

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

Date: October 16, 2019
Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting
Members Present: Mr. Robert Sweeney, President; Mr. Stephen Koepper, Vice President; Ms. AnneMarie Henninger, Mr. Edward Law, Ms. Lisa Pfeffer, Mr. Robert Pignatello, Mr. Peter Van Middelem
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Mr. Gordon Brosdal, Superintendent; Ms. Linda Jensen, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Maureen Poerio, District Clerk

Mr. Sweeney called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. after the salute to the flag.

Opening of Meeting

Prior to the Board accepting the 2018-19 Independent Audit Report prepared by the accounting firm of Cullen & Danowski, Auditor Jill Sanders reviewed the findings for the Board and community. Ms. Sanders again complimented Ms. Jensen for her continued Excellence in overseeing the District's finances and for the outstanding efforts of her staff.

External Audit Report

Mr. Brosdal updated the audience on where we are in the process of restoring our District-wide computer system. Ken Jockers and his staff have worked non-stop since September 25 when the District experienced a ransomware infection. Mr. Brosdal thanked Ken Jockers, Director of Technology, for his planning and insight, which resulted in keeping our data safe. Board President Sweeney supported Ken's decision to cut hard lines immediately as the best course of action. It then became an arduous process to come back online. Because of Ken's prudence and patience our servers were returned when properly cleaned. Mr. Jockers has added additional security to our system, putting up new walls. All systems are coming back slowly and we thank the community for their patience during this process. The District is planning to provide additional cyber-security training to the staff.

Mr. Pignatello moved, seconded by Mr. Van Middelem, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the Minutes of the September 18, 2019 Regular meeting as submitted.

Minutes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

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

Agenda Items

PERSONNEL

Mr. Koepper moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Edith Marie Lupo, School

Aide

District Aide, effective October 7, 2019.

E. Lupo

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Koepper moved, seconded by Mr. Pignatello, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Kathleen Saccardi, part-time Office Assistant, effective October 12, 2019.

**Office Assistant
K. Saccardi**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

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

Substitute Teachers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Appointment Date</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Compensation</i>
Sean Colfer	October 8, 2019	Tutor	\$46/hr.
Penny Marchany	October 17, 2019	Tutor	\$46/hr.
Tracy Theyskens	October 17, 2019	Tutor	\$46/hr.
Janine Reinecker	October 17, 2019	Tutor	\$46/hr.
Carol Indovino	October 8, 2019	Substitute Teacher	\$111/day
Nicholas Frizalone	October 10, 2019	Substitute Teacher	\$111/day
MargaretLawler	October 17, 2019	Substitute Teacher	\$111/day

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

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

Substitute Nurse

Name of Employee: Jennifer Disipio
Appointment Date: October 17, 2019
Area: Substitute Nurse
Compensation: \$125/day

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Pfeffer moved, seconded by Ms. Henninger, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following appointments:

School District Aides

<i>Name</i>	<i>Appointment Date</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Compensation</i>
Deborah Allen	October 17, 2019	School District Aide	Step 2
Edith Marie Lupo (former full-time aide)	October 17, 2019	Substitute Aide	\$12.50/hr.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Henninger moved, seconded by Mr. Van Middlelem, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Coaching appointments for the 2019-20 school year:

Coaches

<i>Name</i>	<i>Appointment Date</i>	<i>Area</i>	<i>Compensation</i>
Don Slingerland (replacing Brandon Loomis)	October 17, 2019	Assistant Varsity Girls Winter Track	Step 5
Frank LaBianca (replacing Brandon Loomis)	October 17, 2019	Assistant Varsity Girls Spring Track	Step 4
Andre Banks	October 17, 2019	Cheerleading Coach	Volunteer

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Van Middlelem moved, seconded by Ms. Pfeffer, 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	September 18, 2019
Elementary	September 27, 2019

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Pignatello moved, seconded by Mr. Van Middlelem, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Independent Audit Report of the General Purpose Financial Statements including the Reports on Compliance and Internal Control, and the Audit of the Extra-classroom Activity Fund as submitted by the firm of Cullen & Danowski, LLP for the school year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and further accepts the Corrective Action Plan as submitted by the Assistant Superintendent for Business.

**External
Audit
Report**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Koepper moved, seconded by Mr. Law, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Annual Risk Assessment Report and Internal Audit Report on Vendor Management Process as submitted by the firm of Rizzi, Schwarz & Taraskas for the 2018-19 school year and further accepts the Corrective Action Plan as submitted.

**Annual
Risk
Assessment**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Mr. Law moved, seconded by Ms. Pfeffer, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby declares the following items as obsolete and further authorizes disposal as listed:

**Obsolete
Equipment**

<i>Item</i>	<i>Tag/Serial Number</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Disposal</i>
Filmstrip Projector	#1008	Elementary School	Discard

Overhead Projector	#8100	Elementary School	Discard
(2) Panasonic Portable Recorders		Elementary school (previous high school property)	Discard
(4) Lunch Tables	#400489, #400488, #400490, #400491	Elementary School	Discard
Refrigerator	#012567	Middle School	Discard
Library Cart	#11738	Middle School	Discard
(5) cases of Spalding Baseballs (does not meet NFHS standard)		Athletic Department	Discard
VCR Tapes (1 case)		Athletic Department	Discard

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Pfeffer moved, seconded by Mr. Pignatello, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of *Mr. Dish All Star Basketball Return Machine* from Infant Jesus Basketball League valued at \$6,100.

Donation

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Ms. Henninger moved, seconded by Mr. Koepper, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby adopts the District-Wide School Safety Plan that was reviewed at the September 18, 2019 Board meeting and posted on the District's website for public review and comment.

District-Wide School Safety Plan

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. Pignatello, to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Adjourn Meeting

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (7-0)

Respectfully submitted,

**Maureen Poerio
District Clerk**