

**ROSLYN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Meeting of the Board of Education**

Thursday, April 7, 2016

8:00 p.m.

Roslyn High School – Board Room

MINUTES

Meryl W. Ben-Levy, President
Clifford Saffron, Vice President
David Dubner
Adam Haber
Steven Litvack
David Seinfeld
Bruce G. Valauri

ALSO PRESENT

Gerard W. Dempsey, Jr.	Superintendent
Allison Brown	Deputy Superintendent
Joseph C. Dragone	Assistant Superintendent for Business
Michael Goldspiel	Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Nancy Carney Jones	District Clerk
Nathan Yang	Student Delegate

ABSENT

7:40 p.m. - Executive Session

Pursuant to Public Officers Law, Section 105, it was duly moved, seconded and carried by a vote of 7-0; that the Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The Board reconvened in Public Session in the High School Board Room at 8:04 p.m.

8:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting

Preliminary Announcements
Emergency Procedures
Cell Phones

Pledge of Allegiance

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Prior to this evening's meeting a Groundbreaking ceremony was held in the front of the Roslyn High School to commemorate the start of the bond work that was approved by the Roslyn community in May 2014.

Recognition - Galit Salamatbad, *Roslyn High School's Senior Scholarship Recipient* at the Art Supervisor's Association 12th Annual Student Art Exhibit

Ms. Salamatbad was unable to attend the Board meeting. The Board recognized her with a certificate of achievement.

Board President's Comments

Ms. Ben-Levy commented on how "very special" the groundbreaking ceremony was this evening. She thanked her fellow Board members for all their hard work and their commitment to the children of Roslyn Schools. She stated "this project will change the children's lives."

Superintendent's Comments

Mr. Dempsey commented on the following items:

- A reminder - Tuesday, April 12th at 7:30pm there will be a presentation by columnist Frank Bruni at Temple Sinai.
- The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19th due to the required BOCES vote night.
- The High School play is next week and he encouraged everyone to attend.
- The state assessment tests started this week. The District's opt out rate is 38% compared to last year's rate of 33%.
- We are recommending the approval of the school budget; this will allow the district to begin the final stages of preparing the budget brochure.

Student Delegate's Comments

Mr. Yang, OCC President, commented that on the suggestion of Superintendent Dempsey he invited members of the OCC to the upcoming presentation by Frank Bruni on April 12, 2016 at Temple Sinai. He remarked that many of the students had recently completed their college application or will be starting in the near future, the presentation will help them realize that the application process does not have to be that intense.

Discussion Item(s):

1. Revenue and Taxes - Mr. Joseph Dragone, Assistant Superintendent for Business presented the 2016-2017 budget of \$105,097,968 a budget to budget increase of 1.20%. In addition, he recommended a tax levy limit of .31%.

The Board entered into an in-depth discussion of the current finances of the District. They reviewed the projected revenue, current reserves and the current

level of debt.

Based on the recommendation of Administration, Ms. Ben-Levy requested a vote on a tax levy limit of .31%. The Board voted 6-1 to accept the recommendation of a tax levy limit of .31%.

2. Administrative Recommendations – Property Tax Report Card

Mr. Dragone presented the Property Tax Report Card. This document is required by the State Education Department to be submitted by April 25, 2016. With the approval of the budget and tax levy the Property Tax Report Card will be submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1 Limited to Agenda Items ONLY

(Will be limited to ½ hour, no more than 2 minutes per speaker).

Though not required by law, the Roslyn Board of Education invites public comment during its meetings. Citizens will be recognized by the presiding officer. Please state your name and address before speaking and direct all comments to the Board. This is not a time for citizen to citizen exchanges. We ask that comments not include the names of students or staff members, and comments are not permitted with respect to confidential matters. Please also be reminded that Board meetings are designed by law to facilitate the school district's business and provide for public Board deliberations. Thank you

No comment.

ACTION ITEMS

Action may be taken for each individual resolution or by the titled subgroups. Bracketed information following resolutions is not part of the Board's official action and does not become part of the official record.

Mr. Goldspiel requested from the floor to amend agenda item P.1 item 2.

PERSONNEL:

ALL PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS LISTED ARE FUNDED IN THE CURRENT BUDGET UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

P.1. It is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Roslyn Board of Education approves the appointments, resignations, terminations, elimination of positions, transfers, and leaves of absence as detailed in the Personnel Action Reports attached as **(Attachment P.1 Professional)**

P.2. It is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Roslyn Board of Education approves the appointments, resignations, terminations, elimination of positions, transfers, and leaves of absence as detailed in the Personnel Action Reports attached as **(Attachment P.2 Classified)**

P.3 Recommendation to increase the SEARCH rate of pay from \$125 to \$140 per day, effective April 11, 2016.

