

Special Meeting

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District was held on Monday evening, May 11, 2009, beginning at 8:10 p.m., in the Library at Northport High School, 154 Laurel Hill Road, Northport, New York, with Mrs. Arlene S. Munson, President, opening the meeting and presiding.

Members present: Mr. Warren S. Arthur, Mrs. Liz Dragone, Mr. Joe Gannon, Mr. Rob Ingraham, Mr. Steven A. Meyerowitz, Mrs. Arlene S. Munson, Dr. Kay Hutchins Sato, Mr. Stephen V. Waldenburg, Jr., Mrs. Karen Wills

Members absent: None

Also present: Dr. Marylou McDermott, Superintendent of Schools

1. President Munson called the meeting to order.

Public attendance: There were approximately 25 persons present.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance; and
3. The announcement of emergency exits was conducted earlier in the evening.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT AND MONTHLY SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to approve all items under 4.1 and 4.2:

4.1 Minutes

- 4.1.1 Preliminary Public Hearing, April 15, 2009
- 4.1.2 Special Meeting, April 17, 2009
- 4.1.3 Special Meeting to Finalize Budget, April 22, 2009
- 4.1.4 Special Meeting following Finalization of Budget, April 22, 2009
- 4.1.5 Special Meeting BOCES Vote, April 28, 2009
- 4.1.6 Special Business Meeting, April 28, 2009
- 4.1.7 Special Meeting, May 4, 2009

4.2 Treasurer's Report and Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements;

- 4.2.1 Treasurer's Report for the period March 1 - March 31, 2009
- 4.2.2 Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements for March, 2009

4.2.3 For Information: Claim's Auditors Report for Warrants and Schedule of Claims for periods ending March 6, March 16, March 20 and March 31, 2009

Trustee Wills requested corrections be made to the following minutes: Page 4 of the Preliminary Public Hearing of April 15, 2009, and page 2 of the Special Meeting to Finalize the Budget of April 22, 2009.

Vote on Trustee Meyerowitz's motion to approve all items under 4.1 and 4.2, including corrections to the minutes of April 15, 2009 - Preliminary Public Hearing, and April 22, 2009 - Special Meeting to Finalize the Budget was unanimously carried.

5. SPECIAL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

5.1 The President of the Board announced the Annual District-wide Retirement Reception will be held on June 4, 2009, from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at the William J. Brosnan School.

5.2 Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to approve the time and place of Board Meetings for the 2009-2010 school year.

Dr. McDermott stated that moving the Board meetings to the William J. Brosnan School will reduce the amount of high school staff time needed to setup and breakdown for the meetings and that appropriate adjustments will be made to accommodate community theater rehearsals and productions at William J. Brosnan School.

Vote on Trustee Meyerowitz's motion to approve the time and place of Board Meetings for the 2009-2010 school year was unanimously carried.

5.3 The President of the Board appointed the following members to bring voting returns to the William J. Brosnan School (Election Headquarters) on May 19, 2009: Mr. Ingraham, Fifth Avenue School, Mr. Meyerowitz, Dickinson Avenue School, and the President will report the returns from Election Headquarters.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no letters of communication.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, GENERAL

Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to approve all items under 8.1 and 8.2, including Supplemental 8.1.2 (Schedule B #9-10), and excluding severed item 8.1.1 (Schedule A);

8.1 Personnel Schedule, each dated May 11, 2009, and each attached and made part of the official minutes:

8.1.1	Schedule A	-	Certified Staff (severed)
8.1.2	Schedule B	-	Non-Instructional Staff (including Supplemental B)
8.1.3	Schedule C	-	Salary Transfers
8.1.4	Schedule D	-	Extra Pay
8.1.5	Schedule J	-	Committee on Special Education

8.2 Receiving for a first reading the following policy:

8.2.1 Policy #9511 - *"Continuing Education and Recreation Teachers and Temporary, Substitute and Student Non-Instructional Employees"*

Vote on Trustee Meyerowitz's motion to approve all items under 8.1 and 8.2, including Supplemental 8.1.2 (Schedule B #9-10), and excluding severed item 8.1.1 (Schedule A) was unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to approve severed item 8.1.1 (Schedule A) including Supplemental 8.1.1 (#91-113).

Vote on the motion was as follows:

YES: Mr. Arthur, Mr. Gannon, Mr. Ingraham, Mr. Meyerowitz, Mrs. Munson, Dr. Sato, Mr. Waldenburg, Mrs. Wills

ABSTAIN: Mrs. Dragone

Motion passed.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, FINANCIAL

Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Dragone, to approve all items under 9.:

9.1 Approving the attached resolution authorizing the issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes not to exceed \$47,000,000 in anticipation of the receipt of taxes to be levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Tax Anticipation Notes and the recent MTA payroll tax and its impact on the District.

9.2 Authorizing the Board President to sign a contract with the following district to provide Health Services for Northport-East Northport students attending school in that district during the 2008-2009 school year:

9.2.1 South Huntington Union Free School District, 92 students attending St. Anthony's High School @ \$764.83, 1 student attending St. Anthony's High School for 26 weeks at \$497.12, and 17 students attending Long Island School for the Gifted @ \$764.83, totaling \$83,863.59.

9.2.2 Smithtown Central School District, 8 students attending Harbor Country Day School, and 19 students attending Smithtown Christian School @ \$707.44, totaling \$19,100.88.

9.3 Receiving the following donations to the District:

9.3.1 Scholarship fund donations: \$100 to the Lt. Commander Christopher Tragna Memorial Scholarship from Frances & Bertram Delmage, \$200 to the Lt. Commander Christopher Tragna Memorial Scholarship from Dr. & Mrs. Gideon Burian, \$500 to the Laurene G. Quigley ESL Memorial Scholarship and \$500 to the Laurene G. Quigley Memorial Scholarship from David L. Quigley, \$4000 to the Henrietta Ackerly Memorial Scholarship from Steven Ingerman

9.3.2 Two education programs, Hooked on Phonics and Hooked on Math, donated by Mrs. Kathy Orent, to Ocean Avenue Elementary School, valued estimated to be \$600.

9.4 Authorizing the administration to apply for the following Grant:

9.4.1 Campaign for Civic Mission of Schools Program in the amount of \$3,000 to support Civic Education initiatives at Pulaski Road Elementary School, East Northport Middle School and Northport High School through Project PATCH.

Vote on Trustee Meyerowitz's motion to approve all items under 9. was unanimously carried.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

10.1 Student Activity Account Reports for March, 2009 from:

10.1.1 Northport High School

10.1.2 East Northport Middle School

- 10.1.3 Northport Middle School
- 10.2 Schedule H - Use of Facilities
- 10.3 Investment Report for March, 2009
- 10.4 Monthly Revenue & Budget Status Report as of March 2009

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Trustee Meyerowitz inquired about the commons manager position at the high school.

Dr. McDermott stated that she is waiting for the outcome of the Budget Vote on May 19th and will move forward after that. Dr. McDermott also discussed pending legislation regarding teachers on special assignment (non-classroom assignments). This legislation may impact out of the classroom teaching positions in our District.

Dr. McDermott announced that this was Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, Larry Blake's last regular Board meeting and thanked him for his wisdom, trust, knowledge and sense of humor for the last two years.

There being no further business to discuss, at 8:25 p.m., motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to adjourn the special meeting and reconvene in Executive Session to discuss a student matter.

Unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to reconvene in public session and adjourn the meeting.

Unanimously carried.

At 9:40 p.m., the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Beth M. Nystrom
District Clerk

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