

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

**Thursday, November 19, 2015**

**7:15 p.m.**

**Roslyn High School – Cafeteria**

**MINUTES**

Meryl W. Ben-Levy, President  
Adam Haber  
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
Carrie Anne Tondo	School Attorney

**ABSENT**

Clifford Saffron, Vice President  
David Dubner  
Steven Litvack

**7:15 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting**

The Board convened in Public Session in the Roslyn High School Cafeteria at 7:27 p.m.

Preliminary Announcements  
Emergency Procedures  
Cell Phones

**Pledge of Allegiance**

## **Recognition:**

### The Marching Band – State Championship

Mr. Dempsey, Superintendent, acknowledged the State Championship Marching Band. He welcomed the Marching Band's staff, parents, supporters and public officials. The District's music teachers were invited to be part of the tonight's celebration. Mr. Dempsey asked all to stand and be recognized for the impact they have had on the students throughout their music education. He commented on the Marching Band Fans organization and the support they provide for the children.

Mr. Dempsey asked for a moment of silence to acknowledge the recent tragedies in Paris.

Mr. Dempsey introduced the Town of North Hempstead officials that were in attendance, Supervisor Judi Bosworth, Council Members Anna M. Kaplan, Peter Zuckerman and Town Clerk Wayne Wink.

On behalf of the Town of North Hempstead, Ms. Bosworth stated it was a great pleasure to be part of this celebration and presented a town proclamation to Ms. Ben-Levy and Mr. Patterson which declared today Roslyn Marching Band Day.

Ms. Ben-Levy thanked the Town officials for attending this special evening.

Ms. Brown, Deputy Superintendent, introduced the members of the Marching Band staff, Pat Patterson – Director, Catherine Barbino, Ciara Bradley, Mike Coffey, Jim Downey, Robert Gazzo, Frank Lao, John Oddo and Audrey Rome. On behalf of the Board of Education, Ms. Ben-Levy presented the staff with certificates of appreciation.

Mr. Pilnick, High School Assistant Principal, presented a power-point presentation in tribute to the members of the Marching Band's which included their winning performance at the New York State Championship in the Carrier Dome.

Ms. Ben-Levy thanked Mr. Pilnick. She commented on the achievements of this Marching Band. She spoke of the Marching Band as a team which consists of teachers, coaches, parents, Band Fans and pit parents. She remarked on the amazing talent of the band members which include students from grades 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. She commented on the students and parents who started the Marching Band, how the band membership has grown and the impact they have on the community. On behalf of the Board of Education, Ms. Ben-Levy and Mr. Patterson presented Certificates of Recognition to the following members of the Roslyn School Marching Band for winning this year's New York State Championship on November 1, 2015 in Carrier Dome, Syracuse, New York:

Avni Amin  
Behnam Ardebili  
Maya Behiri

Jeremy Antenberg  
Donna Arzanipour  
Anna Ben-Levy

Griffin Berkenfeld  
Matthew Bolognese-Bloom  
Benjamin Chalup  
Andie Chapman  
Anna Chen  
Ryan Chen  
Hanna Choi  
Jamie Clark  
Phoebe Cox  
Helayne Drell  
Marcus Edelstein  
Liron Fedida  
Kelly Frank  
Dan Friedfeld Gebaide  
Nicholas Furci  
Kamyar Ghiam  
Evan Gomez  
Ariel Harwood  
Benjamin Heller  
Kellie Hon  
Mason Huckins  
Sam Januszewski  
Jaime Kashani  
John Kim  
Jillian Klener  
Josh Kuperman  
Sam Kurlender  
Erica Landesberg  
Priscilla Lee  
Sadie Lichaa  
Chris Liotta  
Alex Liu  
Zachary Miller  
Ciara Murray  
Kazuki Neo  
Jessica Novick  
Dean Oken  
Amy Pinchiaroli  
Josh Rashbaum  
Jordan Resnick  
Seyi Rufai  
Alyssa Rust  
Rebecca Samet  
Megha Schmalzle  
Tawny Sit  
Eunjee Song

