

Little Flower Union Free School District
Board of Education
Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting
Tuesday November 28, 2022
Library– 4 p.m.

Joseph Delgado, President
Frank Caliguiri
Laura Congemi
Steven Gellar
Corinne Hammons
Bridgette Waite

MEMBERS PRESENT

Grace LoGrande, Vice President
Marilyn Adsitt
Nancy Hancock

MEMBERS ABSENT

Harold Dean, Superintendent
Michael Gordon, Asst. Principal/Director of Special Ed.
Kathleen Nolan, District Treasurer/ School Business Assistant
Alan Yu, Cullen & Danowski, LLP.
Lisa Ciano, Cullen & Danowski, LLP.
Brian Peterson, PKFOD
Ashley Harlin, District Clerk
Dianna D'Amico, FACS Teacher

ALSO PRESENT

1. 4:04 p.m. meeting called to order and Superintendent Dean led the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/
PLEDGE:

2. President Delgado welcomed all and reported on the audit results as presented by the Independent Auditors to the audit committee.

BOARD PRESIDENTS
REPORT

3. Superintendent Dean reported on the following:

SUPERINTENDENTS
REPORT

4:10 p.m. F. Caliguiri arrived to meeting.

Superintendent Dean introduced FACS Teacher, Dianna D'Amico who along with Culinary & Life Skills students provided the board with an informational presentation and fresh baked pies.

4:15 p.m. D. D'Amico and students left meeting.

Alan Yu reviewed the financial statements and noted recommendations for the District to follow.

4:30 p.m. A. Yu and L. Ciano, left meeting.

- **District Updates**– Congratulations to Steven Gellar on his re-election to the Executive Committee of the N-SSBA (drive). Invited members to register for

Longwood Annual Legislative Breakfast (drive). DASNY Capital Loan- confident in approaching DASNY to keep current rate and extend for the remaining 13 years. Cost-sharing with Agency for major repairs and glass damage (drive). Update on 21st Century grant (drive). Bank considerations- accountant recommendation to canvas for better interest rates. Update 2023 NYSHIP rates noted significant rate increase. Superintendent's Conference Day agenda (drive). Little Flower as a potential location for Island Harvest Food Pantry partnership.

- **Regional Updates-** SCSSA- behavioral health clinics servicing the east end, potentially offering additional support to all Suffolk districts. LIASEA- Fall conference presentation at Gurney's.
- **Statewide Updates** –Initial State aid runs came out and appear promising (drive). Graduation Measures Update (drive). Mention of Accountability Restart specific to Special Act School Districts (drive). NYSSBA- Legislative and State Budget Preview Webinar, December 14th (drive). Coalition- Gov. Hochul's veto on both bills related to Special Acts. NYSDOH- Immunization Survey due December 15th (drive).

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| 4. | M. Gordon presented the combined reports as follows:
Enrollment 99.75 FTE October. 45 intake
packets received with 2 students being enrolled. PBIS Harvest Festival held with student participants engaged in many fun activities. WBL Opportunities, providing employability skills (ex. Cafeteria, Maintenance, B&B) through IGHL partnership. Coffee Shop, Clerical, and Thrift Shop also contributing to work skills opportunities. Targeting for 50-60 students participating in the WBL Opps on a monthly basis. Program beneficial to Access VR & CDOS credentials. Bagel sale continues on Fridays. Working on restarting Scrambles and the LF Café. All will contribute to the WBL Program. | PRINCIPAL'S &
DIRECTOR'S REPORT |
| 5. | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0
to approve the consent agenda. | CONSENT AGENDA |
| 5.1 | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0
to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday
October 24, 2022. | Minutes |
| 5.2 | | FINANCIAL MATTERS |
| b.1 | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0 to accept
the Treasurer's Reports for the months of July, August, and
September 2022. | Treasurer's Reports |

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| b.2 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the schedule of bills for the months of:

October 2022: WN-13, WN-14, & WN-16 | Schedule of Bills |
| b.3 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Budget Status Report for the month of October 2022. | Budget Status |
| b.4 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Accounts Receivable Report for the month of October 2022. | Accounts Receivable |
| b.5 | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0 to accept the Claims Audit Report for the month of October 2022. | Claims Audit Report |
| b.6 | The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Enrollment Projection for October 2022. | Enrollment Projection |
| b.7 | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0 upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, to accept the Independent Audit Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, prepared by Cullen & Danowski LLP. | Independent Audit Report |
| 5.3 | None at this time. | CSE
Recommendations |
| 5.4 | S. Gellar moved, B. Waite seconded, carried 6-0 to approve the following personnel items: | PERSONNEL |
| a. | <u>Individual Aides</u> – hourly at \$17.00/hr
Manzo, Arielle | Employees Entering
District – P/T Temporary |
| 7. | | Board Policies |
| a. | S. Gellar moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 5-0 to approve the following written policies for “adoption”:

Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure (#1510)

Suicide (#7540) | |

9. All members:

Board Forum

Member F. Caliguiri – Happy to hear of the off-campus WBL opportunities for students

Member B. Waite – Appreciative for the positive direction district is moving in.

Member L. Congemi – Love to hear from students. Appreciative of the programs being offered.

Member C. Hammons – Enjoyed presentation. Congratulations to Harry and team for the audit results.

Member S. Gellar – Congratulation on an outstanding audit report with no comments.

Happy to hear of the WBL Opps which will help in transition to employment for students involved.

President J. Delgado – Thank you to Ms. Samuelson and her music program. Thank you to Harry and his team for an audit which showed no deficiencies.

7. At 5:45 pm S. Gellar moved, C. Hammons seconded, carried
6-0 to adjourn.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Harlin
District Clerk

Approved: _____