# Special Meeting to Finalize Budget - William J. Brosnan School (Thursday, April 6, 2017)

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# **Members present**

David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

# Also present

Mr. Robert Banzer, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Kathleen Molander, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Ms. Irene McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Mr. Matthew Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, Technology and Assessment

Dr. Dana Boshnack, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning

Public Attendance: Approximately 40 people

1. CALL TO ORDER – President Rapiejko called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

**2. IF NECESSARY, THE CHAIR MAY ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Note: It is anticipated that the Board will meet in public at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room to act upon a resolution, upon majority vote, to immediately convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons.

Action: 2.01 Motion to convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons and matters pertaining to the appointment of a particular person and/or corporation.

Motion by David Stein, second by Lori McCue.

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

The Board reconvened in Public Session at 7:12 p.m.

- 3. Mr. Rapiejko led those present in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; and
- 4. Pointed out the EMERGENCY EXITS

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: 5.01 Minutes

Recommendation to approve the following minutes:

- 5.01.1 March 9, 2017 Special Meeting
- 5.01.2 March 16, 2017 Special Meeting
- 5.01.3 March 23, 2017 Special Meeting

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

# 6. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED REGARDING THE 2017-2018 PROPOSED BUDGET AND PUBLIC COMMENT - BOARD MOTION TO CONVENE INTO COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE TO INFORMALLY DISCUSS PROPOSED BUDGET

Information: 6.01 Communications received regarding the proposed 2017-2018 budget

- 6.01.1 Mr. and Mrs. Mahoney, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.2 Mr. and Mrs. Ciaio, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size Mrs. Ciaio stated that it is not in the best interest of the school to reduce the number of 4<sup>th</sup> grade sections.
- 6.01.3 Mr. and Mrs. McCabe, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.4 Mr. and Mrs. Gebert, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.5 Ms. Lanigan, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size Mrs. Lanigan stated that the 4<sup>th</sup> grade is a particular important grade and it's important to keep the class size low.
- 6.01.6 Ms. Shawne Albero, re: Budgeting for Robotics/Coding/21st Century STEM Learning
- 6.01.7 Ms. Drew, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.8 Mr. and Mrs. Power, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.9 Ms. Ryan, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size Ms. Ryan urged the Board to consider maintaining smaller class sizes.
- 6.01.10 Mr. and Mrs. Gorman, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size Mrs. Gorman stated that 4<sup>th</sup> grade is an important year and urged the Board to consider keeping small class sizes.
- 6.01.11 Mr. and Mrs. Lopez, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.12 Petition with 95 signatures, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.13 Mr. and Mrs. Kongslie, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.14 Ms. Conte, re: Norwood Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.15 Mr. and Mrs. Berger, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size
- 6.01.16 Mr. and Mrs. Lippiello, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size Ms. Lippiello stated that children benefit from smaller class sizes especially with the increase in academics in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade.
- 6.01.17 Ms. Gilligan, re: Fifth Avenue Class Size

# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Name Comment

Nora Beck Requested that the Board reconsider reducing the number of 5<sup>th</sup> grade sections

Parent from 4 to 3 at Norwood Avenue School

Rosanne Fischer Stated that there was an overwhelming response to the online position to

PTA President reconsider reducing the 5<sup>th</sup> grade sections from 4 to 3 at Norwood Avenue School

which would lead to a 33% increase in class size for the three sections.

Action: 6.02 Committee-of-the-Whole

Recommendation to table item 6.01 until the April 20th Special Meeting of the Board of Education

President Rapiejko stated that the State has not finalized their budget so the amount of State Aid the District will receive is not known.

Motion by Lori McCue, second by David Badanes.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

#### 7. MOTION TO RECONVENE INTO SPECIAL MEETING

Action: 7.01 SEQRA Resolution

Recommendation to table item 7.01 until the April 20th Special Meeting of the Board of Education

Motion by Lori McCue, second by David Badanes.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew

Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

#### 8. FINALIZATION OF PROPOSITIONS

Action: 8.01 Finalize Propositions

Recommendation table item 8.01 until the April 20th Special Meeting of the Board of Education

Motion by Lori McCue, second by David Badanes.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew

Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

#### 9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, GENERAL - FOR BOARD ACTION

Action: 9.01 Personnel Actions Report

Recommendation to approve the Personnel Actions Report

Motion by Lori McCue, second by Jennifer H Thompson.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew

Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

# 10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, FINANCIAL - FOR BOARD ACTION

Action: 10.01 Garden City UFSD Resolution

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PIGGYBACKING ON THE GARDEN CITY UFSD CONTRACT FOR MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

"WHEREAS, the GARDEN CITY U.F.S.D. has made available to other municipalities a contract for materials and supplies for pupil transportation department; and

WHEREAS, said contract for materials and supplies for pupil transportation department was let for bid consistent with the requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103; and

WHEREAS, the Northport-East Northport U.F.S.D. is permitted to utilize said contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the bid and requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of materials and supplies for pupil transportation department from Garden City U.F.S.D. in accordance with the requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103."

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.02 Donations

Recommendation to receive the following donations to the District:

10.02.1 \$2,500 from the Lillian S. Brueggemann Scholarship Foundation to the Lillian S. Brueggemann Scholarship

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.03 Greenkill Field Trip Donation

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$38,060 from the Northport Middle School Student Activity Account for the purpose of students attending the trip to Greenkill Outdoor Education Center March 1-3, 2017 and increase the 2016-2017 budget code A2110.4161.23.2902 by \$38,060 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code A2705 of the 2016-2017 budget by \$38,060 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of donations from the Northport Middle School Activity Account."

