

**REGULAR MEETING
HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APRIL 7, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, April 7, 2008, at Huntington Intermediate School, Lowndes Avenue, Huntington Station, New York 11746. Mr. McGrath called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: McGrath, Black, Paci, and Rogan; Superintendent Finello, Messrs. Giani, Grackin, O'Brien, and Mrs. Troffa. Mr. Lee was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. McGrath led the Board of Education and the others present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

Mr. McGrath discussed the exits to be used in the event of any emergency. He also asked that all cell phones be turned off.

SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. McGrath 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 Mr. Paci and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting of March 31, 2008.

MOTION carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to accept the following Treasurer's Report:

As of February 29, 2008

a. General Fund	\$41,096,310.51
b. Capital Fund	\$1,049,079.94
c. Special Aid Fund	\$296,396.51
d. School Lunch Fund	\$198,994.66
e. Trust & Agency Fund	\$919,855.92
f. Payroll Fund	0

MOTION carried.

The following reports were distributed "For Information Only":

- Revenue Status Report as of February 29, 2008;
- Expenditure Reports as of March 31, 2008:
 - a) General Fund
 - b) School Lunch
 - c) Special Aid

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. McGrath reported that he attended the High School play. The performances were outstanding. Congratulations to students and staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

At the portion of the meeting set aside for questions and comments from the public, areas of commentary included:

- The Instructional Support Liaison (ISL) positions. Staff members expounded the merits of the ISL's for students and staff. The Board was asked to keep these positions for next year.
- A parent of a student taking Latin I asked that Latin II be offered for students next year.
- Another comment was from a parent and resident who encouraged the use of e-mail in the school district.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

Finley Middle School Girls' Lacrosse

Mrs. McCarthy, Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics, asked that a second Girls' Lacrosse team be added at Finley Middle School because approximately sixty (60) girls tried out for the team and many had to be cut. Mrs. McCarthy explained the benefits of a second team to students and the district. A MOTION was made by Mr. Paci and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a second Girls' Lacrosse team at Finley Middle School for this school year.

MOTION carried.

2008-2009 Proposed Budget

- Mr. Giani presented a detailed review of Staffing and Transportation for next year. Extensive discussion followed.
- Mr. Grackin presented a detailed review of the Benefits area in the budget. Discussion followed.

Capital Bid

Mr. Grackin presented several options available in regard to the high bids that came in for the Elevator project at Huntington Intermediate School. Extensive discussion followed and it was decided to re-bid the project.

**HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Huntington, New York 11743
Business Office**

MEMORANDUM

To: John Finello
From: David Grackin
Re: Capital Bid
Date: April 3, 2008

On Thursday April 3, 2008 we opened up the Bids for the Elevator project at Huntington Intermediate. Attached you will find a chart detailing the bids. The total cost of the apparent low bidders on the project is \$395,949 broken up as follows:

General Construction	Stalco - \$291,500
Mechanical	Xtraire- \$44,000
Plumbing	Majestic-\$12,499
Electrical	Locust Valley \$47,950

We have \$327,000 budgeted for this project and are short \$68,949. Our options are:

1. Re-bid the work. There is no guarantee that the new bids will come in lower and the potential of the work being done this summer diminishes several fold. Since the work involves heavy construction and some demolition the summer is the only time we can do this work.
2. Appropriate money in the 2008-09 general fund in the transfer to capital line. This would raise the tax rate slightly. If the budget did not pass the money would not be available under a contingent budget.
3. Revise the Capital Reserve proposition to be voted on in May and include this project in lieu of another project already approved by the Board. I have consulted with Barbara Aloe of Guercio and Guercio about this. The Board can do this since we still have four more legal notices to place. If the proposition is approved we will the immediately award the bids. This would give the general contractor ample time to place the order for the elevator cab itself (a somewhat long lead item).
4. Don't award the bid and include the project in a capital reserve proposition in the 2009-10 budget cycle. The work would then not occur until the summer of 2010.

I would like an opportunity to discuss this with the board at Monday night's meeting. Should you need any additional information please contact me. Thank you.

