

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

Thursday, March 4, 2021

8:00 P.M.

Minutes

The follow participants were present via ZOOM videoconference.

Meryl W. Ben-Levy, President
David Dubner
Michael Levine
Steven Litvack
Bruce Valauri

ALSO PRESENT

Allison Brown	Superintendent
Joseph C. Dragone	Assistant Superintendent for Business and Administration
Karina Báez	Assistant Superintendent for Primary Education
Michael Goldspiel	Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
Nancy Carney Jones	District Clerk
Alida Pahlevan	Student Delegate
Carrie Anne Tondo	District Counsel

ABSENT

Clifford Saffron, Vice President
David Seinfeld

7:00 p.m. - Executive Session

Pursuant to Public Officers Law, Section 105, duly moved, seconded, and carried by a vote of 5-0 (Messrs. Saffron and Seinfeld absent); that the Board of Education adjourns to Executive Session at 7:00 p.m., to discuss pending litigation and a personnel matter.

The Executive Session adjourned at 7:55 pm. The Board reconvened in Public Session at 8:05 p.m.

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

Preliminary Announcements

The Roslyn Union Free School District continues to take steps to reduce the potential for exposure to the coronavirus (COVID-19). The District's efforts in this regard are made in furtherance of federal, state, and local mandates to limit any and all public gatherings. As authorized by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Executive Order No. 202.1, issued on March 12, 2020, and as extended by subsequent Executive Orders, this meeting is being

held remotely by videoconferencing and the public will not be permitted to attend the meeting in-person. The Board of Education will make a motion setting forth the manner in which the meeting will be conducted and waiving any applicable policies or common practices with respect to the conduct of the meeting. The public participation portion of the meeting will be suspended. The meeting will be video broadcasted in order to provide the public with the ability to view the meeting. This meeting will also be recorded and later transcribed in accordance with Executive Order 202.1, as extended.

Pledge of Allegiance

Recommendation to accept the Claims Auditor's Report for January 2021

Ms. Ben-Levy moved, seconded by Dr. Valauri, carried by a vote of 5-0 (Messrs. Saffron and Seinfeld absent), to accept the Claims Audit Report for January 2021.

On March 3, 2021, Ms. Brown announce the first phase to bring all students back for a five-day-a-week in-person schedule. Beginning March 16, 2021 the district will offer five-day-a-week in-person learning for grades 6 and 12. The district will gradually bring in additional grades on an everyday basis, assessing the implementation plan as the district proceeds.

Board President's Comments

On behalf of the Board of Education, Ms. Ben-Levy thanked Ms. Brown and the Administration for moving the district forward in the effort to bring students back to school five days per week. She thanked the staff for their cooperation in getting vaccinated. She spoke of the excitement that involves the students being able to enjoy more fully the legacy programs to the extent that they can during these challenging circumstances. She thanked Ms. Brown again and stated, "This has been a year like no other, I do see the light at the end of the tunnel, and I just want us all to get there together. Today is March 4 and so we shall march forth".

Superintendent's Comments

Ms. Brown spoke of how thrilling it is to be moving forward. She stated, "There is nothing that we don't do without being thoughtful and measured." She thanked the teachers, administrators, support staff, custodians, maintainers and cleaners for all their efforts to bring the students back in to the schools. Ms. Brown also thanked the families for their patience and support and because of their support; the district is able to bring the students back at this time.

In addition, Ms. Ben-Levy thanked the students and the student leaders for all that they have done to keep safe and stay safe and by setting examples for the rest of the students. She spoke of the Roslyn student's that have been mentioned twice in the emails sent by Governor Cuomo in a section called "Deep Breath Moment" and other publications that have had articles in which Roslyn students have been mentioned frequently for their service to the community.

Student Delegate's Comments

Ms. Pahlevan updated the board of the OCC activities. The OCC:

- 1) Sent valentine cards to each grade.
- 2) Established an OCC website to inform the study body of their grades activities and school events.
- 3) Created a video for the Town of North Hempstead thanking the health care workers and first responders.
- 4) Spirit week – a new activity includes a Leprechaun gold coin hunt
- 5) Junior Class Dance – brainstorming alternative ideas for this year's dance.

Ms. Pahlevan thanked the teachers and staff for all their help and stated "it's a team effort to get everything done".

Ms. Ben-Levy made a motion to move the agenda as a consent agenda and to suspend all common practices.

Ms. Ben-Levy moved, Mr. Dubner seconded and carried by a vote of 5-0 (Messrs. Saffron and Seinfeld absent), to move as a consent agenda.

