



**MANHASSET UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**MANHASSET, NEW YORK 11030**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**MAY 28, 2021**  
**VIA ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS**  
**DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS**

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**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT AND VOTING:** Ms. Patricia Aitken, President; Ms. Christine Monterosso, Vice-President and Mr. Carlo Prinzo, Trustee

**MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT:** Ms. Regina Rule and Ms. Ann Marie Curd, Trustees

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:** Dr. Gaurav Passi, Acting Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Ms. Rosemary Johnson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations; Ms. Allison Rushforth, Executive Director of Special Education Programs and Public Personnel Services.

**A. CALL TO ORDER and VERIFICATION OF QUORUM**

On motion duly made at 9:05 a.m. Ms. Aitken verified the presence of a quorum and called to order a Regular Meeting of the Manhasset Board of Education Meeting.

**MOTION:** “that the Board of Education convenes herewith a Regular Board Meeting.”

**PROPOSED BY:** Ms. Aitken

**VOTE:** Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo- YES

**MOTION APPROVED:** 3-0

**B. Personnel** (Enclosure)

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD grants Superintendent Dr. Vincent Butera a leave of absence effective May 13, 2021.

**RESOLUTION: APPOINTMENT OF THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT AND DESIGNATION OF DUTIES OF ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that effective May 28, 2021 the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD appoints Dr. Gaurav Passi as its Acting Superintendent of Schools, authorized to carry out those functions as required under Education Law 1711 as being within the sole and exclusive authority of the Superintendent of Schools.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby declares that the Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations, and the Executive Director for District Special Education Programs and Pupil Personnel Services, will work in partnership with the Acting Superintendent in the performance of his responsibilities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby declares that the Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations, reporting directly to the Board, shall provide executive leadership for the District’s day-to-day operations and

administration including the execution of all policies, decisions and orders of the Board of Education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby declares that, during the term of the acting superintendent, all references in District policies and regulations to the Superintendent of Schools or designee shall also include the Acting Superintendent of Schools and the Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations.

### **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR ACTING SUPERINTENDENT**

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD approves the terms of an employment agreement dated May 28, 2021 for Dr. Gaurav Passi to serve as Acting Superintendent of Schools.

### **STANDARD WORK DAY RESOLUTION/BUS DISPATCHER**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Manhasset UFSD, hereby establishes the standard work days for Bus Dispatcher at 8 hours per day and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body.

### **STANDARD WORK DAY RESOLUTION/ACCOUNT CLERK**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Manhasset UFSD, hereby establishes the standard work days for Account Clerk at 7 hours per day and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body.

### **PERSONNEL SCHEDULE:**

**Appointments** (24) (As per MASA, MEA and MESPA Agreements) the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule A-28, Appointments.

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints David Romero to a two year probationary appointment as an English Teacher (tenure area: English) effective 9/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. \*

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints William Carr to a four year probationary appointment as a Technology Education Teacher (tenure area: Technology Education) effective 9/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. \*

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints Stephen Smith to a four year probationary appointment as a Social Studies Teacher (tenure area: Social Studies) effective 9/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. \*

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints Samantha Angst to a four year probationary appointment as a Reading Teacher (tenure area: Reading) effective 9/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. \*

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints James Wegge to a four year probationary appointment as a Science Teacher (tenure area: Science) effective 9/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. \*

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education ("Board") appoints Ryan Aliperti to a four year probationary appointment as an Administrator of Assessment and Data

Analysis (tenure area: Administrator of Assessment and Data Analysis) effective 7/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education (“Board”) appoints Peter Melore to a four year probationary appointment as a Director of Physical Education, Health and Interscholastic Athletics, (tenure area: Director of Physical Education, Health and Interscholastic Athletics) effective 7/1/2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

\*Pursuant to Education Law section 3012-d and Commissioner’s Regulations, in order to be considered for tenure, said individual probationary appointees must have received an APPR rating of effective or highly effective in three of the four probationary years and must not receive an ineffective in the fourth year.

**Leave of Absence** (2) (As per MEA Agreement) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule L-13, Leave of Absence.

**Settings of Salary** (30) (As per MASA and MEA Agreements) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule S-18, Settings of Salary.

**Terminations** (13) (As MEA and MESPA Agreements) The Board of Education of the Manhasset UFSD hereby approves Schedule T-25, Terminations.

**PROPOSED BY:** Ms. Aitken

**VOTE:** Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo- YES

**MOTION APPROVED:** 3-0

**C. MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING**

On motion duly made at 9:10 a.m., the Board adjourned the Regular Meeting.

**MOTION:** The Board of Education hereby adjourns the Regular Meeting.

**PROPOSED BY:** Ms. Aitken

**VOTE:** Ms. Aitken, Ms. Monterosso, Mr. Prinzo- YES

**MOTION APPROVED:** 3-0

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosemary Johnson  
Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations