

**Commack Union Free School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 8, 2022
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Board Members Present: Justin Varughese, Sue Herman, Gus Hueber,
Dr. Hender

Board Members Absent: Steven Hartman

Administration Present: Dr. Jordan Cox, Laura Newman, Tim Russo, Scott Oshrin

Counsel Present: Ms. Mara Harvey

A. OPENING OF MEETING

Meeting called to order by Mr. Varughese at 6:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Pending litigation
- b) Negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law involving CTA and CTAA
- c) Medical history of a particular person
- d) Employment History of particular individuals
- e) Matters leading to the potential discipline of a particular individual
- f) In order to obtain legal advice

Motion to approve executive session made by Sue Hermer, seconded by Bill Hender and carried unanimously (4-0)

Motion to exit Executive Session and return to Public Meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Motion made by Bill Hender, seconded by Gus Hueber and carried unanimously (4-0).

A. OPENING OF MEETING - PUBLIC MEETING

Meeting called to order by Mr. Varughese at 8:04 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Roll Call

C. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- Special Education Update
- Secondary Schools State of the District

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Multi-Cultural Committee

E. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING STATEMENT

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

G. CORRESPONDENCE

Acknowledged Correspondence

H. DONATIONS

1. The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, donations by the following to be applied as requested, and; the District will deposit these funds as listed, and; the Board authorized an increase, as necessary, to the listed Budget Code for use of these funds.
2. a. **Suffolk Y JCC** - 15 Backpacks with School Supplies to Commack High School - valued at \$450.00
3. b. **Suffolk Y JCC** - 12 Backpacks with School Supplies to Commack Middle School - valued at \$360.00
4. c. **Jamie Dorr** - Used Yamaha Keyboard and Stand (Model Ypg-535) - valued at \$500.00
5. d. **North Ridge Primary School PTA** - Donation of \$5,000.00 to North Ridge Primary School for playground installation - Deposit \$5,000 to CM104007
6. e. **Kings Solutions** - Donation of \$28.95 to Burr Intermediate School for school beautification - Deposit \$28.95 to CM 104002
7. f. **Commack HS South Class of 1972** - Donation of \$982.28 to Commack High School for courtyard garden beds - Deposit \$982.28 to CM104005
8. g. **Sawmill PTA** - Donation of \$4,000.00 to Sawmill Intermediate School for 3rd and 4th Grade Field Trips - Deposit \$4,000.00 to CM 104014
9. h. **Mr. & Mrs. D'Andria** - Donation of Black & Decker Toaster Oven for Commack High School - valued at \$45.00

Motion by William Hender, second by Gus Hueber

Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber

Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

I. MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the November 10, 2022 Board of Education Meeting

Motion made by Susan J. Hermer, second by William Hender

Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber

Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

J. PERSONNEL

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the Personnel matters.

Motion by William Hender seconded by Susan Hermer

Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber

Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

K. CONSENT AGENDA-NEW BUSINESS

1. Approved Consent Agenda items 2-5

2. Approved contract, and rider where applicable, with the listed vendors for their services for the 2022-2023 school year and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Brookville Center for Children's Services - Home and Community Services
- b. Harris School Solutions - Hosting Services
- c. North Coast Psychological - Psychological Services
- d. UCP of Greater Suffolk, Inc. - Educational Program for Disabled Students

3. Approved contracts with the following school districts for students to be placed in our Summer 2022 and/or 2022-2023 Special Education Program (as indicated), and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Harborfields CSD - Summer 2022
- b. Manhasset UFSD - Summer 2022 / 2022-2023 School Year

4. Approved the Resolution authorizing Commack Union Free School District's use of NYLAF banking services.

5. Approved the 2022-2023 contracts with the listed districts for special education students who reside in the Commack UFSD and attend private/parochial schools in the listed districts, and authorize President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Syosset CSD

Motion by Bill Hender, second by Gus Hueber
Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber
Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

L. CONSENT AGENDA – LEGAL

None

M. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved the Memorandum of Agreement between the Commack Union Free School District and the Commack Teachers Association for a sick bank for employee #03525

Motion by Sue Hermer, second by Gus Hueber
Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber
Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an Amended Resolution Agreement dated December 7, 2022, with student number 120002384, and authorizes the Board President to execute same.

Motion by Bill Hender, second by Gus Hueber
Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber
Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

N. NEW BUSINESS

None

O. BOARD BUSINESS

Acknowledge receipt of Committee on Special Education: 11/14/22; 11/15/22; 11/16/22; 11/17/22; 11/18/22; 11/21/22; 11/22/22; 11/23/22; 11/28/22; 11/29/22; 11/30/22; 12/1/22; 12/2/22; 12/5/22; 12/6/22; 12/7/22; 12/8/22.

Acknowledge receipt of Committee on Preschool Special Education: 11/16/22; 12/1/22; 12/7/22.

Acknowledge receipt of the Internal Claims Auditor's Monthly Update 10/5 – 11/4

Acknowledge receipt of the Financial Reports listed below:

- Trial Balances: September 2022
- Revenue Status Reports: September 2022
- Budget Status: September 2022
- Budgetary Transfer: September 2022
- Cash Flow Report: September 2022
- CD Rates Report: October 2022

- Treasurer Reports: September 2022
- Extra Class Quarterly Reports:
 - CHS - 7/1/22 - 9/30/22
 - CMS - 7/1/22 - 9/30/22
- The Board acknowledges receipt of the statement for Professional Services rendered by Lamb & Barnosky, LLP on non-retainer matters for the month ending October 31, 2022 in the amount of \$20,087.63

Dr. Hender discussed the Western Suffolk Boces Dinner on December 1, 2022. Excellent presentation by all the students.

The Board Members wished everyone a Happy and Healthy Holiday!

The Board of Education of the Commack Union Free School District shall hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at Hubbs Administration Building, 480 Clay Pitts Road, East Northport, New York. It is anticipated that the Board will make a motion for the purpose of adjourning into Executive Session at this time and at 8:00 p.m. the Board will reconvene in Public Session for the purpose of holding its Regular Business Meeting.

P. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Concerns regarding the Special Education Integrated Program
- EDI- Holiday
- Impressed with the students who spoke tonight. Thrilled with the Middle School Program. Please try and publicize the program more.
- Thank you to Mrs. Riddle and apologize for the comments made at the last BOE Meeting.

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purposes of discussing negotiations with CTA at 10:02 pm.

Motion by Gus Hueber, second by Sue Hermer

Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber

Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 12:15 am

Motion by Gus Hueber, second by Bill Hender

Aye: William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J. Hermer, Gus Hueber

Final Resolution: Motion Carried (4-0)

