that it grows. And I am pleased to announce, in support of family engagement, we have been able to hire a family partnership specialist. Her name is Maritza Quintero and we are looking forward to welcoming her here in district on July 5.”

Ms. Guida stated, “I'm just going to start with the data points. We had over 2000 submissions. Of course, Linda and I did not read them all ourselves. We had a huge team. When we talk about the participation in this event, it was amazing to have that many submissions. Specific teachers were mentioned over 200 times. And I'm just going to call out the one that was mentioned the most just because I think she deserves the recognition. Over 20-25 times, Ms. Rodriguez was mentioned not

only with her English students, but her Spanish speaking students as well. So that was really nice. Staff was mentioned over 140. This includes principals, guidance counselors, security guards, custodians, nurses, hall monitors, social workers and psychologists, cafeteria workers, school librarians, coaches, greeters, bus drivers, and even the school board. Community was mentioned over 25 times, including neighbors, PTA, Girl Scouts in the public library. Peers and friends were mentioned over 200 times, and the overall themes included kindness, understanding, hopefulness, welcoming, passion, fun, and encouragement. So we received so many submissions, and we would get great submissions like this from elementary where they drew, and it would be something simple as everyone reads me with a smile. And then we would get submissions like this from middle school and high school. And if you ever have the chance to read them, there's so much information that they share, and it's just so heartwarming. So this one was about Mr. Schmucl. The weekend of junior prom and my Allstate audition, I got COVID-19. I was panicking as I thought I had lost my only chance to do an audition I had been preparing for months. Mr. Schmucl worked to find the last spot left in New York and rescheduled my audition. And because of that, I got into the Allstate jazz ensemble. Things like that, these kids remember and they write about, and it stays with them forever. So, again, one of my favorite favorite projects that we've done."

Lynda Imbriale stated, "Having seen it from the very beginning, start and then transfer to the high school site base, this year was amazing for me because I got to see whether the student really can be involved. Every student can be involved. You don't have to be part of a specific club. You don't have to be on the student council or anything. These students themselves are writing what's important to them, something as simple as just hello every morning. They forgot their homework and they didn't know what to do, and they sought out a guidance counselor a social worker. Just having someone to go to and then seeing it come back to site base, their peers, reading and looking at everything and then being able to do something with it and make changes to me is huge because it's the student voice, it's each individual student. And it does show that to me that it matters and how seriously this is taken by everyone. And I glad to be involved in it, and I'm very proud of this district for initiating."

Other parents also voiced what they learned from the My Voice Matters.

Lynda Parmely added, "I'm just here to thank everybody. This has been a wonderful journey and way to kind of round out my school experience in Hicksville. And I need to thank Marianne Litzman, Brenda Judson, for embracing the project and supporting the parent committee as we try to administer this project as volunteers and recognizing the value and helping it to be respected in a way to begin to engage our parents and students that sometimes we struggle with the parent who's most vocal. There's not always that avenue to be heard. So there was a need. And with so much going on in the school district, it's sometimes hard to see the value and the importance of those voices, even on a piece of paper like this that might never get read. But it matters because eventually someone reads it. They put it out there, and it's there in writing for people to see and know what they're thinking and saying. So it was taken into each building seriously to address some of the concerns which we've seen has been happening to site base as well as school committees like wellness. It reinforced a lot of what I think other people were saying about food and stress, and the lockers and mental health issues and so on and so on. So it amplified a lot of things that we had already had kind of known, but it was void. So before my red face explodes, I need to thank Joanne for all her help, Rose Borda for her help last year, and the current social studies director Linda and Sunita, who were there from the beginning. I don't know if Sunita remembers dining table in her house. Yes, all the parents who've been involved, some that have continued and some that were a little too busy, but have committed themselves to this work as we move forward with the new Family Partnership Specialist. And thank you to the PTAs, to making sure

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it gets out into each school. So it has been a group effort. But at the end of the day, my heart and as a parent belongs to these children. I'll leave it at that.

Ms. Litzman requested that the approval of the Personnel Agenda be moved up on the agenda so the staff members and their families waiting in the hallway could be recognized for tenure.

NO. 2 PERSONNEL

Ms. Manjrekar requested a motion to approve the personnel agenda. Ms. Carlomusto moved and Ms. Beiner seconded that the personnel agenda be approved.

