MINUTES ROCKY POINT PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING March 21, 2016

Mrs. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Rocky Point High School.

Present: Susan Sullivan, President

Scott Reh, Vice President

Melissa Brown, Trustee (arriving at 6:20 p.m.)

Sean Callahan, Trustee Edward Casswell, Trustee

Michael F. Ring, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools Deborah De Luca, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent

Gregory Hilton, School Business Official

Susan Wilson, Executive Director for Educational Services

Patricia Jones, District Clerk

Absent: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:00 p.m. Sean Callahan made a motion and Edward Casswell seconded to adjourn to Executive Session in order to discuss confidential matters pertaining to select personnel.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Sullivan invited Dr. Ring to begin with the Superintendent's Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ring announced during this evening's meeting he was pleased to have the opportunity to recognize the many accomplishments achieved by our students in the areas of academics, arts and athletics.

Dr. Ring reminded those in attendance that Rocky Point's Drug Free Community Forum was scheduled to be held on Tuesday, April 5th, 2016 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Noting that the forum is held every two years, Dr. Ring invited and encouraged all to attend this very important discussion that will focus upon substance abuse and the increase of the usage of illicit substances. Dr. Ring also announced there would be a one-hour Narcan training

session available beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12th, 2016 in the high school auditorium. Dr. Ring advised that those participants trained during this session would be given a Narcan kit to be carried on their person should the need to use it ever present itself.

Dr. Ring invited Dr. De Luca to the podium to begin the evening's student recognition.

Dr. De Luca invited middle school art teacher, Ms. Cara Buonconsiglio, to join her at the podium along with art student, Elena Ramos. Dr. De Luca explained the art teachers collected student-created art for consideration to be chosen as the cover for the updated Next Step Strategic Plan. Dr. De Luca announced that she and Dr. Ring, after careful review and consideration, chose the artwork submitted by Miss Ramos. Dr. De Luca extended her congratulations to Miss Ramos for this honor.

Dr. De Luca invited Secondary Music Chairperson Ms. Amy Schecher and Elementary Music Chairperson Ms. Sara Ruggiero to the podium.

Ms. Schecher announced that the music department wished to recognize and honor thirty-seven students who were chosen to participate in very competitive and prestigious music ensembles, including the Suffolk County Music Educators Association Eastern Division All County Band, Orchestra and Chorus, the Long Island String Festival Orchestras and the American Choral Directors Association Honor Choir. Ms. Schecher advised that the students were chosen by the festival committees based upon their NYSSMA solo scores and teacher recommendations. Ms. Schecher extended her congratulations to all the students, their teachers and their parents on their outstanding achievements and excellent performances. In addition, Ms. Schecher also recognized and thanked all of the district's music teachers, both the high school and middle school custodians, security staff, high school student volunteers and the Friends of Music for their assistance in helping to host the SCMEA Division II Festival. The following students were honored for their achievements and invited to the podium to receive certificates for their individual accomplishments: Benjamin Gansle, Noah Grossman, William Gansle, Allen Liu, Chloe Graham, Natalie Kelly, Olivia Nagel, Adam Olszewski, Victoria Pelosi, Rebecca Rando, Calista Nohai-Seaman, Ella Botticelli, Alexandra Kelly, Brenna Kiernan, Amber Sanchez, Kaitlyn Wallace, Molly Infranco, Celine Singh, Grace Benedetto, Jillian Carley, Julius Condemi, Daniela Grimard, Jared Sayler, Ronald Wood, Noah Grossman, Alexander Samuilov, Michael Sirico, Julia Brandow, Grace Donofrio, Nicolette Green, Paul Leheste, Kathryn Sayler, Joshua Vogel, and Ava Donofrio.

Ms. Amy Agnesini, Director of Health, PE, Athletics and Intramurals, extended her personal invitation to all to attend the April 5th, 2016 Drug Free Community Forum. Ms. Agnesini spoke in detail concerning the many facets to be discussed during the forum including the results of a survey recently participated in by Rocky Point students. Guest speaker, Mr. John Venza from OUTREACH, will provide timely information concerning substance abuse in and around Long Island. Ms. Agnesini encouraged all parents and students, grades 6-12, to attend and support this community effort.

Ms. Agnesini began the athletic recognitions with independent swimmer, Rocky Point High School junior Christopher O'Shea. Chris was named the Suffolk County champion for the 200

Freestyle and the 100 Backstroke. Following these accomplishments, Chris participated in the New York State Meet where he placed second in the 100 Backstroke and fifth in the 200 Freestyle. Ms. Agnesini invited Chris to the podium in order to present him with a certificate in honor of his achievements.

Ms. Agnesini provided an overview of the many accomplishments and achievements the Varsity Cheerleaders have garnered. Noting that this was the first year that cheerleading competitions were governed by Section XI and New York State, Ms. Agnesini discussed the changing requirements and the required learning curve the cheerleaders were required to make. Locally, the Varsity Cheerleaders captured the first ever Suffolk County Championship and represented their section at the NYS Championship in Syracuse where they placed third in the state. The team achieved their twelfth consecutive UCA Empire Regional Championship. At the UCA Nationals in Orlando, Florida, the cheerleaders finished second in the nation. Ms. Agnesini welcomed assistant coach, Ms. Arianna Scanlon, to the program this year. Following Ms. Agnesini's recognition of Varsity Coach Anna Spallina for her dedication to the sport and her coaching abilities, Ms. Agnesini invited Varsity Coach Anna Spallina and Assistant Varsity Coach Arianna Scanlon to the podium to assist in honoring the 2016 UCA Empire Regional Champions, the 2016 Suffolk County Champions and the National Cheerleading Finalists Varsity Cheerleaders with certificates commemorating their many achievements: Amanda Balbi, Julia Buckley, Madison Carbone, Kimberley Casey, Samantha Ferrara, Brittney Ferrari, Kristin Flatley, Claire Johannesen, Julieanna Joy, Courtney Kelly, Bailey Klein, Calista MacArthur, Sydney McNamee, Ashley Mooring, Jessica Musraca, Morganne Nofi, Alexandra Quaglio, Brittany Reh, Alyssa Sussman, Gina Tolisano, and Lauren Utting.

Ms. Agnesini continued her presentation by providing an overview of the many accomplishments of the Varsity Wrestling team. Ms. Agnesini congratulated the coaches who were again recognized by their league as the "Coaching Staff of the Year." Coach Ciolino and Coach Volpe were recognized for their constant dedication to the program and the wrestlers; Coach Matias and Coach Coggins were thanked for all they do in volunteering their time to the program and the wrestlers. Ms. Agnesini referred to Varsity Coach Darren Goldstein as "a professional that is highly respected by his peers; a man who constantly gives so much of himself so others can succeed." Ms. Agnesini thanked Coach Goldstein for being a great role model for his athletes and congratulated him for the successes of the program. Ms. Agnesini announced the following accomplishments garnered by wrestlers: Individual League Champions Anthony Sciotto, Anthony Cirillo, Jack Gold and C.J. Archer; Second Place Finishers Nicholas Pagnotta, Dylan Zabbara and Kyle Strovink; Third Place Finishers Bobby Casazza and Will Romero; Fourth Place Finishers Logan Sciotto, Anthony DeVito and Matt Capell. All County Wrestlers: Anthony Cirillo, Jack Gold and C.J. Archer who took second place in the Suffolk County Championships; Anthony Sciotto and Nick Pagnotta placed third and Will Romero took fifth. The team took fifth place overall in the State Championships held in Albany and individually 11th grader Anthony Cirillo took second place while Anthony Sciotto placed fifth. Ms. Agnesini concluded her presentation by inviting all of the members of the Wrestling team to the podium in order to present them with certificates in recognition of their accomplishments: Sal Aprile, C.J. Archer, Leo Burke, Ryan Callahan, Matt Capell, Bobby Casazza, Anthony Cirillo, Anthony DeVito, Joe Genova, Jack Gold, Mickey Gold, Dan Guerrisi, Don Hammarth, Mike Laccesaglia, Evan Matias, Angelo Mazzarone, Devin McCoy, Nick Pagnotta, Rob Pliska, Jake Pohl, Manny

Romero, William Romero, Logan Sciotto, Brian Smith, Christian Stremich, Kyle Strovink, Alyis Yasay-Bugarin, and team manager, Brett Goldstein.

Dr. Ring once again acknowledged Ms. Amy Agnesini upon being named as the Athletic Director of the Year by the Suffolk Athletic Directors Association.

Dr. Ring invited Mrs. Crossan to the podium to begin the Principals' Reports.

MRS. SUSANN CROSSAN, PRINCIPAL, ROCKY POINT HIGH SCHOOL

- Kindness-Spirit Week was hosted at the high school to kick-off the spring sports season, following an assembly program with Ed Gerety, a nationally recognized speaker on youth leadership. Mrs. Crossan thanked the PTA for generously donating funds to help make the event possible.
- The SADD Club was instrumental in bringing a Teen Driver Safety Program administered through the Town of Brookhaven and the Highway Department to the high school students during the month of March. Through a highly interactive experience students were able to exhibit firsthand the effects of driving while impaired.
- On March 4th the Mock Trial team won their case against Hauppauge High School and advanced to the Sweet Sixteen round of the competition. The team demonstrated professionalism and Mrs. Crossan expressed her pride in the students' accomplishments.
- Mrs. Crossan invited science teacher, Nancy Hunter, to the podium in order to assist her in recognizing the accomplishments of students Jade Pinkenburg and Kyle Markland, both of whom were selected to participate in the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium. Jade, who was in attendance at the meeting, was recognized for his research project entitled "Can Magnetic Fields Be Used to Shield Astronauts from Cosmic Radiation?" and Kyle, who was unable to be present at the meeting, was recognized for his research project "The Effect of Shielding Material on Cosmic Ray Interference."
- Mrs. Crossan invited student Bryant Liu to join her at the podium. Bryant was selected as
 a semifinalist in the Charles Duggan Long Island Science and Engineering Fair (LISEF).
 Bryant received honorable mention for his project entitled "Cost-Competitive Renewable
 Energy: Optimizing Conditions to Efficiently Convert Fallen Leaves to Liquid Biofuels."
 Mrs. Crossan congratulated Bryant for his accomplishment and wished him well with his
 further work in science research.
- Mrs. Crossan praised the fine arts students who participated in the high school musical production of "South Pacific." Mrs. Crossan thanked Ms. Schecher and Ms. Donovan and the entire cast for all of their hard work, time and efforts.

DR. SCOTT O'BRIEN, PRINCIPAL, ROCKY POINT MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Progress Reports have been posted to the parent portal; spring sports will begin on March 29th, 2016.
- The RPMS Community Service Club recently supported the third annual school blood drive with New York Blood Services. Sixth grade students volunteered as "little doctors" and assisted donors with filling out paperwork and serving post-donation drinks and snacks. Dr. O'Brien thanked everyone for their efforts with this project.
- Parent Orientation for incoming sixth grade students was held on March 10th in the high school auditorium. For those parents who were unable to attend the event, Dr. O'Brien

- advised that parent packets were available to be picked-up in the guidance office of the middle school. Current fifth grade students will visit the middle school in May for the student portion of the sixth grade orientation.
- The musical production this year is "My Son Pinocchio, Jr." The students have been busy with after school rehearsals as they prepare for the opening next week. Two performances are scheduled, Friday, April 1st at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 2nd at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The students will perform a dress rehearsal for sixth grade students and FJC students on Thursday, March 31st at 10:00 a.m.
- Middle school students were outstanding during the Long Island Science and Engineering Fair on March 11th. Out of more than two hundred middle school students, eighth grader Noah Grossman received an Honorable Mention for his efforts.
- At a St. Baldrick's event last week hosted at the middle school twenty students and teachers demonstrated their support for those suffering from cancer by bravely having their heads shaved with the help of high school cosmetology stylists. The event raised more than \$8,000 for the cause, well exceeding the school's goal of \$5,000.

