BOARD OF EDUCATION ROSLYN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Re-organization Meeting of the Board of Education

THURSDAY, July 9, 2015

6:15 PM 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
Carrie Anne Tondo Board Counsel

ABSENT

<u>A G E N D A</u>

ANNUAL RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING [2015-2016]

Board Counsel: Call to Order

"There being a quorum of the Board of Education present, I hereby call to order this Annual Re-organization Meeting of the Roslyn Union Free School District Board of Education on Thursday, July 9, 2015.at 6:24pm.

*Preliminary Announcements Emergency Procedures Cell Phones

Pledge of Allegiance

ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS AND ACTIONS

Board President:

1. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Board Members

Name: David Dubner Term: July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018
Name: Adam Haber Term: July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018
Name: David Seinfeld Term: July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2018

Ms. Ben-Levy administered the oath of office to Messrs. Dubner, Haber and Seinfeld. She congratulated the re-elected trustees and stated "it is a privilege to serve with them" and thanked them for all that they do for the District.

Mr. Dubner, Mr. Haber and Mr. Seinfeld each expressed it is an honor to serve the Roslyn community.

Nomination for the Office of President of the Board for 2015-2016

"Nominations are now in order for the Office of President."

Election of President: Name: Meryl Waxman Ben-Levy

Motion: Mr. Saffron Second: Mr. Seinfeld Vote 7-0

Mr. Seinfeld on behalf of the Board expressed appreciation for the incredible amount of work Ms. Ben-Levy does for the District and supports her reelection as board president.

Ms. Ben-Levy thanked the Board for their support of her reelection.

3. Nomination for the Office of Vice President of the Board for 2015-2016

"Nominations are now in order for the Office of Vice President."

Election of Vice President: Name(s) Cliff Saffron

Motion: Dr. Valauri Second: Mr. Haber Vote 7-0

Ms. Ben-Levy thanked Mr. Saffron for his work on the board.

Mr. Saffron spoke about how lucky he is to be working with the members of the Board. He welcomed back Mr. Dempsey and shared his excitement about working with Ms. Brown in her new capacity.

Administration of Oath of Office to President and Vice President

The District Clerk administered the oath of office to the President and Vice-President.

Ms. Ben-Levy officially welcomed back Mr. Dempsey as Superintendent, who had previously worked at Roslyn.

Board President

5. Administration of Oath of Office to Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Dempsey took his oath of office.

Mr. Dempsey thanked the Board for the opportunity to return to Roslyn. He spoke of his fond memories and reflected on the high expectations of the Board of Education, Staff, Administration and Teachers which lead to the excellence of the District. He stated "he is delighted to be back and looking forward to a very exciting year and joining a great team."

6. Appointment of District Clerk

Recommendation that Nancy Carney Jones be appointed as District Clerk for the 2015-2016 school year at an annual rate of compensation of \$64,309.

Mr. Haber moved, seconded by Mr. Dubner and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Item #6.

Ms. Carney Jones took the oath of office.

Board President:

7. Appointment of District Treasurer

Recommendation that Linda Gillespie be appointed as District Treasurer for the 2015-2016 school year at an annual rate of compensation \$26,796.

Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Mr. Seinfeld and carried by a vote of 7-0, to approve Agenda Item #7.

Board President:

8. Administration of Oath of Office to the District Treasurer Ms. Gillespie was not in attendance.

Mr. Dragone called from the floor to amend agenda items B.13, B.14, B.16, B.18 and B.20.

Board President:

9. Appointment of General Counsel to the Board of Education

Recommendation that the firm of Ingerman Smith, LLP be engaged as legal counsel to the Board of Education during the 2015-2016 school year at an annual retainer fee of \$159,120 and to authorize the Board President to execute the letter of agreement dated July 1, 2015. [The annual retainer fee also includes the first three hundred (300) hours of legal services in connection with "Non-Retainer Services". All excess hours will be billed at the rate of \$215 per hour].

10. Appointment of Special Counsel to the Board of Education

Recommendation to re-affirm the appointment of Farrell Fritz, PC as special counsel to the Board of Education during the 2015-2016 school year.

11. Appointment of Bond Counsel

Recommendation that the firm of Hawkins Delafield & Wood be engaged as bond counsel for the 2015-2016 school year at an approximate fee of \$48,400 pursuant to acceptance of a letter of agreement and to authorize the Board President to execute same (This assumes a bond issue of \$40 million).

12. Appointment of Bond Agent for Building Bond Issues

Recommendation that Depository Trust be designated as paying agent, registration agent, and cremation agent for the Bond Account during the 2015-2016 school year. [No costs to the district].

13. Appointment of Claims Auditor

Recommendation that Cerini & Associates L.L.P. be appointed as Claims Auditor for the 2015-2016 school year at a fee of \$23,870 (same as 2014-15), in accordance with the agreement and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the same subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement to be approved by District Counsel. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

14. Appointment of Internal Auditors

Recommendation that the firm of Nawrocki Smith LLP be engaged as Internal Auditors for the 2015-2016 school year at a fee not to exceed \$48,040 in accordance with the agreement and to authorize the Board President to execute the same subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement to be approved by District Counsel. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

15. Appointment of External Auditor

Recommendation that the firm of O'Connor Davies, LLP be engaged as external auditors for the 2015-2016 school year at a fee of \$52,500 in accordance with the agreement already executed on March 28, 2012 and to authorize the Board President to execute the engagement letter.

16. Appointment of Insurance Broker

Recommendation that Arthur J. Gallagher be appointed as the school district's insurance broker for the 2015-2016 school year for the workers compensation program at a cost of \$2,000 and to authorize Joseph Dragone to execute the same subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement to be approved by District Counsel. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board of Education. [This rate did not change from 2012-2013]

17. Appointment of District Construction Management Firm

Recommendation that Park East Construction continue as Construction Manager at a rate of 3% of construction costs.

18. Appointment of Financial Advisors

Recommendation that the firm of Capital Markets Assoc. be engaged as financial advisors to assist the district with tax anticipation notes for the 2015-2016 school year, continuing disclosure services and services related to Moody's rating fee at a total cost estimated to be no more than \$50,000 (This assumes a bond issue of \$40 million) subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement to be approved by District Counsel. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

19. Appointment of Cooperative Bidding Agent

Recommendation that Educational Data Services, Inc. be appointed as sole administrative agent for the Educational Cooperative Pricing System with respect to the district's Cooperative Supply Bids for the 2015-2016 school year at a fee of \$10,000 pursuant to acceptance of a letter of agreement and to authorize the Board President to execute the same.

20. Appointment of Engineers/Architects

Recommendation that K G & D Architects be appointed as District Architect at a rate of 4.75% of construction costs in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement between the District and KG&D Architects dated August 20, 2013.

21. Appointment of Special Education Consultants

Recommendation that the firm of Sivic Solutions Group, LLC be engaged as Special Education Consultants for the purpose of monitoring and filing for Medicaid reimbursement at a fee of a maximum of \$7,200 per year for the 2015-2016 school year.

22. Central Treasurer: High School Extra-Classroom Activity Account

Recommendation that for the 2015-2016 school year, William Marvin be appointed as Central Treasurer for the Extra-Classroom Activity Account in the High School as per RTA contract. Jay Pilnick is authorized as co-signer of checks which are subject to review by the claims auditor.

23. Central Treasurer: Middle School Extra-Classroom Activity Account

Recommendation that for the 2015-2016 school year, Diane Triebe be appointed as Central Treasurer for the Extra-Classroom Activity Account in the Middle School as per RTA contract. Craig Johanson is authorized as co-signer of checks which are subject to review by the claims auditor.

24. Check-Signing Procedure

Recommendation that the signatures of both the District Treasurer and the District Clerk be authorized and required to be affixed to all checks issued by the District and that such checks may be signed with the facsimile signatures of these District

agents (as per revised policy #6410) and to further authorize the Assistant Superintendent of Business to serve as the alternate signatory for the District Treasurer and the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction to serve as the alternate signatory for the District Clerk.

25. Recommendation that the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction be authorized as the Deputy Claims Auditor in the case of the unavailability of the Claims Auditor and to notify the Board of Education in writing of each instance when this option is utilized for the 2015-2016 school year.

26. **Designation of Purchasing Agent**

Recommendation that the Assistant Administrator for Business be designated as Purchasing Agent and that in her absence the Assistant Superintendent for Business be responsible for the purchasing functions and authorized to sign purchase orders of the school district from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

27. Designation of Bid Officials for the School Year 2015-2016

Recommendation that the District Clerk and/or the Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee, shall serve as the district bid officials for the 2015-2016 school year.

28. School Lunch Officials

Recommendation that School Lunch Manager be appointed as the official who will sign school lunch agreements, reports, and claims for the school lunch program for the 2015-2016 school year.

