

EAST QUOGUE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD of EDUCATION

Patricia Tuzzolo, President
Cynthia McNamara, Vice-President

Dianna Gobler, Member
Christopher Hudson, Member
Jessica Stalters, Member

Robert J. Long, Jr., Superintendent of Schools/Principal

Lenore Rezza, District Clerk

Minutes

DATE

March 21, 2017

KIND

Regular Meeting and Budget Presentation

PLACE

Cafetorium

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. McNamara

TIME

6:50 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dianna Gobler
Cynthia McNamara
Christopher Hudson
Jessica Stalters

Members Absent

Patricia Tuzzolo

OTHERS PRESENT

Robert J. Long, Superintendent of Schools/Principal, Bruce Singer, Business Official, Mary Anne Sadowski, Attorney, Lenore Rezza, District Clerk, and 50 audience members.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was conducted.

At this time a motion was made for the Board to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations and the employment of a particular individual..

Mrs. Stalters moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 4 No – 0

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Tuzzolo

TIME

7:25 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dianna Gobler
Cynthia McNamara
Christopher Hudson
Jessica Stalters

MEMBER(S) ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Robert J. Long, Superintendent of Schools/Principal, Bruce Singer, Business Official, Mary Anne Sadowski, Attorney, Lenore Rezza, District Clerk, and 50 audience members.

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STUDENT RECOGNITION

	<i>Student</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Grade</i>
<i>Art Student/ March</i>	Elyssa Peters	Mrs. Janice McLachlan	5
<i>Principal's Choice Award</i>	Reilly Maloney	Mrs. Susan Bellucci	1
<i>March</i>	Elly Ziccardi	Mrs. Tina Braithwaite	1

	Carter Trelease	Ms. Joanna Russo	1
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<i>All Star Students</i>		<i>March (Fairness)</i>
<i>Grade</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Classroom Award</i>
K	Mrs. Anne Culhane	Ava Willmott and Brandon Pesce
	Mrs. Kerri King	Angelia Daniels and Adelena Sanicola
	Mrs. Lauren Squires	Alicia Garcia and Jonathan Lopez
3rd Grade	Mrs. Tracy Cavanagh	Ava Derby and Lucas Gobler
	Mrs. Rose Halsey	Ashley Perez and Ava Sanders
	Mrs. Jill Stevens	Mia Dermody, Kara Flynn and John Paul Peters
5th Grade	Mrs. Kim O'Rourke	Sabra Harry and Sydney Scheurer
	Mrs. Cary Wyllie	Erkan Ozturk
	Mrs. Kelly Zaffuto	Priscilla Calise and Caity Gilvary
6th Grade	Mrs. Patricia Koltzan	Kade Murphree
	Ms. Jacqueline Martin	Emily Kyea
	Mr. George Purkis	Harry Calise

All Star March Special Area (Physical Education) Awards

Grade 2	Mrs. Danielle Davin	Brianna Ciro, Evelyn Ortiz-Kuroski, Kaden Oudeans and Beren Ozguncag
Grades 2	Mr. Matthew Maloney	Lila Davin and Michaela Hertwig

All Star March Special Area (Music) Award

Grade 4	Mrs. Kim Clemensen	Lindsay Hynes, Tessa Neri and Megan Peters
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All Committee Reports are limited to 5 minutes

BOARD REPORTS

1. President's Report

Mrs. Tuzzolo spoke about the Network Council Meeting with Westhampton Beach and the Special Education Audit. She also announced that she would not be running for the Board

2. Sub-Committee Reports:

There were no sub-committee reports.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT(S)

Mr. Long thank Mrs. Tuzzolo for her years of service. He mentioned the Agenda items and spoke about the Winter Conference he attended. He introduced Mrs. Lauren Porter, who spoke about the results of the Special Education Audit.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Singer gave an overview of the 2016 – 2017 Budget.

SCHOOL REPORTS

1. Attendance reports for the month of February, 2017.

2. District Enrollment Data for ***February, 2017***

East Quogue figures:	February	January
Elementary	418	417
Private/Parochial	13	13
Home Instruction	4	4
Out of District Special Ed	3	3
BOCES Special Ed	5	5
Westhampton Beach figures:		
Middle School	121	123
High School: full time	257	256

half time	18	22
Home Tutored	5	5
District Total	844	848

REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

E. Quogue P.T.A.

Mrs. Dalian spoke about upcoming PTA events.

