

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
OCTOBER 30, 2013**

**PRESENT**

David Howe, School Board President  
Ed Gooding, School Board Vice-President  
James Lasser, School Board Member  
Susan Nobel, School Board Member  
David Smith, School Board Member (7:20 p.m. Arrival)  
Lisa Tane, School Board Member  
Anthony Gyetua-Danquah, Superintendent of Schools  
Marsha Maddox, Deputy Superintendent of Schools  
Alicia Madera, District Treasurer  
Dorothy Riolo, Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services  
Elizabeth Gallo, School Improvement Grant Manager  
Nicole Jackson, Scholastics Project Manager  
Pamela Budd, School Board Clerk  
Scott Oling, O'Connor Davies, LLP  
Brian Kenneally, O'Connor Davies, LLP

**ABSENT**

Francine Vernon, School Board Member

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mr. Howe.

**2.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**2.1 Minutes – October 10, 2013, as amended**

The motion was moved by Mr. Gooding, seconded by Mr. Lasser.

The motion was approved: Aye-5 Nay-0

**3.0 DISCUSSION**

**3.1 2012-2013 Financial Statements and Audit Presentation**

Scott Oling of O'Connor Davies, LLP, presented the results of the District's 2012-2013 external audit. Copies of the Financial Statements and the Independent Auditor's Report on Communication of Internal Control Matters Identified in the Audit to Those Charged with Governance and Management (Management Letter) were sent to School Board members for review. Marsha Maddox, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Alicia Madera, District Treasurer and the business office staff were commended for their work.

**3.2 School Improvement Grant Update**

Elizabeth Gallo, School Improvement Grant Manager, gave an update on SIG Goals, Curriculum, Professional Development and the Library. The Professional Development Calendar, developed by Ms. Gallo, was distributed to School Board members. A Sample Science Lab will be presented to School Board members at a future meeting.

**3.3 Scholastics Data Report**

Nicole Jackson, Scholastics Project Manager, gave a report on Scholastics Data and Programs. The presentation was also distributed to School Board members for review.

**3.4 Contract with Ardsley School District**

The contract with the Ardsley School District for the provision of educational services to their students for the 2013-2014 school year was presented. A resolution is included in the financial section for vote at this meeting.

**4.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**4.1 District Emergency Management Plan – Draft**

A draft of the District Emergency Management Plan was reviewed by the School Board. The vote on the Plan will occur at the next School Board meeting.

**4.2 Tenure Tracking Report**

One staff member will be reviewed for tenure at this School Board meeting. This information will be presented in the Executive Session.

**4.3 Race to the Top and Dashboard Selection**

A chart on Race to the Top Funding and school participation was presented to the School Board.

**4.4 Blaze Field Trip Update**

Students from the Greenburgh Eleven UFSD visited the Blaze on October 29, 2013. The Blaze was an exhibition of more than 5,000 hand-carved, illuminated pumpkins that were on display at Van Cortlandt Manor. Our students enjoyed the experience.

**4.5 NYSED Visit to Greenburgh Eleven**

The State Education Department's Regional Associate, Ellen Ganon, visited the District on October 30, 2013. The visit included classroom observations and a tour of the Bethune building.

**5.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**5.1** A brief discussion was held on the committee's progress on a comprehensive review of School Board Policies. The focus of this review is to identify policies that require revision or can be rescinded.

**6.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**6.1** Ms. Tane is scheduled to attend the School Boards and Superintendents Joint Dinner hosted by the Westchester-Putnam School Boards Association on November 14, 2013. To register for the event or to receive additional information, please contact the District Clerk.

**7.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**7.1** There were no public comments.

**8.0 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**8.1 RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education waives the reading of Financial Report Resolutions 8.2 through 8.8 and approves them as listed below.

The motion was moved by Mr. Gooding, seconded by Mr. Lasser.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

**8.2 RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education accepts the 2012-2013 Financial Statements presented by O'Connor Davies, LLP.

- 8.3 RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education approves the revised 2012-2013 revenue budget in the amount of \$14,268,567 and the revised 2012-2013 expenditure budget in the amount of \$14,212,279.
- 8.4 RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education authorizes the School Board President to sign the contract with the Ardsley School District for the provision of educational services to their students for the 2013-2014 school year.
- 8.5 RESOLVED** that the Budget Summary Report for the period ending June 2013 be accepted.
- 8.6 RESOLVED** that the Budget Summary Report for the period ending August 2013 be accepted.
- 8.7 RESOLVED** that the Treasurer’s Report for July 2013 be accepted.
- 8.8 RESOLVED** that the Treasurer’s Report for August 2013 be accepted.

**9.0 EDUCATION REPORT**

- 9.1 RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and authorizes the implementation of said recommendations with respect to classification and placement for the following students:

27083	27270	27241	26105	27389
26111	26137	26144	26104	26102

The motion was moved by Mr. Lasser, seconded by Mr. Gooding.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

**9.2 Enrollment Census Report**

Date	Residential	Day	Total
10/21/13	130*	53	183*
10/9/12	142*	57	199*
Difference	-12*	-4	-16*

\*Numbers are without FCAP and TRAC

Mrs. Riolo gave the Enrollment Census Report.

**10.0 OPENING OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education enters into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons, requests to receive legal advice from attorneys that is protected by the attorney-client privilege, and issues involving individual students and staff.

At 9:00 p.m., the motion was moved by Mr. Lasser, seconded by Ms. Nobel.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

**11.0 CLOSING OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- At 9:30 p.m., the motion was moved by Mr. Lasser, seconded by Ms. Nobel.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

**12.0 PERSONNEL REPORT**

**RESOLVED** that the Greenburgh Eleven Board of Education approves the personnel report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

The motion was moved by Mr. Lasser, seconded by Mr. Gooding.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

**CERTIFIED**

**Tenure**

Nubia LeBlanc, ESOL Teacher (TRAC), effective 11/4/13.

**Extended Unpaid Child Care Leave of Absence**

Lisa D’Antona Pirri, Special Education Teacher, effective 10/1/13 – 12/6/13.

**Corrected Probationary Appointments**

Sonia Pena, ESOL Teacher (TRAC), (Step C-4), \$60,551 per year, including benefits, prorated, effective 10/15/13.

Maribel Marchena, ESOL Teacher (TRAC), (Step A-3), \$48,143 per year, including benefits, prorated, effective 10/15/13.

**CLASSIFIED**

**Salary Adjustment**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>FTE on 9/1/13</b>	<b>FTE on 9/11/13</b>	<b>FTE on 9/16/13</b>	<b>FTE on 9/24/13</b>	<b>FTE on 10/2/13</b>	<b>FTE on 10/7/13</b>	<b>FTE on 10/12/13</b>	<b>Contract Salary</b>
Dabney Wesley	Teacher Associate	.74	.74	.74	.77	.89	.89	.94	\$25,585

**13.0 ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:35 p.m., the motion was moved by Mr. Lasser, seconded by Mr. Gooding.  
The motion was approved: Aye-6 Nay-0

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Pamela Budd  
School Board Clerk