

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

**Thursday, October 21, 2021**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Roslyn High School – Auditorium**

**MINUTES**

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

**ALSO PRESENT**

Allison Brown	Superintendent
Susan Warren	Assistant Superintendent for Business and Administration
Michael Goldspiel	Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
Karina Báez	Assistant Superintendent for Primary Education
Nancy Carney Jones	District Clerk
Jaideep Grewal	Student Delegate

**ABSENT**

Clifford Saffron, Vice President  
Bruce Valauri

**7:00 p.m. - Board of Education Meeting**

**Ms. Ben-Levy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.**

Preliminary Announcements  
Emergency Procedures  
Cell Phones

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Recognition: School Board Recognition Week**

**Ms. Ben-Levy complimented her fellow board members and Ms. Brown and recognized them for the work they do together to make the Roslyn School District a better place for all.**

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

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, seconded by Mr. Levine, carried by a vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to accept the Claims Audit Reports for September 2021**

Recommendation to accept the minutes from the following meeting(s):  
September 23, 2021 and October 7, 2021

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, seconded by Mr. Levine, carried by a vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to accept the minutes for September 23, 2021 and October 7, 2021.**

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

Ms. Ben-Levy along with Ms. Brown virtually attended the first part of New York State School Board School Law conference this morning. She spoke of the most current education and administrative law decisions and how these discussions make her and Ms. Brown better school leaders. Ms. Ben-Levy will share the course material with the board members.

### **Superintendent's Comments**

Ms. Brown announced that this week is New York State School Board Recognition Week.

On behalf of the Roslyn School District, Ms. Brown recognized and thanked each one of our board members for taking on one of the most important citizen responsibilities, overseeing the education of our community youth. "You insure our schools are flexible and responsive to the needs of the community. Each of you are volunteers that do not receive any compensation for your service and your tremendous amount of time especially over these past few years. You are seven individuals within the community, who dedicate their time to improving our schools with our children your primary focus always. You set the direction of the school district highest level of performance. You support a healthy school district culture in which to work and to learn and so much more."

Ms. Brown spoke of how grateful she is for the board's continuous support and encouragement in her role. "I thank you all."

On behalf of the members of the Board of Education, Mr. Seinfeld thanked Ms. Ben-Levy for the time and effort she puts in as board president to lead the board and do the work of the district.

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

Mr. Grewal, OCC President, spoke about the success of the Meet and Greet event last Friday for 49 new students. The new students were very pleased to have an opportunity to meet one another.

The OCC is currently working on finalizing recreational activities for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade students during their lunch periods and the Halloween costume contest to be held on November 1.

### **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 public 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. Ben-Levy made a motion to move the agenda and including the agenda addendum I and II as a consent agenda.**

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, Mr. Litvack seconded and carried by a vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to accept as a consent agenda.**

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, Mr. Litvack seconded and carried by a vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to adopt as a consent agenda with the agenda addendum I and II.**

### **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**)

**Addendum**

**P.1 Professional**

Item	Name	Action	Position / Replacing	Location	From	To	Tenure Area	Certification / Class / Step / Salary
17	Peter Lizza	Appointment	.2 Social Studies Overage	HS	10/22/21	6/30/22		Per RTA Contract
18	Sylvia Lopez	Resignation	Per Diem Substitute Teacher			10/15/21 (last day of employment)		
19	Rosanna Appice	Substitute Appointment	Per Diem Substitute Teacher		10/22/21	6/30/22		\$130/day
20	Sabrina Roy	Appointment	Regular Substitute/ Leave Replacement R.Tulipano	Hts	On or about 11/21/21	On or about 3/4/22		Childhood Ed Gr. 1-6, BA/Step 1, Per RTA Contract

All extracurricular appointments for the 2021-2022 school year are subject to student interest as well as the Governor's order regarding school closures.

**Note: All appointments above are subject to Federal, State and local conditions due to COVID-19.**

**P.2 Classified**

Item	Name	Action	Position / Replacing	Class	Type	Location	From	To	Certification Class / Step Salary
4	Rosalba Daniello	Resignation	Monitor			HTS		10/17/21 (last day of employment)	

\* Pending Civil Service Approval

**NOTE: All appointments are subject to Federal, State and local conditions due to COVID-19.**

**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):

Recommendation to **amend** the following contract (i) which was approved by the Board of Education on June 24, 2021 (item B.1. (xxix)), and first amended on August 24, 2021 (item B.1. (iii)):

