



**Tuesday, July 11, 2023**  
**Annual Organizational and Regular Board Meeting**  
**7:00 PM**

**1. Videoconferencing Notice**

Mr. Wood and Ms. Stringer participated via videoconference.

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Annual Organizational Meeting**

The reorganization meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

**3.01 Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.02 Roll Call**

Ms. Jean Lucasey; Ms. Shannon Stringer; Ms. Brooke Bass; Ms. Penny Sullivan-Nunes; Mr. Darren Wood; Dr. Pavithra Nagarajan; Dr. Rebecca Hershberg; Dr. Darrell Stinchcomb, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Equity; Dr. Ron Clamser, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations; Mr. Kenneth Slentz, Superintendent

**4. Board Actions**

**4.01 Election of a Temporary Chairperson**

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved and Ms. Bass seconded, that the Board appoint the Superintendent to act as the temporary Chairperson of the meeting until the nomination and election of the President.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays (Ms. Nagarajan and Ms. Hershberg did not vote as they had not yet been sworn in.)

**4.02 Acceptance of the Agenda**

Ms. Lucasey moved, and Ms. Sullivan-Nunes seconded, that the Board accept the July 11th Agenda.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays

**4.03 Oath of Office to the newly elected members of the Board of Education**

Ms. Nagarajan and Ms. Hershberg read the Oath of Office and signed the Oath Book.

**4.04 Election of President of the Board of Education**

Ms. Bass nominated Ms. Lucasey for president and Ms. Lucasey accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations.

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Ms. Bass moved and Ms. Sullivan-Nunes seconded, to nominate Ms. Lucasey as president.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

Ms. Lucasey read the Oath of Office and will later sign the Oath Book. Ms. Lucasey then presided over the meeting.

### **4.05 Election of Vice President of the Board of Education**

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes nominated Ms. Bass for vice president and Ms. Bass accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations.

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved and Ms. Nagarajan seconded, to nominate Ms. Bass as vice president.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

Ms. Bass read the Oath of Office and will later sign the Oath Book.

### **4.06 Resolution appointing of the District Clerk and District Treasurer**

Ms. Bass moved and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board appoint the following for the 2023-2024 school year:

Jessily Gonzalez be appointed District Clerk at an annual stipend of \$10,000.

Ms. Elizabeth Saperstein be appointed as Acting District Clerk, to serve in the absence or disability of the District Clerk, at no additional compensation. The District Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to the appointee at a later date.

Jacqueline Gibbs be appointed District Treasurer and Central Treasurer – Extra Classroom Activity Account at no additional compensation. The District Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to the appointee at a later date.

Ron Clamser, Jr., be appointed Deputy District Treasurer at no additional compensation. Deputy District Treasurer will read the Oath of Office and will later sign the Oath Book.

The Superintendent read the Oath of Office, and will later sign the Oath Book.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### **4.07 Resolutions for all required annual appointments**

The Board appoints the following to serve for the school year or until the next organizational meeting or a successor is appointed and qualifies according to law:

Pediatrics on Hudson, and Katherine Hough, MD., be appointed as school physician at an annual fee not to exceed \$22,000.

The firm of Shaw & Perelson, LLP serve as Counsel for the District at an annual retainer of \$35,000. Hourly services shall be provided at \$220 per hour.

The firm of O'Connor Davies, LLP, be appointed as District Auditor (audit FY 2022) at an annual fee of \$29,250 plus \$3,000 if a single audit is required.

Denise Connell be appointed Claims Auditor at an hourly rate of \$105, up to a maximum amount of \$12,000. The District Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to the Claims Auditor at a later date.

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AF Investigations be appointed to perform investigations for the District.

National Joint Powers Alliance be authorized as an alternative energy supplier when prices are better than our other cooperatives or contracts.

The Ardsley Union Free School District be appointed the District Transportation coordinator.

