

**Commack Union Free School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 10, 2021
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Board Members Present: Steve Hartman, William Hender, Susan Hermer, Justin Varughese
Board Members Absent: Jarrett Behar
Administration Present: Dr. Donald James, Laura Newman, Dr. Michael Inforna
Counsel Present: Mr. Eugene Barnosky, Mrs. Mara Harvey

A. OPENING OF MEETING

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

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by William Hender seconded by Justin Varughese to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing the following:

- Negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law involving CTA, Local 237 (Buildings and Grounds), CSSA
- The financial history of particular teacher and a non-aligned individual
- The employment history of a particular coach
- Matters leading to the appointment of a particular administrative position
- In order to obtain legal advice.

Motion to approve executive session made by Susan Hermer, seconded by Justin Varughese and carried unanimously (4-0)

A. OPENING OF MEETING – PUBLIC MEETING

Meeting called to order by Mr. Hartman at 7:36 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Roll Call

C. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

1. Re-Opening of Schools

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

E. DONATIONS

- a. Box Tops for Education Program - \$82.50 to Commack Middle School towards a recreation/activity room for students - Deposit \$82.50 into TA 038.27
- b. Box Tops for Education Program - \$109.50 to Wood Park Primary School towards classroom supplies - Deposit \$109.50 into TA 038.21
- c. Suffolk Transportation - \$1,000.00 scholarship to Commack student(s) - Deposit \$1,000.00 to TE 085055

F. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING STATEMENT

G. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Why was Park East contract amended?
- Tutoring for next year
- Live streaming during quarantine
- Thank you for your plan for more mental health. Please press harder to relieve the children of masks
- Expand on cameras in classrooms every day.

H. CORRESPONDENCE

Acknowledgement of multiple Correspondence regarding issues with Mask in school.
Acknowledgement of multiple Correspondence regarding being vaccinated or PCP testing for prom and/or graduation.
Acknowledgement of Correspondence from S. Rosenberg regarding busing for K-5.
Acknowledgement of Correspondence from L. Feit regarding Holocaust Curriculum

I. MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes of the May 6, 2021 Board of Education Meeting and the May 18, 2021 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion by Justin Varughese, second by William Hender

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J Hermer

J. PERSONNEL

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

Motion by William Hender, second by Susan Hermer

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan Hermer

K. CONSENT AGENDA - NEW BUSINESS

1. Approved all Consent Agenda Items 2-20

2. Approved and amended the date for the Re-Organization meeting from July 8, 2021 to July 15, 2021.

3. Approved the Resolution prepared by Lamb & Barnosky declaring the suspension of the rules found in Board of Education Policies 5410 and 5411 until the next Board of Education meeting solely for the purchase of equipment, materials and supplies needed to be purchased to combat the novel coronavirus.

4. Approved the obsolescence and disposal of the listed items:

Equipment	Tag #	Reason
Avanti Refrigerator Serial #: K30418245	990759	Equipment is inoperable and there are no available parts.

5. Approve the rescinding of obsolete equipment status for the listed item:

Equipment	Tag #	Reason
Water Reel	015124	The item can be used for the garden planned at the Marion Carll Farm.

6. Approved the Tuition contract with Lindenhurst Union Free School District for a Commack student(s) placed in their special education program from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

7. Accept the remaining grants received for the 2020-2021 school year.

8. Approved the Third Amendment to our Agreement with Park East Construction Corp., originally signed by the Board of Education on April 26, 2002, for services related to capital improvement projects remaining in the 2001 Bond, and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

9. Approved the Construction Management Agreement with Park East Construction Corp. for services related to capital improvement projects, except for those related to the 2001 Bond, and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

10. Approved a cooperative purchasing agreement with Nassau BOCES for Instructional Musical Instrument Services, and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

11. Approved the attached Resolution granting Nassau BOCES the authority to act on the District's behalf with regard to Instructional Musical Instrument Services.

12. Approved the contract extension for Summer 2021 Food Service Management through Whitsons Culinary Group, and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

13. Approved the following bids as recommended:

BID #	Name of Bid	Award Recommendation	Reason
21-6	Interscholastic Supplies	multiple awards	low bidders by item
21-9	Printing School Agenda Books	School Mate/Burr & Sawmill	low bidder
		School Datebooks/CHS & CMS	low bidder
21-10	School District Newsletter	Tobay Printing Company	low bidder
21-11	Mason Supplies	multiple awards	low bidders by item
21-13	District-Wide Folding Door, Stage Rigging, Bleacher & Basketball Backstop Service and Maintenance	Gym Equipment Repairs	low bidder

Approved the following Department of Public Works contracts:

Contract #	Commodity	Vendor Name	Expiration Date
HDW-091217	Hardware - Door And Window	Brookhaven Locksmiths, Inc.	9/11/2021
HDW-091217	Hardware - Door And Window	Independent Hardware Inc	9/11/2021
JEPR071819	Janitorial Equip. Purchase & Repair	Sterling Sanitary Supply	7/17/2022
RR010819	Roof Repairs	More Consulting Corp	1/7/2022