CLASSIFIED

1. LEAVES OF ABSENCE REQUESTS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve leaves of absence for the following certified staff members:

A.	Danielle Baker	Teacher-Kindergarten Old Country Road	FMLA 5/1/23-6/23/23
B.	Matthew Canty	Teacher-Physical Education High School	FMLA 8/30/23-11/6/23
C.	Alyssa Choudhry	Teacher-Science Middle School	FMLA 8/29/23-2/1/24
D.	Gino Gentilini-Pagonis	Teacher-Special Education Middle School	FMLA 8/30/23-10/18/23
E.	Rachel Reckert	Teacher-Special Education Woodland	Revised FMLA 05/30/23-06/23/23

2. RETIREMENTS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of the following certified staff members:

- A. Marianne Litzman, Superintendent, Districtwide, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2023.
- B. Philip Grusenmeyer, Assistant Principal, Districtwide, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2023.
- C. Ann Carlino, Teacher Assistant, High School, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2023.
- D. Deborah Hoppe, Teacher Assistant, Old Country Road, effective at the close of business on June 23, 2023.
- E. Rosemary Morrissey, Teacher Assistant, Lee Avenue, effective close of business June 23, 2023.

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- F. Geralyn Verde, Teacher Assistant, East Street, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2023.

3. RESIGNATIONS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the resignation of the following certified staff members:

- A. Thalia Nunez, Foreign Language Teacher, Middle School, effective close of business June 30, 2023.
- B. Emma Pepe, Permanent Substitute, High School, effective close of business June 14, 2023.
- C. Zeny Rodriguez, Science Teacher, High School, effective close of business June 30, 2023.
- D. Siobhan Walsh, Permanent Substitute, High School, effective close of business May 26, 2023.

4. TERMINATION:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the termination of the following certified staff member:

- A. Jeanine Marie Klein, Teaching Assistant, Dutch Lane, effective close of business July 7, 2023, for abandonment of position.

5. RESOLUTION:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Ms. Gail Hunker to serve as Nurse Consultant (hourly) for a period not to exceed 100 hours commencing July 5, 2023 at a rate of \$58.57 per hour on an as needed basis as designated by the Superintendent.

6. APPOINTMENTS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following appointments:

- A. Name: Caitlin Barto
 Type: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Visual Arts
 Assignment: Visual Arts Teacher
 Effective Date: August 30, 2023
 Ending Date: August 29, 2027
 *Location: Districtwide
 Certification: Professional Certification for this position
 Salary: MA Step 2 \$75,099
 Replacing: L. Olivero

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as an administrator must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

- B. Name: Gregory Cassiano

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Type: Probationary
Tenure Area: Physics
Assignment: Physics Teacher
Effective Date: August 30, 2023
Ending Date: August 29, 2027
*Location: High School
Certification: Initial Certification for this position
Salary: BA Step 1 \$62,496
Replacing: Z. Milack

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C. Name: Meghan Cerrone
Type: Probationary
Tenure Area: Visual Arts
Assignment: Visual Arts Teacher
Effective Date: August 30, 2023
Ending Date: August 29, 2026
*Location: Districtwide
Certification: Professional Certification for this position
Salary: MA Step 4 \$81,078
Replacing: New

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a teacher must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

D. Name: Krystal Chase
Type: Probationary
Tenure Area: Mathematics
Assignment: Mathematics Teacher
Effective Date: August 30, 2023
Ending Date: August 29, 2027
*Location: Middle School
Certification: Professional Certification for this position
Salary: MA Step 5 \$84,209
Replacing: B. Massa

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a teacher must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

E. Name: Caroline Crimmins
Type: Probationary
Tenure Area: Special Education
Assignment: Special Education Teacher 15:1
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Ending Date: August 29, 2027
*Location: TBD

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Certification: Initial Certification for this position

Salary: BA Step 2 \$64,947

Replacing: New

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- F. Name: Kathleen Hogan
 Type: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Elementary
 Assignment: Elementary School Teacher
 Effective Date: August 30, 2023
 Ending Date: August 29, 2026
 *Location: Burns Avenue
 Certification: Permanent Certification for this position
 Salary: MA Step 2 \$75,099
 Replacing: M. Lombardi

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a teacher must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

- G. Name: Anthony Licari
 Type: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Mathematics
 Assignment: Mathematics
 Effective Date: August 30, 2023
 Ending Date: August 29, 2027
 *Location: Middle School
 Certification: Initial Certification for this position
 Salary: BA+30 Step 2 \$70,549
 Replacing: J. Siegel

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a teacher must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

- H. Name: Arleen Rodriguez
 Type: Probationary
 Tenure Area: Bilingual Education
 Assignment: Bilingual Teacher, Grade 1
 Effective Date: August 30, 2023
 Ending Date: August 29, 2027
 *Location: Lee Avenue
 Certification: Professional Certification for this position
 Salary: MA Step 5 \$84,209
 Replacing: New

In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a teacher must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

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- I. Name: Kathleen Nicolich
 Type: Per Diem Substitute Teacher
 Effective Date: September 5, 2023
 Ending Date: June 30, 2024 (or earlier based upon the needs of the District)
 *Location: Districtwide
 Certification: Permanent Certification for this position
 Salary: \$125.00 per diem

APPOINTMENT – PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Permanent Substitute Teacher. They will be compensated \$130 per day. All possess valid NYS Teacher Certification.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Sophia Bilicki

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

7. CHANGE OF STATUS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following change of status:

- A. Name: Summer Graceffa
 Assignment: Teaching Assistant - Full Time
 Effective Date: May 22, 2023
 *Location: Old Country Road
 Certification: Teaching Assistant Certification for this position
 Salary: \$25.29 per hour
 Previous Assignment: Teaching Assistant - Part Time

8. TENURE:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education grant tenure to the following teachers:

- A. Name: Monica Aber
 Type: Tenure
 Tenure Area: School Social Work
 Effective Date: September 2, 2023
 *Location: Old Country Road
 Certification: Permanent Certification
- B. Name: Kerri Barnett
 Type: Tenure
 Tenure Area: Music
 Effective Date: September 2, 2023
 *Location: Lee Avenue, Old Country Road

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Certification: Initial Certification

- C. Name: Victoria DeSalvo
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: K-6
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Old Country Road
Certification: Professional Certification
- D. Name: Brooke Gorey
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Guidance
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Dutch Lane, Fork Lane, Lee Avenue, Woodland
Certification: Permanent Certification
- E. Name: Christine Koncick
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Special Education
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Fork Lane
Certification: Professional Certification
- F. Name: Ruby Lainez
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Psychology
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Woodland
Certification: Permanent Certification
- G. Name: Victor Lam
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Home Economics
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Middle School
Certification: Professional Certification
- H. Name: Erika Ortega
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Foreign Language 7-12
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Burns Avenue, East Street, Fork Lane, Lee Avenue
Certification: Professional Certification
- I. Name: Kayla Pacheco
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Speech
Effective Date: September 2, 2023

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*Location: Woodland
Certification: Initial Certification

J. Name: Katherine Regan
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Psychology
Effective Date: September 7, 2023
*Location: High School
Certification: Provisional Certification

K. Name: Nubia Rodriguez
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: School Social Worker
Effective Date: September 7, 2023
*Location: Burns Avenue, East Street
Certification: Permanent Certification

L. Name: Amanda Rose
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Psychology
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Middle School
Certification: Provisional Certification

M. Name: Jennifer Scott
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Physical Education
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: High School
Certification: Professional

N. Name: Eva Shtein
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: English 7-12
Effective Date: September 5, 2023
*Location: High School
Certification: Professional Certification

O. Name: Daisy Vasquez
Type: Tenure
Tenure Area: Psychology
Effective Date: September 2, 2023
*Location: Dutch Lane
Certification: Permanent Certification

9. ASSIGNED SERVICES:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following Assigned Services:

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1. Non-Public Textbook Coordinators 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-138.
2. High School and Middle School Supervision for Athletics, 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-139.
3. High School and Middle School Supervision for Athletics, 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-140.
4. ESY 2023 Summer Program, Special Education Teachers and Teacher Assistants, Schedule No. P-2223-141.
5. Guidance Summer Assignments, Schedule No. P-2223-142.

*Information Items – not part of the appointment

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1. RESIGNATION:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following resignation:

Coleen Reilley, School Monitor, Woodland School, effective close of business May 12, 2023.

2. RETIREMENT:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following resignations for the purpose of retirement:

Sharon Brewer, Senior Typist Clerk, East Street, effective close of business July 28, 2023.

3. CREATION OF POSITION:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following position:

Community Services Information Assistant

4. APPOINTMENTS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following appointments:

Name:	Maritza Quintero
Title:	Community Services Information Assistant
Location:	Administration
Salary:	\$85,000
Effective Date:	July 5, 2023 (Pending Civil Service Approval)

Name:	Tamel Dominick
Title:	Cleaner Part-Time Substitute
Location:	District Wide
Salary:	\$15 per hour
Effective Date:	Pending Civil Service Approval

5. ASSIGNED SERVICES:

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following services:

Summer Personnel Schedule, Schedule P-2223-137

CERTIFIED ADDENDUM

1. APPOINTMENT:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following appointment:

1. Name: Alyssa Pellicane
Type: Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Effective Date: June 8, 2023
Ending Date: June 20, 2023 (or earlier based upon the needs of the District)
*Location: Districtwide
Certification: Provisional Certification for this position
Salary: \$125 per diem

2. ASSIGNED SERVICES:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following Assigned Services:

1. Coaching Positions for the School Year 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-124.
2. Coaching Positions for the School Year 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-125.
3. Coaching Positions for the School Year 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-126.
4. Coaching Positions for the School Year 2023-2024, Schedule No. P-2223-127.
5. ESY 2023 Summer Program, P-2223-142.

