

**MOUNT SINAI BOARD OF EDUCATION
MOUNT SINAI UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Mount Sinai, New York 11766**

Date: December 19, 2018
Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting
Members Present: Mr. Robert Sweeney, President; Ms. Lynn Jordan, Vice President; Ms. Kerri Anderson, Trustee; Ms. AnneMarie Henninger, Trustee; Mr. Stephen Koepper, Trustee; Mr. Edward Law, Trustee; Mr. Peter Van Middlelem (arrived at 8:04 p.m.)
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Mr. Gordon Brosdal, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Linda F. Jensen, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Maureen Poerio, District Clerk

Mr. Sweeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening
of Meeting**

Ms. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Koepper, to convene to Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel/contractual matter.

**Executive
Session**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

Mr. Law moved, seconded by Ms. Anderson, to adjourn Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

**Adjourn
Exec. Session**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (6-0)

Mr. Sweeney called the Regular meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. after the salute to the flag.

Opening of Meeting

(Mr. Van Middlelem arrived at 8:04 p.m.)

Student athletes Kayleigh Robinson (2018 spring track), Sarah Connelly (2018 cross country) and Kaitlyn Chandrika (2018 spring track) were recognized by the Board and Superintendent for their outstanding performance in the areas listed. Coach Dwyer was in attendance and shared accolades about each athlete.

**Student Athlete
Recognition**

Mr. Koepper moved, seconded by Ms. Jordan, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Minutes of the November 7, 2018 Board Forum and the November 14, 2018 Regular meeting as submitted.

Minutes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Building Principals Rob Catlin and Pete Pramataris and Executive Director for Instruction Dee Williams-Timo presented an overview of the Teachers' College Reading and Writing Programs detailing where we started from, where we are now, and where we are headed.

**Columbia
Reading &
Writing**

Mr. Brosdal reviewed the proposed 2019-2020 budget calendar for the months of January through April.

**Superintendent's
Report**

Questions and comments from the audience were addressed by the Board and Superintendent.

Agenda Items

PERSONNEL

Ms. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Michele Gaffney, Special Education Teacher, effective June 27, 2019.

Retirement
M. Gaffney

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Jordan moved, seconded by Ms. Anderson, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Maureen Conlan, Speech Teacher, effective June 27, 2019.

Retirement
M. Conlan

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Jill Cootner, Speech Teacher, effective June 27, 2019.

Retirement
J. Cootner

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Van Middlelem moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Kathryn Sosnovich, Speech Teacher, effective June 27, 2019.

Retirement
K. Sosnovich

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Van Middlelem moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Glynis Nau-Ritter, Science Teacher, effective June 27, 2019.

Retirement
G. Nau-Ritter

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Van Middlelem moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Anita Leonard, School District Aide, effective December 8, 2018.

Retirement
A. Leonard

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Van Middlelem moved, seconded by Ms. Jordan, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation, for retirement purposes, of Linda Surh-Ong, Director of Special Education, effective January 19, 2019.

Retirement
L. Surh-Ong

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Law moved, seconded by Mr. Van Middlelem, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following appointment:

Custodian I
E. Swedburg

Name of Employee: Eric Swedburg (currently a sub-custodian)
Appointment Date: January 2, 2019 (through February 28, 2019)
Area: Custodial Worker I (Leave Replacement)
Compensation: Step 1

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Anderson moved, seconded by Ms. Jordan that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Dwight Lukasz, Building and Grounds Consultant, at an hourly rate of \$60 per hour effective December 1, 2018. Said services will conclude no later than September 30, 2019.

**Building/
Grounds
Consultant**

**Those in Favor – 6
Those Opposed – Mr. Koepper
MOTION CARRIED**

Mr. Koepper moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following appointment:

**School
District
Aide**

Name of Employee: Kristina Sullivan (currently a sub-aide)
 Appointment Date: January 2, 2019
 Area: School District Aide
 Compensation: Step 2

K. Sullivan

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education has no objections to the following Special Education recommendations and approves the authorization for the funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such:

**Committee
on Special
Education**

<i>Special Education Committee</i>	<i>Meeting Date</i>
Preschool	November 8, 2018
Preschool	November 16, 2018
Preschool	December 17, 2018
Elementary School	November 8, 2018
Elementary School	November 9, 2018
Elementary School	November 13, 2018
Elementary School	November 28, 2018
Elementary School	November 30, 2018
Elementary School	December 5, 2018
Elementary School	December 6, 2018
Elementary School	December 13, 2018
Middle School	November 7, 2018
Middle School	November 8, 2018
Middle School	November 9, 2018
Middle School	November 13, 2018
Middle School	November 27, 2018
High School	October 30, 2018
High School	November 1, 2018
High School	November 14, 2018
High School	November 16, 2018
High School	November 28, 2018

High School	December 4, 2018
Out of District	November 16, 2018
Out of District	December 7, 2018

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Law moved, seconded by Mr. Van Middlelem, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby declares the following items as obsolete and approves disposal as listed:

Obsolete Equipment

<i>Item</i>	<i>Tag/Serial Number</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Disposal</i>
Friedrich A/C	001381	Elementary School	Discard
Friedrich A/C	001343	Elementary School	Discard
Water/Sand Table	1616	Elementary School	Discard

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Anderson moved, seconded by Ms. Jordan, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Gary Peters, Esq. as the Impartial Hearing Officer for case number 520451 with an effective date of November 15, 2018.

Impartial Hearing Officer

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Henninger moved, seconded by Mr. Koepper, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby authorizes HMH Journeys materials (list attached) to be donated to The Gomez School in Liberia, Africa.

Donation

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Questions and comments from the community were addressed by the Board of Education and Superintendent.

Community Discussion

Mr. Law moved, seconded by Mr. Koepper, to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Adjourn Meeting

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Respectfully submitted,

**Maureen Poerio
District Clerk**