

Center Moriches Union Free School District

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

**CENTER MORICHES, NY
MARCH 4, 2015**

The Board of Education, Center Moriches Union Free School District, held a Regular Meeting in the High School Library Media Center on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Board Members Joshua P. Foster, Thomas R. Hogan, Wendy R. Turkington and Gary Unger; Superintendent Russell J. Stewart, Business Official Carol M. Perkins, District Treasurer Diane M. Smith and District Clerk Patricia A. Galietta.

President Foster called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 40 visitors present.

Prior to starting with the Board agenda, President Foster thanked Dr. Turnow-Heintz for her service to the Board and community. He explained that the Board could leave the position unfilled, hold a special election, or appoint someone to fill the position.

1. **Board Appointment** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mrs. Turkington, seconded by Mr. Unger and carried 4-0, the Board of Education voted to appoint Robyn Rayburn to fulfill the term (March 04, 2015 – May 19, 2015) of the position vacated by Dr. Turnow-Heintz. Ms. Rayburn joined the Board at the Board table.
2. **Superintendent's Report**
 - Special Recognition Ms. Berry – Ms. Bates – On February 4, 2015, a student was choking on a piece of candy at CHAMP and Ms. Berry, a paraprofessional at the Middle School, was able to prevent a tragedy by performing the Heimlich maneuver. Ms. Bates presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation, and the student and her family presented her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.
 - LEGO League Presentation – Ms. Hardwick, Ms. Seitelman – The LEGO League from Clayton Huey Elementary School presented their project to the Board. Students included Annabelle Cressy, Matthew Formisano, Nate Inzerillo, Jasmine Marullo, Jimmy Schildt, Sarah Trionfo, Gehrig Turnow, Brennan And Phillip Williams.
 - Making Progress for Academic Success – Administrative Team – The District Administrative Team made a detailed presentation – Making Progress for Academic Success – highlighting plans for achieving Board goals, enhancing and improving current programs while working within current budget.
3. **Minutes** – On motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education vote to approve the following minutes as submitted:

Public Hearing Veterans Exemption of February 11, 2015
Public Hearing Gold Star Parents of February 11, 2015
Regular Meeting of February 11, 2015

PERSONNEL SECTION

4. **Leave of Absence**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the following employee for a leave of absence which are in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Center Moriches FMLA policy:

Name	Position/Subject	Effective Date(s)
Mandi Kowalik	Elementary Teacher	07/01/15-01/31/16 Leave of absence extended

5. **Rescind Action**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to rescind its January 14, 2015 actions as follows:

Name	Position/Subject	Effective Date (At the Close of Business)	Stipend
Michael Gordon	Middle School Track Coach	February 11, 2015	\$2,975
Michael Smeja	Boys Middle School Lacrosse Coach	February 25, 2015	\$3,439
Edward Spillett	JV Boys Tennis Coach	February 25, 2015	\$5,288

6. **Resignation**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to accept the following resignation:

Name	Position	Effective Date (At the Close of Business)
John Allen	Assistant to the Superintendent Deputy District Treasurer Residency Officer	March 13, 2015

7. **Substitutes: 2014-2015 School Year**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to appoint the following individuals as substitutes for the 2014-2015 school year, as follows:

Name	Position/Building	Effective Date(s)	Salary
Desiree Hanlon	Per Diem Substitute Assistant Group Leader CHAMP (Elem)	03/05/15-06/26/15	\$11/hour

8. **Appointments of Teaching and Support Staff**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the following appointments:

8. **Appointments of Teaching and Support Staff (continued)**

Name	Position/Building	Effective Date(s)	Salary
George Maxwell	Volunteer Boys Lacrosse	2014-2015	N/A
Leslie Murray	Deputy District Treasurer	03/16/15-06/30/15	\$2,196.28 (Pro-rated)
Ronald Navas	Volunteer Boys Lacrosse	2014-2015	N/A

FISCAL SECTION

9. **Contracts**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the following contracts in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contracts, as well as at the established cost contained in said contracts:

Eastern Suffolk BOCES – Syntax Agreement 2014-2015
Seneca Consulting Group Agreement 2014-2015

10. **Budget Transfers – February 2015**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the budget transfers.

11. **Treasurer’s Report**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the Treasurer’s Report for the month of January 2015.

12. **Monthly Student Activity Report**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the Student Activity Treasurer’s Report for the middle school and the high school for the month of January 2015.

13. **Disposition of Records, Books and/or Equipment)**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the disposition of books and equipment.

14. **Salary Moves**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the following salary move on the salary schedule, effective January 30, 2015:

Name	From	To
Gina Brienza	C/3	D/3

15. **Retiree Contributions 403(b)**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the payment of final settlements for retirees as an employer non-elective contribution, under 403(b) regulations, in lieu of a direct payment in payroll.

16. Use of Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve transfer funds from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve for the payment of final settlements for retirees and increase the budget accordingly.

17. Donation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to accept the following donation:

- Donation of \$900 from the Red Devil Pride Club for music services and adjust the music code accordingly.

PROGRAM SECTION

18. Student Trip

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the Center Moriches Varsity Softball Team to attend Spring Training in Disney World (Orlando, Florida) from April 7, 2015 through April 12, 2015, at no cost to the district.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

19. Committee Members – 2014-2015

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to approve the following individuals for the various 2014-2015 committees:

Curriculum

Teresa Horoszewski

Technology

Kristen Turnow-Heintz

20. First Policy Reading

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and on motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to conduct a first reading of the following policy:

7110 Comprehensive Attendance (Revision of Policy #7110)

21. General Discussion

- 2015-2016 Budget Calendar – At the next meeting, the budget topics will include projected State spending numbers, buildings and grounds, maintenance, and tax cap.

22. Dates to Remember

- The next Board of Education meeting will be on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Library.

On motion made by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and approved at a public meeting of the Board of Education held this date, the Board went into executive session at 10:00 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation
2. Collective negotiations under the Taylor Law with (CMPA)
3. Medical, financial, or credit history of any person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline or termination of a particular person or corporation.
4. Other matters, the disclosure of which would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
5. The preparation, grading or administration of examinations

The Board returned to the Regular Meeting at 11:15 p.m. On motion by Mr. Unger, seconded by Mrs. Turkington and carried 5-0, the Board of Education voted to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia A. Galietta
District Clerk