CERTIFIED ADDENDUM II

1. LEAVES OF ABSENCE REQUEST:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve leave of absence for the following certified staff member:

A.	Lucia Vieco	Teacher- ESL	FMLA
		Old Country Road	5/16/23-6/23/23

2. ASSIGNED SERVICE:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following Assigned Services:

1. Guidance Summer Assignments 2023, Revised, Schedule No. P-2223-143.
2. Schedule "D" Fine Arts, Marching Band-HS, Schedule No. P-2223-144.
3. Schedule "D" Fine Arts, Marching Band-HS, Schedule No. P-2223-145.

CERTIFIED ADDENDUM III

1. ASSIGNED SERVICE:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following Assigned Services:

1. Schedule "D" Fine Arts, Band Camp-HS, Schedule No. P-2223-146.
2. Schedule "D" Fine Arts, Marching Band Instructor-HS, Schedule No. P-2223-147.

Voting on No. 2: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Litzman and Dr. Bediako introduced and congratulated the Teachers who had just received Tenure.

RECOGNIZING MARIANNE LITZMAN

Ms. Manjrekar presented Ms. Litzman a plaque and said, “We've given all the tenure pins and welcomed the staff, but we have a very important tenure plaque to be given to Mrs. Litzman for her 35 years. So if my fellow board members and anybody else wants to come present this plaque to you on behalf of the Board, it says 100 years from now, what will matter is that you were important in the life of a child. Presented with gratitude to Marianne Litzman in appreciation for your 35 years of dedicated service to Hicksville Public Schools, in addition to being science teacher, Middle School Assistant Principal, Elementary Principal, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and most importantly, superintendent of school on the behalf of the Board I would like to present this plaque to you.”

Ms. Litzman said, “Just as we change leadership, we look to new strengths. Dr. Fulton, we have welcomed him, and I've been working to assist in his transition, transition to this wonderful community. It's been my honor to serve this district as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, assistant superintendent for curriculum, instruction, and now superintendent of schools. I thank the board of education for your support through some very, very difficult and unique times, especially COVID and now forest fire smoke. So may go from strength to strength. So farewell and be well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

Ms. Carlomusto reported, “Policy met on May 25, the final time of this school year, and we had a very robust agenda, and I'm happy to say in cooperation with parents and staff, we were able to get through the majority of it much more than we ever expected. We have two policies that are going for adoption this evening and the rest of them that are going for first reading. I had attended an NYSSBA workshop in April that mentioned a lot of these policies that were brought forth to policy committee, and a lot of them that were discussed were online distance and remote learning policy. Although some of these things were covered other places in our school district policy book, we thought it was important to make ease and accessibility for parents. And Mrs. Parmley also has an active interest in the policy committee, sits with me and gives me the guidance that I need to remind me that the average parent sometimes doesn't know where to find things. So we tried to streamline a little bit easier to make it accessible to all, since we all want family engagement to be one of our first priorities. Along with that was 6700 green purchasing 8130 school safety plan, which also Mr. Lubrano takes care of and told me that we also have our own school safety plan, that this is above and beyond. It's not a required policy, that this is a local policy, but again, this is just for the purview of the parent. So when they don't know where to look and they don't know where to find anything, they will be able to look into this policy number. Pandemic planning was another 8131. Just in case we ever have another pandemic that we need to plan for, we will know where to look for the information. NYSSBA says that they are not required. Like I said, they are local policies or their recommendations. And being that they were so broad, we figured that we would just put them in there just to give someone peace of mind that they would have to look for if they wanted to know where to look. I thank my committee for all their assistance and Danielle, my co-chair this year, and we look forward to meeting again in September.

Safety Committee

Ms. Beiner provided the following report, “We met on May 17. We went over, we watched several videos on updating the safety plan. So that took up a majority of the meeting. We went over let's see, so BOCES did the we did the Health and Safety Liaison Report. We watched the emergency response planning videos. Cybersecurity. Dan gave a PowerPoint in regards to the training, that class that he had gone to, which was quite informative. Happy to report that all the telephones and all of the classrooms

and all of the schools work. Thank you to Mr. Bell and all of the workers who helped to make sure that they were all working. And we talked about the continued training on the Rave app. And we spoke about the middle school task Force, which Ms. Litzman touched on earlier tonight, where we gave an update. And our next meeting is June 14, which is open to the public.”

