

**REGULAR MEETING
HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUGUST 20, 2007**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, August 20, 2007, at Huntington Intermediate School, Lowndes Avenue, Huntington Station, New York 11746. Mr. McGrath called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: Black, Collyer, Forte, Lee, McGrath, Paci, Rogan, Superintendent Finello, Messrs. Giani, Grackin, O'Brien, Guercio, and Mrs. Troffa.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

MOTION carried.

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

At 7:50 p.m. Mr. McGrath reconvened the meeting.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

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

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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. McGrath informed the public that the Board would not discuss the allegations in regard to the lawsuit filed by Dr. Leonardi on the advice of district counsel, Gregory Guercio, and that the summons and claim had been received by the school district that same afternoon.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

At the portion of the meeting set aside for questions and comments from the public, twenty-one (21) district residents commented on the reassignment of Dr. Leonardi to the alternative high school or had questions or comments about the alternative high school.

When the Public Commentary portion of the meeting concluded, Mr. McGrath announced a ten minute break.

The meeting reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

PERSONNEL ITEMS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, a MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mr. Forte to approve the following changes in instructional personnel:

1. CHANGE POSITION TITLE

From: Chairperson for the Gifted and Talented/Enrichment Program K-6
To: Chairperson of SEARCH Program

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON OF SEARCH PROGRAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Prob.Appt. Date</u>	<u>Tenure Date</u>	<u>Cert. Status</u>
Maryann Daly Chair SEARCH Sch. VIII, Step 26 \$107,045 \$8738 stipend	Chair SEARCH	8/27/07	8/27/10	Perm SDA, Elem, SOCE Gifted Ed Ext.

3. TEACHER PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Prob.Appt. Date</u>	<u>Tenure Date</u>	<u>Cert. Status</u>
Christopher Pellegrino Special Education teacher High School Sch. V, Step 1 \$53,760	Spec Ed	9/1/07	9/1/10	Spec Ed Initial Pend. S.S. Prov.

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Sarah Metcalf Special Education teacher Jefferson Sch. II, Step 2 \$48,370	Spec Ed	9/1/07	9/1/10	Initial: Students W/Disabilities Birth- Gr 6, Childhood Ed Birth-Gr 6
Nancy Gallo School Psychologist Districtwide Sch. VIII, Step 3 \$66,445	School Psychologist	9/1/07	9/1/10	Perm: School Psychologist
Carol Emmerman Special Education teacher Finley Sch. IV, Step 2 \$53,540	Special Ed	9/1/07	9/1/09*	Prov: Spec Ed, Elem.
Evelyn Goussis Special Education teacher Woodhull Sch. II, Step 1.5 \$47,600	Special Ed	9/1/07	9/1/10	Initial: Childhood Birth-Gr 6, Students W/Disabilities Birth- Gr. 6

* Jarema credit

4. CHANGE OF APPOINTMENT

Delete: Maryann Daly, Coordinator SEARCH, \$3000, 2007-08

5. REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Darlene Graham, Music teacher, Woodhull, effective September 1, 2007 through approximately January 25, 2008 – child care

William Byrne, Social Studies teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through approximately May 9, 2008 – Active duty

Jennifer Marsh, ESL teacher, Jefferson/Southdown, effective September 1, 2007 through November 23, 2007 – child care

Kristen Thatcher, Elementary teacher, effective September 1, 2007 through approximately December 21, 2007 – child care

Mrs. Thatcher had previously been approved for a leave of absence through November 20, 2007.

6. LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

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Marie Toscano, English teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. IV, Step 4, \$57,970 – for A. Goldberg, child care

Sarah Winters, Music teacher, Huntington Intermediate, effective approximately October 15, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. I, Step 1, \$45,130 – for N. Lynch, child care

Eric Stein, ESL/Social Studies teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. IV, Step 4, \$57,970 – for N. Araoz, child care

Lauren Thomas, Social Studies teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through approximately May 9, 2008, Sch. IV, Step 1, \$51,780 – for W. Byrne

Nancy Giorgos, Reading teacher, Jefferson, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. VI, Step 4, \$62,580 – for C. Droskoski – child care

Akira Byng, Music teacher, Woodhull, effective September 1, 2007 through approximately January 25, 2008, Sch. I, Step 1, \$45,130 – for D. Graham – child care