29. **Certification of Payrolls**

Recommendation that the Superintendent of Schools be appointed as the person authorized to certify bi-weekly payrolls of the District for the 2015-2016 school year.

30. Insuring the Faithful Performance of Employees

Recommendation that faithful performance coverage (Crime Insurance) be procured to cover all employees of the district as per General Municipal Law §11 and per the New York State Comptroller's five-point plan of June 2005. [For the 2015-2016 school year, Traveler's has issued a commercial crime policy to the Roslyn UFSD which provides Employee Dishonesty coverage for all district employees, School Board members, Audit Committee members, the Internal Auditor and the Claims Auditor, irrespective of names, positions or job titles. The limit is \$5,000,000 per loss (the highest limits available for any client)].

31. **Designation of Official Newspapers**

Recommendation that <u>The Roslyn News</u>, <u>Long Island Business News</u>, <u>The Roslyn Times</u> and/or <u>Newsday</u> be designated as newspapers in which all advertisements required by law be published during the 2015-2016 school year as may be determined by the District Clerk.

32. Appointment of School District Asbestos Designee

Recommendation that for the 2015-2016 school year, the Assistant to the

Superintendent for Administration and Special Projects be appointed as the person designated by the District to ensure all actions required by the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) are implemented.

33. Appointment of Asbestos Consultant / Environmental Consultant

Recommendation that the firm of J.C. Broderick & Associates, Inc. be appointed as Asbestos Consultant / Environmental Consultant for the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with the fee schedule. [No change in fee; as needed basis].

34. **Petty Cash**

Recommendation that the amount of \$100.00 be advanced as petty cash to the Assistant Superintendent for Business, Director of Transportation, School Lunch Manager, each school building principal and the District Athletic Director for the 2015-2016 school year. [Same since 2007]

35. Appointment of Advertising Agency

Recommendation that the firm of Miller Advertising be appointed as advertising agency for the 2015-2016 school year to be responsible for the placing of recruitment advertisements in various newspapers. [No charge to district]

36. **Designation of Depository for District Funds**

Recommendation that Roslyn Union Free School District funds be deposited/invested for the 2015-2016 school year in banks designated below with the understanding that all participating banks will not charge for checks or services:

Banks: Capital One Bank First National Bank of Long Island Chase Bank Flushing Commercial Bank

HSBC

37. Appointment of District Records Management Officer

Recommendation that the Deputy Superintendent and/or his/her designee be appointed District Records Management Officer for the 2015-2016 school year.

38. Appointment of District Records Access Officers

- a) Recommendation that the School District Clerk be appointed District Records Access Officer for Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests for the 2015-2016 school year.
- b) Recommendation that the Deputy Superintendent and/or his/her designee be appointed as District Records Access Officer for matters related to employee records for the 2015-2016 school year.
- c) Recommendation that the Director of Guidance be appointed District Records Access Officer for Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requests for the 2015-2016 school year for matters related to student records.

39. Appointment of Designated Educational Official (DEO)

Recommendation that pursuant to the SAVE (Safe Schools Against Violence in Education) legislation, Chapter 181 of the Laws of 2000, the Superintendent of Schools be appointed as the District's Designated Educational Official (DEO) for the

2015-2016 school year.

40. Appointment of Section 504 Compliance Officer (Special Education)

Recommendation that the Director of Pupil Personnel Services and/or his/her designee be appointed District Section 504 Compliance Officer for the 2015-2016 school year.

41. Appointment of Title IX Compliance Officer (Gender Equity)

Recommendation that the Assistant Administrator for Business be appointed District Title IX Compliance Officer for the 2015-2016 school year.

42. Appointment of School Medical Directors

Recommendation that Winthrop Pediatric Associates, Medical Director Dr. Ronald Marino be appointed for the school year 2015-16 in accordance with the existing letter of agreement (pending execution of an agreement as approved by attorneys).

43. Appointment of Committee on Pre-K Special Education for 2015-2016

Recommendation that the following individuals be appointed to the Committee on

Pre-K Special Education for the 2015-2016 school year:

Chairperson: Director of Pupil Personnel Services
Chairperson: Cindy Samide, CPSE Chairperson

Co-Chairpersons: Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Parent Members:

Name Address

Adler, Deborah 50 Peacock Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576 Azad, Fariba 45 Woods Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Burko, Sandy 80 Westwood Circle, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 Fein, Stephanie 86 Tara Drive, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 Fischer, Odellia 68 Thorne Place, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

Fox, Andrea 2 The Poplars, Roslyn, NY 11576

Freeman, Brooke 22 Hummingbird Drive, Roslyn, NY 11577

Golden, Jodi 21 Tara Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Jacobson, Shari 47 Center Court, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577
Kanner, Lynne 44 Entrance Road, Roslyn, NY 11577
Kaplan, Randi 30 Partridge Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Klein, Debra 33 Birchdale Lane, Pt. Washington, NY 11050

Samers, Robin 123 Milburn Lane, East Hills, NY 11577 Valauri, Geri 7 Vanad Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

44. Appointment of Committee on Special Education for 2015-2016

Recommendation that the following individuals be appointed to the Committee on

Special Education for the 2015-2016 school year:

Chairpersons: Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Physician: To be assigned by Winthrop Pediatric Associates

Parent Members:

<u>Name</u> <u>Address</u>

Azad, Fariba 45 Woods Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Fein, Stephanie 86 Tara Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576 Fox, Andrea 2 The Poplars, Roslyn, NY 11576

Freeman, Brooke 22 Hummingbird Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Golden, Jodi 21 Tara Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576 Hason, Lori 65 Peach Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Jacobson, Shari 47 Center Court, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577
Kanner, Lynne 44 Entrance Road, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577
Markowitz, Jody 42 Meadow Lane, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577
Schultz, Hillary 57 Wagon Road, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

Seidner, Lisa 35 Oriole Drive, Roslyn, NY 11576

Trust, Stacey 10 Redwood Drive, East Hills, NY 11577

45. Appointment of Sub-Committee on Special Education for 2015-2016

Recommendation that the following individuals be appointed to the Sub-Committee

on Special education for the 2014-2015 school year:

Chairpersons: Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services

School Psychologists

Physician: To be assigned by Winthrop University Hospital

46. Appointment of Parent Surrogates for 2015-2016

Recommendation that the following individual be appointed as a parent surrogate for the 2015-2016 school year:

Shari Jacobson 47 Center Court, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

47. Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers 2015-2016

Recommendation that pursuant to the amendments to Section 2002 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, effective July 31, 1998, relating to the establishment and rotation of the list of impartial hearing officers, the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District hereby appoints the following list of individuals who are certified and eligible to serve as impartial hearing officers in Nassau County for students with disabilities:

IHO Rotation List for 2015-2016

Richmond, Susan Ritzenberg, Kenneth Roberts, George Rosen, Paul Roth, Roslyn Schad, Jerome Schiff, Martin Schiro, Jeffrey Schneider, Judith Silver. Mariorie Silverson, Jeffrey Tessler, Craig Venezia, Arthur Wahrman, Israel Walsh, James Walsh, Marion Wanderman, Carl Washington, Denise Weiner, Marc Wolman, Mindy Ziev, Joel Abberbock, Ellen Agoston, Linda Albert, Peter

Almeleh, Lynn Barbour, Susan Bauchner, Stuart Blaustone, Beryl Brandenburg, Wendy Brandow, Regina Brialio. Robert Bumbalo, Paul Cohen, Diane Cutler-Igoe, Ellen DeLeon, Edgar Dewan, Debra Ebenstein, Barbara Farago, John Feinberg, Rona Ferrigno, Lorraine Finkelstein, Sharyn Flame, Lana Haken, Steve Halberstam, Sinai Hughes, Sherri Itzla, Amy Joyner, Theresa

Keefe, Jeanne Kehoe, Martin Kershen, Harry Kestenbaum, Elise Lassinger, Dora Lazan, Michael Lederman, Nancy Lushing, Susan McKeever, James Millman, Tina Monk, James Moore, Christine Murphy, Leah Naun, John Nisely, Robert Noe, Marv Odom, Veronica Passman, Julie Peters, Gary Peters. Kenneth Phelan, Patricia Reichel, Heidi

48. Appointment of Board Representatives authorized to appoint Impartial Hearing Officers

WHEREAS, a board of education is required by Section 200.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education to initiate the process for selecting an impartial hearing officer by no later than two (2) business days after receipt by the school district of a written request for hearing by a parent or guardian of a disabled student; and

Kandilakis, George

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Regulations specifically authorize a board of education to designate one or more of its members to appoint an impartial hearing officer in lieu of action by the full board in order to meet the timelines of the amended Regulations;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education, or on the occasion of his or her absence or inability, the Vice President of the Board of Education, is hereby authorized and directed to appoint an impartial hearing officer from the District's alphabetical rotational list previously adopted by the Board of Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education, or on the occasion of his or her absence or inability, the Vice President of the Board of Education, shall make such appointment in accordance with the principles set forth in Section 200.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. The District Clerk, or acting District

Clerk, under the direction of the President of the Board, shall initiate the selection process by contacting the impartial hearing officer whose name first appears after the impartial hearing officer who last served, and shall canvass the list as provided in the Regulations until an appointment is accepted.