Ryan Bichoupan  
Sarah Carbonaro  
Kevin Chang  
Evelyn Chavez  
Kevin Chen  
Adam Chin  
Lauren Christenson  
Gabriel Corzo  
Preston Cucuzza  
Keith Dusling  
Ellie Eisenberg  
Madeline Fitterman  
Joshua Fried  
Izzy Friedfeld-Gebaide  
Max Garfinkel  
Sanaria Gim  
Ryan Gomez  
Josh Harwood  
James Hon  
Jerry Hu  
Patty Inroon  
Young Kang  
Mark Kashani  
Ryan Kim  
Elana Kriegel  
Jayna Kurlender  
Jenifer Kurtz  
Leor Lavi  
Josh Levenstein  
Jonathan Lin  
Mackenzie Liotta  
Harvey Mei  
Keanu Moarefi  
Alyssa Neo  
Kion Noori  
Max Nussbaum  
Marilyn Pesantez  
Sami Pye  
Maggie Ren  
Brandon Ross  
Mark Russ  
Jared Samet  
Dylan Sapienza  
Matthew Sideris  
Jimin Son  
Michael Sun

Charlotte Trezza  
Alexandra Tsolis  
Thomas Vincent  
Esther Wang  
Henry Weinstock  
Hannah Werner  
Vincent Yao

Megan Tsao  
Nicole Turetsky  
Darren Wang  
Arielle Waxman  
Annie Werner  
Jason Wu  
Jeffrey Yi

In addition, the Marching Band was presented with a Proclamation from the Town of North Hempstead. In attendance this evening was.

Ms. Ben-Levy requested a 10 minute recess to enjoy the refreshments provided by the Band Fans. The Board approved the recess.

The board meeting reconvened in the Board Room at 8:32 pm.

Recommendation to accept the minutes from the following meeting:  
October 22, 2015

**Dr. Valauri moved, seconded Mr. Haber, carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to accept the minutes for October 22, 2015.**

#### **Board President's Comments**

Ms. Ben-Levy made no additional comments this evening.

#### **Superintendent's Comments**

Mr. Dempsey commented that he had attended the evening's wonderful RCP production "About, Maine". He announced the play will be presented on Friday and Saturday evening.

#### **Mr. Dempsey introduced Mr. Goldspiel to speak about this year's Challenge Day.**

Mr. Goldspiel, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction remarked on his participation in Challenge Day at the High School. He spoke of connecting with the students, the sense of community and the bonds Challenge Day creates among the students.

#### **Student Delegate's Comments**

Mr. Yang, on behalf of the OCC congratulated the Marching Band. He announced the annual OCC pie eating contest will be held on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and there are currently 50 students signed up to participate in the contest.

#### **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 comments.

**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.

Ms. Brown requested from the floor to make corrections to P.1, Item #4 and 10 and P.2, Item # 2 and 3.

**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 approve the Adult Education Instructor Salaries attached as **(Attachment P.3).**

**Addendum**

**P.1 Professional**

Item	Name	Action	Position / Replacing	Location	From	To	Certification / Class / Step / Salary
4	Susan Hurwitz	Appointment	Building Tutor		11/20/15	6/30/16	Nursery-Gr 6 (perm) <b>\$60/hour</b>
10	Matthew Maidhof	Substitute Appointment	Per Diem Substitute Teaching Assistant		11/20/15	6/30/16	Physical Ed (init), <b>\$79/day</b>

**P.2 Classified**

Item	Name	Action	Position / Replacing	Class	Type of Appt	Location	From	To	Certification Class / Step Salary
2	Erik Chocianowski	Leave of Absence	Teachers Aide			HS	11/23/15	6/30/16	
3	Erik Chocianowski	Part-Time Appointment	.9 Teachers Aide		p/t	HS	11/23/15	6/30/16	

**Dr. Valauri moved, seconded by Mr. Haber and carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to approve Agenda Items numbered P.1 (as amended), P.2 (as amended) and P.3**

Addendum B.8 was called from the floor.

**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: Glen Cove City School District  
 Services: District of Location Special Education Services for IEP service requirements for one student residing in Roslyn attending private schools in Glen Cove for the period of 7/1/15 thru 6/30/16  
 Fees: Total estimated to be - \$20,000
- (ii) Contractor: South Huntington Union Free School District  
 Services: District of Location Special Education Services for IEP service requirements for one student residing in Roslyn attending private schools in South Huntington for the period of July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016  
 Fees: Total estimated to be - \$40,000
- (iii) Contractor: East Williston Union Free School District  
 Services: Combining the students on the Varsity Fencing team at

Roslyn High School and at East Williston at The Wheatley School for the period of November 9, 2015 thru February 14, 2016

Fees: Total estimated to be - \$0

**B.2.** Recommendation to approve general fund appropriation transfer requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2110-490-08-5200-308 BOCES TAP	2330-490-08-5500-308 BOCES Summer School	\$13,754.93
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$13,754.93</b>

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: Additional allocation needed for summer school. BOCES bill- \$58,316.93, CoSer 443.510

**B.3.** Recommendation to approve a payment in the amount of \$26,422.28 to Ingerman Smith, L.L.P. for legal services rendered to the district for the period ending 10/31/2015.