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ELEVATOR ADDITION AT HUNTINGTON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

April 4, 2008

GENERAL CONSTRUCTION	FBC	VALCO	ACL	STALCO
Base Bid	\$449,000	\$358,600	\$294,000	\$291,500
Alternate Bid-Extended Corridor	\$210,000	\$168,000	\$168,000	\$134,000

MECHANICAL	VALCO	AHRENS	XTRAIRE
Base Bid	\$67,900	\$48,700	\$44,000
Alternate Bid-Extended Corridor	\$14,200	\$24,000	\$21,000

PLUMBING	VALCO	MAJESTIC
Base Bid	\$29,400	\$12,499
Alternate Bid-Extended Corridor	\$9,000	\$8,775

ELECTRICAL	ELDOR	TELSAN	JP DALY	LOCUST VALLEY
Base Bid	\$57,400	\$38,295	\$43,000	\$34,800
Alternate Bid Extended Corridor Plan	\$19,000	\$6,857	\$8,000	\$10,500
Alternate Bid Edwards Fire Alarm Control Panel	\$14,000	\$16,200	\$5,000	\$9,600
Alternate Bid Relocate Telephone & Data	\$22,570	\$16,210	No Bid	\$3,550

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Black to authorize 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. 25037
 2. 27257
 3. 25101
 4. 21554

- CPSE
1. 27342
 2. 27361
 3. 27343
 4. 27344

- CSE Annual Reviews
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| 1. 24291 | 7. 24140 |
| 2. 24948 | 8. 21931 |
| 3. 25077 | 9. 24494 |
| 4. 27262 | 10. 22330 |
| 5. 24960 | 11. 24604 |
| 6. 24620 | 12. 24737 |

- CPSE Annual 1. 27211
- Reviews 2. 25095
- 3. 27182
- 4. 25012
- 5. 27323
- 6. 27191

MOTION carried.

INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

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

1. CHANGE OF SALARY

Eileen Melloy, Foreign Language/ESL teacher, Finley Middle School, from Sch. VI, Step 5.5. \$66,130, to Sch., VI, Step 5, \$64,975.

2. POST-SEASON PAY FOR COACHES

<u>Name/Sport</u>	<u>Total Days</u>	<u>Per Deim</u>	<u>Post Pay</u>
Michael Schmitz/Boys Basketball	6	\$124.06	\$ 744.36
Timothy Madden/Boys Basketball	6	\$ 96.52	\$ 579.12
Bradley Reminick/Girls Basketball	23	\$124.06	\$2853.38
Kim Betz/Girls Basketball	23	\$ 96.52	\$2219.96
Rebecca Robey/Cheering	4	\$124.06	\$ 496.24
Gilbert Smith/Boys Swimming	26	\$124.06	\$3225.56
Margaret McConnell/Boys Swimming	26	\$ 96.52	\$2509.52
Debra Cheskes/Girls Winter Track	11	\$124.06	\$1364.66
Patrick Kehoe/Girls Winter Track	11	\$ 96.52	\$1061.72
Ronald Wilson/Boys Winter Track	21	\$124.06	\$2605.26
Travis Tate/Boys Winter Track	21	\$ 96.52	\$2026.92
Louis D. Giani/Wrestling	23	\$124.06	\$2853.38
Travis Smith/Wrestling	23	\$ 96.52	\$2219.96
Kieran Mock/Wrestling	19	\$ 96.52	\$1833.88

3. APPROVAL OF NEW INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE

\$90 per diem: Eric Weaver

MOTION carried.

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

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

1. RETIREMENT

Afrodite Bastakis, Food Service, Huntington Intermediate, effective April 18, 2008.

2. APPROVAL OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES

Araceli Espinal FSW

MOTION carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Approval of Capital Bid Awards

Huntington High School Chemistry Labs

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Black to table the approval of this bid award.

MOTION carried.

Approval of Change Order

Thomas Associates

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Black to approve a decrease Change Order in the amount of \$6,813 for the Huntington Intermediate Windows and Doors Replacement Project.

(See Attached)

MOTION carried.

Approval of Mileage Reimbursement

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Rogan and seconded by Mrs. Black to approve mileage reimbursement for the following employee:

Maureen Yostpille – Special Education Teacher

MOTION carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

At the portion of the meeting set aside for questions and comments from the public, there were additional comments about the ISL's.

CLOSING REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Paci asked questions about the lawyers' fees and Mrs. Rogan had questions in regard to the budget.

Minutes – 4/7/08

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Black and seconded by Mr. Paci to adjourn the meeting.

At 10:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk