

**Commack Union Free School District
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Hubbs Administration Center
Thursday, February 13, 2020
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Board Members Present: Jarrett M Behar, Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese
Board Members Absent: Susan Hermer
Administration Present: Dr. Donald James, Mrs. Laura Newman, Mrs. Amy Ryan
Counsel Present: Mr. Eugene Barnosky, Ms. Mara Harvey

A. OPENING OF MEETING

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

Motion made by Mr. Behar, seconded by Mr. Hender to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing the following:

- Pending litigation in the matter(s) of AB v. Commack Union Free School District
- Matters leading to the appointment of administrative positions
- Matters leading to the discipline of a particular teacher and buildings and grounds
- In order to obtain legal advice

Motion made by Mr. Behar, seconded by Mr. Hender and carried unanimously (4-0) to exit executive session at 7:59 p.m. Public meeting began at 8:07 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

B. OPENING CEREMONIES

1. Roll Call

C. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

1. Capital Project Updates

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Legislative Advocacy Committee

2. Vaping Task Force

E. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING STATEMENT

Mr. Behar read a statement outlining the structure of the public Board meeting.

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

G. DONATIONS

1. The Burr Intermediate School PTA - Donation of \$4,500.00

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation by The Burr Intermediate School PTA of \$4,500.00 to Burr Intermediate School for Grades 3, 4, and 5 field trips.

The District will deposit these funds into TA 038.30.

2. Box Tops for Education Program – Donation of \$439.70

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation of \$439.70 to Commack Middle school to create a recreation/activity room.

The District will deposit these funds into TA 038.27.

3. Box Tops for Education Program – Donation of \$493.60

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation of \$493.60 to Wood Park Primary School to purchase classroom supplies.

The District will deposit these funds into TA 038.21.

4. Serena Eisenberg Foundation – Donation of \$500.00

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation from the Serena Eisenberg Foundation of \$500.00 to Commack High School for the IB Dance Classes.

The District will deposit these funds into Gifts and Donations A2705 and increase Budget Code A 2110-500-08-000.

5. Island Photography – Donation of \$4,691.78

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation from Island Photography of \$4,691.78 to Commack Middle School.

The District will deposit \$2,691.78 of these funds into OT 038005 for Year Book Club and deposit \$2,000.00 to TA 038.27.

6. American Chemical Society – Donation of \$500.00

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation from American Chemical Society of \$500.00 to Commack High School for their participation in the Science Coaches Program.

The District will deposit these funds into Gifts and Donations A2705 and increase Budget Code A 2110-500-08-180.

7. Indian Hollow Primary School PTA – Donation of \$6,000.00.

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation from Indian Hollow Primary School PTA of \$6,000.00 to Indian Hollow Primary School for playground and grounds beautification.

The District will deposit these funds into TA 038.16.

8. Mr. Steve Hartman – Donation of a Precision 20 MHz Oscilloscope Model 2120.

The Board accepted, on behalf of the District, a donation from Mr. Steve Hartman of a Precision 20 MHz Oscilloscope Model 2120, valued at \$100.00, to the Science Research Lab.

Motion by Jarrett M Behar, second by Justin Varughese

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Jarrett Behar, Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese

H. CORRESPONDENCE

The Board acknowledged receipt of the following correspondence:

1. Correspondence from F. Begum regarding Eid Holiday.
2. Correspondence from S. Azhar regarding Eid Holiday.
3. Correspondence from Z. Laraki regarding Eid Holiday.
4. Correspondence from L. Feit regarding Holocaust & Antisemitism Curriculum.
5. Correspondence from Rabbi regarding Holocaust & Antisemitism Curriculum.
6. Correspondence from J. Aaronson regarding confidential student matter.
7. Correspondence from J. Aaronson regarding confidential student matter.

All correspondence responded to administratively.

I. MINUTES

The Board of Education Approved the minutes of the January 9, 2020 Board of Education Meeting.

Motion by William Hender, second by Jarrett M Behar

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Aye: Jarrett Behar, Steve Hartman, William Hender, Justin Varughese

J. CONSENT AGENDA - NEW BUSINESS

1. Field Trips

The BOE approved the below-listed field trips:

- a. People's Court
470 West Avenue
Stamford, CT
March 19, 2020
Commack High School
- b. Via JetBlue from JFK Airport
National Dance Alliance (NDA) National Championship
Caribe Royale Resort
Orlando, Florida
Varsity Cougarettes
March 4-9, 2020
Commack High School
- c. Camp Mariah/Sharpe Reservation
436 Van Wyck Lake Road
Fishkill, NY 12524
May 13 & 14, 2020
Mandrachia-Sawmill Intermediate School
- d. Camp Mariah/Sharpe Reservation
436 Van Wyck Lake Road
Fishkill, NY 12524
May 11 & 12, 2020
Burr Intermediate School
- e. Mizumi
231-10 Northern Blvd.
Little Neck, NY 11362
April 8, 2020
Commack High School

f. Madison Square Garden - NEW DATE
 2 Pennsylvania Plaza
 New York, NY
 March 11, 2020
 Commack High School

2. Obsolete & Disposable Equipment

Approved the obsolescence and disposal of the listed items:

Equipment	Tag #	Style / Serial #	Reason
IBM Personal Wheel Writer 2	006179	11-NGV10	The item is inoperable and beyond repair.

Equipment	Model / Serial #	Reason
Texas Instruments Presenters View Screen 83	I-1201C - 1720002634 I-0102D – 1730002419 I-0901A – 1230000166 I-0199C – 37002300 I-0601C – 1660001712 I-0401A – 1180000137 I-0102D - 1730002421	Items have been replaced by smart boards.

3. Health Services Contracts - Various School Districts

The Board of Education approved the 2019-2020 Health Services contracts with the listed school districts for students who reside in the Commack UFSD and attend private/parochial schools under the listed school districts’ jurisdictions, and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Bay Shore Union Free School District
- b. West Islip Union Free School District

4. Guest Student Tuition Contract - Amendment - Deer Park UFSD

Approved Amendment to Schedule A for the 2019-2020 Guest Student Tuition contract with the Deer Park UFSD to allow for an additional student in the program, and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

5. District of Residence Contracts - Northport-East Northport UFSD

Approved the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 contracts with the Northport-East Northport UFSD for students who reside in the Commack UFSD and attend private/parochial schools in the Northport-East Northport UFSD that also require special education services and authorized President of the Board to sign same.

6. Tuition Contracts - Various School Districts

Approved tuition contracts with the listed school districts for Commack students placed in their special education programs for the 2019-2020 school year and authorized the President of the Board to sign same:

- a. Lindenhurst UFSD
- b. Northport-East Northport UFSD

7. Consultant/Vendor/Association Contracts – Various Vendors

Approved contract, and rider where applicable, with the listed vendors for their services for the 2019-2020 school year and authorized the President of the Board to sign same:

- a. Cosmic Pictures, Inc. d/b/a Making Good – Filming various District students for show about the Glamour Gals Foundation
- b. SCOPE After School World Language Program from March 3, 2020 to April 7, 2020
- c. Wright Risk Management - Workers' Compensation Third Party Provider (Board appointed 7/15/19), 7/1/20 - 6/30/23
- d. UCP of Suffolk - Educational Instruction

8. IDEA Flow Through Funds- Various Providers

Approved contracts with the listed providers for the 2020-2021 (unless otherwise noted) IDEA Flow Through Funds and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. ACDS, Inc.
- b. The Opportunity Pre-School - 2019-2020 school year
- c. Eden II Programs
- d. Alternatives for Children
- e. Variety Child Learning Center
- f. Brookville Center for Children's Services, Inc.
- g. Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy Center
- h. County of Suffolk
- i. Green Chimneys School
- j. Kidz Therapy Services, PLLC

