

MINUTES
ROCKY POINT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
February 3, 2020

Mrs. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Rocky Point High School.

Present: Susan Sullivan, President
Sean Callahan, Vice President
Gregory Amendola, Trustee (arrived at Executive Session at 5:17 p.m.)
Edward Casswell, Trustee
Jessica Ward, Trustee
Scott O'Brien, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Susann Crossan, Assistant Superintendent
Christopher Van Cott, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Loretta Sanchez, Assistant District Clerk

Absent: Kelly White, District Clerk

At 5:01 p.m., a motion was made by Sean Callahan, and seconded by Jessica Ward, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss confidential personnel matters and negotiations.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. to attend the Budget Workshop presented by Christopher Van Cott, Aaron Factor, Melinda Brooks, Kristen White and Charles Delargy.

Upon completion of the Budget Workshop, the Board returned to Executive Session at 6:21 p.m. to continue their discussions regarding confidential personnel matters and negotiations.

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. O'Brien thanked the presenters of the Budget Workshop for a job well done and advised that upcoming budget meetings are scheduled for March 16th and May 5th.

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

There were no questions/comments.

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. 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-VI CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

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

- III: Minutes** – Special Meeting January 9, 2020; Regular Meeting, January 13, 2020
- IV: Budget Transfer Summary** – December 2019
- V: Internal Claims Audit Report** – December 2019
- VI: Committees on Special Education Schedules** 2-3-2020-A and 2-3-2020-B, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, to arrange for appropriate services, as indicated.

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

VII 7-ELEVEN, INC. DONATION

Upon a motion made by Jessica Ward, 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 from 7-Eleven, Inc., for the benefit of the HS Student Government, in the amount of \$711.00

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

VIII DONATION FROM SOUTHWESTERN FUNDRAISING (FORMERLY GREAT AMERICAN)

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell, and seconded by Gregory Amendola, 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 Southwestern Fundraising in the amount of \$12.40, as per the attached.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Union Free School District hereby approves the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to increase the general fund budget by \$12.40 as a result of the donation.

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

A2110 500 02 0000 \$12.40

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

IX SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Upon a motion made by Gregory Amendola, 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 lists.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

X RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PROPERTY TAX CAP FORM

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the preliminary Rocky Point Union Free School District Property Tax Cap Form, as attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XI RESOLUTION TO STANDARDIZE ON SIEMENS FIRE ALARM PANELS

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to NY GML Section 103 (5), it is hereby determined for the purposes of affording the interconnectivity of the District’s fire alarm system District-wide, and to ensure the compatibility of such alarm system among District buildings so as to assure the health, safety and welfare of staff and students, that it is to be specified in pending bidding for the installation of fire alarm panels within the District’s two elementary schools, that Siemens alarm panels are to be specified as the sole equipment to be furnished and installed with there to be no proviso for “or equal” equipment.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XII REVIEW AND RE-ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY NUMBERS 5140, 6121 AND THE ADOPTION OF TWO NEW POLICIES 7221 AND 7480 (FIRST READING)

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education reviews, adopts and re-adopts the following policies (first reading):

- 5140 Administration of the Budget
- 6121 Sexual Harassment in the Workplace
- 7221 Participation in Graduation Ceremonies and Activities
- 7480 Student Voter Registration and Pre-Registration

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

**XIII SEQRA (STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT)
RESOLUTION – 2020-2021 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
(RPMS)**

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Rocky Point Union Free School District Board of Education approves the following resolution: **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Rocky Point Union Free School District (Board of Education) is considering improvements at the Rocky Point Middle School located at 76 Rocky Point Rd, Rocky Point, NY 11778 and

WHEREAS, the proposed project includes

- Interior Doors and Hardware Replacement
- VCT Replacement (Vinyl Composite Floor Tile)
- Installation of New Burglar Alarm System

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.S(a), "Actions or classes of actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section are not subject to review under this Part, except as otherwise provided in this section. These actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review under Environmental Consideration Law, Article 8. The actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section apply to all agencies"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.S(c) (1) & (2) the "maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility", replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure of facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading to meet building or fire codes ... ", are Type II actions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, after review of the proposed action, 6 NYCRR §617.5, and the opinion provided by John A. Grillo Architect PC, hereby determines that the proposed projects are Type II Actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR §§617.S(c) (1)&(2) of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and will, therefore, by definition, have no significant adverse impact on the environment.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XIV 2019-2020 HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACT

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan, and seconded by Jessica Ward, 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 and the Superintendent of Schools to enter into an agreement for health services for the 2019-2020 school year with the following districts:

Port Jefferson School District
West Islip Union Free School District

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XV BID AWARD #20-02 PRINTING OF TEACHING MATERIALS

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award Bid #20-02 Printing of Teaching Materials to Tobay Printing Company, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder meeting bid specifications, at an approximate cost of \$786.00, as per the attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XVI AGREEMENT BETWEEN ALTICE AND THE ROCKY POINT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools, to execute the attached Agreement between Altice and the Rocky Point Union Free School District.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XVII CHANGE ORDER NO. 1– BOND ISSUE RELATED TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT – PHASE 2A SED # 58-02-09-02-0-006-018 (FJC) CONTRACT #3 – HVAC RECONSTRUCTION HI TECH AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE, INC.

Upon a motion made by Gregory Amendola, 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 and approves the attached change order for a credit in the amount of \$10,000.00, pertaining to the Bond Issue Related Capital Improvement – Phase 2A, Contract #3 – HVAC Reconstruction (Hi Tech Air Conditioning Service, Inc.), as attached

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XVIII ADOPTION OF THE 2020-21 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the 2020-2021 school calendar as presented.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

XIX ANNUAL MEETING (BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTION)

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Annual Meeting (Budget Vote and Trustee Election) of the Rocky Point Union Free School District, Town of Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York be conducted on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M., and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 2017 of the Education Law, a Public Hearing for the purpose of discussion of the expenditure of funds and the budgeting thereof be held at 7:00 PM on May 5, 2020 at the Rocky Point High School, Rocky Point, New York and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legal Notice of the Public Hearing and Annual Meeting, as required by law, be published in the *LONG ISLAND BUSINESS NEWS*, on April 3, April 17, May 1 and May 15 and in *THE VILLAGE BEACON RECORD* on April 2, April 16, April 30 and May 14 and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legal Notice of the Annual Meeting (Budget Vote and Trustee Election), as required by law, be published in the *LONG ISLAND BUSINESS NEWS*, on April 3, April 17, May 1 and May 15 and in *THE VILLAGE BEACON RECORD* on April 2, April 16, April 30 and May 14 and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following location is hereby designated as the polling place:

Rocky Point High School Gymnasium; and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, in addition to the legal publication in four editions of each of the two above-mentioned newspapers, will send a notice with all information relative to the date and time of the vote and election to all residents within the District, and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the residents of the Rocky Point Union Free School District may register to vote for School District Meetings at the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM on any day that the office is open, and on the evening of May 12, 2020 until 9:00 PM. However, such registration may not take place less than five (5) days preceding any School District Meeting, and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is authorized to assign the necessary personnel to function as Election Inspectors, and further

BE IT RESOLVED, that the final tally of votes shall be held at the Rocky Point High School, 82 Rocky Point-Yaphank Road, Rocky Point, New York at 9:00 PM on the evening of the election as soon thereafter as the election inspectors can certify as to the necessary information.

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

XX APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON; BOARD OF REGISTRATION; CHIEF INSPECTOR; POLL CLERKS; TELLERS; SUBSTITUTE TELLERS AND SUBSTITUTE POLL CLERKS FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE/ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 19, 2020 AND APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR SPECIAL VOTER REGISTRATION TO BE HELD ON MAY 12, 2020.

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoints the Board of Registration; Poll Clerks; Tellers and Substitute Poll Clerks and Tellers at an hourly rate of \$13.00; Chief Inspector at an hourly rate of \$15.00 and Chairperson as a volunteer position as per the attached list.

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

XXI PERSONNEL

Upon a motion made by Gregory Amendola, 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 attached Personnel changes.

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

XXII NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Sullivan inquired of the trustees if there was any new business they wished to discuss.
- There were no new business items introduced.

- Mrs. Sullivan, once again, invited the meeting attendees to come forth with any questions/comments.
- Mr. Michael Lisa addressed the Board of Education regarding the possibility of a nine period day at the Rocky Point Union Free School District. Mr. Callahan informed Mr. Lisa that the issue is being addressed in the ongoing negotiations with the Rocky Point Teachers' Association, and there is no outcome at this time.
- Mrs. Emily Schwartz addressed the Board of Education over her concern that the Rocky Point Union Free School District does not have a nine period day. She feels her three children are at an educational disadvantage without the extra period when other districts have already incorporated the change. Mrs. Sullivan addressed her concerns by referring to the ongoing negotiations with the Rocky Point Teachers' Association. Mrs. Sullivan also informed Mrs. Schwartz that the District must live within the tax cap and that nine periods are costly. Mrs. Schwartz advised that she understood but hoped the Board would make it a priority.

XXIV ADJOURNMENT

At 7:21 p.m., Edward Casswell made a motion, and Jessica Ward seconded, to adjourn the Board meeting.

All in favor – Motion Carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Sanchez
Assistant District Clerk