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Irene Carlomusto

Ms. Carlomusto reported the following, “I attended NYSSBA's Webinar today on legal and policy implications of school board committees. It was very informative. It was nice and short for a change, so it was very direct and to the point. I shared all the slides with my fellow board members and I believe Mary attended also. And we already agreed that on some of the formats, certain things were very informative and they broke it down almost idiot proof, where there was wasn't like legal ease. The average person could understand. I actually was able to listen to some of it in my car when I was coming from one point to another and not have to worry about having to take notes. It actually was able to be absorbed for a change. It was very informative. And we hope to move forward and condense some of the committees, possibly, or maybe change the names of some, but we'll see what the new school year breaks. Thank you.”

Sunita Manjrekar

Ms. Manjrekar reported, “I attended the industry advisory board meeting last Friday, which was held at the high school. It was coordinated by Ms. Power, and I was just amazed and impressed with the way the meeting was conducted. And we had presentations from the police science program and the Certified Nurses Assistant program, these individuals, especially from the CNA program, they can right away go into a job paying them a decent salary was all the more reason why we need to push more of those CTE programs, have more of them in our school. But the Nassau BOCES's instructor was, speaking, very highly of our students that were in the program. And it was a great opportunity to network because we had NUMC there, we had the Junior Achievement Program, you had the town of Oyster Bay, you had different community organizations and government agencies which allowed all of us to network with each other, to do what we can to help our youth get internships and summer employment, et cetera. So I wore my Nassau County hat, and I presented about the summer youth program. Our summer youth program for the high school is starting on June 30. We have about 25 kids from Hicksville that will be working in Nassau County departments as employees, not interns. And we have some kids that have been coming to me for the past almost four years since they were 16 and were a junior in high school and they'll age out this year. The program that I'm running for the county this year, we have almost over 100 slots. We try to reach out to Uniondale School District, Westbury, we work with Nassau BOCES. We try to do as many children because this is a need space program and if the children start on June 30, especially the high school kids, and the end right before Labor Day, they can easily make up to \$3,000 to \$4,000. I was able to negotiate a salary increase and brought them up to \$17 an hour. Minimum wage would put some money into these children's pockets and help their families as well. So the industry advisory board allows us to network because I'm always looking for speakers for my program, which is so important. The importance of social media, not Snapchat, but LinkedIn is so much more important. So emphasizing that importance to the children that social media is a big part of your professional career, and that's important. I was able to get a couple of speakers, get some donations for clothing. So it's a great opportunity. And the Industry advisory board is held twice a year, and it's a great opportunity for networking. This evening, my other hat is I work with a non for profit Children's Hope. And we are sending 23 children from Hicksville, from elementary and middle school to an all-expense paid eight-week summer camp at Young People's Day Camp. So we had that ceremony today at the high school where we invited children and we gave them their vouchers. That is my individual board report.”

Linda Imbriale

I just want to thank the Hicksville Booster Thesis Club and the Athletic Department for the wonderful athletic dinner.

WARRANT REPORT

Ms. Manjrekar said The Board of Education has received the Warrant Report from the Claims Auditor for the period of ending May 31, 2023.

GENERAL PUBLIC

No Public Comments

NO. 3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Manjrekar requested a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Beiner moved and Ms. Carlomusto seconded that the minutes be approved.

- Minutes of the Budget Vote & Trustee Election/Regular Board of Education Meeting on May 16, 2023
- Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Education on May 25, 2023
- Minutes of the Board of Education Policy Meeting of April 27, 2023

Voting on No. 3: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NO. 4 OMNIBUS MOTION

Ms. Manjrekar requested an Omnibus motion to approve Business and Finance A 1 to A20, New Business action items, A 1 to 9, policies 5420 and 8121, curriculum items C 1 to C 2.

Ms. Imbriale moved and Mr. Heckler seconded that the OMNIBUS motion be approved.

A. Finance – Action Items

1. Treasurer's Report

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the Treasurer's Report including Extra-Curricular reports for the Middle School and High School, for the period ending May 31st, 2023.

2. Transfer Reports

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the Transfer Report for the period ending May 31, 2023.

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the Requests for Transfer of Funds in Excess of \$10,000/\$100,000 for the period ending May 31, 2023.

3. Tax Anticipation Notes

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for the 2023-2024 school year.