9. Health & Welfare Services Agreements - Various School Districts

Approved the 2019-2020 Agreements with the listed school districts for students who reside in the said districts and attend a private/parochial school under the Commack UFSD jurisdiction, and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Bay Shore UFSD
- b. Brentwood UFSD
- c. Central Islip UFSD
- d. Deer Park UFSD
- e. Elwood UFSD
- f. Half Hollow Hills CSD
- g. Harborfields CSD
- h. Hauppauge Public Schools
- i. Kings Park CSD
- j. North Babylon UFSD
- k. Northport-East Northport UFSD
- l. Sachem CSD
- m. Smithtown CSD
- n. South Huntington UFSD
- o. West Babylon UFSD

10. Guest Student Tuition Contract - Herricks UFSD

Approved the contract with the Herricks UFSD for students to receive special education services from our district from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

11. Scope of Proposed Project - 2019 Bond Projects

Approved the Scope of Proposed Project forms for the listed 2019 Bond projects and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

- a. Cedar Road Elementary School - Roof Replacement - 004-011
- b. Old Farms School - Roof Replacement - 006-012
- c. Long Acres School - Roof Replacement - 012-012
- d. Sagtikos Elementary School - Roof Replacement - 017-009
- e. Commack Middle School - Roof Replacement & Turf Installation - 027-024

12. Application for Examination and Approval of Final Plans and Specifications

Approved the Application for Examination and Approval of Final Plans and Specifications forms for the listed 2019 Bond Projects and authorized the President of the Board to sign same

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13. Refunding Resolution

Approved the Refunding Resolution prepared by Munistat Services, Inc. for establishing a refinancing of the District's Series 2013 Bonds, and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

14. Amendment to Commack UFSD Annual Professional Performance Plan 3012D

Approved the amendment to Commack UFSD's Annual Professional Performance Plan 3012D.

15. Amendment to CTA MOA - Annual Professional Performance Plan 3012D

Approved the Memorandum of Agreement with the Commack Teachers Association regarding the Commack UFSD Annual Professional Performance Plan 3012D.

16. Resolution Agreement

Approved the Resolution Agreement with the Commack UFSD and student I.D.# 100670001.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-16

Motion by William Hender, second by Justin Varughese.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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

K. CONSENT AGENDA – LEGAL

None

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

1. Personnel

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

Motion by William Hender, second by Jarrett M Behar

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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

M. BOARD BUSINESS

William Hender congratulated our Athletic Teams as well as Sue Hermer for her PTA Founder's Day Award. He also noted the success of Parent University Night.

1. Financial Reports

Acknowledged receipt of the Financial Reports listed below:

- Trial Balances: December 2019
- Revenue Status Reports: December 2019
- Budget Status: December 2019
- Budgetary Transfer: December 2019
- Cash Flow Report: December 2019
- CD Rates Report: January 2020
- Treasurer Reports: December 2019
- Collateral Statement Summary: December 2019
- Extra Class Quarterly Reports:
 - Commack High School - 10/1/19 - 12/31/19
 - Commack Middle School - 10/1/19 - 12/31/19

2. CSE/CPSE Recommendations

Acknowledged receipt of Committee on Special Education: 12/11/19; 12/18/19; 1/10/20; 1/13/20; 1/15/20; 1/16/20; 1/17/20; 1/21/20; 1/22/20; 1/23/20; 1/27/20; 1/28/20; 1/30/20; 1/31/20; 2/6/20.

Acknowledged receipt of Committee on Preschool Special Education: 1/8/20; 1/15/20; 1/22/20; 1/27/20.

3. Internal Claims Auditor's Monthly Update

Acknowledged receipt of the Internal Claims Auditor's Monthly Update.

4. Statement of Professional Services for Lamb & Barnosky, LLP

Statement of Professional Services for the month ending January 31, 2020 in the amount \$12,865.00.

5. Announcement of Board Meeting

The Board of Education of the Commack Union Free School District shall hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Hubbs Administration Building, 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 7:00 p.m. the Board will reconvene in Public Session for the purpose of holding its Regular Business Meeting.

March 12, 2020 will be Budget Workshop #1 immediately following the Board of Education meeting at Hubbs Administration Building.

N. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 pm.

Motion made by Jarrett M Behar, second by William Hender

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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