MS. LINDA TOWLEN, PRINCIPAL, JOSEPH A. EDGAR SCHOOL

- Parent-Teacher conferences were held during the week of March 14th. Ms. Towlen thanked both parents and teachers for their work during the conferences.
- The 5th Grade Student Council and 5th Grade Select Chorus "High Notes" participated in the annual JAE Senior Citizen St. Patrick's Day Breakfast on Friday, March 11th. Ms. Towlen thanked Ms. Boyle and Mr. Knapp for their dedicated work during this event.
- Ms. Towlen invited Ms. Maria Amoscato to join her at the podium in order to recognize student Jared Massa, the high fundraiser for Jump Rope for Heart. Overall the event raised \$13,580 of which Jared individually raised \$1,000. Ms. Towlen thanked Ms. Amoscato for organizing the event.
- Ms. Towlen invited Ms. Varriale to the podium in order to congratulate Donna Daly for being selected out of four hundred and fifty entries as the winner for the NYS Kids Safe Online Poster Contest. Ms. Towlen announced that this was the second year a JAE student won this contest. Ms. Towlen offered special thanks to Ms. Varriale for working with her students and submitting their entries.
- Ms. Towlen invited Ms. Licata and Ms. Craig to join her at the podium for the purpose of celebrating Maya Subject for being the high fundraiser for the Madagascar Ankizy Fund. Overall the fourth grade students raised \$2,219.35 of which Maya individually raised \$250.00. Ms. Towlen congratulated Maya and thanked Ms. Licata and Ms. Craig for organizing this important fund raiser.

DR. VIRGINIA KELLY-GIBBONS, PRINCIPAL, FRANK J. CARASITI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Dr. Kelly-Gibbons thanked Mrs. Adamski for organizing the Valentine Sticker Grams at FJC. A total of \$500.00 was collected for the KIN (Kids In Need) Program.
- A successful kindergarten registration was held from March 1st to March 11th. FJC is looking forward to welcoming many eager incoming kindergarten students.
- The PTA hosted the fifth annual second grade Spring Fling on March 19th from 2 to 4 p.m. This year's fling had a Star Wars theme and everyone enjoyed an afternoon of

- music, dancing and friends. Dr. Kelly-Gibbons offered her gratitude to the PTA for its kind assistance with this event.
- The Science Fair was held on March 14th through March 16th. Participants and winners were celebrated on the evening of March 15th. The winners from each grade level will move on to the Brookhaven Science Fair. Dr. Kelly-Gibbons thanked Mrs. Tandy for organizing this event and also thanked all who joined in to judge the entries.
- Second graders will participate in the Second Grade National Geography Challenge during the month of April.
- Spring Recess is scheduled for March 24th through the 28th.

Dr. Ring thanked everyone, especially the teachers and the students, for their amazing achievements. Dr. Ring noted that they are well known for their consistent achievements and that they make the district proud every day.

Dr. Ring advised a short recess in order to allow those parents and students who wished to exit the auditorium could do so prior to the Budget Workshop presentation.

BUDGET WORKSHOP POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Dr. Ring provided an extensive overview of the 2016-2017 Budget Presentation. Dr. Ring explained that this would be the third opportunity for residents to review the proposed 2016-2017 annual budget. Key components of the budget were presented including Budget Goals, Enrollment, Expenditure Summary, Expenditures, Major Expense Categories, Major Revenue Categories, "About the Tax Cap", Potential Impact of Contingency Budget, Proposed Budget – Efficient and Effective, Success for All Students and Budget Summary.

Following his presentation, Dr. asked if there were any questions from meeting attendees. There were no questions. Dr. Ring advised that the presentation, in its entirety, was available on the website and invited meeting attendees to email him with questions following their review of the documents, if need be.

Mrs. Sullivan opened the floor to meeting attendees for questions and/or comments.

• Referencing the information pertaining to the Capital Projects Proposition, Ms. Ernestine Franco inquired if the final bond materials would be posted to the website as it was very difficult for herself and others to review the materials at the office of the district clerk. Dr. Ring responded that it was a legal requirement to have the information available in the office of the district clerk but following the final outcome of the vote the information will be posted to the district's website. Ms. Franco asked why the meeting agenda's accompanying Capital Projects documents contained blanks instead of the actual money amounts referenced in the resolution. Mrs. Sullivan explained that the trustees would be discussing the final monetary amounts pertaining to the proposition at this evening's meeting and insert said finalized amount into the resolution. Ms. Franco asked for an explanation of the wording contained in the Bond Proposition wherein it references estimated costs of the components may be reallocated if the Board of Education determines such reallocation is in the best interest of the District. Dr. Ring provided Ms.

- Franco with an example of how the reallocation of monies might be utilized in the event a specific project resulted in a cost under the original allocated funds.
- Student-athlete girls' lacrosse team player, Alexa Lindiakos, asked the board trustees to consider the addition of a port-a-potty rental in the vicinity of the concession stand for use by sports team players. Miss Lindiakos indicated that it took quite a bit of time away from practices and games for the student-athletes to enter the school building in order to use the facilities. Miss Lindiakos advised that she had researched the rental of port-a-pottys and that the cost to the district would amount to approximately \$100.00 per four-week rental.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are presented as part of the Consent Agenda which can be adopted by the Board of Education under a single motion followed by a second and then a formal vote. On the following page the Consent Agenda items are listed in their regular order within a group. Before an actual vote is taken, any Consent Agenda item may be removed by a Board member without a formal motion or second. If this occurs, the indicated resolution will be discussed during its regular order on the agenda and voted on individually.

III-IX CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Melissa Brown, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the following agenda items as one item.

III: Minutes – Regular Meeting February 1, 2016; Special Meeting March 7, 2016

IV Budget Transfer Summary – January and February 2016

V: Treasurer's Reports – January 2016; February 2016

VI: Extra-Classroom Activity Account Treasurer's Report – January 2016; February 2016

VII: Financial Reports – January 2016; February 2016

VIII: Internal Claims Audit Report – January and February 2016

IX: **Committees on Special Education Schedules** 3-21-16-A and 3-21-16-B, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, to arrange for appropriate services, as indicated.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

X SURPLUS TEXTBOOKS

Upon a motion made by Melissa Brown and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves for surplus the following attached list of textbooks.

XI SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves for surplus the following attached list of equipment

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XII TARGET DONATIONS TO DISTRICT

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and accepts the donations from Target.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Union Free School District hereby approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to increase the general fund budget by \$567.25 as a result of the donations from Target.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following budget codes be adjusted to reflect said increase:

A 2110 500 01 0000 (FJC)	\$220.60
A 2110 500 02 0000 (JAE)	\$105.68
A 2110 500 03 0000 (HS)	\$195.97

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan thanked Target for the donations.

XIII DONATION FROM OHIOPYLE PRINTS, INC.

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Melissa Brown, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and accepts the donation from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc. in the amount of \$33.47, as per the attached.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Union Free School District hereby approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to increase the general fund budget by \$33.47 as a result of the donation from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following budget code be adjusted to reflect said increase:

A 2110 500 03 0000 (HS) \$33.47

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan thanked Ohiopyle Prints, Inc. for the donation.

XIV LIVE LIKE SUSIE SCHOLARSHIP DONATION

Upon a motion made by Melissa Brown and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and accepts the donation on behalf of the Live Like Susie Scholarship in the amount of \$100.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XV DONATION OF BUSHNELL 114MM REFLECTOR TELESCOPE

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of a Bushnell 114mm Reflector Telescope with GPS –based star finder feature from Rocky Point Schools residents, the Cheshire Family, valued at approximately \$835.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

On behalf of the board trustees, Mrs. Sullivan thanked the Cheshire Family for the very generous donation.

XVI DONATION TO JOSEPH A. EDGAR INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and accepts a donation in the amount of \$25.00 as per the attached.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Union Free School District hereby approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to increase the general fund budget by \$25.00 as a result of the donation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following budget code be adjusted to reflect said increase:

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XVII DONATION OF KEURIG COFFEEMAKER

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Melissa Brown, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of a Keurig Model K145 Pro Commercial Coffee Brewing System from Mrs. Ruvolo, the parent of a Rocky Point employee, valued at approximately \$150.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan thanked Mrs. Ruyolo for this donation.

XVIII RIVERHEAD CSD SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT 2015-2016

Upon a motion made by Melissa Brown and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board of Education to enter into a contract with Riverhead Central School District for non-public or parochial school special education student services for the 2015-2016 school year as required under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or district policy.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XIX 2015-2016 HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACTS

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Board President and Superintendent to enter into an agreement for health services for the 2015-2016 school year with the following districts:

Hauppauge Public Schools
Sachem Central School District
Smithtown Central School District
South Huntington Union Free School District
Three Village Central School District