4. Contract-Student Accident Insurance
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the 2023-2024 renewal of the district's Excess Student Accident Insurance with U.S. Fire in the amount of \$9,343 and the renewal of Student Accident Insurance with W.R. Berkley Corporation in the amount of \$28,875, no increase from the 2022-2023 school year, backup attached.
5. Reject Pre K Proposals
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to reject the District's RFP for Universal Pre-Kindergarten opened on April 18th, 2023, backup attached.
6. Health and Welfare Services Agreement Payable-Manhasset UFSD; Westbury UFSD; Brentwood UFSD; South Huntington UFSD; Deer Park UFSD; Jericho UFSD; Mineola UFSD; Plainedge UFSD; Uniondale UFSD; West Islip UFSD; Garden City UFSD; Seaford UFSD;
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the Health and Welfare Services Agreement which reimburse individual school districts for health services provided to students who reside in Hicksville and attend private/parochial schools in other school districts for the 2022-2023 school year. The Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to execute said contract(s) on behalf of the Board of Education.
7. Donation-Class of 1969
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept \$5,420 on behalf of the Hicksville High School Class of 1969. The donation can only be used for the improvement and beautification within Hicksville High School, backup attached.
8. Donation-Yarnspirations
The Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept a donation of yarn from Yarnspirations to the Middle School Home and Career classes to craft and donate finished items, backup attached.
9. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the disposal of obsolete equipment, backup attached.
10. Transportation Services- Resolution to Amend Term of Last Year's Award and Award New Contract for 23-24 to 26-27
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and with the agreement of the vendor, hereby amends the term of the pupil transportation contracts awarded on April 26, 2022 for home-to-school transportation, private/parochial school transportation, special education transportation, summer transportation, athletic trip transportation, and field trip transportation to terminate as of June 30, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following a transportation Request for Proposals RFP # 05122023 dated May 26, 2023, and after thorough consideration of all proposal(s) received in accordance with the mandated criteria, the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the award of pupil transportation contracts for home-to-school transportation, private/parochial school transportation, special education transportation, summer transportation, athletic trip transportation, and field trip transportation for the 2023–2024, 2024–2025, 2025–2026, and 2026–2027 school years, to EBT Bus Company, in accordance with the terms of the specifications of the District’s transportation RFP #05122023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with the requirements for a multi-year contract, a separate line item will be included in the annual budget and budget brochures with an appropriate footnote to indicate the specific year of the multi-year contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the President of the Board of Education to sign and execute the New York State Transportation Contracts with EBT Bus Company on behalf of the Board in conformance with this Resolution.

11. Eastern Suffolk BOCES-Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program-Musical Instrument Repairs Cross Contract;

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract to join the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program. The contract provides access to all Eastern Suffolk BOCES bids through June 30, 2024, backup attached.

12. Services Agreement Reinstatement-Third Party Administrators for Tax Sheltered Annuities

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the Services Agreement Reinstatement with OMNI Financial Group for the third party administration of the District’s 403(b) plan for the 2023-2024 school year, backup attached.

13. Anticipated Reserve Funds Allocation

Resolved, Upon The Recommendation Of The Superintendent Of Schools, In The Event There Are Sufficient Funds Remaining In The 2022-2023 Budget, The Board Shall Cause The Following Reserve Funds To Be Funded In June 2023 In The Amounts Not To Exceed:

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ACCRUED LIABILITY	\$1,000,000
LONG TERM CAPITAL RESERVE	\$2,000,000
INSURANCE RESERVE	\$1,000,000
WORKERS COMPENSATION RESERVE	\$1,000,000
UNEMPLOYMENT	\$100,000
RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION RESERVE	
TRS SUB FUND	\$1,300,000
ERS	\$1,500,000

14. BOCES-Instrument Replacement Agreement-Year Two

The Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent is asked to approve the 2022-2023 BOCES Instrument Replacement Agreement, backup attached.

15. Agreement-Sourcewell-UPS Contract #090121-UPS

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the agreement with Sourcewell for District express courier overnight and ground delivery services, backup attached.

16. Special Education Services Contract(s)-Tiegerman School:

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the special education services contract(s) (IESP) for above named school district(s) and the Board of Education of the Hicksville Public Schools from February 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023, backup attached. The Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to execute said contract(s) on behalf of the Board of Education.

17. Special Education Services Contract(s)-Tiegerman School:

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the special education services contract(s) (IESP) for above named school district(s) and the Board of Education of the Hicksville Public Schools from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, backup attached. The Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to execute said contract(s) on behalf of the Board of Education.