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.04 Urban Studies Field Trip Donation Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$447 from Northport-East Northport residents whose names are more fully set forth in the attached document, for the purposes of covering the cost of transportation for the Northport High School Urban Studies class field trip on March 9, 2017 and increase the 2016-2017 budget code A2110.4161.30.2903 by \$447 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code A2705 of the 2015-2016 budget by \$447 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of donations from Northport-East Northport residents."

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.05 Eagle Scout Donation

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$640 from Eagle Scout Shawn Weigand, for the purpose of books for the Fifth Avenue Elementary School Library and increase the 2016-2017 budget code A2610.5030.12.1300 by \$640 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code A2705 of the 2016-2017 budget by \$640 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of a donation from Eagle Scout Shawn Weigand."

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.06 Annette Shidelez

Recommendation to approve a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Annette Shidelez, Ed.D. for a professional development workshop in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 (NHS)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.07 John W. Engeman Theater

Recommendation to approve a Rider to Agreement between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and the John W. Engeman Theater - Contract #PR62244933 and #PR62211985 (BAS)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.08 North Fork Express

Recommendation to approve a Rider to Agreement between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and North Fork Express - Contract #2064938 (NHS)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.09 Harmony Heights

Recommendation to approve a 2017-2018 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Harmony Heights (Spec. Ed.)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Action: 10.10 Ascent

Recommendation to approve a 2017-2018 agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and ASCENT: A School for Individuals with Autism (Spec. Ed.)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.11 Maryhaven Center of Hope, Inc.

Recommendation to approve a 2017-2018 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Maryhaven Center of Hope, Inc. (Spec. Ed.)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.12 Center for Developmental Disabilities

Recommendation to approve a 2017-2018 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Center for Developmental Disabilities (Spec. Ed.)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.13 Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc.

Recommendation to approve a 2017-2018 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc. (Spec. Ed.)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.14 Claims Auditor's Reports for Warrants and Schedule of Claims

Recommendation to approve Claims Auditor's Report for Warrants and Schedule of Claims for payments dated:

February 3, 2017 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), February 10, 2017 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), February 15, 2017 (Accounts Payable Warrant), February 24, 2017 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), February 28, 2017 (Accounts Payable Warrant), February 2017 (Claims Audit Report)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.15 Claims Auditor's Report - Payroll Audit

Recommendation to approve the Claim's Auditors Report - Payroll Audit for Payroll Distribution/Audit dated February 24, 2017 (William J. Brosnan School)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.16 Cash Flow Statement

Recommendation to approve the General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statement for the year ending 2016-2017, Actual Data July 1, 2016 - January 31, 2017, Estimated Data February 1, 2017 - June 30, 2017

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.17 Health Service Charge

Recommendation to approve the 2016-2017 health service charge for out-of-district students attending district non-public schools at \$912.74 per pupil and authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to execute contracts with school districts indicated in the attached memorandum in the amounts specified

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.18 Transfer of General Fund Appropriations

Recommendation to approve Transfer of General Fund Appropriations in the 2016-2017 fiscal year

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

Action: 10.19 Girl Scout Brownie Troop #1309 Donation Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, Girl Scout Brownie Troop #1309, will build two Buddy Benches to help promote friendships during recess;

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Brownie Troop #1309 has generously offered to donate the benches to Dickinson Avenue Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, the School District desires to accept Girl Scout Brownie Troop #1309's donation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the School District, without consideration, accepts the gift of two benches from Girl Scout Brownie Troop #1309"

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Action: 10.20 Cheryl Dobbertin

Recommendation to approve a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Cheryl Dobbertin for Curriculum Assessment and Training in an amount not to exceed \$7,200 (T&L)

Motion by Donna McNaughton, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew

Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

# 11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Information: 11.01 Schedule H - Use of Facilities

Information: 11.02 Budget Transfers for the period March 11, 2017 through March 28, 2017 - As per Board Policy #6150, all transfers between salary codes up to \$25,000 and transfers between all other codes up to \$10,000 are to be reported to the Board of Education as an information item

#### 12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion: 12.01 Legislative Advocacy Sub-Committee

President Rapiejko asked that Board Members email the District Clerk their topics for the Legislative Advocacy Committee and that they be added to the May 4<sup>th</sup> agenda for discussion.

**13. ADJOURNMENT** - Board policy requires adjournment by 10:30 pm, unless meeting is extended by vote.

Information: 13.01 UPCOMING MEETINGS

President Rapiejko reviewed the upcoming meetings and noted that a Special Meeting to Finalize the Budget has been added on Thursday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m.

# SPECIAL MEETING TO VOTE ON BOCES ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET & TRUSTEES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

# PUBLIC HEARING ON FINALIZED BUDGET

Thursday, May 4, 2017

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

# BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

# SPECIAL MEETING TO ACCEPT VOTING RETURNS

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Approximately 9:30 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School Cafeteria

Action: 13.02 Adjournment

Recommendation to adjourn meeting

Motion by Jennifer H Thompson, second by Tammie Topel.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Lori McCue, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Regina Pisacani, Andrew

Rapiejko, David Stein, Jennifer H Thompson, Tammie Topel

At 8:22 p.m., the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth M. Nystrom District Clerk