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XX STIPULATION BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE ROCKY POINT ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLVED, that Board of Education President Sullivan is authorized, *nunc pro tunc*, to execute the Stipulation of Settlement Agreement on the matter of RPAA v. RP UFSD (Improper Practice Charges lodged with PERB) dated March 7, 2016.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Prior to the introduction of Agenda Item XXI, Proposition for Capital Projects Vote on May 17, 2016, Mrs. Sullivan announced that the board trustees would discuss the particulars of same. Mrs. Sullivan advised that in consideration of all of the many hours and efforts expended by the committees and community members, it was her belief that it was in the best interest of all to conduct the Capital Projects Vote on May 17, 2016, during the Annual School Budget Vote and Election. Mrs. Sullivan further advised that since the last public presentation of items to be included in the proposition, \$40,000.00 dollars had been removed. Mr. Casswell agreed that the proposition vote should go forward on May 17th noting that the items contained therein had been examined by various committees who did a thorough job in presenting and including those items in the proposal. During discussion, it was confirmed with Mr. Hilton that the final agreed upon amount associated with the Capital Projects Proposition would be \$16,439,513. Mr. Casswell further confirmed with Mr. Hilton that the percentage rate of state aid was 70.2 percent which results in an amount of \$11,540, 538. Dr. Ring noted school district residents would be responsible to pay the remaining balance.

There was no further discussion.

XXI PROPOSITION FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS VOTE ON MAY 17, 2016

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Melissa Brown, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes and directs the submission of a Capital Projects Proposition at the Annual District Meeting and Election of the qualified voters to be held May 17, 2016, and further directs that the form of Capital Projects Proposition be inserted in the Notice of such Annual District Meeting and Election, as per the attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XXII MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE ROCKY POINT ADMINISTRATORS' ASSOCIATION

Upon a motion made by Melissa Brown and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

RESOLVED, that Board of Education President Sullivan is authorized, *nunc pro tunc*, to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Rocky Point Administrators' Association and the Rocky Point Union Free School District on the matter of an amending of the collective bargaining agreement extant between the parties with reference to a modification of the salary schedule's steps provisions.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XXIII APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the employment agreement between the Board of Education and Mr. Charles Delargy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said employment agreement on behalf of the Board.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XXIV PERSONNEL

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the attached Personnel changes, as presented.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan announced that there were four teachers on the personnel agenda who would be retiring at the end of the 2015-2016 school year and although they would be formally recognized at the board of education meeting of May 17, 2016, she wished to announce their names: Anne Kalinowski, middle school mathematics, Peter Hoffmeister, high school mathematics, Cecilia Doolittle, Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School elementary education and Catherine Conner, Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School special education.

Mrs. Sullivan also introduced to meeting attendees Mr. Charles Delargy, the new Director of Health, Physical Education, Athletics and Intramurals who was present at the meeting. Mrs. Sullivan congratulated Mr. Delargy on his appointment and wished him well.

XXV NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Sullivan inquired of the board trustees if there was any new business they wished to discuss. There was no new business.

Mrs. Sullivan opened the floor to questions and/or comments from meeting attendees.

- Ms. Bea Ruberto announced the Sound Beach Civic Association was offering one \$1,000 scholarship this year to a graduating senior and invited anyone interested in obtaining additional information to contact the high school guidance office staff. Ms. Ruberto also provided information about an upcoming SBCA Poster Contest, "If You See Something, Say Something." Two \$100.00 savings bonds will be awarded to two winners. Ms. Ruberto further advised that elementary school art teacher, Mr. Treewolf West, would assist with this endeavor.
- Ms. Ruberto invited all to attend the Sound Beach Veterans Memorial Lasagna Dinner fundraiser to be held on Friday, April 1st from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Sound Beach Firehouse. Ms. Ruberto advised that monies raised at this event would be utilized to help maintain the Veterans Memorial.
- Acknowledging those students who were recognized by the district earlier in the evening, Dr. Pinkenburg asked what the specific criteria was in order for students to be recognized by the district. Referring to the robotics students he is associated with and the many accomplishments they have achieved, Dr. Pinkenburg asked why they were not included in the recognition. Mrs. Sullivan responded that it has been the practice of the district to recognize school-sponsored students, school-sponsored clubs and school-sponsored activities. Dr. Pinkenburg responded that he was not in agreement with this practice, that he was of the opinion the practice makes the district appear petty, and the district would be well advised to take this into consideration.

There were no further questions or comments.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:40 p.m. Sean Callahan made a motion and Melissa Brown seconded to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Jones District Clerk