18. ELC Grant

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves a grant agreement with Nassau County and accepts a safe school reopening grant in the amount of approximately \$239,550.73; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Board President is authorized to execute such grant agreement on behalf of the Board.

19. Resolution-Professional Services 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the District's Assistant Superintendent for Business has recommended that the Board of Education procure the professional services of the firms listed in Confidential Attachment "A", appended to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board policy 6700A, the District's Assistant Superintendent for Business has detailed the justification and rationale for the procurement of professional services from the firms listed in Confidential Attachment "A" as set forth at Confidential Attachment "B";

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Hicksville Union Free School District, pursuant to Board policy 6700A, as follows:

The Board hereby authorizes the procurement of professional services from the professional service firms listed in Confidential Attachment "A", at the rates and according to the terms elaborated therein, as being in the best interests of the District, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute an Agreement with each such provider on behalf of the Board.

The Board hereby adopts the justification and rationale for each such procurement articulated by the Assistant Superintendent for Business in Confidential Attachment "B".

20. Transportation Contract-EBT Bus Company (Summer)

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the transportation contract for the Extended School Year Program for the summer of 2023 with EBT Bus Company. The contract amount will cost approximately \$251,838, backup attached.

I. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action Items

1. Committee on Special Education

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CSE reports.

2. Committee on PreSchool Special Education

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CPSE reports.

3. Section 504

Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the Section 504 reports.

4. New York State School Board Association Summer Law Conference

The Board of Education is asked to approve the attendance of _____ Board Members to the New York State School Board Association Summer Law Conference on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 from 7:30am to 3:00pm at the Hilton Long Island-Huntington at a cost of \$310 per person, backup attached.

5. 2023 Budget Vote and Trustee Election

The Board of Education is asked to accept the results of voting on the District 2022-2023 Propositions as report by the District Clerk, backup attached.

- Proposition #1 – 2022-2023 District Budget
- Proposition #2 – Capital Reserve Fund
- Proposition #3 – Gregory Museum

6. 2023 Election of Trustees

The Board of Education is asked to accept the results of the Trustee Election as report by the District Clerk, backup attached.

7. RESOLUTION – Destruction of School Ballots

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2022, the Hicksville Public School District conducted its Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

WHEREAS, the District Clerk is currently in possession of all cast ballots resulting from such Annual Budget Vote and Election; and WHEREAS, the Record Retention and

Disposition Schedule ED-1 provides for the destruction of such ballots after one (1) year from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

WHEREAS, at least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election held on May 17, 2022 and no proceedings have been commenced with regard to such Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Hicksville Public School District hereby orders the destruction of all cast ballots resulting from the May 17, 2022 Annual Budget Vote and Election.

8. RESOLUTION – District Cafeteria Visits

RESOLVED, that pursuant to District Policy 2250, the Board of Education hereby establishes a Citizen Advisory Committee which shall terminate on June 30, 2023 unless further extended by the Board of Education for the purpose of sampling the quality of student meals in the schools of the District and reporting back to the Board of Education as a means to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of District's Student Wellness policy, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to appoint District residents to such Citizen Advisory Committee, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the expenditure of funds reasonable and necessary to enable the members of such committee to sample the quality of student meals in the schools of the District.

9. Revised 2023-2024 Board Meeting Dates

The Board of Education is asked to accept the revised calendar of meetings dates for the 2023-2024 school year, backup attached.

B. POLICY

1. Adoption

The following policies are presented to the Board for adoption:

5420	Student Health Services
8121	Opioid Overdose Prevention

C. CURRICULUM

1. Consulting Services Contract – Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a Consulting Services Contract with the Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence for the Ruler Program which will provide professional Development for administrators, SEL directors focusing on effective thoughtful and systemic implementation of social emotional learning.

2. Curriculum Writing Courses

The Board Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the attached curriculum writing courses

Voting on No. 4: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NO. 5 REQUEST TO ADD TO RESOLUTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Ms. Manjrekar requested that the following resolutions be added to the agenda.

Personnel Resolutions

1. RESOLUTIONS:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the following Resolutions:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Hicksville Union Free School District hereby approves an agreement with the employee named in the attached confidential Schedule "A" and authorizes the Board President to execute same on the behalf of the Board.

Confidential Schedule A – ON FILE

Teaching Assistants

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an adjustment to the approved Job Description for Teaching Assistants to revise the minimum number of undergraduate credits required from 64 undergraduate credits to 18 undergraduate credits.

