MINUTES OF COMMACK BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016

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Members present

Jarrett M Behar, Steve Hartman, Janine DiGirolamo, Mary Jo Masciello

Members absent

James Tampellini

Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM

A. OPENING OF MEETING

Procedural: 1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Presentation: 1. Presentation of the Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan

C. BOARD STRUCTURE STATEMENT

This meeting has two opportunities for public comment – one at the beginning of the meeting where members of the public can comment on specific items on the agenda only and one at the end of the meeting where members of the public can comment on other items relating to school district matters.

Please note that:

- The Board would like the community to be aware that these opportunities are for public comment only and are not intended to be a question and answer session or public debate. Questions may be responded to at a later date and/or at the next available Board meeting.
- 2. Public comment does not allow for any kind of statement--either positive or negative--about a specific employee as it relates to his or her job performance
- 3. Any matters related to specific students including, but not limited to, disciplinary matters will not be discussed

The Board encourages community members to share their thoughts and concerns. Therefore, the Board makes available a multitude of venues for discussions with the community including budget workshops and community-based meetings that are attended by the administration and Board of Education members.

In conclusion, the Board will adhere to these policies and structures set forth in an effort to allow for a productive, meaningful experience for everyone.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No questions or comments were heard.

E. NEW BUSINESS

Action: 1. Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan

Motion to adopt the Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan Resolution

Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan Resolution

WHEREAS, the Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014 was passed in the 2014-2015 Enacted Budget and approved by the voters in a statewide referendum held during the 2014 General Election on Tuesday November 4, 2014. The Smart Schools Bond Act authorized the issuance of \$2 billion of general obligation bonds to finance improved educational technology and infrastructure to improve learning and opportunity for students throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, all school districts are required to submit a Smart Schools Improvement Plan to demonstrate how Smart Schools Bond Act funds will be used to provide the educational tools and opportunities for students throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014 requires that after the Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan is approved by the Board of Education, such Plan be posted on the District's website for at least thirty (30) days with an address to which any written comments on the Plan can be sent.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the District hereby approves the District's Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan (copy attached), and directs that this Plan be posted on the District's website for at least thirty (30) days with an address to which any written comments on the Plan can be sent.

Motion by Steve Hartman, second by Janine DiGirolamo.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Jarrett M Behar, Steve Hartman, Janine DiGirolamo, Mary Jo Masciello

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No questions or comments were heard.

G. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENT

H. ADJOURNMENT

Action: 1. Adjourn the Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Motion by Janine DiGirolamo, second by Mary Jo Masciello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Jarrett M Behar, Steve Hartman, Janine DiGirolamo, Mary Jo Masciello

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Commack Union Free School District Board of Education Executive Session Minutes – April 7, 2016

Date of Meeting: April 7, 2016

Location of Meeting: Commack High School

Board Members Present: Mr. Behar, Mrs. DiGirolamo, Mr. Hartman, Mrs. Masciello

Board Members Absent: Mr. Tampellini

Administration Present: Dr. James, Mrs. Newman, Mr. Kolahifar, Dr. Pecora

Counsel Present: Ms. Harvey, Ms. Matthews

Guests: None

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hartman at 7:02 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Behar, seconded by Mrs. DiGirolamo and carried unanimously (4-0-0) to adjourn into executive session 7:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the following:

- negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law involving CTA;
- pending litigation- In the Matter of W.B. on behalf of C.B. (Appeal to the Commissioner of Education); and
- seeking legal advice from the Board's Attorney

Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. Masciello and carried unanimously (4-0-0) to exit executive session at 7:51 p.m. and return to public meeting.