



**Thursday, February 26, 2015
Work Session
MS/HS Library, 7:00 PM**

1. Call to Order – 6:45 PM

2.0 Executive Session

2.01 Executive Session

At 6:46 PM, Mr. Greengrass moved, and Ms. Lucasey seconded, to convene to Executive Session for the following purpose: to discuss the discipline of a student.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

Mr. Greengrass moved, and Ms. Lucasey seconded, to appoint Mr. Reiser as Clerk Pro Tem.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

At 6:58 PM Ms. Lucasey moved, and Ms. Black seconded, to return to the Work Session.

Vote: 6 ayes - 0 nays

3. Work Session

Ms. Baron called the meeting to order.

In attendance, Ms. Tracy Baron, Board President; Mr. Robert Reiser, Board Vice President; Mr. Jonathan Greengrass; Mr. Louis Schwartz; Ms. Jean Lucasey; Dr. Lisa Brady, Superintendent; and Mr. Douglas Berry, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.

Mr. Michael Goldman, Ms. Lynne Black, Ms. Sylvia Fassler-Wallach, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations and Ms. Loretta Tularzko, District Clerk were not in attendance.

3.01 Pledge of Allegiance

3.02 Acceptance of the Agenda

Mr. Greengrass moved, and Ms. Lucasey seconded, that the Board accept the February 26th Agenda.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

4. Announcements

Mr. Schwartz moved, and Ms. Lucasey seconded, that the Board waive the reading of the announcements.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

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4.01 Private School Transportation Requests

Parents who are considering sending a child to a private school* next year are advised that transportation requests must be submitted by Tuesday, April 1, 2015, in order to be included in the district's request for transportation next year. Requests for forms should be made to Transportation Director at 914-693-6300 ext. 2208. A written request must be submitted for each child and for each school being considered. The School Board has established a firm policy of not considering requests submitted after the deadline.

*(Parents should note that a separate request must be submitted for each school being considered. Requests may be withdrawn if a school is not selected, but **may not** be considered if submitted after the deadline).

4.02 Board Member Terms of Office

Three terms of office of the Dobbs Ferry Board of Education will be expiring.

- Two terms ending June 30, 2015 - Ms. Lynne Black and Jonathan Greengrass
- One term ending on May 19, 2015 - Jean Lucasey

Forms for petitions to run for a seat on the Board of Education are available in the District Office. Petitions to run as a candidate for the School Board next year must be submitted by the close of business on **Monday, April 20, 2015**. Twenty-five signatures of registered voters in the district are required.

4.03 Personal Voter Registration

Any community resident not registered with the Westchester County Board of Elections may do so during Personal Registration which will take place on Monday, May 11, 2015 between **3:30 PM and 7:30 PM** in the HS Gymnasium Foyer. Voter Qualifications: (1) Must be a citizen of the United States; (2) Must be 18 years of age or older; (3) Must have been a resident of the school district for a period of 30 days or more prior to May 19, 2015.

5. Citizen's Comments

5.01 Notice

Members of the community may comment on any matter related to district business. Any group or organization wishing to address the Board must identify a single spokesperson. Presentations should be as brief as possible and no speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than 3 minutes. It is expected that speakers will conduct themselves in a civil manner and will be ruled out of order for any statement that constitutes a direct threat against officers, employees or students of the school district, or that is obscene. Questions or comments concerning matters that are not on the agenda will be taken under consideration and referred to the Superintendent for appropriate action.

6. Board Actions

6.01 Budget Transfer - Maintenance & Technology

Ms. Lucasey moved, and Mr. Schwartz seconded, that the Board approve the following budget transfer to transfer funds to pay for year-end maintenance projects and technology purchases:

Account to Decrease	Amount	Account to Increase	Amount
A2110.120.01.5300	\$ 31,000.00	A2630.490.00.5500	\$ 33,500.00
Tch Reg - Music Salary		BOCES Computer Tech	
A2110.120.01.7000	\$ 52,000.00	A1621.401.08.0000	\$330,000.00
Tch Reg - Eng Lng Learn		Maint Projects - Large	
A2110.160.01.1000	\$ 71,500.00		
Tch Reg - TA Salary			

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A2250.470.00.0000	\$ 75,000.00		
Spec Ed - Tuition			
A9020.820.00.0000	\$ 45,000.00		
Teacher Retirements			
A9060.860.00.0000	\$ 65,000.00		
Medical Ins - Premiums			
A9030.830.00.0000	\$ 24,000.00		
Social Security			
Total	\$363,500.00	Total	\$363,500.00

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

6.02 Personnel

Ms. Lucasey moved, and Mr. Schwartz seconded, that the Board approve the personnel recommendations.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

7. Book Discussion

7.01 The Test: Why Our Schools are Obsessed with Standardized Testing–But You Don’t Have to Be by Anya Kamenetz

8. Calendar

8.01 Upcoming Board Meetings

Saturday, March 7, 2015 – 9:00 AM – Commons

- Proposed Budget Presentations

Thursday, March 19, 2015 – 7:00 PM – Commons

- Technology Update

Thursday, April 9, 2015 – 7:00 PM – MS/HS Library

- Proposed Budget Review
- Revenue Forecast

Thursday, April 16, 2015 – 7:00 PM – Commons

- Review & Finalization of the 2014-2015 Budget
- 2015-2016 Budget Adoption

9.0 Executive Session

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Ms. Lucasey moved, and Mr. Greengrass seconded, to move back to Executive Session for the following purpose: employment history of particular personnel.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

Mr. Greengrass moved, and Ms. Lucasey seconded, to return to the Work Session.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

10. Adjournment

At 9:35 PM, Ms. Lucasey moved, and Mr. Greengrass seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays

IF INTERESTED IN REVIEWING BACK UP MATERIALS PERTAINING TO ANY ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA, ONCE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PLEASE CONTACT LORETTA TULARZKO AT 693-1506.



District Clerk