2. ASSIGNED SERVICE:

Recommended Action: It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the following Assigned Services:

1. AIS Elementary Summer Program 2023, Administrator, Schedule No. P-2223-148.
2. AIS Elementary Summer Program 2023, Teaching Staff, Schedule No. P-2223-149.
3. AIS Elementary Summer Program 2023, Teaching Assistants, Schedule No. P-2223-150.
4. AIS Elementary Summer Program 2023, Nurse, Schedule No. P-2223-151.

Willet Lease

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Hicksville Union Free School District hereby approves an Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Nassau BOCES for the land and school building known as the Willet Avenue School, located on Willet Avenue, Hicksville, New York, to extend said Lease Agreement for an additional three-year period from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 with an annual rent increase of 3.75%, and authorizes the Board President to execute the Amendment on behalf of the Board.

Ms. Carlomusto moved and Ms. Judson seconded that the resolutions be added to the agenda.

Voting on No. 5: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NO. 6 APPROVAL OF ADDED RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Manjrekar asked for a motion to approved the two added resolutions (Personnel & Willet Lease).
Ms. Heckler moved and Ms. Carlomusto seconded.

Voting on No. 6: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC

Members of the Public who spoke were considered about the air quality inside the buildings due to the Canadian forest fires. Ms. Litzman assured the community members that the uni-vents would bring filtered, refresh air into the buildings. Ms. Litzman also said schools would be open tomorrow for in-person instruction.

Mr. Bhaskar gave the following statement, “Good evening, esteemed. The board directors of Hicksville, Ajith Bhaskar. I'm the resident from last 19 years and I'm here to talk about a sport called cricket which is a Ball sports which is very similar to baseball. Probably most of you might not have heard about it, but it's getting really popular. It's number two sports in the world and it's been watched by more than 1.5 billion people for Cricket the World Cup. And it's getting the traction.

It's a religion for us, it's a culture for us. I think you can't imagine life without cricket and that's been us. And I think South Asian love to play. And thanks for the Hicksville Board to support us from last four years. And I think this is one of the board, I'm one of the board of director used to be for USA Cricket in national level. And New York used to be the Mecca of cricket for a long time. Right now not many people are. And I tell you, history is like 500 years back cricket used to play and us had more than 1000 clubs US in 100 years. Back after World War II, a lot of people lost touch and we trying to bring that back again. World cup is happening next year. A lot of things are happening. So we are here to work with board. And also second other thing I want to say is how do we introduce these sports to the school? How do we educate cricket? Like I do summer camps for kids in woodland school on summer for eight weeks. If we can collaborate in some way where we can educate, bring USA Cricket to here and it's proven and I need your support and we can work in whatever way. I'm representing few of the all the residents. In fact they play on every week basis. And all of these we love to play cricket. So more importantly, it has different format and it can run over from 3 Hours to five days. One thing, but if there is any incident happened as a league, we are taking action against that. And we are here to work with the board to see how we can make this feasible for both of us. And thanks once again for all the help you guys did wonderful job. And thanks once again for your hard work and dedication to make the education system better in Hicksville. Thank you.”

Stephanie Sullo made the following statement, “Good evening, everyone. First and foremost, I want to thank you for working with me the past four and a half years. As you know, on June 30, it's my last day to be president, and Corey Cohen, English teacher in the high school, will be stepping in to take over. But I did want to publicly and on for the record, thank you for all your cooperation throughout all of these years that we have worked together to make Hicksville better. Then the other piece is on behalf of the Hicksville Congress of Teachers, we just want to say to Marianne, happy retirement. You deserve to put your feet up and hold your grandchildren. We hope all the best for you. Thank you.”

Erin Guida addressed the Board and said, “i'm actually here just to say thank you to Mrs. Litzman, Brenda, Linda, for your support with the Wellness Committee. They started out as a group of parents who saw a need for change. We got together, you listened, you worked with us. And then I really have to say thank you to Marcy, who sat down and listened and really worked with us. I greatly appreciate it. So all of those great things that we're seeing come out of it's amazing. And I can't wait to I hope I get to go into the kitchens and see them. This was not anything against Witsons. It was not anything against our district. It's just we wanted to be heard. You guys listened. So thank you. And thank you for passing the resolution so that we can get the parents in to test the food and we can follow our policy. So I just want to say thank you and Marianne,

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best wishes. Good luck. Stephanie. Same to you, Brenda. Same to you. So I feel like this is a big, pivotal moment. So thank you all.

NO. 7 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Manjrekar requested a motion to adjourn. Ms. Imbriale moved and Ms. Beiner seconded that the Board Adjourn.

Voting on No. 7: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 10:04PM.

John O'Brien,
District Clerk

Full Transcription is available in the District Clerk's office