Civic Association

Mr. Aligieri mentioned that the Civic Association would be hosting a Meet the Candidate Night at the Methodist Church on a date to be announced once the candidates have filed their paperwork.

COMMUNITY INPUT

A community member thanked the Board for their hard work.

A community member offered advice on a proposed greenhouse.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Long mentioned that our food sales are up 30% due to our new Food Service Manager, Chef Allan. He also spoke about the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund and there was a lengthy conversation by the Board regarding the make-up of the days lost to weather events for this year.

ACTION ITEMS

A.1 Minutes

MOTION to accept the **Minutes** of the February 28, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Mrs. McNamara moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

A.2 Business Office

(a) **MOTION** to approve **Payrolls 16 and 17 and Warrants & Budget Control Reports** for the month of February, 2017.

Mrs. Stalters moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

(b) **MOTION** to approve the **Treasurer's Report** for the month of February, 2017.

(c) **MOTION** to approve the **Budget Transfer Report**, for all transfers as listed below, for the period ending March 15, 2017.

Code	Amount	Code	Amount
A1320.41	\$100	A1010.45	\$100
A1325.160	7,300	A1325.16	7,300
A1380.4	400	A1420.41	400
A1620.46	1,800	A1430.49	1,800
A1620.46	3,000	1620.161	3,000
A1620.46	2,000	A1620.45	2,000
A1620.46	150	A1620.45	150
A1620.46	500	A1621.45	500
A5540.4	13,573	A1680.49	13,573
A5540.4	29,000	A1981.49	29,000
A5540.4	6,500	A2010.49	6,500
A1240.15	3,000	A2020.15	3,000
A2110.140	1,000	A2110.123	1,000
A2110.47H	1,200	A2110.125	1,200
A2110.47H	200	A2610.160	200
A2110.47H	300	A2610.49	300
A2250.49	3,500	A2620.49	3,500
A2250.49	500	A2815.16	500
Total	\$74,023		\$74,023

A.3 Special Education

MOTION for the Board of Education to accept the recommendations of the **CSE, CPSE and 504 Committees** held on the following dates:

Mr. Hudson moved, Mrs. Gobler seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

March 2, 2017

March 3, 2016

A.4 Personnel

MOTION for the Board of Education to accept the recommendations of the Superintendent as follows:

Mrs. Stalters moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

Certificated

Mr. Hudson moved, Mrs. Gobler seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

To appoint Bonnie Chieffo as HMEA/SCMEA Club Assistant on March 4, 2017.

To appoint the following as Chaperones for the Drama Club Performance on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

Christine Capozzola

Carol Laube

Jennifer Luckingham

To appoint the following as Science Fair Coordinators for the Science Fair on April 5-6, 2017:

Jennifer Luckingham

Jacqueline Martin

Non-Certificated

To appoint Cathleen Walker as Substitute Monitor, effective March 21, 2017.

A.5 Conferences

(a) None this month.

A.6 Bid Awards

(a) None this month.

B.1 Board of Education

B1 (a) Foundation Aid Resolution

Mrs. McNamara moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

Whereas, after years of advocacy, in 2007 the Legislature and Governor adopted the Foundation Aid Formula to Comply with the Court of Appeals Campaign for Fiscal Equity ruling;

Whereas, the Foundation Aid Formula was enacted as a means to equitably and transparently distribute school funding throughout the state by combining more than 30 existing categorical aid funding formulas;

Whereas, Foundation Aid per pupil is determined using a formula that includes factors such as the cost of educating students in successful schools, regional cost differences, pupil need factors including poverty, English language learner status, the number of students with disabilities, as well as the local level of poverty or wealth based on income or property values;

Whereas, in 2007 the state committed \$5.5 billion in aid to be phased in over a four-year period to ensure that adequate resources would be available to fully fund the formula by 2011;

Whereas, the Foundation Aid Formula's implementation has been substantially delayed, resulting in over \$5 billion dollars promised to Long Island School Districts since 2007-08 that has not been delivered;

Whereas, the Foundation Aid Formula is allocated on a per pupil basis and due to declining enrollment and other factors some school districts have seen decreases in the amount of Foundation Aid owed;

Whereas, the Governors Executive Budget Proposal includes provisions for the elimination of the Foundation Aid Formula, including the loss of historical aid owed, as well as a provision to allow for potentially catastrophic mid-year reductions in aid to school districts if State- revenues from Federal Aid are not realized;

Whereas, lowering aid granted to districts in subsequent years would have a devastating effect on school districts' fiscal and programmatic sustainability;

Whereas, Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 established a tax levy limit and that under this law, the property taxes levied by affected local school districts generally cannot increase by more than 2 percent, or the rate of inflation, whichever is lower;

Whereas, this tax levy cap has further limited districts' capacity to increase their local contribution to support their schools;

Whereas, without predictable and reliable revenue, district leaders are unable to plan for the future needs of their schools;

BE IT RESOLVED that the East Quogue Board of Education calls upon Governor Cuomo and our State Legislators to provide a plan to ensure a reliable phase-in of the Foundation Aid monies originally committed to school districts;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the East Quogue Board of Education calls upon our elected officials to ensure that any change to the Foundation Aid Formula include a "Save Harmless" provision to protect school districts from reductions in State Aid below the previous year's level;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the East Quogue Board of Education calls upon our elected officials to prevent any mid-year reductions to State Aid allocations regardless of whether or not State revenues from Federal Aid are realized.

B1 (b) Nomination for BOCES Board

In the event any member wishes to nominate a candidate for the Eastern Suffolk Board, it would be appropriate to do so at this time.

There were no nominations.

B1 (c) MOTION for the Board of Education to accept, with gratitude, a Bronze Award Buddy Bench, constructed and donated by Girl Scout Troop 1637.

Mrs. McNamara moved, Mr. Hudson seconded

Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0

EAST QUOGUE UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>			
3/20-24/17	PTA Book Fair	Science Lab	
3/22/17	PTA Book Bingo Night	Cafetorium	6:00 pm
3/23/17	Drama Club Performance	Cafetorium	7:00 pm
3/23/17	Drama Club Performance	Cafetorium	9:15 am
3/24/17	Report Cards Sent Home		
3/28-31/17	Grades 3-8 ELA Test		
4/4/17	PTA Meeting	Cafetorium	9:15 am
4/4/17	BOE Budget Workshop	Cafetorium	6:45 pm
4/10-14/17	Spring Recess	School Closed	
4/18-20/17	NYSESLAT Testing		
4/19/17	BOE Meeting – Budget Adoption and BOCES Budget and Trustee Vote	Cafetorium	6:45 pm

WESTHAMPTON BEACH UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>			
3/23/17	MS Community Read	MS Library	6:30 pm
3/24-25/17	HS Musical	District Auditorium	7:30 pm

3/26/17	HS Musical	District Auditorium	2:00 pm
3/27-31/17	NYS ELA Assessment Grades 3-8		
4/3/17	Board of Education Meeting	HS Library	7:00 pm
4/5/17	MS Grade 7 Student Orientation	MS	9:00 am
4/5/17	MS Grade 7 Parent Orientation	MS	7:00 pm
4/6/17	NYSSMA Solo Festival @ WHB		
4/7/17	HS/MS Third Marking Period Ends		
4/7/17	Emergency Dismissal Drill	Students dismissed 15 minutes early	
4/10-14/17	Spring Recess	Schools Closed	
4/17/17	Board of Education Meeting	HS Library	7:00 pm
4/18/17	HS PTO Meeting	HS Library	7:00 pm

Items for information only

- D.1** Minutes from the Westhampton Beach February 6 and February 27, 2017 Board of Education meetings.
- D.2** Thank you letter from Westhampton Care Center thanking the school for the donation of books.
- D.3** Thank you letter from Alveolar Capillary Dysplasia Association (ACDA) for participation in the “Wear Jeans to Work & Donate \$5.00 campaign for Rare Disease Day 2017. \$165.00 was collected and donated to ACDA in memory of Fallon Jade Rilling.

OLD BUSINESS

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS

April 4, 2017	Budget Workshop	6:45 pm	Cafetorium
April 19, 2017	Regular Meeting, Budget Adoption & BOCES Budget Vote	6:45 pm	Cafetorium

Executive Session if necessary

At this time a motion was made for the Board to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss an individual student issue.
Mrs. McNamara moved, Mr. Hudson seconded *Motion Carried Yes – 5 No – 0*

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the public session was adjourned by Mrs. Tuzzolo at 10:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted _____
 Lenore Rezza
 District Clerk