

Little Flower Union Free School District
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Monday September 16, 2024
Library– 4 p.m.

Joseph Delgado, President
Corinne Hammons, Vice President
Marilyn Adsitt
Frank Caliguiri
Laura Cangemi
Marie Davis
Steven Gellar
Nancy Hancock
Bridgette Waite

MEMBERS PRESENT

Harold Dean, Superintendent
Robert Scappatore, Principal
Kate Nolan, School Business Assistant/ District Treasurer
Ashley Harlin, District Clerk
Janet Slote, LFTA Union President
Kerri Smith, COO of Little Flower RTC

ALSO PRESENT

1. 4:02 p.m. meeting called to order and Superintendent Dean led the pledge of allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER/
PLEDGE:

2. President Delgado welcomed all and introduced Janet Slote New LFTA Union President. Comments on BOE scholarship.

BOARD PRESIDENTS
REPORT

3. Superintendent Dean reported on the following:

SUPERINTENDENTS
REPORT

District Updates– Many personnel items to address. Student BOE member(non-voting) in effect July 2025. Emergency Response Plan for approval. New LFTA Union President. Union in a negotiating year. Cullen & Danowski on site for a week for the 23-24 external audit; presentation to take place in November. Corrective action plan for finding associated with ESSER desk review. Notice from NYSED of approval our program modification request to increase day student capacity and age range. Invitation from ESBOCES to be part of the learning technology grant. 21st Century Community Learning Center site visit notification. Launched our mentoring program with 140 mentor hours scheduled for this year. BOE scholarship; can form a committee to finalize details.

Regional Updates-SCSSA-chaired first membership meeting as President; spoke about resources available to districts and communities. NYSSBA- Summary and presentations of summer 2024 school law conference. ESBOCES- new District Superintendent Jasmin Varela. Presentation delivered to LIASEA by the superintendent of schools on mindfulness program.

Statewide Updates-Coalition-Capital Pressroom podcast. Safety and Security presentation. Brief prepared by Brown & Weinraub lobby firm representing the Coalition of Special Acts. NYSED-Emergency regulation passed focusing on regionalization. Attending Blue Ribbon committee on graduation measures hosted by ESBOCES. Reappointment to Commissioner’s Advisory Panel for Special Education for a second 3-year term. New regional associate assigned to Little Flower. Regulation change for notice of lockdowns to parents at least one week in advance.

PRINCIPAL'S/
DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 4. R. Scappatore presented the combined report as follows:
Great start to the school year; 89 FTE. We admitted 11 Day Students. Increase in referral packets, with 24 students we are interested in screening. Large graduating class this year. Mr. Gordon ran an excellent summer program. Students participated in some exciting events over the summer; ice cream truck visit, field trips to Theatre Three, a visit from Quogue Wildlife Center. LIVESS classes have been participating in trips to the Stonybrook Incubator.

4:35 p.m. F. Caliguri joined the meeting.

K. Smith gave an update on the RTC reduction. Baseball field Improvement.

- 5. S. Gellar moved, M. Adsitt seconded, carried 9-0 to approve the consent agenda. CONSENT AGENDA
- 5.1 S. Gellar moved, M. Adsitt seconded, carried 9-0 to approve minutes of the Special Meeting of Tuesday August 20, 2024. Minutes
- 5.2 FINANCIAL MATTERS
- b.1 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the schedule of bills for the month of:

July 2024: WN-1, WN-2, & WN-3
August 2024: WN-5, WN-6, & WN-7

Schedule of Bills
- b.2 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Budget Status Report for the month of August 2024. Budget Status
- b.3 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Accounts Receivable Report for the month of August 2024. Accounts Receivable

- b.4 S. Gellar moved, M. Adsitt seconded, carried 9-0
the Claims Audit Report for the months of July & August 2024. Claims Audit Report
- b.5 The Board President acknowledged receipt of the Enrollment
Projection for August 2024. Enrollment Projection
- 5.3 None at this time. CSE
Recommendations
- 5.4 N. Hancock moved, S. Gellar seconded, carried 7-0 to
Approve the following personnel items: PERSONNEL
- a. **Employees Leaving District- F/T Permanent** (Resolution)
- Accept the resignation of Jonathan Bannon, Tech Ed Teacher, effective June 26,
2024 for other employment.
- Accept the resignation of Margaret Jongebloed, Teaching Assistant, effective
August 21, 2024 for other employment.
- b. **Employees Entering District – F/T Temporary** (Resolution)
- Appoint Jason Black, Teaching Assistant, leave replacement, effective
September 3, 2024, Certification TA Level I. Salary per LFTA Contract (HS+60
Step 1) no benefits.
- Appoint Jacqueline Bloom, Teaching Assistant, leave replacement, effective
September 3, 2024, Certification TA Level I. Salary per LFTA Contract (BA, Step
1) no benefits.
- Appoint Robert Casazza, Teaching Assistant, leave replacement, effective
September 3, 2024, Certification TA Level I. Salary per LFTA Contract (BA, Step
1) no benefits.
- Appoint Ryan Devlin, Teaching Assistant, leave replacement, effective
September 1, 2024, Certification TA Level I. Salary per LFTA Contract (BA, Step
1) no benefits.

Appoint Alexandra Hernandez, Teaching Assistant, leave replacement, effective September 3, 2024, Certification TA Level I. Salary per LFTA Contract (HS+15, Step 1) no benefits.

Leave Replacement

Ashley Delhaye, School Counselor, for a period starting September 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025. LFTA MA-1, \$59,375.

c. Employees Entering District – F/T Permanent (Resolution)

Appoint Laverne Brown, Security, 1.0 FTE, Civil Service appointment, Effective September 1, 2024, salary \$27,500, benefits per Non-Unit Staff Agreement.

Appoint Tyler Hauser, Tech Ed Teacher, 1.0 FTE, probationary position, effective September 5, 2024, to August 31, 2028, salary and benefits per LFTA (BA, Step 1).

Appoint Justin Koprowski, Teaching Assistant, 1.0 FTE probationary position, effective September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2028 salary and benefits per LFTA (BA, Step 1).

Appoint Carla Gitto, Teaching Assistant, 1.0 FTE probationary position, effective September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2028 salary and benefits per LFTA (HS, Step 2).

Appoint Maureen Vu, Fine Arts Teacher, 1.0 FTE, probationary position, effective September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2028, salary and benefits per LFTA (BA, Step 1).

<u>d. Position</u>	<u>Employee</u>	Stipends 2024-2025
Student Resource Coordinator	Gregory Dates	
SSEC Coordinator	James Mercurio	
Data Coordinator	Justine Samuelson	
CSE Chairperson	Jessica Schmalfuss	

e. Employees Entering District – P/T Temporary (Resolution)

Individual Aides – hourly at \$18.00/hr

Aliano, Robert	Saric, Jonathan
Carrera, Jean Marie	Scappatore, Alyssa
Casazza, Camren	Schmalfuss, Julianna
Cerese, Skyler	Ross, Amanda
Cramer, Aniah	Vitale, Ninette
Dates, Mya	Vu, Aiden
Dorre, Bryan	Walters, Robert
Ferguson, Jacqueline	Wilhelm, Todd
Finnigan, Rebecca	Zecca, Theresa
Neails, Moishea	Zosimo, Jake

Individual Aides – hourly at \$18.50/hr

Collier, Ruth	Sloan, Ryan
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Individual Aides – hourly at \$19.00/hr

Smith, Tabbatha	Wright, Barbara
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6. NEW BUSINESS
- 6.1 S. Gellar moved, C. Hammons seconded, carried 9-0 to approve the 2024-25 Emergency Response Plan. 2024-25 Emergency Response Plan
- 6.2 B. Waite moved, N. Hancock seconded, carried 9-0 to approve Consultant Services Agreement between the Little Flower UFSD and Robert Maire, for CSE Testing at \$300/day for 30 days. Consultant Services
7. 4:47 p.m. C. Hammons moved, L. Cangemi seconded, carried 9-0 to enter Executive Session. Executive Session
- R. Scappatore, K. Nolan, A. Harlin, J. Slote, K. Smith left meeting.
- 5:15 p.m. S. Gellar moved, M. Adsitt seconded, carried 9-0 to leave Executive Session.

- 8. S. Gellar attending resolutions dinner, impressed with the admissions/enrollments applause to R. Scappatore and M. Gordon; excited about the direction of WBL experiences and partnerships; thank you to the admin, faculty and staff for the great summer news and opening of school. Board Forum

- 9. At 5:26 p.m. M. Davis moved, L. Cangemi seconded, carried 9-0 to adjourn. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,



Ashley Harlin
District Clerk
Approved: _____

October 21, 2024