P.4 RESOLVED, for operational and/or budgetary reasons, one (1) Administrative Assistant position in the District's organizational structure is hereby abolished effective April 7, 2016. Given that one Administrative Assistant position is presently vacant, no incumbent Administrative Assistants are affected by the said abolition.

**Addendum
P.1 Professional**

Item	Name	Action	Position / Replacing	Location	From	To	Tenure Area	Certification / Class / Step / Salary
2	Samantha DiBella	Revise Appointment	SAT/PSAT/ACT Supervision		4/8/16	6/30/16		SAT/ACT: \$200 Supervisor \$65 Assoc. Supervisor \$95 Reader \$25 Proctor PSAT: \$200 Supervisor \$152 Assoc. Supervisor \$192 Reader \$97 Proctor

Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Mr. Seinfeld, and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Items numbered P.1 (As amended) - P.4

BUSINESS/FINANCE:

ALL ITEMS ON THE BUSINESS/FINANCE PORTION OF THE AGENDA ARE WITHIN THE BUDGET UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

B.1. Recommendation to approve the following contracts and to authorize the Board of Education President to execute (those contracts marked with an asterisk have been prepared pursuant to a previous award of an RFP or bid).

(i) Contractor: Long Island University – C.W. Post
 Services: 2016 High School graduation at Tilles Center on June 24, 2016 (Rehearsal June 21, 2016)
 (Previously approved at the January 14, 2016 agenda)
 Total estimated to be ~~\$10,835~~ \$11,335.00
 Increase of \$500.00 due to additional costs

(ii) Contractor: Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District
 Services: Health Services for 6 students attending out of district schools for the 2015/2016 school year.
 Cost- \$880.00 per student
 Total estimated to be \$5,280.00

Recommendation to **amend** the following contract (iii) which was approved by the Board of Education on June 4, 2015 (item B.1(ii)):

- (iii) Contractor: New York Therapy Placement Services
 Services: Therapy and special education services for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016
 Fees: Total estimated to be \$20,000. (Change in payment schedule- no additional amount to be expended)

B.2. Recommendation to approve a payment in the amount of \$4,776.82 to Ingerman Smith, L.L.P. for legal services rendered to the district in regards to the LIPA Reform Act for the period ending 2/29/2016.

B.3. Recommendation to approve general fund appropriation transfer requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
5510-454-03-9000-510	5510-456-03-9000-510	\$35,000
Trans Fuel	Automotive Parts	
	Subtotal	\$35,000

B.4. Whereas, contractors engaged by a school district for construction work are required to pay prevailing wages to their workers and

Whereas, contractors and subcontractors are required to submit certified payroll records to the school district in connection with their obligation to pay prevailing wage,

Now therefore be it Resolved, pursuant to Labor Law, section 220, the Board of Education hereby designates the Assistant Director of Facilities as the individual responsible for the receipt, collection and review for facial validity of certified payroll records with respect to all public works projects.

Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Dr. Valauri, and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Items numbered B.1–B.4.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

C&I.1 Recommendation to accept the confidential stipulations of the CPSE for the dates listed below as well as the implementation plans for the corresponding special education programs, services and parent notification as previously approved by the Committee on March 23, 2016 and March 30, 2016.

C&I.2 Recommendation to approve Joseph Dragone to attend the Win Cap Financial System Users Group Meeting in Albany, New York from April 20 through 21, 2016 at an estimated cost to the district of \$390.00.

Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Mr. Litvack, and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Items numbered C&I.1 – C&I.2.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

BOE.1 Recommendation to conduct the *third reading* of Board of Education Policy 4730 (Homework). **(Attachment BOE.1)**

BOE.2 BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Roslyn Public Schools hereby ***adopts the following policy:***

- Policy 4730 (Homework)

BOE.3 RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby adopts the budget in the amount of ~~(to be determined on April 7, 2016)~~ \$105,097,968 to be presented to the qualified voters of the district at the Annual Meeting on May 17, 2016, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the submission to the State Education Department and publication of the Property Tax Report Card. **(As amended)**

Mr. Seinfeld moved, seconded by Mr. Dubner, and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Item BOE.1 - BOE.3 (As amended).

Public Comments #2

No public comment.

Mr. Dempsey commented that since the budget has now been adopted it passes from being the Superintendent's budget to the Board's budget. This budget will now be presented to the community on May 17, 2016. He thanked the members of Administration and the Board of Education for all their hard work.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Mr. Litvack, and carried by a vote of 7-0, to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Carney Jones

**Nancy Carney Jones
District Clerk**