Jacqueline Leonard, Speech therapist, effective 2007-08 school year, Sch. V, Step 8.5, \$70,910 – for P. Klee – child care

Mrs. Leonard was appointed June 18th for the 1st semester

Jennifer Glatzer, ESL teacher, effective 2007-08 school year, Sch. IV, Step 1, \$51,780 – for E. Melloy – child care

Jill Lowe, ESL teacher, Jefferson/Southdown, effective September 1, 2007 through November 23, 2007, Sch. VI, Step 3, \$301.25 per diem – for J. Marsh – child care

Risa Brachman, Speech therapist, Flower Hill, effective September 1, 2007 through January 25, 2008, Sch. V, Step 6, \$64,990 – for B. Woodworth – child care

Lauren Frisenda, Elementary teacher, Washington, effective September 1, 2007 through December 21, 2007, Sch. IV, Step 1, \$51,780 – Kristen Thatcher – child care

7. EXCESS TEACHER

Deidre Mayer, Foreign Language teacher, effective June 30, 2007

8. TEACHER RESIGNATIONS

Nicole Pultz, Special Education teacher, effective August 9, 2007

AnneMarie Romeo, Foreign Language teacher, effective August 13, 2007

Michelle Maltempi, Special Education teacher, effective September 14, 2007

David Sklar, Dean, High School, effective August 16, 2007

9. PART-TIME TEACHER APPOINTMENTS

Scott Brennan, .4 Business teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. IV, Step 1, \$20,712

Deidre Mayer, .6 Foreign Language teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. VIII, Step 10, \$49,890 (.6)

Filomena Sorrentino, .6 Foreign Language teacher, Finley/High School, effective September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, Sch. V, Step 3, \$33,330 (.6)

Nadine Araoz, .4 ESL teacher, High School, effective September 1, 2007 through December 22, 2007, Sch. V, Step 7.5, \$27,424 (.4)

10. LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER RESIGNATION

Julie Bisom-Ritter, English teacher, High School, effective July 10, 2007 – for A. Goldberg

11. SALARY SCHEDULE CHANGES

<u>Name/School</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Effective September 1, 2007:		
Amy Araya/W	Sch. II, Step 5 \$54,285	Sch. IV, Step 5 \$60,290
Carol Daub/HI/WH	Sch. V, Step 16 \$89,955	Sch. VI, Step 16 \$92,575
Denise DeChiaro/FMS	Sch. VII, Step 8 \$74,600	Sch. VIII, Step 8 \$78,255
Barbara Denis/FH	Sch. VI, Step 13 \$84,135	Sch. VII, Step 13 \$86,765
Jeffrey Dicker/W	Sch. VII, Step 8 \$74,600	Sch. VIII, Step 8 \$78,255
Kathryn Dresch/W	Sch. II, Step 3.5 \$51,185	Sch. IV, Step 3.5 \$56,800
Glenn Edwards/J/SD	Sch. IV, Step 3.5	Sch. V, Step 3.5

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	\$56,800	\$58,790
Kimberly Finneran/FMS	Sch. IV, Step 4 \$57,970	Sch. V, Step 4 \$59,940
Helen Guarino/HS	Sch. IV, Step 4 \$57,970	Sch. V, Step 4 \$59,940
Susan Hahn/SD/W	Sch. I, Step 2 \$46,655	Sch. II, Step 2 \$48,370
Jayne Hallett/HS	Sch. VII, Step 24 \$99,995	Sch. VIII, Step 24 \$103,995
Mark Helstrom/HI	Sch. VII, Step 5 \$67,550	Sch. VIII, Step 5 \$71,160
Jennie Higgins/J	Sch. VII, Step 7 \$72,285	Sch. VIII, Step 7 \$75,900
Mariana Irigoyan/J	Sch. I, Step 2.5 \$47,545	Sch. II, Step 2.5 \$49,265
Laura Lipow/HI	Sch. II, Step 8.5 \$61,540	Sch. IV, Step 8.5 \$68,560
Michael McCabe/FMS	Sch. VII, Step 8 \$74,600	Sch. VIII, Step 8 \$78,255
Priya Mondkar/J	Sch. VII, Step 4 \$65,195	Sch. VIII, Step 4 \$68,835
Kimberly Murray/FH	Sch. VII, Step 4 \$65,195	Sch. VIII, Step 4 \$68,835
DonnaMarie O'Shaughnessy/FH	Sch. V, Step 4.5 \$61,125	Sch. VI, Step 4.5 \$63,780
Jennifer Poach/FMS	Sch. IV, Step 3 \$55,610	Sch. V, Step 3 \$57,635
Lori Pyzocha/HS	Sch. VI, Step 2.5 \$59,215	Sch. VIII, Step 2.5 \$65,290
Christyn Roseto/WH	Sch. II, Step 2.5 \$49,265	Sch. IV, Step 2.5 \$54,580

