

**REGULAR MEETING  
HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
September 25, 2006**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, September 25, 2006, at Huntington High School, Oakwood and McKay Roads, Huntington, NY 11743. Mr. Lee called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

There were present Board of Education Members Black, Collyer, Forte, Lee, Marchi, McGrath, Rogan; Superintendent Finello, Messrs. Giani, Grackin, O'Brien and Mrs. Bender.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

MOTION carried.

At 6:00 PM the Board of Education went into Executive Session.

At 7:50 PM Mr. Lee reconvened the meeting.

**EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE**

Mr. Lee discussed the exits to be used in the event of any emergency.

**SMOKE FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Mr. Lee announced that the Huntington Union Free School District is a smoke-free district and smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve the Minutes of the following meeting of the Board of Education:

August 28, 2006

AYES: Mrs. Black  
Mrs. Collyer  
Mr. Forte  
Mr. Lee  
Mr. McGrath  
Mrs. Rogan

ABSTAIN: Mrs. Marchi

MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mr. McGrath to approve the Minutes of the following meeting of the Board of Education:

September 9, 2006

MOTION carried.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

A MOTION was made by Mr. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to accept the following Treasurer's Report of June 30, 2006: :

General Fund	\$ 9,179,201.78
Capital Fund	1,073,537.07
Special Aid Fund	419,371.68
School Lunch Fund	190,582.82
Trust and Agency Fund	133,899.66
Payroll Fund	0

MOTION carried.

### **EXPENDITURE REPORT**

A Revenue Status Report as of August 31, 2006 was distributed for "Information Only."

Expenditure Reports through August 31, 2006 were distributed for "Information Only" as follows:

- a) General Fund
- b) School Lunch Fund
- c) Special Aid Fund

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Grackin announced that the work has begun on the High School track and field.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

At that portion of the meeting set aside for questions and comments from the public a parent of a dual language student at Southdown wants the Board to increase the part-time aide in her child's class to full time because of the size of the class.

A parent of a sixth grader at Huntington Intermediate wants the club School of Rock reinstated.

A parent inquired about the Touro property and wanted an update on the Board's intentions. Mr. Lee explained the Touro issue. This parent is also concerned about the safety of children attending Huntington Intermediate.

Another Southdown parent of a dual language student would like a full-time aide in her child's class.

A member of the audience wanted to know if the Board had any questions about his proposal regarding wind energy.

**ITEMS OF FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

**New York State School Boards Association Election**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to elect Judith Chen as a member of the NYSSBA Board of Directors.

MOTION carried.

**2005-06 High School Regents Results**

Dr. Leonardi presented the Regents results for 2004, 2005 and 2006. She then introduced Mr. Edwards, Director of Mathematics, who presented the stats of students passing Math Regents for 2004, 2005 and 2006.

Mr. Schwartz, Director of Science, presented the Earth Science, Living Environment, Chemistry and Physics Regents results for 2004, 2005 and 2006.

Mr. Leavy, Director of Humanities, presented the English Regents results and Global History results for 2002 through 2006. He also presented the U.S. History Regents results for 2004 through 2006.

Dr. Leonardi reviewed the teaming concept in Ninth Grade and the difference in passing. The students who were in teaming did better on Regents than those not in teaming. Dr. Leonardi also reviewed the failure rate of current seniors, juniors and sophomores.

Mr. Kramer, Director of Guidance and Testing, discussed the graduation rate of seniors in their cohort year.

**2006-07 Tax Levy**

Mr. Grackin explained that due to the reduction in the assessed value of the property located in the Huntington School District it was recommended that the Board of Education appropriate an additional \$175,000 from the fund balance to maintain the tax rate at the level that was presented to the public at the May vote.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Marchi to adopt the following tax levy:

School:	\$82,486,013
Library:	\$ 7,282,331

and to transfer to the following reserves:

Capital Reserve:	\$1,500,000
Workers Compensation Reserve:	\$ 688,832

MOTION carried.

**Request for Proposal for Architectural Services Woodhull Intermediate School**

Mr. Grackin explained the process of getting an RFP for educational space analysis for Woodhull and possibly expanding it for other schools in district.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Marchi to authorize an RFP for educational space analysis at Woodhull and possibly expanding it for other schools in district.

MOTION carried.

## **Comprehensive Long Range Plan**

Mr. O'Brien explained his experience with Western Suffolk BOCES with regard to long-range plans. Mr. Grackin explained that cost of \$49,000 for such a plan and that it would be aidable at about 50%.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to engage Western Suffolk BOCES to develop a comprehensive long-range plan.

MOTION carried.

## **Wind Energy**

Mr. Grackin explained that LIPA would do a free site assessment for wind energy. LIPA will share the cost of scientific assessment (50-50), approximately \$7,500 each for proposal, to see if wind turbines were feasible.

Mr. Karpen explained his proposal for a study.

The Board asked Mr. Grackin to prepare an RFP for a feasibility study.

## **2006-2007 Board of Education Goals**

Mr. Lee read the goals that were established at the September 19, 2006 work session of the Board of Education.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to adopt the following goals:

In order to improve student learning and achievement for every student, the Board of Education has established the following goals for the 2006-2007 academic year:

1. To develop a concrete plan to address the critical issues regarding space at Woodhull Intermediate School, Southdown Primary School and Jefferson Primary School including, but not limited to, constructing additional instructional space, program changes and a continuing dialogue with Town and County Officials.
2. To continue to insure complete and strict compliance with the mandates, policies and directives of the New York State and Federal regulatory agencies regarding the finances and fiscal health of our District.
3. To actively support the nutrition and wellness of all students through policy, regulations and education with a particular emphasis on serving healthy, good-tasting food in our schools and the encouragement of physical activity for our students.
4. To continue to work to improve communications among and between the Board of Education, our Administration and staff, our students, our parents and our residents.

MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Marchi to amend the goals to include State, Town and County officials in the first goal.

MOTON carried

Mr. Lee is sending goals to State, County and Town officials.

## **Shared Municipal Grant**

Mr. Finello explained that he wants to apply for a grant for money for municipalities working together to reduce expenditures. He recommends applying for this grant to be reimbursed for the apparatus purchased that is used for school district vehicles when getting gas from the Town.

## **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to authorize the district administration to arrange for the provision of appropriate special education programs and services for students as enumerated in the CSE and CPSE meetings:

CSE:

- |          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. 24415 | 10. 22199 |
| 2. 24236 | 11. 24985 |
| 3. 22526 | 12. 24522 |
| 4. 22631 | 13. 21063 |
| 5. 21549 | 14. 23079 |
| 6. 24988 | 15. 24939 |
| 7. 25019 | 16. 24951 |
| 8. 23480 | 17. 24983 |
| 9. 25015 |           |

CPSE:

1. 25020
2. 24992

MOTION carried.

## **INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL**

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, a MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the following changes in Instructional Personnel:

### **Teacher Assistant Probationary Appointments**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Tenure Area</u></b>	<b><u>Prob.Appt. Date</u></b>	<b><u>Tenure Date</u></b>	<b><u>Cert. Status</u></b>
Vincenzina Arcuri Teacher Asst. Woodhull \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Gregory Berke Teacher Asst. High School \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Christine Bischoff Teacher Asst. Southdown \$11.92 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/26/06	9/26/09	T.A. Pend
Marie Cantave Teacher Asst. High School \$21.04 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend

Tomarah Castillo Teacher Asst. Huntington Int. \$11.92 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Lisa Doherty Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Noreen Doyle Teacher Asst. Finley \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Pamela Fleiss Teacher Asst. High School \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Deborah Gonyou Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$17.87 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Daphine Harkins Teacher Asst. Jefferson \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Lisa Harris Teacher Asst. High School \$17.87	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Cecelia Koomen Teacher Asst. Finley \$17.87 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Kathleen Lavery Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$18.15 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Nancy Lavery Teacher Asst. Washington \$19.02 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Linda Lombardi Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Elizabeth Meoli Teacher Asst. Finley \$19.26 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend

Susanne Millner Teacher Asst. Finley \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Carlos Pumar Teacher Asst. Woodhull \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend.
Mary Scott Teacher Asst. Huntington Int. \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Genese Smith Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Laura Thompson Teacher Asst. High School \$17.87 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Kathleen Turner Teacher Asst. Woodhull \$17.87 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Kim Voyages Teacher Asst. Flower Hill \$17.19 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Barbara Waller Teacher Asst. Jefferson \$19.02 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
Meghan Woods Teacher Asst. Southdown \$11.92 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/26/06	9/26/09	T.A. Pend.
Olga Yearby Teacher Asst. Huntington Int. \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend
David Zimmerman Teacher Asst. Huntington Int. \$13.55 per hour	Teacher Assistant	9/1/06	9/1/09	T.A. Pend.

**Appointment of Long-Term Substitutes**

Connie Ziv, ESL teacher, Finley, Sch. I, Step 1, \$43,500, effective December 1, 2006 thru approximately January 26, 2007 – for E. Melloy  
Ms. Ziv was approved on July 5, 2006 for September-December.

Harry Lightstone, Coordinator of Special Education 9-12, High School, \$500 per diem, effective on or about November 1, 2006 – for K. McCourt – child care

**Salary Schedule Changes**

<u>Teacher/School</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
<b>Effective 9/1/06:</b>		
Adrienne DiMaggio/FH	Sch. V, Step 4 \$57,775	Sch. VI, Step 4 \$60,320
Marianne Fiordalisi/HI/WH	Sch. IV, Step 1 \$49,910	Sch. VI, Step 1 \$54,370
Jennifer Marsh/J	Sch. IV, Step 8.5 \$66,080	Sch. V, Step 8.5 \$68,345
Soraya Triessl/WH	Sch. V, Step 5 \$60,045	Sch. IV, Step 5 \$58,110

**Appointment of Administrative Substitute**

\$350 per diem:                      Anthony Barresi

**Appointment of Intermediate School Advisors**

Huntington Intermediate:

Patricia Dillon	Newspaper Club	\$1533
Karen Morea	Drama	\$ 971
Lynn Winters	Student Govt.	\$2894

Woodhull Intermediate:

Todd Hiscox	Art	\$ 704
Nicole Parrett	Drama	\$ 971
Martha Ironman	Newspaper	\$1533
Andrea Frisenda/Maryann Sacher	Student Govt.	\$1447 ea.
Christopher Dugan	Computer Club	\$ 879

**Appointment of Elementary AV Coordinators**

2006-07, \$1785 per year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>
Patrice Persichilli	Flower Hill
Nancy Adams	Huntington Intermediate



Toby Fryc	Jefferson
Tiffanie Kelly	Southdown
Georganne White	Washington
Keith Myers	Woodhull

**Appointment of VATEA Grant Advisor/Coordinators 2006-07**

<u>Name</u> <u>grant)</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend (funded by</u>
Camille DeCanio	Student Advisor	\$2,000
Marcie Rhodes	Internship Coordinator	\$6,000
Anne Sanderson	Internship Coordinator	\$6,000

**Coaching Recommendations**

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
<b>Change:</b>			
Thomas O'Leary	Boys JV Soccer	From: 1 To: 4	\$3626 \$4465

**Change/Delete:**

Lynn Hefele	JH Cross Country	Coached 13 days at \$106.37 per diem = \$1382.81 (Step 4)
Krista Kozlosky	JH Cheering	Coached 10 days at \$29.97 per diem = \$299.70 (Step 2)
Robert Kast	Var Asst. Boys Soccer	Coached 15 days at \$96.86 per diem= \$1452.90 (Step 4)

**Add:**

Krista Kozlosky	JH Cross Country	1	\$2096 (25 days)
Jason Suarez	Var Asst Boys Soccer	1	\$2387 (35 days)

**Appointment of High School Advisors**

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Senior Class Advisor	Kelly Kaiser Gina Colica	\$1041 ea.
Junior Class Advisor	Amy Smith	\$2082
Sophomore Class Advisor	Camille Tedeschi Erik Bruckbauer	\$1041 ea.
Freshman Class Advisor	Fred Bisogno	\$2082

Honor Society	Kathleen Aufiero	\$2402
French Honor Society	Deidre Mayer	\$1047
Italian Honor Society	Silvia Gilbert	\$1047
Spanish Honor Society	Mercedes Pena	\$1047
Art Honor Society	Kristen Haacke Amy Worth	\$ 508.50 ea
Math Honor Society	Doris Quintilian	\$1142
Brainstormers	Helen Guarino Sandra Sineo	\$571 ea.
DECA	Leslie Mitek	\$3040
Drama	Michael Schwendemann	\$8308
Etcetera	Kenneth Krummenacker	\$1130
Gay Straight Alliance	Roy Dumar	\$1143
Grandfriends	Suzette Biagi Camille DeCanio	\$ 571 ea
Habitat for Humanity	Robert Gilmor	\$1142
HOPE	Michael Schwendemann	\$1142
Horticulture	Rosanne Brienza	\$1143
Key Club	Andrea Neugebauer	\$1835
Mathletes	Joan Lehnert	\$1579
Natural Helpers	Robert Gilmor	\$2242
New World Latin Culture	Amy Smith	\$1142
Newspaper:		
Literary	James Graber	\$2817
Printing	James Graber	\$1054
Science Research	Edward Florea	\$1884
Social Issues	Camille Tedeschi	\$1142
Stage Crew	Kenneth Gilbert	\$3023
Step Team	Youlanda Carey Rhonda Nixon	\$ 571 ea
Student Govt.	Leslie Mitek	\$2893
Students for World Unity	Camille DeCanio Suzette Biagi	\$1201 ea
Triathlon Club	Jamie Fishlow	\$1110

