# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING COMMACK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Board of Education Regular Meeting May 8, 2014

Date:

May 8, 2014

Place:

John Mandracchia/Sawmill Intermediate School

Members Present:

Mr. Wunsch, Mr. Hartman, Mrs. Guber, Mrs. Masciello, Mr. Tampellini

Members Absent:

None

Administration

Present:

Dr. James, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Ryan, Dr. Pecora, Mr. Kolahifar

Counsel Present:

Mr. Barnosky, Ms. Harvey

Meeting called to order by Mr. Wunsch at 6 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously (4-0) to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. for the purpose of:

- Discussing matters leading to the appointment of a particular individual;
- Discussing negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law involving the Commack Teachers Association and UPSEU;
- Discussing pending litigation in the matter of Renzi v. Commack UFSD, et al; and
- For the purpose of seeking legal advice from the Board's attorney.

Motion made by Mr. Tampellini, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to adjourn Executive Session and return to public Audit meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to enter into Public Session at 7:25 p.m.

Audit Committee members were welcomed.

Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to adjourn into Executive Session (Audit Committee) at 7:30 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to enter into Public Session at 8:08 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. Wunsch, Mr. Hartman, Mrs. Guber, Mrs. Masciello, Mr. Tampellini

Members Absent: None

Administration

Present: Dr. James, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Ryan, Dr. Pecora; Mr. Kolahifar;

Mrs. McKnight

Counsel Present: Mr. Barnosky, Ms. Harvey
Guests: Approximately 45 guests

Meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

The Board of Education recognized Commack High School students for their achievements:

- at the Long Island Science Congress Fair;
- at the Nassau Community College Arts and Sciences Fair;
- at the WAC Lighting Foundation Invitational Science Fair;
- National Merit Scholarship Winners, National Merit Finalists, national Merit Semi-Finalists, National Merit Commended Students, National Merit Hispanic Recognition Program Scholars, and National Achievement Program Outstanding Participant;
- in the Smithtown Matters/Smithtown Youth Bureau's Creative Writing Contest;
- at the Future Business Leaders of American (FBLA) Annual State Competition;
- in the Scholastic Art & Writing Association's Annual Art & Writing Nationwide Awards Competition; and
- at the Photographic Federation of Long Island's 2014 Youth Showcase.

The Board of Education also recognized the donation of artwork by students attending The Children's Center (UCP) in honor of Disabilities Awareness Month.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Heard the following reports:

- Responses(s) to Questions from Prior Meeting(s)
- Budget Hearing Presentation by Dr. James and Ms. Newman began at 9:03 p.m.

## **MINUTES**

Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2014, and April 24, 2014, Board of Education meetings.

## **PERSONNEL**

Motion made by Ms. Guber, seconded by Mr. Tampellini and carried unanimously to approve all personnel as recommended (see attached).

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **BIDS**

A. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to approve the following bids as recommended:

BID#	Name of Bid	Award Recommendation	Reason
14-7	Automotive Parts	Any Part of Northport	sole bidder
14-12	Printing - School Newspaper,		low bidders
	& Specialty Folders		
14-13	Printing - Business/School Forms	multiple awards	low bidders
14-14	Calendar, Adult Ed Brochure, & Newsletter	multiple awards	low bidders
14-15	Elevator Service	Island Elevator, Inc.	low bidder
14-16	Repair of Custodial Equipment	Ocean Janitorial	low bidder
14-17	Pumps & Motors Parts/Service	D & D Electric Motors	low bidder
14-20	Automotive Repairs	Hicksville Spring & Brake	low bidder
14-21	Western & Fischer Plow	Huntington Brake	low bidder - Fischer parts
	Replacement Parts	Dejana Trucks	low bidder - Western parts
14-22	Electrical Work	Peter Lombardo Electric	low bidder
14-23	Vehicle Transmission Repairs	Ability Transmissions	low bidder
14-24	Repair Heavy Equipment	Reject all bids	better pricing through SCC

## BIDS - A (Continued)

BID#	Name of Bid	Award	Reason
		Recommendation	
14-38	Sale of Textbooks	Texbook Warehouse	low bidder - lot 1
		K12 Book Source	low bidder - lot 2

B. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to approve the following BOCES bids as recommended:

Contract #	Commodity	Vendor Name	<b>Expiration Date</b>
GRPS-042911-1	Groundskeeping Parts & Service	Malvese Equipment Co., Inc.	4/28/2015
GRPS-042911-1	Groundskeeping Parts & Service	All Island Equipment Corp.	4/28/2015
GRPS-042911-1	Groundskeeping Parts & Service	Northeast Equipment, Inc.	4/28/2015
GRPS-042911-1	Groundskeeping Parts & Service	Montage Enterprises	4/28/2015
GRR-120511	Gases, Cylinder Refills & Rentals	General Welding Supply Corp.	12/4/2014
GPST-021113	Groundskeeping - Parts/Serv Toro	Storr Tractor Company	2/15/2014

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the following invoices:

### 1. Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Indian Hollow primary School.

### Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at North Ridge Primary School.

#### Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Rolling Hills Primary School.

#### Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.57 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Wood Park Primary School.

## <u>NEW BUSINESS - A1</u> (Continued)

### Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Burr Intermediate School.

# Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Sawmill Intermediate School.

## Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$58.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Commack Middle School.

# Burton, Behrendt, Smith

Payment #2 in the amount of \$84.56 for EXCEL – District-Wide Security Upgrades at Commack High School.

### 2. Park East

Payment #8 in the amount of \$5,000 for Application and Certificate Payment in connection with the Amendment to 2001 Bond – Capital Improvements.

Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the following invoice:

## Johnson Controls

Payment #13 in the amount of \$934,066 for Application and Certificate Payment in connection with the Energy Performance Projects.

Motion made by Mr. Tampellini, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the following invoice:

# Johnson Controls

Payment #12 in the amount of \$155,393 for Application in connection with the Energy Performance Projects.

B. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to approve the 2013-2014 health services contracts with the following provider and authorized the President of the Board to sign same:

## **NEW BUSINESS - B** (Continued)

- 1. Westbury UFSD;
- 2. Brentwood UFSD;
- 3. Central Islip UFSD;
- 4. Deer Park UFSD;
- 5. East Islip UFSD;
- 6. Elwood UFSD;
- 7. Half Hollow Hills CSD;
- 8. Harborfields CSD;
- 9. Hauppauge UFSD;
- 10. Huntington UFSD;
- 11. Kings Park CSD;
- 12. Longwood CSD;
- 13. Northport-East Northport UFSD;
- 14. Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD;
- 15. Rocky Point UFSD;
- 16. Smithtown CSD;
- 17. South Huntington UFSD;
- 18. Three Village CSD;
- 19. Sachem CSD;
- 20. Connetquot CSD;
- 21. Wyandanch UFSD;
- 22. North Babylon UFSD;
- 23. Lawrence UFSD;
- 24. Oyster Bay UFSD; and
- 25. Southampton UFSD.
- C. Motion made by Mr. Tampellini, seconded by Mr. Wunsch and carried unanimously to *table* the following agreement:

Consultant/Vendor/Association	Purpose	Budget Code	
Ayars Caribbean Corporation	Provide IB Middle Years	Title II Grant	
	Training to Commack		
	Middle School for		
	2013-2014 school year		

Motion made by Ms. Masciello, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to approve the following agreements and have the President of the Board to sign same:

# NEW BUSINESS - C (Continued)

Consultant/Vendor/Association	Purpose	Budget Code	
Danielle Croce-Roberts, RPA-C	Provide Services for the 2014 Summer Sports Physicals	A2815-402-00	
Growing with Truth, Inc.	Provide a Workshop Entitled "Copying and Dealing with Stress" for Commack High School Transition Night for the 2013-2014 school year	Coalition of Caring Grant	
Child Abuse Prevention Services (CAPS)	Provide a presentation entitled "Bullying, Conflict, and Drama: How to Best Support Our Kids" on May 27, 2014	Coalition of Caring Grant	
Hana Dandona, RPA-C	Provide Services for the 2014 Summer Sports Physicals	2815-402-00	

Motion made by Mr. Tampellini, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to table the following agreement:

Cornerstone Educational Consulting, LLC	Provide IB Middle Years Training to Commack Middle School Staff for 2013-2014 school year	Title II Grant
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- D. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to accept the following donations:
  - 1. Donation of \$1,000 for our Intel Science Talent Search Semi-finalist win. The funds are to be deposited into the Trust and Agency Account Code TA038.33 to be used next year to support the supply/equipment needs for the science research program at Commack High School.
  - 2. Donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Lowe's Corporation to be used for materials and supplies for the organic garden at Commack High School.
  - 3. Donation in the amount of \$1,300 from Mandracchia/Sawmill Intermediate School PTA for brand new games for classrooms at Mandracchia/Sawmill Intermediate School.
  - 4. Donation in the amount of \$2,500 from Mandracchia/Sawmill Intermediate School PTA to be applied toward Grade 3 and \$2,500 to be applied toward Grade 4 field trips (total \$5,000).

