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# Mid-Hudson Teacher Center

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## POLICY BOARD MEETING Minutes

**Date:** May 7, 2024

**Time:** 4:15pm

**Location:** Van Wyck Junior High School Library

Hagan Elementary School Conference Room

New Paltz Middle School

Webutuck Central School District

All Locations Connected Via Zoom

### **Attendance:**

**Benjamin Liberatore** - New Paltz CSD

**Bob Bloom** - At Large

**Lauren Maggio** - Vice Chair / Orange-Ulster BOCES

**Mindy Grey** - Secretary / Arlington CSD

**Ruta Ronis** - At Large

**Aileen Basuljevic** - Wappingers CSD

**Nicole Altieri**- Parent Rep

**Karen Crichton** - Spackenkill Union Free School District

**Shannon Elliffe** - Non-public School Representative

**Monica Baker** - Chair / Webutuck CSD

### **Absent:**

Sal Contes - LEA representative / Arlington CSD

Jennifer Ippolito - Walkkill CSD

Roberta Clements - Treasurer

Johnnieanne Hansen - Business / Industry Representative

Corey Cavallaro - Ulster: Onteora CSD

Devon Duhaney - Higher Ed

Sarah Elia - Ulster: Saugerties CSD

**Quorum:** Yes

**Staff:** JoAnn Murphy-Genter

1. The meeting was called to Order at 4:17 pm by Monica Baker.
  
2. Approval of consensus agenda by Monica Baker  
Ruta Ronis made a motion to approve the March minutes and budget. Nicole Altieri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  
3. New Business.....Monica Baker
  - a. **FS10A** - Motion to approve the FS10A as stated below was made by Ruta Ronis, seconded by Nicole Aliteri. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Code 15 - Increase of \$2400

Director developing a self-pace instructor course as an option for new instructors. 8 hrs @ \$100/hr

Director developing a Mentor program to support all new instructors. 6 hrs @ \$100/hr

A Director develop a new course on VR equipment that has been purchased that can be turnkeyed to some instructors 10 hrs@\$100/hr

Code 16 - Decrease of \$2000

Decrease salary by \$2000 due to not being hired til the end of September

Code 40 - Decrease of \$10,850

Stipend for Humanities project manager decrease by \$1500 due to hired later

Eliminate stipend for person to do inventory - \$4050

Eliminate stipend for Social Media \$2700

PBL, PLC to support education in Transition reduced by \$1600

Autism Conference not held \$1000

Code 45 - Increase of \$1149

Increase cost of mirrors for Starlab projection system

Code 90 - Decrease of \$169

Indirect Cost is now \$344,662 because \$10,582 is in equipment. Indirect amount is now \$344,662

X1.6%= \$5515 and it was \$5684.

Code 20 - Increase of \$9470

Our Starlabs have gotten a lot of use over the years and both domes are more than 20 years old and seeing lots of wear and tear. Last year we replaced one of the domes and this would replace the second dome. The standup door to this new dome allows for upright access which makes it more accessible for students and adults, especially for those with mobility issues. .

b. **New Instructor** - Dawn Galente motion to approve by Bob Bloom, seconded by Ben Liberatore. The motion passed unanimously

c. **Staffing** - Hiring and hourly rate- Motion to move to Executive session at 4:23 by Karen Crichton, seconded by Bob Bloom. Motion to end Executive session 4:27 by Bob Bloom, seconded by Ruta Ronis.

Upon returning from executive session Bob Bloom made a motion to increase staff salaries for director, assistant director and administrative aide by 3% of current salary, seconded by Karen Crichton. The motion passed unanimously

d. **Continuation Application 2024-25 and FS10 Focus areas selected** -

Last year's grant increased back to last year according to NYSUT, but Joann has not heard directly from State Ed on the increase.

e. **Officers for the PB** - Nominations made at this meeting to keep current officers: President Monica Baker, Treasurer Roberta, Secretary Melinda Grey

Discussion had about the need for a teacher rep from Orange County

4. Other - Next Board Meeting is May 15, 2024 at 2 locations AHS & Suny NP- Bring calendars

5. Adjournment.....Monica Baker

Motion to adjourn at 4:47 by Ruta Ronis, seconded by Mindy Grey.

Respectfully submitted by Mindy Grey, Secretary.