- (i) Contractor: The Summit School (Upper Nyack) Residential Services: Educational/Residential services for 1 student for 2021-22 summer and 2 students for school year 2021-22 *including (1) 1:1 aide (anticipated to start by 11/1/2021)*
- Fees: \$6,425.00 – summer program tuition plus \$600.00 dormitory fee plus \$26,780.90 maintenance fee (\$431.95 per day x 62 days); \$38,545.00 – 10-month program tuition *plus \$3,200.00 per month for the 1:1 aide (pro-rated) plus ~~\$314.80~~ \$359.80* per month for the NYSED Dormitory Authority Capital Construction Project fee
- Total estimated to be ~~\$117,191.90~~ \$143,691.90 or state approved rate when finalized

**B.2.** Recommendation to approve Capital Budget Appropriation Transfers as per attached. (**Attachment B.2.**)

**B.3.** Recommendation to approve **2021-22** general fund appropriation requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
2850-448-08-6500-801	FIELD TRIP EXP – M BAND	\$26,596.71
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$26,596.71</b>
<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
5510-163-03-9000-303	TRANS N C SAL SUPLM	\$26,596.71
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$26,596.71</b>

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: To cover the transportation costs associated with RHS Marching Band trips.

**B.4.** Recommendation to approve **2021-22** general fund appropriation requests:

<u>FROM BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
5510-210-03-9000-510	TRANS BUSES	\$48,000.00
1930-430-03-9000-303	JUDGMENTS AND CLAIMS	\$50,000.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$98,000.00</b>
<u>TO BUDGET CODE</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
5540-430-03-5500-510	TRANS SPECIAL SCHOOLS	\$98,000.00
	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$98,000.00</b>

REASON FOR TRANSFER REQUEST: To cover costs for additional students attending private schools.

- B.5.** 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 #
\$1,619.12	HH Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-07-20HF	H21-00017	HH-12R
\$53,647.56	HS Prof. Svcs.	2110-201-08-20HS	H21-00047	HS – 12

- B.6.** Recommendation by Craig Johanson, Roslyn Middle School Principal, to declare as obsolete the attached items which are no longer of use in the district. They have aged out of usefulness. It is suggested that these items be discarded. (**Attachment B.6.**)

**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 1, 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 September 20, 27, 28 and 30, 2021, October 1, 4, 6, and 12, 2021.

**Addendum**

**C&I.3** Recommendation to approve Brian Hoffner and 2 students from the Roslyn Girls Tennis Team to attend the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Girls Tennis Championships from October 27, 2021 through October 30, 2021 in Schenectady, NY at an estimated cost to the district of \$1,998.22. \*

*\*This trip is contingent upon Federal, State and Local conditions and guidelines regarding COVID-19 regulations.*

**BOARD OF EDUCATION:**

**BOE.1 WHEREAS**, an application was made to Section VIII of the New York State Public High School Athletic Association to consolidate and combine the Roslyn UFSD Boys' Swimming Team with the Port Washington UFSD Boys' Swimming Team for the 2021-2022 winter season\*;

**WHEREAS**, the Roslyn UFSD was notified that Section VIII recommended and approved said application;

**WHEREAS**, the District Administration recommends that the Board of Education approve the consolidation of the Roslyn UFSD Boys' Swimming Team with the

Port Washington UFSD Boys' Swimming Team;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that it is in the best interest of the Roslyn UFSD to combine the Roslyn UFSD Boys' Swimming Team with the Port Washington UFSD Boys' Swimming Team;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Roslyn Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Roslyn UFSD to enter into an Agreement with the Port Washington UFSD in connection with the consolidation of the Roslyn UFSD Boys' Swimming Team with the Port Washington UFSD Swimming Team, subject to the terms and conditions of an Agreement to be prepared by District counsel;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

*\*This contract for the 2021-2022 school year is subject to the Governor's order regarding New York State school closure and is contingent upon local, state, and federal COVID-19 regulations.*

## **Public Comments #2**

Eleanor Russel, RTA President, spoke about how the members of the Board of Education are strictly volunteers who do this job for the love of their community and students.

**Ms. Ben-Levy moved, seconded by Mr. Litvack and carried by a vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to accept the Personnel Agenda Items P.1, P.2, Addenda P.1, and P.2, Business/Finance Agenda Items B.1 – B.6, Curriculum and Instruction Agenda Items C&I.1 – C&I.2, Addendum C&I.3 and Board of Education Agenda Item 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 vote of 5-0, (Mr. Saffron and Dr. Valauri absent) to adjourn at 7:17 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy Carney Jones*

**Nancy Carney Jones  
District Clerk**