**B.4.** Recommendation to approve a payment in the amount of \$1,822.00 to Hawkins Delafield & Wood for professional services rendered to the district for the 2015 lease financing agreement with US Bancorp.

**B.5.** Recommendation to approve the following payments to KG&D Architects for professional services rendered to the district and reimbursable expenses pertaining to capital improvements at the locations indicated in the table below. [Funds will be deducted from the Capital Budget Codes indicated in the table below.

<b>Payment</b>	<b>Location/ Project</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>PO #S</b>	<b>Inv #</b>
\$197.75	EH Capital Projects	2110-245-04-1504	H15-00014	9
\$10,623.12	DW Capital Projects	2110-245-03-1502	H15-00014	14

**B.6.** Recommendation to approve general fund appropriation transfer requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2110-200-04-2000-309 Equipment EH Phys Ed	2110-200-08-2000-309 Equipment HS Phys Ed	\$7,417.50
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$7,417.50</b>

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: High School Phys Ed equipment to be purchased in place of East Hills equipment.

**B.7.** Recommendation to approve general fund expenditure transfer requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
9060-800-03-9000-303 Hospital, Medical & Dental Ins.	\$1,500.00

	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>
<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
9080-800-03-9000-303	Benefits Non Cash Annuity	\$1,500.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: The non-elective deferrals of compensation specified in employment agreements has increased from last year.

**Addendum**

**B.8** WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District received bids for the “Roslyn Transportation and Maintenance Facility Project” on November 13, 2015;

WHEREAS, the School District’s Architect, Kaeyer Garment & Davidson Architects (“KG&D Architects”) and it’s Construction Manager, Park East Construction, Inc. (“Park East”) reviewed the bids submitted by the bidders for the Roslyn Transportation and Maintenance Facility Project;

WHEREAS, based upon such review, the School District Administrators, KG&D Architects and Park East recommend that the Board of Education reject all bids received;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District believes it to be in the best interest of the School District to reject all bids received for the Roslyn Transportation and Maintenance Facility Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby rejects all bids received for the Roslyn Transportation and Maintenance Facility Project.

**Dr. Valauri moved, seconded by Mr. Haber carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to approve Agenda Items numbered B.1 - B.7 and Addendum B.8**

**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 October 28, 2015 and November 4, 2015.

**C&I.2** Recommendation to accept the confidential stipulations of the CSE 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 October 27, 2015, November 2, 2015 and November 4, 2015.

**Mr. Haber moved, seconded by Dr. Valauri, and carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to approve Agenda Items numbered C&I.1 - C&I.2**



## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**BOE.1 BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District hereby casts its vote to nominate for the position of Area 11 Director on the NYSSBA Board of Directors effective January 1, 2016 one of the following candidates: Jean Fichtl, Michael Jaime, B.A. Shoen and Stephen B. Witt. **(Attachment BOE.1)**

**BOE.2** Recommendation to conduct the *first reading* of Board of Education Policies 4410,4510,4511,4526.1,4531,4710,4720,4730,4750,4810,4850,4850–E.1 and 4850-E.2 **(Attachment BOE.2)**

**Dr. Valauri moved, seconded by Mr. Haber, and carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to approve Agenda Items BOE.1 and BOE.2.**

Mr. Haber commented on the first reading of the policy 4526.1 to include a reference to gambling.

### **Nomination for BOE 1– Area 11 Director**

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, seconded by Mr. Seinfeld and carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to nominate Stephen B. Witt**

### **Public Comments #2**

No comments

### **Adjournment**

**There being no further business to come before the Board of Education Dr. Valauri moved, seconded by Mr. Haber carried by a vote of 4-0, (Messrs. Saffron, Dubner and Litvack absent) to adjourn at 8:48 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

*Nancy Carney Jones*  
**Nancy Carney Jones**  
**District Clerk**