



# Edith Winthrop Teacher Center

## Policy Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 @ 4:00PM

Richard J Bailey School

33 W. Hillside Avenue, White Plains, NY 10603

- **Welcome Back**
- **Open Meeting Law**
- **Update on summer and fall classes**
- **Upcoming EWTC DEI Book Studies and courses**
- **Pleasantville School District**
- **Vote on Budget Amendment**  
\$219 in additional monies since the LEA indirect cost decreased by 2%.  
Use the additional monies to partially fund a SEL class.
- **Share out district initiatives and needs**



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**Members Present:** Melissa Iamonico, Michelle Yang-Kaczmarek, Kristie Martinez, Christine Metrinko, Cristina Moccia, Jean O'Brien, Bettina Spargo

**Non Voting Members Present:** Lori D'Andrea, Susan Farrell

**Members Absent:** Sheila Ahern, Diamond Brown, Dori Brown, Dr. Robert Feirsen, Megan Lasky, Michael McCoy

**Quorum:** Yes

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by Lori D'Andrea

### **Welcome Back:**

Lori D'Andrea welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She then highlighted the salient points of the Open Meeting Law and how it pertains to our Policy Board Meetings.

### **The Edith Winthrop TC summer and early fall classes:**

- The Teacher Center offered 11 EWTC summer classes with 233 registrants and the three EWTC fall classes have 69 registrants

### **The Edith Winthrop Upcoming Book Studies and courses:**

- There are three (3) DEI Book Clubs throughout the balance of the year and Intro to the NYSED Literacy Briefs and the Science of Reading coming up in January

**Pleasantville School District:**

The Pleasantville School District has expressed an interest in possibly joining our consortium. Lori advised Pleasantville that any request to join our Teacher Center would require an official letter from their administration and union and would have to be approved by the Policy Board. It would also have to be submitted to the state in our next Continuation Application grant and could not be effective until the 2025-26 school year. Lori will keep the board apprised on any updates.

**Vote on Budget Amendment**

Susan explained that there was a surplus of \$219 in additional monies because of the 2% decrease in the LEA indirect cost. A motion was made by Jean O'Brien and seconded by Kristie Martinez to use the additional funds to offset the cost of the Self Care through Creativity class. All members were in favor.

**School District Needs**

There is interest within our consortium districts and members for courses pertaining to Artificial Intelligence. Board Member Jean O'Brien would like to facilitate a couple of classes on this topic and will, in due course, submit roadmaps for review.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm - *Respectfully submitted by Susan Farrell*