The Board of Education of the District renew the contract with and award the 2023-2024 Out-of-District Transportation to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The Board of Education of the District renew the contract with and award the 2023-24 In-District Transportation to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The Board of Education of the District renew the contract with and award the 2023-24 Athletic and Field Trip Transportation to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The Board of Education of the District renew the contract with and award the 2023 Summer School In- and Out-of-District Transportation to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The Board of Education approve the following alternate transportation resolutions:

The Board of Education of the District renew the Alternate No. 1: Out-of-District Home-to-School Contract/ Annual Cost of Performance Bond and Alternate No. 1: In-District Home-to-School Contract/ Annual Cost of Performance Bond to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., at CPI of 3.7%.

The Board of Education of the District renew the Alternate No. 2: Out-of-District Home-to-School Contract/ Cost per vehicle of Video and Sound Recording Equipment, Alternates 2.1 and 2.2, and Alternate No. 2: In-District Home-to-School Contract/ Cost per vehicle of Video and Sound Recording Equipment, Alternates 2.1 and 2.2, to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., at CPI of 3.7%.

The Board of Education of the District renew the Alternate No. 3: Out-of-District Home-to-School Contract/ Daily increase per vehicle in cost of Lower Vehicle Age Requirements, Alternate 3.2, and Alternate No. 3: In-District Home-to-School Contract/ Daily increase per vehicle in cost of Lower Vehicle Age Requirements, Alternate 3.2, to Royal Coach Lines, Inc., at CPI of 3.7%.

SWBOCES be appointed as the lead BOCES for Cooperative Educational Services and the Lower Hudson Regional Information Center for Cooperative Computer related services for 2023-2024 in the initial amount of \$1,734,620 to be increased as needed.

A&A Maintenance provide cleaning services per the BOE contract awarded at its meeting on May 10, 2022.

Honeywell be appointed for HVAC Controls, Automation and Monitoring & Verifications Services for the District in an amount not to exceed \$27,459.68.

The Board of Education approve the participation in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, materials, and equipment as advertised by the Clarkstown Central School District acting as Lead Agency. This resolution will enable the District to purchase through Educational Data Services, Inc.

WHEREAS, General Municipal Law Section 119-0 specifically authorizes municipal

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Corporations and school districts to enter into agreements for "purchasing and making of contracts"; and

WHEREAS, the attached school district listing has explored and supported the establishment of a municipal cooperative purchasing group; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto desire a municipal cooperative purchasing group to effect economies in the purchasing of and making contracts for materials, supplies and public works; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the parties hereto have approved this cooperative purchasing arrangement by appropriate resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and covenants set forth herein, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. A municipal cooperative Purchasing Group to be known as the "NY/Island Cooperative Bid" (purchasing Group) has been established.
2. Membership in such Purchasing Group shall be available to any school district or municipal Corporation in New York State which, by appropriate resolution, adopts the provisions of this agreement.
3. The members of the Purchasing Group shall adopt such rules, regulations and procedures in conformity with New York State bidding laws to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement.
4. The Purchasing Group may enter into agreements with contractors to assist the Purchasing Group in carrying out the purposes of this Agreement.
5. The Clarkstown Central School District shall serve as Lead Agency for the Purchasing Group.
6. Educational Data Service will serve as the Administrative Agent for the Purchasing Group to perform those ministerial functions required as per the Lead Agency.

Ms. Stringer moved and Mr. Wood seconded, to approve the appointments.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### 4.08 Designations and Authorizations

The Board designates the following for the 2023-2024 school year or until the next organizational meeting or a successor is appointed and qualifies according to law:

1. That Surety Bonds for all employees of the District will be maintained at \$3,000,000 for the 2023-2024 school year.
2. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be appointed Purchasing Agent for the District, Authorized Representative for all Federal programs including E-Rate and Child Nutrition, and Designated Custodian for the general fund, building fund, child nutrition fund, bond fund, activity fund, all state programs, and all other school programs and activities not listed at no additional compensation.
3. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations shall purchase, procure, store, and distribute all supplies and equipment for which appropriations have been made with due regard to the existing law, economy and efficiency, and the needs and desires of the departments of the school requesting such supplies.
4. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations is authorized to execute in the name of the Board of Education any and all documents, contracts, orders or other instruments.
5. That the District Treasurer be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the District.
6. That Mia Alfano be appointed Deputy Purchasing Agent at no additional compensation.
7. That the District's funds be deposited with:

Bank	Maximum Amount
Webster Bank	\$30,000,000

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JP Morgan/Chase Bank	\$30,000,000
CLASS	\$30,000,000

- or other banks, institutions or cooperative investment programs which meet the requirements of New York State and provide the most competitive rates for the District.
8. That The Rivertowns Enterprise and/or The Journal News be designated as the official newspapers for the District.
  9. That the Omni Group be designated as the 3rd party Administrator of the DFUFSD 403b and 457b plans for the District.
  10. That Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc. be designated for Financial Advisory Services in connection with bond or note financing(s) and continuing disclosure for the District if required. Fees are pursuant to required services.
  11. That Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP be designated as bond counsel if required. Fees are pursuant to a fee schedule determined by the amount of the bonds. That Tetra Tech Architects & Engineers be designated for architect and engineering services as required. Fees are pursuant to required services.
  12. That Altaris Consulting Group be appointed as the District's Security Consultant.
  13. That K. H. Briger be appointed for the District's Security Services.
  14. That the attached Substitute Teacher Compensation are in effect on September 1, 2023.
  15. That the hourly rates for temporary, hourly Aide/Monitors, Teacher Aides and Office Assistants correspond to Step 1 of the 2020-2023 CSEA Clerical Agreement Salary Schedule for 10-month employees and remain in effect, along with the Custodial Substitute Rate based on Step I of the 2023-2027 CSEA Custodial Contract.
  16. That in the absence of the school principals, the assistant principals may recommend the suspension of students in their respective schools to the Superintendent.
  17. That Linda Carpenter be appointed as Alternate Claims Auditor, to serve only in the absence or disability of the Claims Auditor, at \$107 an hour.
  18. That the Superintendent be authorized to establish Petty Cash Funds in accordance with Section 170.2(b) of the Commissioner's Regulations. Specifically, the Petty Cash Funds shall be located in the following areas and be in the following amounts, and the following individuals are appointed custodians of the Petty Cash Funds:

Springhurst School	Springhurst Principal's Secretary, Trustee	\$100
Middle School	Middle School Principal's Secretary, Trustee	\$100
High School	High School Principal's Secretary, Trustee	\$100
Asst. Supt. of Finance, Facilities & Oper.	Administrative Secretary, Trustee	\$100
Superintendent's Office	Superintendent's Secretary, Trustee	\$100
Personnel Office	Personnel Secretary, Trustee	\$100

19. That the Superintendent be authorized to request renewals of Federal, State and other grants, and new Federal, State and other grants with Board notification.
20. That the estimated 2023-2024 Tuition Rate for Out of District Students is as follows:
  - K-6 \$18,541
  - 7-12 \$18,292
21. That the Office Assistant (Spanish) in the Business Office be authorized as residency designee as part of the registration process at no additional compensation.
22. That the Springhurst Principal be authorized to make determinations regarding elementary student residency status as part of the registration process at no additional compensation.
23. That Tracy Segelbacher be authorized as pre-school student residency designee as part of the registration process at no additional compensation.
24. That the Director of Special Education be authorized to make determinations regarding pre-school student residency status as part of the registration process at no additional compensation.
25. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be

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- authorized to make final determinations regarding student residency status as part of the registration process at no additional compensation.
26. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be appointed Records Retention and Disposition Officer at no additional compensation.
  27. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be appointed Records Access Officer (Freedom of Information Officer) at no additional compensation.
  28. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations and the District Treasurer be designated as Financial Software administrators.
  29. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be designated Emergency Coordinator and that the Superintendent be designated Alternate Emergency Coordinator, at no additional compensation.
  30. That the Superintendent be designated as Records Appeal Officer at no additional compensation.
  31. That the Director of Facilities be appointed District AHERA/SASA designee at no additional compensation.
  32. That the Director of Facilities be appointed District Chemical Hygiene Officer at no additional compensation.
  33. That the Director of Facilities be appointed District School Pesticide designee at no additional compensation.
  34. That the Director of Facilities be appointed District Capital Assets Preservation Program Coordinator at no additional compensation.
  35. That the Director of Facilities be appointed District Compliance Officer for Americans with Disabilities Act (public accommodations/facilities' requirements) designee at no additional compensation.
  36. That the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Equity be appointed Title VII/Title IX Coordinator at no additional compensation.
  37. That the Director of Special Education be appointed Title VI (Civil Rights) Compliance Officer at no additional compensation.
  38. That the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to sign applications for approved ESSA Title I and other Federal Chapter programs to which the District is entitled by Federal Law.
  39. That the District Social Workers be appointed McKinney-Vento Liaisons pursuant to the *Every Student Succeeds Act* (ESSA) at no additional compensation.
  40. That the Superintendent be authorized to approve or disapprove staff vacation days, personal days, professional and visitation days, conferences, and travel as indicated in contractual agreements, Board of Education policy, and as provided for in the budget.
  41. That in accordance with Section 170.2(1) of the Commissioner's Regulations, the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations or his designee be authorized to make budget transfers not to exceed \$5,000 between function and object code line item accounts when the transfer supports activities categorically approved by the Board of Education in the annual expenditure budget.
  42. That in accordance with Section 170.2(1) of the Commissioner's Regulations, the Superintendent or his designee be authorized to make budget transfers not to exceed \$10,000 between function and object code line item accounts when the transfer supports activities categorically approved by the Board of Education in the annual expenditure budget. Transfers in excess of \$10,000 require prior approval of the Board of Education.
  43. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations or his designee be authorized to approve contracts that do not exceed \$5,000.
  44. That the Superintendent or his designee be authorized to approve contracts that do not exceed \$10,000. Contracts in excess of \$10,000 require prior approval of the Board of Education.
  45. That the District Treasurer be authorized to make payment of wages to all personnel in the school district in accordance with Board approved and/or contracted amounts and to make necessary deductions as prescribed by Law and/or agreement, at no additional compensation and that the Superintendent be authorized to review all payments of wages.
  46. That the President of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools be



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authorized to sign contracts for health services for Dobbs Ferry students attending non-public schools in neighboring districts.

47. That the Board of Education does hereby reaffirm that all existing policies, rules, bylaws, Code of Conduct, safety plans and regulations in force during the 2022-2023 school year are continued in full force and effect during the 2023-2024 school year or until amended, changed, or deleted.
48. That the President, or in his or her absence, the Vice President of the Board of Education, be authorized to sign all necessary papers or reports.
49. That the Board members be authorized with expenses to attend conferences and conventions.
50. That Denise Helgesen be appointed to be in charge of working papers at no additional compensation.
51. That fundraising for student overnight travel/trips for athletic and extracurricular programs is authorized pending Superintendent approval and on the necessary level of student interest. Overnight travel requires approval of the full Board in accordance with Policy #4531, with required documentation (itineraries, costs, chaperones, etc.).
52. That the District adheres to Section 135.4(c)(7)(ii)(a)(4) of the Commissioner of Education's Athletic Placement Regulations.
53. That the Superintendent be authorized to appoint the next available Impartial Hearing Officer according to the rotational selection process of the State Education Department.
54. That the Regular and Work Session Meetings of the Board of Education for 2023-2024 will be held at 7:00 PM (unless otherwise noted) as enclosed.
55. That the Board of Registration for the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote shall meet in the lobby of the Dobbs Ferry High School Gymnasium on Monday, May 13, 2024, between the hours of 3:30 PM and 7:30 PM.
56. That the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote shall meet in the HS Gymnasium on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM.
57. That the Election Inspector be paid a rate of \$15.00 per hour for the District's Election Registration.
58. That Election Inspectors and Election Clerks be paid a rate of \$15.00 per hour for the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote.
59. That Optical Scanner Board of Election Inspectors be paid at the current rate set by the Board of Elections.
60. That the District Clerk be authorized to appoint qualified voters to fill any vacancies caused by the inability, refusal or failure of any person to serve at the annual election.
61. That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Facilities and Operations be appointed as representative of the School District to serve on the State-Wide Schools Health Insurance Consortium Board of Governors at no additional compensation.
62. That Director of Special Education be appointed the Dignity for all Students Act (DASA) Coordinator for the District effective July 1st.
63. That the Assistant Principals of the High School (Juliet Gevargis-Mizimakoski), Middle School (Anne Pecunia) and Springhurst (Leah Grabelsky) be appointed as the Building Level Coordinators for the Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) for the 2023-2024 school year.
64. That Brooke Bass, Rebecca Hershberg, Jean Lucasey, Pavithra Nagarajan, Penny Sullivan-Nunes, Shannon Stringer, Darren Wood, Jeanne Cronin-Ceccolini, and Abbie Relkin be appointed members to the District's Audit Committee.
65. Supplemental Defense and Indemnification Resolution