ACTION ITEMS

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)**

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: Mineola Union Free School District
Services: Health and Welfare Services for 47 students attending out of

- Fees: district schools for the 2020-2021 school year
\$818.00 per student
Total estimated to be \$38,446.00
- (ii) Contractor: South Huntington Union Free School District
Services: Health and Welfare Services for 2 students attending out of district schools for the 2020-2021 school year
Fees: \$798.86 per student
Total estimated to be \$1,597.72
- (iii) Contractor: Syosset Central School District
Services: Health and Welfare Services for 3 students attending out of district schools for the 2020-2021 school year
Fees: \$1,020.20 per student
Total estimated to be \$3,060.60

Recommendation to **amend** the following contract (iv) which was approved by the Board of Education on June 30, 2020 (item B.1. (xvii)):

- (iv) *Contractor: Horizon Healthcare Staffing
Services: Various services for the 2020-21 school year as specified in the agreement
Fees: Total estimated to be ~~\$35,000.00~~ \$85,000.00 (\$5,000.00 for the summer program; ~~\$30,000.00~~ \$80,000.00 for the school year. Substitute nursing: RN (health office, school trip \$54.50/hour; 1:1 skilled nursing \$55.00/hour, LPN \$44.00/hour, CAN \$26.50/hour)

B.2. Recommendation to approve Capital Fund Appropriation Transfer Requests **(Attachment B.2.)**

B.3. Recommendation to approve **2020-21** general fund appropriation requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
2110-448-08-6100-801	FIELD TRIP EXP- RESEARCH	\$3,000.00
	Subtotal	\$3,000.00
<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
1620-450-03-9000-310	CUST SUPP – DIST	\$3,000.00
	Subtotal	\$3,000.00

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: To allow for the purchase of supplies district-wide.

B.4. Recommendation to approve the following payments to Park East Construction Corporation for construction management services and reimbursements rendered to the district pertaining to various projects at the locations indicated in the table below. [Funds will be deducted from the Capital Budget Codes indicated in the

table below.]

Payment	Location/Project	Budget	PO #	Inv #
\$324.00	DW Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-03-1501	H15-00015	TMF – 37RR
\$27,189.00	Hts. Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-06-1506	H15-00015	HGT – 37RR
\$481.00	HH Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-07-1507	H15-00015	HH – 37RR
\$2,649.00	HS Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-08-1508	H15-00015	HS – 37RR

B.5. WHEREAS it is the desire of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services to allow any officer, board or agency of a political subdivision or of any district therein, adopting this Resolution to bid jointly in those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below.

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Roslyn Union Free School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Educational Services, Westchester County, New York adopting this in the joint bidding of:

	Please check either	
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Art Supplies	__X__	_____
2. General School Supplies	__X__	_____
3. Office Supplies	__X__	_____
4. Fine Paper Supplies	__X__	_____
5. Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment	__X__	_____
6. Bakery Goods	__X__	_____
7. Cafeteria Food Supplies	__X__	_____
8. Custodial Supplies	__X__	_____
9. Custodial Paper Supplies	__X__	_____
10. Lumber Supplies	__X__	_____
11. Laser & Ink Jet Toners , OEM	__X__	_____
12. Microcomputer Hardware	__X__	_____
13. Office & Classroom Furniture	__X__	_____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall remain in effect until: June 30, 2022, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other participating school districts and Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said Commodities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

- B.6.** Recommendation to approve revisions to the Nassau BOCES Consortium Transportation Contracts for 2020-2021, which were approved on July 31, 2020 (item B.10.) to accommodate one additional student attending an existing school traveling via Dell Transportation.
- B.7.** Recommendation by Thomas Szajkowski, Assistant to the Superintendent for Administration and Special Projects, to declare as surplus the attached item which is no longer of use in the district. It is not functioning and cannot be repaired, but instead will be used for parts to make repairs on other snow blowers in the district. **(Attachment B.7.)**

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 February 4 and 9, 2021.
- 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 January 25 and 28, 2021, February 2 and 11, 2021.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

- BOE.1** Recommendation that the District Election Clerks and Inspectors of Election be paid at a rate of \$14.00 per hour for the 2021 school year for the Annual Meeting, Budget Vote and Election of Trustees. The Board also authorizes the District Clerk to hire additional workers as needed.

Ms. Ben-Levy moved, Dr. Valauri seconded and carried by a vote of 5-0 (Messrs. Saffron and Seinfeld absent), to accept the Personnel Agenda items P.1- P.2, Business/Finance Agenda Items B.1 – B.7, Curriculum and Instruction Agenda Items C&I.1 – C&I.2, and Board of Education Agenda Items BOE.1 as a consent agenda.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, Ms. Ben-Levy made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Levine, carried by a vote of 5-0 (Messrs. Saffron and Seinfeld absent), to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Carney Jones
Nancy Carney Jones
District Clerk