49. **2015-2016** Free and Reduced Price Meal/Special Milk Program

Recommendation that the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District, the governing body of this School Food Authority, hereby accepts the 2015-2016 Free and Reduced Price Meal/Special Milk Program Policy Statement, including the Family Income Eligibility Criteria and all attachments, as prescribed by the State Education Department, and authorizes the President of the Board to execute the prescribed Certificate of Acceptance on behalf of the District.

- a) Recommendation that the School Lunch Manager be appointed as the Hearing Official in connection with the Free and Reduced Price Meal/Special Milk Program.
- b) Recommendation that Tanya Fernandez be appointed as the Reviewing Official and Verification Official in connection with the Free and Reduced Price Meal/Special Milk Program.
- 50. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Roslyn Union Free School District hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

Title	Name	Social Security # (Last 4 Digits)	Registration #	Standard Work Day (Hrs/Day)	Term Begins/ Ends	Participates in Employer's Time Keeping Systems (Y/N)	Days/ Month (based on Record of Activities
District Clerk	Nancy Carney Jones	6434	50467695	7	7/1/2015 Thru 6/30/2016	Yes	
District Treasurer	Linda Gillespie	9540	43466101	7	7/1/2015 Thru 6/30/2016	No	5.71

51. Annual School District Policy Review

a) Financial Policies

Recommendation that pursuant to the provisions of General Municipal Law the financial policies of the Roslyn UFSD continue to be subject to an annual review by the Board of Education and its designated representatives including members of the professional staff and members of the Citizen Audit Advisory Committee. [Policies to be reviewed on an annual basis are Purchasing #6700, Investment #6240 and Budget Transfers #6140 (Attachment R51a).

b) District Owned Cell Phone Policy

Recommendation that the District Owned Cell Phone Policy #8332 of the Roslyn UFSD continue to be subject to an annual review by the Board of Education and its

designated representatives (Attachment R51b).

c) Use of Facilities

Recommendation that the Use of Facilities Policy #1500 continue to be reviewed annually by the Board of Education (Attachment R51c)

d) Advertising in the Schools

Recommendation that the Advertising in the Schools Policy #1511 continue to be reviewed annually by the Board of Education (Attachment R51d)

e) Dignity for All Students Act

Recommendation that the DASA Policy and Code of Conduct #5300 continue to be reviewed annually (Attachment R51e).

52. Memberships

Recommendation that the following professional organizations be approved for possible membership for the 2015-2016 school year:

a) Board Memberships

- · National School Boards Association
- New York State School Boards Association
- Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association

b) School District Memberships

- New York State Council of School Superintendents
- Nassau County Council of School Superintendents
- American Association of School Administrators
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- Nassau Association of District Curriculum Officials
- LI Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- American Association of School Personnel Administrators
- NYS Association of School Personnel Administrators
- Long Island Association of School Personnel Administrators
- Nassau Association of School Business Officials
- NYS Association of School Business Officials
- Long Island School Public Relations Association
- National Notary Association
- North American Association of Educational Negotiators
- Long Island School Nutrition Directors' Association
- · American Education Research Association
- Long Island Consortium for Excellence and Equity
- Association of School Business Officials International
- **c)** Other memberships as authorized by the superintendent of schools or his designee

53. Annual Reaffirmation of School Employees and Officers Indemnification

Recommendation that the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District hereby reaffirms its adoption of Public Officer's Law §18 as adopted on August 7, 1986.

Mr. Saffron moved, seconded by Mr. Litvack and carried by a vote of 7-0 to approve Agenda Items 9-12, Items (13 and 14 as amended), 15, (16 as amended), 17, (18 as amended) 19, (20 as amended) 21-53.

ADJOURNMENT TO THE PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING

Mr. Litvack moved, seconded by Dr. Valauri and carried by a vote of 7-0, to adjourn the reorganization meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Carney Jones
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District Clerk