### **NEW BUSINESS** (Continued)

- E. Motion made by Ms. Masciello, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to approve WS BOCES Wireless Project Proposal #2013-2147 under 2013-2014 funding.
- F. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Tampellini and carried unanimously to approve the following field trip:

Commack High School - Soho Galleries Arcadia Fine Arts, 59 Greene Street Mimi Ferzt, 81 Green Street William Bennett, 65 Greene Street New York, New York May 21, 2014

G. Motion made by Ms. Guber, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to approve the resolution (for the District to participate in a purchasing cooperative) granting Eastern Suffolk BOCES the authority to act on the District's behalf to prepare and solicit bids and Requests for Proposals (RFP's).

#### **LEGAL**

- A. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the Statement of Services rendered on non-retainer matters in the amount of \$19,080.11 for the period ending March 31, 2014 submitted by Lamb & Barnosky.
- B. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to approve a Confidentiality Agreement, and the President of the Board of Education to execute same.

#### **BOARD BUSINESS**

- A. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Tampellini and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the following financial reports:
  - 1. Budgetary Transfer Report;
  - 2. Cash Flow Projection;
  - 3. Treasurer's Report;
  - 4. CD Rates;
  - 5. Revenue Status Report;
  - 6. Budget Status Report; and
  - 7. Trial Balance.
- B. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Tampellini and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the Internal Claims Auditor's Monthly Update.

## **BOARD BUSINESS** (Continued)

- C. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Tampellini and carried unanimously to acknowledge receipt of the CSE/CPSE recommendations approved on the following dates: March 7, 13, 20, 21, and 27, 2013; and April 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 22, and 24, 2014.
- D. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to accept a Teacher Incentive Award of \$250 for the 2013-2014 school year from the Commack Retired Teachers Association.
- E. Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Commack Union Free School District shall hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at 9:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) at Hubbs Administration Center, Clay Pitts Road, East Northport, New York. A board member will be participating in this meeting via videoconference. He will be located in the lobby of Mercure Wien Biedermeier, 28 Landstrasserhauptstr, Vienna, Austria. It is anticipated that the Board will make a motion for the purpose of adjourning into Executive Session at that time and at approximately 10:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) the Board will reconvene in Public Session to declare the results of the annual Budget Vote/Trustee Election. The public may attend the meeting either at Hubbs Administration Center in East Northport or at Mercure Wien Biedermeier, 28 Landstrasserhauptstr, in Vienna, Austria.

Motion made by Mr. Tampellini, seconded by Ms. Masciello and carried unanimously to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Commack Union Free School District shall hold its regular meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at Commack High School, Scholar Lane, Commack, New York. It is anticipated that the Board of Education will make a motion for the purpose of adjourning into Executive Session at this time and at 7:30 p.m. the Board will reconvene in Public Session for the purpose of holding its Regular Business Meeting.

- F. The Board of Education announced the hours and location for the Annual Budget Vote/Trustee Election on Tuesday, May 20, 2014.
- G. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Ms. Guber and carried unanimously to adopt the following Board of Education meeting dates:

## **BOARD BUSINESS (Continued)**

July 3, 2014

July 10, 2014 (Special Meeting)

August 21, 2014

September 18, 2014

October 9, 2014

October 23, 2014

November 13, 2014

November 20, 2014

December 11, 2014

January 15, 2015

January 22, 2015

February 12, 2015

February 26, 2015

March 12, 2015

March 26, 2015

April 2, 2015

April 16, 2015

April 28, 2015

April 26, 2013

May 7, 2015

May 22, 2015

June 11, 2015

June 18, 2015

- H. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to remove from table a first reading of Board Policy #1501 Communication Between the Community and Board Members
- I. Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried (4-1) to approve a first reading of Board Policy #1501 Communication Between the Community and Board Members with changes.

(Yes - Ms. Guber, Mr. Hartman, Ms. Masciello, Mr. Wunsch; No - Mr. Tampellini)

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Heard comments/questions from the audience regarding the following topics: cost of implementing Common Core; Confidentiality Agreement; BOE Communications Policy; Focus Should be on Education; Questioned Attorney Invoice; Consultant Agreement (Company Out of U.S.); Videoconference at June 2014 BOE Meeting (Cost to District); Board Member Comments on a Community Website; Number of Students Who Opted Out of Assessments; Field Testing Obligation; Unexpended Fund Balance; Tax Refunds Approved by State legislature; Cost to District if Comptroller Audits.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to adjourn public session at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Christine McKnight Acting District Clerk