

MINUTES
ROCKY POINT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
October 23, 2017

Mrs. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. in the auditorium of Rocky Point High School.

Present: Susan Sullivan, President
Scott Reh, Vice President
Sean Callahan, Trustee
Edward Casswell Trustee
Joseph Coniglione, Trustee
Michael F. Ring, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Gregory Hilton, School Business Official
Susan Wilson, Executive Director for Educational Services
Kelly White, District Clerk

Absent: Deborah De Luca, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5 p.m. a motion made by Sean Callahan, and seconded by Edward Casswell, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss confidential personnel matters pertaining to select employees and ongoing confidential legal matters.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

At 5:50 p.m. a motion made by Sean Callahan, and seconded by Edward Casswell, to end executive session.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

At 5:51 p.m. a motion was made by Scott Reh, and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, to suspend the meeting.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

At 6:57 p.m. a motion was made by Edward Casswell, and seconded by Scott Reh, to return to open session.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ring announced that October is Board of Education appreciation month. He commented that a Board member's role is demanding, unpaid and at times a thankless job. Dr. Ring continued that rewards come intrinsically. He explained that Board of Education members must be jacks-of-all-trades, understanding education as well as finances and law. Dr. Ring expressed that they make very difficult decisions that affect the lives of students as well as employees. He added that these decisions are not made lightly. These are decisions that are right for the students, staff and community. Dr. Ring stated that it is also right that they are recognized for their role.

Dr. Ring presented each member with a plaque to symbolize the gratitude of the community.

The presentation was noted with a photograph of the Board of Education alongside Dr. Ring.

Mrs. Sullivan opened the floor to questions/comments.

- Dr. Pinkenburg commented on a letter that went out regarding AIS classes. He stated that the risks seemed high in regards to what classes the students must give up in order to fit these AIS classes in their schedule.

Dr. Ring stated that these classes are required to take place during the school day. Therefore, there are limits to what they can be substituted for on a student's schedule. He added that if the parent/guardian has a strong desire for their child to not take part in AIS classes, they may contact the Building Administration to see if they can accommodate their request.

Mrs. Sullivan requested a copy of this letter be provided to the Board of Education by Dr. Ring.

There were no further comments at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

The items listed below are presented as part of the Consent Agenda which can be adopted by the Board of Education under a single motion followed by a second and then a formal vote. The Consent Agenda items are listed below in their regular order within a group. Before an actual vote is taken, any Consent Agenda item may be removed by a Board member without a formal motion or second. If this occurs, the indicated resolution will be discussed during its regular order on the agenda and voted on individually.

II-VIII CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh, and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the following agenda items as one item.

- II: Minutes** – Regular Meeting, September 25, 2017; Special Meeting October 10, 2017
- III Budget Transfer Summary** – September 2017
- IV: Treasurer’s Reports** – September 2017
- V: Extra-Classroom Activity Account Treasurer’s Report** – September 2017
- VI: Financials** – September 2017
- VII: Internal Claims Audit Report** – September 2017
- VIII: Committees on Special Education Schedules 10-23-17-A** as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, to arrange for appropriate services, as indicated.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

IX BOOK DONATION

Upon a motion made by Joseph Coniglione and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the donation of two (2) books from Ms. