

Little Flower Union Free School District
Board of Education Regular Meeting
February 22, 2021
District Offices -Virtual – 4:00 p.m.

Charles Drexel, President
Joseph Delgado, Vice-President
Marilyn Adsitt
Frank Caliguiri
Raymond Fell
Corinne Hammons
Nancy Hancock
Grace LoGrande
Bridgette Waite

MEMBERS PRESENT

None

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Harold J. Dean, Superintendent
Robert Scappatore, Principal
Philip Kenter, School Business Administrator
Michael Gordon, Asst. Principal/Director of Special Ed.
Kathleen Nolan, District Clerk

ALSO PRESENT

1. President Drexel called the meeting to order at 4:03p.m. Superintendent Dean led with the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/
PLEDGE:

2. President Drexel welcomed all.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S
REPORT

3. Superintendent Dean reported on the following items:

SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

- **District News –**

- Enrollment Update- Strong enrollment month FTE's, possibly higher for March.
- Budget and Finance Update – 2018-19 Reconciliation rates posted, no costs were screened, credit back to districts approximately 27K (lowest in years). RAN repayment schedule (500k 2/23, 1M June), projecting 1.3M borrowing for 21-22.
- Programming Update – ESD afterschool grant application due 3/10. School Medical Director update – Dr. Gill, Rocky Pt. Medical Care, served as WC office 2015-2017. R. Zawolik received VR headsets from Donors Choose Project. ES BOCES LTG includes access to teachers for scheduled PD and 4 customized days, allowed to include all staff.
- Board Considerations – OML extended through 2/26. Board policy committee update – second meeting 1/22, 1000 level policies reviewed, 3rd meeting 2/23 for 2000/3000 policy review. Request to extend leave for K. Errico, continue R. Maire,

per diem & R. Foster increased FTE. ES BOCES has called for Board Nominations.

- Foundation – Virtual fundraiser in development for spring in yourcharityauction plus donation drive.

- **Regional Updates –**

- SCSSA – 10-Point Executive Budget Proposal Analysis. Suffolk Superintendents analysis of the proposed executive budget for FY 2021 and impact on schools.
- 21-22 Executive Budget School Recommendations/ School Aids. NYS detailed analysis of the proposed funding to schools and detailed analysis of proposed school aids and changes

- **Statewide Updates –**

- NYSED
 - I. OSE – ES BOCES Curriculum Council – NYSED office of special education updates to the field as shared at the recent curriculum council meeting. accountability.
 - II. Emergency response plan training documents for days one, two and additional resources.
 - III. Draft letters from NYSED to USDE requesting waivers from federal requirements of testing and accountability designations.
 - IV. Preliminary Fall 2020 Digital Equity Survey Results. NYSED study results of digital access across the state and in schools based on remote learning.
- Coalition – Support of methodology reform from Assistant Commissioner Suriano.
- NYSCOSS – 2021 NYSCOSS Nassau-Suffolk Budget Presentation
- NYSSBA – Executive budget analysis (shared), 2/3 capital conference / advocacy link provided.

**PRINCIPAL'S
REPORT**

4. R. Scappatore provided a report on.
District full-time status. HS fully integrated, LIVESS remaining on am/pm due to amount of staff/student ratio in classrooms. The Honor Roll Ceremony will be held in the building. Presentations will be staggered to maintain social distancing requirements. 24 students have achieved Honor Roll and with an additional 25 achieving High Honors. Behavior Scores standard raised to above 85 for Honor Roll and above 90 for High Honors. PBIS Team will be hosting March Movies as an incentive. Increased enrollment has brought us close to opening a 3rd middle-school class.

DIRECTOR'S
REPORT

5. M. Gordon provided a report on current intake status.
36 packets received with 5 students admitted. Current enrollment is at 119 students, with 116 billable FTE. PSAT went well, students are planning to take SAT's. Pet Therapy guest speaker will host a zoom meeting for the younger students, with potential to host future in-person learning opportunities. Restorative Justice Team will be participating in trainings to help create a district level conflict resolution program to be implemented in the 2021-22 school year, as needed.

CONSENT AGENDA

6. M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to approve the consent agenda

Minutes

- 6.1 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday January 25, 2021.

Financials

6.2

Treasurer's Report

- b.1 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2021.

Schedule of Bills

- b.2 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the schedule of bills for the month of:
January 2021: WN-26, WN-27, WN-28

Trial Balance Report

- b.3 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Trial Balance Report for the month of January 2021.

Budget Status Report

- b.4 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Budget Status Report for the month of January 2021.

Revenue Status Report

- b.5 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to accept the Revenue Status Report for the month of January 2021.

Accounts Receivable Report

- b.6 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Accounts Receivable Report for the month as of 01/31/21.

Claims Audit Report

- b.7 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to accept the Claims Audit Report for the month of January 2021.

Budget Transfers

- b.8 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the following General Fund Budget Transfers for the month of January 2021:

Little Flower UFSD - Budget Transfers - January 1- 31, 2021

Reference No.	Description	Transaction Date	Approval Status	Total Transfer
98	Budget transfer from A1620.43 (Fuel Oil) to A1620.40 (Contractual) for Sump Pump Repairs & AED Svc.	1/7/2021	Dr. Philip Kenter	12,000.00
99	From A9060.80 to A1910.40 - \$3,930.38 & From A9060.82 to A1910.40 - \$7,860. for increase in Auto Ins	1/31/2021	Dr. Philip Kenter	11,790.38

- 6.3 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to accept the following recommendations of the committee:

CSE
Recommendations

#17652

- 6.4 M. Adsitt moved, R. Fell seconded, carried 9-0 to approve the following personnel items:

PERSONNEL

a. Unpaid Leave

Karen Errico, School Psychologist, for the remainder of 2020-21 school year, ending June 30, 2021 (use of sick leave allocation, any remaining balance unpaid) per recommendation of doctor under ADA.

Employees Leaving
District F/T Temporary

- b. Approved status change for School Social Worker, Roger Foster from 0.6 to 0.8 FTE ending June 30, 2021.

Temporary Status
Change

- c. Kenneth D'Alessio, Teaching Assistant, appointed to F/T Permanent position.

Employees Leaving
District F/T Permanent

- d. Appointed Kenneth D'Alessio, Business Teacher, probationary appointment, effective March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2025, Certification Business 7-12, salary and benefits per LFTA contract (BA Step1).

Employees Entering
District F/T Permanent

- e. Amani Williams, 1:1 Individual Aide, effective February 22, 2021.

Employees Entering
District P/T Temporary

7. None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

8. 4:44 p.m. C. Hammons moved, G. LoGrande seconded, EXECUTIVE SESSION
carried 9-0 to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

R. Scappatore, M. Gordon, K. Nolan, and P. Kenter left meeting.

5:23 p.m. B. Waite moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 9-0 to end Executive Session.

- Vice-President Delgado, appointed by NYSED Commissioner BOARD FORUM
Rosa to the Advisory Council of Postsecondary Education for
Individuals with Disabilities.
- Member Hammons applauded the Restorative Justice Initiative.
- Member Hancock expressed gratitude for the direction of the programs and recognition of
the quality programs evidenced by the increased referrals.
- Member LoGrande expressed gratitude for the strengthened collaboration of the school
and agency.
- Member Waite was glad to hear about Restorative Practices and additional programming
in store.
- Member Adsitt was excited for the additional opportunities sought for students through
afterschool programs and grants, and for the academic achievement experienced in the
school.
- President Drexel expressed appreciation for the work done and growth experienced
under pandemic conditions.

10. At 5:33 p.m., R. Fell moved, C. Hammons seconded, ADJOURNMENT
carried 9-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathleen A. Nolan
District Clerk

Approved: March 22, 2021