Approved the following BOCES BIDS:

Bid #	Name of Bid
2021-004-0223	Arts & Crafts Supplies
2019-040-0221	Fuel Oil
2021-001-0316	General Office Supplies
2018-063-0329	Data Cabling & Wiring (Supply & Installation)
2020-009-0204/2021-009-0430R	Custodial Equipment (Catalog Purchase)
2021-002-0202 / 0223R	Fine & Recycled Paper
2017-033-0228R	Flooring Supply and Installation

2018-017-0118	Hazardous Waste Removal and Disposal
2021-010-1215	Labels & Report Forms

Approved the following Request for Proposal:

RFP	Award Recommendation
Universal Pre-K	Multiple – Building Blocks Pre-School; Kiddie Care; SCOPE

14. Approved Change Order #1 – The LandTek Group, Inc. – Commack High School Site Work for Project #008-027 in the deduction amount of (\$20,000.00) and authorize President of the Board to sign same.

15. Approved the Resolution prepared by Lamb & Barnosky which would authorize the temporary transfer of monies from any reserve fund to pay for operating costs attributable to the State Disaster Emergency.

16. Approved contract, and rider where applicable, with the listed vendors for their services for the 2021-2022 school year and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Access 7 Services, Inc. - Related Services for Special Education Students
- b. Michael J. Cunningham, Speech Language Pathologist, P.C. - Consultation Services
- c. Developmental Disabilities Institute - Home and Community Services for Special Education Students
- d. Developmental Disabilities Institute - Special Education Program (Tuition)
- e. Da Vinci Education & Research d/b/a The DaVinci Collaborative - Specialized Reading and Language Instruction for Special Education Students
- f. Missing Frequencies Music and Management - Editing Services for Grades 6-8 Virtual Concert
- g. The Therapy Spot - Consultation and Related Services for Special Education Students
- h. Anthony Degori- Summer 2021 Vision Services for visually impaired students
- i. SCOPE - Summer Explorations Program

17. Approved contract, and rider where applicable, with LIDC for their services for the 2021-2022 school year and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

18. Approved contract, and rider where applicable, with Beyond Boundaries for their services for the 2021-2022 school year and authorize the President of the Board to sign same.

19. Approved the attached Agreement with Employee No. 13316, and authorizes the Board President to sign the same.

20. Accepted the Memorandum of Agreement between the Commack School District and the Local 237

Motion by Susan Hermer, second by Justin Varughese
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan Hermer

L. Consent Agenda - Legal

None

M. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved the first reading of Policy #7551 - Sexual Harassment of Students. Approved the 2nd reading and moved to adopt the policy tonight.

Motion by William Hender, second by Justin Varughese
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Steve Hartman, William Hender, Susan Hermer, Justin Varughese

2. Appointment - Probationary: Eric Biagi – Assistant Principal effective 7/1/21

Motion by: Susan Hermer, second by Justin Varughese
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Steven Hartman, Susan Hermer, Justin Varughese
Abstained: William Hender

N. BOARD BUSINESS

1. Acknowledge receipt of Committee on Special Education: 5/7/21; 5/10/21; 5/11/21; 5/12/21; 5/13/21; 5/14/21; 5/17/21; 5/18/21; 5/19/21; 5/20/21; 5/21/21; 5/24/21; 5/25/21; 5/26/21; 5/27/21; 6/1/21; 6/2/21; 6/3/21; 6/4/21; 6/7/21; 6/8/21; 6/9/21; 6/10/21.

Acknowledge receipt of Committee on Preschool Special Education: 5/11/21; 5/12/21; 5/18/21; 5/19/21; 5/25/21; 5/26/21; 6/1/21; 6/2/21; 6/8/21; 6/9/21.

2. Acknowledge receipt of the Financial Reports listed below:

- Trial Balances: April 2021
- Revenue Status Reports: April 2021
- Budget Status: April 2021
- Budgetary Transfer: April 2021
- Cash Flow Report: April 2021
- CD Rates Report: May 2021
- Treasurer Reports: April 2021
- Collateral Statement Summary: April 2021

3. Board Discussion Items

None

4. Announcement of Upcoming Meeting

The Board of Education of the Commack Union Free School District shall hold its Re-Organizational Meetings on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at Hubbs Administration Center, 480 Clay Pitts Road, East Northport, NY. 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 Re-Organizational Meeting.

O. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Remarks regarding Public Forum
- Remarks regarding the book Persepolis
- Remarks regarding bullying
- Remarks regarding books needed for people with physical disabilities
- Remarks regarding masks in school

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting – 12:50 am

Motion by William Hender, second by Justin Varughese

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Jarrett M Behar, Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese, Susan J Hermer