

Special Meeting to Vote on BOCES Budget and Trustees

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District was held on Tuesday evening, April 19, 2016, beginning at 6:07 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at the William J. Brosnan School, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, New York, with Mr. Andrew Rapiejko, Chairperson, opening the meeting and presiding.

Members present: Mr. David Badanes, Mrs. Lori McCue, Mrs. Donna McNaughton, Mrs. Regina Pisacani, Mr. Andrew Rapiejko, Mr. David Stein, Mrs. Jennifer Thompson, Mrs. Tammie Topel

Members absent: Ms. Julia Binger (excused)

Also present: Mr. Robert Banzer, Superintendent of Schools  
Ms. Kathleen Molander, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Ms. Irene McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources  
Mr. Matthew Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Administration

1. President Rapiejko called the meeting to order.

Public attendance: There were approximately one-hundred persons present.

2. Motion was made by Trustee Badanes, seconded by Trustee Topel, to immediately convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to contract negotiations and matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons.

Unanimously carried by those present.

At 7:06 p.m. the Board reconvened in Public Session.

3. Mr. Rapiejko led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Mr. Rapiejko pointed out the emergency exits.

5. STUDENT AND STAFF RECOGNITION/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

- 5.01 Accomplishments of Staff and Students

- 5.01.1 Mr. David Storch, District Chairperson of Science and Technology Education, introduced the following Elementary School Science Fair 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winners who will compete at Brookhaven National Labs on May 7, 2016:

Bellerose Avenue Elementary School

Kindergarten - Brendan Ronan, First Grade - Sarah Myers and Lily Suarez, Second Grade - Shawn Aliperti, Third Grade - Vivienne Cierski, Fourth Grade - Kaitlyn Johnson, Fifth Grade - Alexander Amorosa

Dickinson Avenue Elementary School

Kindergarten - Michael Young, First Grade - Avery McArdle, Second Grade - Aidan Macartney, Third Grade - Alexandra DeRop, Fourth Grade - Carter Mooers, Fifth Grade - Logan Monaco

Fifth Avenue Elementary School

Kindergarten - Michael Parker Cuneo, First Grade - Nicholas Scicchitano, Second Grade - Jillian Ryan, Third Grade - Jacob Raimo, Fourth Grade - Brendan Howard, Fifth Grade - Joseph Conforti

Norwood Avenue Elementary School

Kindergarten - James Murray, First Grade - Mariana Aroniadis, Second Grade - Catherine Fodor, Third Grade - Morgan Murray, Fourth Grade - Kelsey Reid, Fifth Grade - Dante Rodrigues

Ocean Avenue Elementary School

Kindergarten - Jamie Herman, First Grade - Casey Bernson, Second Grade - Lucy Mulholland, Third Grade - Nicholas Arthur, Fourth Grade - Sebastian Ko, Fifth Grade - Nicholas Crafa

Pulaski Road Elementary School

Kindergarten - Julia and Amelia Ng, First Grade - Jack Eagan, Second Grade - Abigail Ng, Third Grade - Charles and Nathaniel Aftel, Fourth Grade - Isabella Rodriguez, Fifth Grade - Riley Greene

Motion was made by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee Pisacani, to approve the Proposed Western Suffolk BOCES Administrative Budget for 2016-2016.

6. PROPOSED WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR 2016-2017

6.01.1 The entire proposed Western Suffolk BOCES Budget was forwarded to the Board on March 23, 2016.

Vote on Trustee McCue's motion was as follows:

YES: Mr. Badanes, Mrs. McCue, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. Pisacani, Mr. Rapiejko, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Topel

NO: Mr. Stein

ABSENT: Mrs. Binger

Motion passed.

Motion was made by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee McNaughton, to approve item 7.01

7. CANDIDATES FOR THREE YEAR TERMS ON THE WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES BOARD OF EDUCATION

7.01 Approving three candidates for three year terms on the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education

7.01.1 Mrs. Mildred Browne

7.01.2 Mrs. Ilene Herz

7.01.3 Mrs. Maryann Zumpano

Vote on Trustee McCue's motion to approve item 7.01 was unanimously carried by those present.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes for approval.

Motion was made by Trustee McNaughton, seconded by Trustee Topel, to approve all items under 9.

9. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT, GENERAL – FOR BOARD ACTION

9.01 Receiving for a first reading the following policies:

- 9.01.1 Policy #4321 – “Programs for Students with Disabilities Under IDEA and Article 89”
- 9.01.2 Policy #4321.1 – “Allocation of Space for Special Education Programs and Services”
- 9.01.3 Policy #4321.4 – “Impartial Hearing Officer Appointment and Compensation”
- 9.01.4 Policy #4321.8 – “School-Wide Pre-Referral Approaches and Interventions”
- 9.01.5 Policy #4321.9 – “Confidentiality and Access to Individualized Education Programs and Individualized Education Services Programs”

The Board asked for clarification from Board Counsel on several portions of the policies and made some minor revisions. Board Counsel will provide the information requested and the revised policies at the next Board meeting.

There was discussion regarding the procedures the Special Education Department follows with regards to Independent Evaluations.

9.02 Approving the Personnel Actions Report dated April 19, 2016, attached and made part of the official minutes

President Rapiejko announced the retirements of Kathleen Sapienza - Teaching Assistant, Gail Burr – Elementary Teacher, Michael Darmiento – Maintenance Worker, and Kathleen Byrnes – Senior Stenographer.

Vote on Trustee McNaughton’s motion to approve all items under 9. was unanimously carried by those present.

Motion was made by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee McNaughton, to approve all items under 10., including Supplemental 10.11, 10.12 and 10.13

10. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT, FINANCIAL – FOR BOARD ACTION

10.01 Receiving the following donation to the District:

10.01.1 \$100.00 from Frances and Bertram Delmage to the Lt. Commander Christopher Tragna Scholarship

10.02 Approving the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$1,105 from Northport-East Northport residents whose names are more fully set forth in the attached document, for the purpose of students attending field trips to the FBI Headquarters, Airpower Museum, and Museum of American Armor as an alternative to the trip to Washington D.C. on May 4, 5 and 6, 2016 and increase the 2015-2016 budget code A2110.4161.23.2902 by \$1,105 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code

A2705 of the 2015-2016 budget by \$1,105 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of donations from the Northport-East Northport residents."

10.03 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Jessica Rasdall in the amount of \$5,200 for Pre-Prom Presentation (NHS)

10.04 Approving a 2016-2017 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Cleary School for the Deaf (Spec. Ed.)

10.05 Approving a 2016-2017 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and NSSA/The Martin C. Barell School (Spec. Ed.)

10.06 Approving a 2016-2017 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Maryhaven (Spec. Ed.)

10.07 Approving a 2016-2017 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Harmony Heights (Spec. Ed.)

10.08 Approving a 2016-2017 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and ASCENT: A School for Individuals with Autism (Spec. Ed.)

10.09 Approving Transfer of General Fund Appropriations in the 2015-2016 fiscal year

10.10 Approving a Transfer of Special Aid Fund Appropriations in the 2015-2016 fiscal year

10.11 Approving a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement between the Town of Huntington and the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District (BAS)

10.12 Approving the Revised Corrective Action Plan to the June 30, 2015 Federal Single Audit

10.13 Approving the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 1716 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District hereby authorizes the submission of the attached Property Tax Report Card to the State Education Department"

Vote on Trustee Thompsons's motion to approve all items under 10., including Supplemental 10.11, 10.12, and 10.13 was unanimously carried by those present.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

11.01 Upcoming Meetings

### PUBLIC HEARING ON FINALIZED BUDGET

Thursday, May 5, 2016

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, May 17, 2016  
6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING TO ACCEPT VOTING RETURNS

Tuesday, May 17, 2016  
Approximately 9:30 p.m.  
William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 2, 2016  
7:00 p.m.  
William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 16, 2016  
7:00 p.m.  
William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

President Rapiejko stated that the Northport High School Tour Choir had the opportunity to sing with Patti Lupone. They rehearsed at Northport High School on April 14<sup>th</sup>, performed with her at her concert on April 17<sup>th</sup> in Staten Island, and are performing tonight in New York City.

Trustee Pisacani inquired about the Board going on building tours in regards to the item that could be presented before the voters at a bond vote.

Mr. Banzer stated that the Board will be polled as to a convenient date to arrange the tour.

With no further business to discuss, motion was made by Trustee Stein, seconded by Trustee Topel, to adjourn the meeting.

Unanimously carried.

At 10:19 p.m., the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

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Beth M. Nystrom  
District Clerk

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