Christa Schlosser/SD	Sch. VII, Step 6 \$69,940	Sch. VIII, Step 6 \$73,490
Carol Soskil/HI	Sch. VI, Step 5.5 \$66,130	Sch. VII, Step 5.5 \$68,740
Brian Stellato/HS	Sch. II, Step 5 \$54,285	Sch. IV, Step 5 \$60,290
Allison Timmes/HI	Sch. VII, Step 7 \$72,285	Sch. VIII, Step 7 \$75,900
Jennifer Trott/HS	Sch. IV, Step 2 \$53,540	Sch. V, Step 2 \$55,550
Carly Vasilakos/FMS	Sch. IV, Step 3.5 \$56,800	Sch. VI, Step 3.5 \$61,415

12. ADDITIONAL WORK

Glenn Edwards, 10 days, at \$200 per diem, to prepare, set up and acquire materials for dual language classes (funded by grant) – Previously approved at his daily rate of \$263.03

State Performance Plan Self-Review Committee, additional 2 days at \$200 per diem, (funded by grant):

Karen Behrman
Linda Kohan
Vilma Matos

Patricia Dillon, Librarian, Huntington Int., 2 days, at \$515.88 per diem – reorganize library materials due to new flooring.

Complete District Self-Review for State Performance Plan Indicator #13 – Transition Services for Students with Disabilities Committee, \$200 per diem, not to exceed 5 days each:

Patricia Anson
Jane Caruso
Catherine Croke
Victor Matarasso
Michelle Martin
Kathleen McCourt
Giovanni Mendez
Andrea Neugebauer

Teach Spanish to Dual Language Students, \$45.77 per hour, 8 days, 2 hours per day, funded by grant:

Glenn Edwards
Mariana Irigoyan

Corrective Reading Training, 2 half days at \$200 per diem for teachers (funded by grant) and hourly rate for Teacher Assistants (funded by grant):

Teachers:

Gina Colica
Leticia Cuthbertson
Denise DeChiaro
Suzanne Knoerzer
Arlene Morante
Kelly Quintero
Jennifer Rodgers
Nicole Malizia

Teacher Assistants:

Gregory Berke	Pamela Fleiss
Marie Cantave	Linda Lombardi
Lisa Doherty	Elizabeth Meoli
Noreen Doyle	Susanne Millner
Kathryn Einhorn	Laura Thompson
Kathleen Turner	Nancy Lavery

Horizons Training, 2 half days at \$200 per diem for teachers (funded by grant) and hourly rate for Teacher Assistants (funded by district):

Teachers:

Peristera Alfano
Leticia Cuthbertson
Sarah Fardella
Suzanne Knoerzer
Karen Mallow-Rizzo
Brenda McManus
Priya Mondkar
Carol Soskil
Cindy Tietjen
Nicole Malizia

Teacher Assistants:

Vincenzina Arcuri	Donna Blair
Lisa Doherty	Noreen Doyle
Deborah Gonyou	Daphine Harkins
Laura Thompson	Linda Lombardi
Barbara Waller	Kathleen Turner

ADDITION

One teacher (TBA), up to 2 days, at \$200 per diem, to administer LAB-R Test to newly registered kindergartners for placement.

13. APPROVAL OF ALTERNATE HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS – SPRING 2007

\$47.97 per hour and additional hour for every five hours taught, effective April 25, 2007:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Teaching Hours/Week</u>
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John Pagano	English	3
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Michael Jannace	Social Studies	3
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14. COACHING RECOMMENDATIONS

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
James Creighton	JHB Football-7	1	\$3703
Eric Stein	Var Cross Country-B	1	\$4597
Kevin Zaharios	Var Football Asst.	1	\$4533

15. APPOINTMENT OF MUSIC ADVISORS

<u>Advisor</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Salary</u>
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Delete:

David Abrams	Summer Tech #1	\$1451
	Fall Tech #1	\$1451

Add:

David Abrams	Summer Tech #1	\$ 270
Mia Chong	Summer Tech #1	\$1000

16. APPOINTMENT OF CURATOR OF HERITAGE MUSEUM

2007-08: Jack Abrams, \$5,000

17. APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE ADMINISTRATORS 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR

\$350 per diem: Jack Abrams
Anthony Barresi
Lois Markland
Peter Sepez

18. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

Kenneth Card, \$10,000, 2007-08

19. APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR

\$90 per diem (See green sheet)

MOTION carried.