Whereas, Section 18 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York authorizes municipal corporations, including Boards of Education, to adopt supplemental defense and indemnification provisions to those contained in the Education Law; and

Whereas, the statute authorizes Boards of Education to defend, indemnify and save harmless, members of boards of education and officers, agents and employees of the Boards of Education and parent volunteers in connection with any claims asserted or judgment obtained against such board members, officers, agents or employees in any State or Federal Court, or in the amount of any settlement of any such claim, provided the act or omission from which such judgment or claim arose occurred while the Board member, officer, agent or

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employee was acting within the scope of his or her office of employment; Now, therefore, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District hereby adopts the supplemental defense and indemnification provisions contained in Section 18 of the Public Officers Law for its Board members, officers, agents and employees, and parent volunteers on school-based planning and shared decision-making committees or other community volunteers performing volunteer service with the consent of the Board and/or Superintendent of Schools. This coverage shall supplement and shall be in addition to the coverage available to such employees under other enactments, including but not limited to the Education Law of the State of New York.

66. In accordance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), the District uses Light Speed Rocket System and GoGuardian (internet filtering software).
67. Internet Safety Policy #4526.1 addresses the following as required by CIPA:
  - access by minors when using electronic mail, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications unauthorized access, including hacking and other unlawful activities by minors online (proxy accounts)
  - unauthorized disclosure, use, and dissemination of personal information regarding minors
  - access by minors to inappropriate matter on the Internet and World Wide Web
  - measures designed to restrict minors' access to materials harmful to minors
  - educating minors about appropriate online behavior, including interacting with other individuals on social networking websites and in chat rooms, and cyber-bullying awareness and response.
68. That the mileage reimbursement rate for employees will be the same rate as that established by the Internal Revenue Service at the time the mileage was incurred.
69. That the following credit cards shall be issued to the following personnel:
  - Gasoline credit card (Exxon/Mobil and Shell) issued to Dobbs Ferry UFSD for use by the Facilities, Operations & Maintenance Department.
70. Resolved: Cell phones shall be issued to district personnel as enclosed.

Ms. Bass moved, and Ms. Sullivan-Nunes seconded, to approve the authorizations and designations.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### 5. **Regular Meeting**

### 6. **Correspondence**

The Board of Education acknowledged correspondence on the following topic:

- External annual audit communication

The Superintendent received communication on the following topics:

- Dignity for All Students Act district-level appeals
- Social media posting
- Reading instruction and student progress
- Modified Sports participation

### 7. **Citizens Comments**

#### 7.01 **Notice**

**The Board of Education values input from the entire Dobbs Ferry School District community. Although we do not engage in dialogue with the public at our Board of Ed business meetings, we are listening. Members of our school district community may comment on any matter related to the meeting's approved agenda. If you wish to address the board, please sign in with the District Clerk. Any group or**



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organization wishing to address the Board must identify a single spokesperson. Please state your name for the record and keep your remarks to 3 minutes or less. 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.

Ms. Lori Kelly, formerly of the executive board of the PTSA, introduced Ms. Erica Malko, the newly elected president of the Dobbs Ferry PTSA.

### **8. Board Committee Meetings**

#### **8.01 Special Education Subcommittee**

Ms. Lucasey reported that the Committee discussed the following items:

- Special Education Administration transition given Ms. Gismervik's resignation. The Committee discussed options including the appointment of an Interim Director.
- Specific cases in special education that are being reviewed by district legal counsel.
- The process that Committee members use in reviewing the CSE/CPSE recommendations that are submitted to the full Board.

### **9. Board Actions**

#### **9.01 Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Bass moved and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the minutes of the June 20 and June 29, 2023 meetings.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstentions: Ms. Nagarajan and Ms. Hershberg

#### **9.02 Board Meeting Dates**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby adopts the calendar for Board meetings for the 2023-2024 school year.

Ms. Nagarajan moved and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

#### **9.03 Personnel**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, hereby move to approve the civil service, and staff personnel recommendations.

Mr. Slentz welcomed Dr. Tashia Brown, Elementary Principal, to the District and announced that Mr. Bastone, the new Supervisor of Student Support Services at Springhurst, will start on August 1.

Ms. Lucasey expressed the Board's thanks and appreciation to Jean Gismervik, Director of Special Education, who will be leaving the District at the end of the summer.

Ms. Bass moved and Mr. Wood seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

#### **9.04 CSE/CPSE Recommendations**

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WHEREAS the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education had issued to the Board by written confidential report dated July 6, 2023 its IEP recommendations for the students who are identified therein; and

WHEREAS the Board is responsible for arranging for appropriate special programs and services to students with IEPs, as recommended by said committee;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District hereby authorize and direct the administration to immediately arrange for the special programs and services as set forth in said report dated July 6, 2023.

Ms. Stringer moved and Ms. Bass seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 - ayes 0 - nays

### 9.05 Budget Transfer

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, hereby move to approve the following budget transfers for FY 2022-23:

Account	Decrease	Increase	Note
A 9730-600-00-0000 BAN Principal	\$55,000		To cover final out-of-district transportation invoice
A 5540-435-09-7200 Contr Trans-Out of Dist		\$55,000	

Account	Decrease	Increase	Note
A 9060-860-00-0000 Medical Ins-Premiums	\$30,080.74		To cover final health insurance opt-out payments and Medicare Part B reimbursements
A 9060-861-00-0000 Medical Ins-Waiver Pmts		\$12,382.01	
A 9060-861-00-0000 Medical-Medicare Pmts		\$17,698.73	

Account	Decrease	Increase	Note
A 2250-490-02-7200 Spec Ed-BOCES 6-8	\$30,000		To reconcile BOCES accounts and cover BOCES June and supplemental billing.
A 2250-490-03-7200 Spec Ed-BOCES 9-12	\$37,000		
A 1430-490-00-0000 Personnel-BOCES		\$10,000	
A 1680-490-00-0000 Central Data Proc-BOCES		\$20,000	
A 2070-490-04-0000 Staff Dev BOCES		\$10,000	
A 2110-490-01-5400 Tch Reg-Cult Arts		\$12,000	
A 2250-490-01-7200 Spec Ed-BOCES K-5		\$15,000	

Ms. Stringer moved and Ms. Bass seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, hereby move to approve the following budget transfers for FY 2023-24:

Account	Decrease	Increase	Note
A 2110-490-00-0000 Tch Reg-BOCES Gen Ed	\$49,021		To purchase the new math workbooks budgeted under the BOCES code.
A 2110-482-01-1000 Tch Reg-Workbook SPR		\$35,521	
A 2110-482-02-2000 Tch Reg-Workbooks MS		\$12,500	

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved and Ms. Bass seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

**9.07 Settlement of Tax Certiorari Proceeding**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert, LLP to execute a Consent Order & Judgment in a tax certiorari proceeding captioned Muhammed Faraz Khan NKA Faraz Ayaz Khan and Alla Khan v. Town of Greenburgh and Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District;

**AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the refund of taxes as required by the terms of the Consent Order & Judgment.

Ms. Bass moved, and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the following resolution:

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

**9.08 District-Wide Safety Team**

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved, and Ms. Nagarajan seconded, that the Board appoint the members of the District-Wide Safety Team as noted below:

TITLE	NAME
Superintendent	Ken Slentz
Assistant Superintendent	Ron Clamser
Assistant Superintendent	Darrell Stinchcomb
High School Principal	John Falino
Middle School Principal	Patrick Mussolini
Springhurst Principal	TBD
High School Assistant Principal	Juliet Gevargis-Mizimakoski
Middle School Assistant Principal	Anne Pecunia
Springhurst Assistant Principal	Leah Grabelsky
High School Dean of Students	Scott Patrillo
Director of Facilities	Denis Brazil
Director of Technology	Terance Huyter
Athletic Director	Andrew Klaich
Special Education Director	TBD

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Special Education Assistant Director	Shari Kaplan
Public Information Officer	Liz Hausman
Director of Instructional Technology/CIO	Amber Klebanoff
Dobbs Ferry Police Chief	Rick Guevara
DFUT Representative	Jen Hickey
Bus Monitor	Eddie Colon
BOE Member	Penny Sullivan- Nunes
Dobbs Ferry PTSA	TBD

Ms. Lucasey stated that the TBD members would be approved at a future meeting.

Vote: 7 - ayes, 0 - nays

### 9.09 **Out of District Transportation Contract Extension**

WHEREAS, Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, one of the Quad Districts, entered into transportation contracts with Royal Coach Lines, Inc. ("Royal Coach") in June 2019 for In-District and Out-of-District home-to-school transportation, and other student transportation; and

WHEREAS, the School District wishes to ensure that Royal Coach will extend the Out-of-District and Summer transportation contracts for four one-year periods at CPI-U (2023-24 through 2026-27); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, in consideration of the extension of transportation contracts at CPI-U for four years, has agreed to modify the Out-of-District and Summer Transportation contracts rate schedule with Royal Coach;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute an Agreement on behalf of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free District with Royal Coach Lines, Inc., as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of such agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Bass moved, and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the following resolution:

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### 9.10 **Extension of Contract for School Food Service Management**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, hereby move to approve the 2023-24 Extension of Contract for School Food Service Management between the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District and Aramark Educational Services, LLC effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

Ms. Hershberg moved, and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### 9.11 **Certification of Lead Evaluators - Education Law Section 3012-d**

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**, pursuant to the provisions of Education Law Section 3012-d and Part 30-3.10 of the Regents Rules hereby certify that the following individuals have completed all the necessary training to be certified as

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lead evaluators of classroom teachers:

Dr. John Falino  
Mr. Patrick Mussolini  
Dr. Tashia Brown

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**, pursuant to the provisions of Education Law Section 3012-d and Part 30-3.10 of the Regents Rules hereby certify that the following individuals have completed all the necessary training to be certified as lead evaluators of building principals:

Mr. Ken Slentz  
Dr. Darrell Stinchcomb

Ms. Bass moved and Ms. Sullivan-Nunes seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

### 9.12 **Special Education Vendors**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District, hereby move to approve the Special Education Vendors on the attached list.

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved, and Mr. Wood seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention: Ms. Lucasey

### 9.13 **CSE/CPSE Parent Membership**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Dobbs Ferry Union Free School District hereby approve the parent membership on the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for 2023-2024 as attached.

Ms. Bass moved and Ms. Stringer seconded, that the Board approve the resolution.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

## 10. **Citizens Comments**

### 10.01 **Notice**

**The Board of Education values input from the entire Dobbs Ferry School District community. Although we do not engage in dialogue with the public at our Board of Ed business meetings, we are listening. Members of our school district community may comment on any matter related to district business. If you wish to address the board, please sign in with the District Clerk. Any group or organization wishing to address the Board must identify a single spokesperson. Please state your name for the record and keep your remarks to 3 minutes or less. 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.**

None.

## 11. **Old Business**

None.

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12. **New Business**

Ms. Lucasey assigned mentors to the new Board members and explained the various resources and training that would be available to new members in addition to the NYS required training.

13. **Upcoming Meetings**

13.01 **Calendar**

Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – 7:00 PM – MS/HS Library

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. MS/HS Library

14. **Adjournment**

Ms. Sullivan-Nunes moved and Mr. Wood seconded, that the Board adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes, 0 nays

Jessily Gonzalez  
District Clerk