Video Club	Heather Swan	\$1047
Yearbook:		
Art	Pamela Piffard	\$1695
Business	Leslie Mitek	\$1315
Literary	Pamela Piffard	\$4532
Photographic	Pamela Piffard	\$1453

**Appointment of Tutor**

Don McGary, up to 20 sessions at \$150 per 2-hour session, AP Physics C

**Approval of Substitute Teacher List**

(See green sheet)

MOTION carried.

**Non-Instructional Personnel**

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, a MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the following changes in Non-Instructional Personnel:

**Appointments**

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Eff.Date</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Aide	Mary-Ann McPeck Finley	Aide	\$11.92	9/26/06	New
Aide	Richard Deo High School	Aide	\$11.92	9/26/06	T. Cama
Aide	Kathryn Einhorn High School	Aide	\$11.92	9/26/06	New
Aide	Kim Wright Finley	Aide	\$11.92	9/26/06	New
Aide	Janet Olsoe Washington	Monitor	\$11.28	9/26/06	G. James
Aide	Anna Maria Mehloose Hunt. Int.	Case Aide	\$11.92	9/26/06	New
FSW	Filomena Mazzei Southdown	Food Service Worker	\$10.10	9/26/06	Gladis Flowers

**Resignation**

Darren Dunn, Chief Custodian, Finley Middle School, effective September 15, 2006

**Additional Work**

Pina Keane, teacher aide, Finley, up to 7 hours per week, before and after school, at \$21.03 per hour – funded by grant.

**Transfers**

**Buildings and Grounds, effective September 20, 2006:**

Chad De Luca            From: Huntington Intermediate 10:30 p.m.-7:00 a.m., \$51,831  
                                 To:     Southdown/High School split 3:00 p.m.-11:30 p.m.,  
\$50,627

Morris Foster            From: Southdown/High School split 3:00 p.m.-11:30 p.m.,  
\$50,627                    To:     Huntington Intermediate 10:30 p.m.-7:00 a.m., \$51,831

**Approval of Non-Instructional Substitute Lists**

- CLERICAL
- CUSTODIAL
- FOOD SERVICE
- NURSE
- SCHOOL TEACHER AIDE
- SECURITY
- (green sheets)

MOTION carried.

**BUSINESS**

**Approval of Bid Awards**

**Auditorium Seating**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the award of bid to Young Equipment Sales, Inc., for auditorium seating at Huntington High School in the amount of \$190,217.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

**Underground Oil Tank**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the award of bid to Gemstar Construction Corporation for underground oil tank at Huntington High School in the amount of \$214,200.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

**Maintenance of Kitchen Equipment**

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the award of bid to F.V. Stern & Sons, Inc., for maintenance of kitchen equipment for the 2006-07 school year with a price for service calls of \$95 and a labor charge of \$65 per hour.

MOTION carried.

Printing District Stationery and Curriculum Guides

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the award of bid to Tobay Printing Co. for the curriculum guides:

Finley Middle School Curriculum Guide		
	800 copies	\$ 998.00
High School Curriculum Guide		
	1,800 copies	\$2795.00
	5,000 copies	\$3307.00

There were no responses for the district stationery. It will be rebid.

MOTION carried.

Approval of Workshop

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approve the Superintendent attending the Technology Summit conference on October 23, 2006.

MOTION carried.

Budget Transfer

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Marchi and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to approved the attached budget transfer.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

A parent had concerns about the construction work the Water Authority is doing at Finley. She feels it may have safety issues for the students when entering and leaving school parking lot. She also has concerns about the trees on Greenlawn Road and the blinking light on Greenlawn Road.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A MOTION was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting

At 11:20 AM the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Bender  
District Clerk