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, a MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the following changes in non-instructional personnel:

1. APPOINTMENTS

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Eff.Date</u>	<u>Replacing</u>
Clerical	Frances Cangemi	Sr. Clerk Typist HHS	\$33,535.	8/20/07	Marjorie Creighton
Aide	Ruth Santiago	DL Aide Jefferson	\$11.92/hr	9/1/07	Monica O'Leary

2. REINSTATEMENT

Chad DeLuca, Custodial Worker I, effective August 22, 2007

3. ADDITIONAL WORK

Aide - Huntington Intermediate, two days at contractual rate of hourly salary to assist the Librarian with reorganizing library materials

Aide – Victoria Petruzelli, 5 days at \$17.87 per hour to assist in Transportation Department

Thomas Burns, Security, Huntington Intermediate, three hours at \$17.63 per hour

ADDITION

Aide – TBA, up to 3 days at hourly rate of pay to organize and set up appointments for LAB-R Testing of newly registered kindergartners

4. SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Nurse – Kathleen Horn, substitute nurse at \$105.00 per day

5. RETIREMENT

Aide - Linda A. Macolino, Huntington High School, effective July 1, 2007

Aide – Florence McCoskery, Huntington High School, effective July 1, 2007

6. RESIGNATION

Aide – Kaitlin Himmelstoss, Finley Middle School, effective July 1, 2007
Aide – Mary-Anne McPeck, Finley Middle School, effective July 1, 2007
Food Service - Maria Noon, Finley Middle School, effective July 31, 2007

7. RETURN FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Aide – Tammy Birt, Flower Hill Primary, effective September 1, 2007
Aide – Paula Blackwell, Huntington Intermediate, effective September 24, 2007
Aide – Judith Chappel, Woodhull Intermediate, effective September 1, 2007

8. APPROVAL OF NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES

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

MOTION carried.

BUSINESS

Approval of Bid Awards

Custodial Supplies

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve the bid award for the 2007-2008 school year. Six (6) responses were received.

(See attached)

MOTION carried.

Interscholastic Supplies

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a bid award as listed below for the 2007-2008 school year:

Absolute Fencing Gear, Inc.	\$1,501.10
Aluminum Athletic Equipment Co.	57.15
All American Sportswear	403.20
Anaconda	844.70

Aztec	6,398.20
Longstreth Sporting Goods	6.00
M-F Athletic	506.15
Neff Company	9,971.25
Passons/Sport Supply Group	3,221.04
Port Jefferson Sporting	42,160.75
South Shore Outdoor Stores	3,740.15
Varsity Spirit Fashions	2,218.45

MOTION carried.

Electrical Services

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a bid award to Cavanagh Electric, Inc. for the 2007-2008 school year.

MOTION carried.

Refuse Removal

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a bid award to Winters Bros. Recycling Corp. at a rate of \$98,280 for regular pick-ups for the 2007-2008 school year.

MOTION carried.

Vehicle Repair

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a bid award to Tilden-Huntington, Inc. with an hourly rate of \$35 and a 10 percent discount on parts for the 2007-2008 school year.

MOTION carried.

Foam Lunch Trays

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to approve a bid award to Appco Paper & Plastics Corporation at a rate of \$18.87 per case for the 2007-2008 school year.

MOTION carried.

APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Van Transportation

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A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mrs. Rogan to table the award of the RFP for Van Transportation.

MOTION carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

Eunice Marchi, district resident, wanted to know what the title change was in Item I of the Instructional Personnel Agenda. Mr. Giani explained the title change was to change the title of the program from Gifted and Talented Program to the "SEARCH" Program.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A MOTION was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mr. Lee to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel issues.

MOTION carried.

At 12:30 a.m. Mr. McGrath reconvened the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mr. Forte and seconded by Mrs. Collyer to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 a.m.

MOTION carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk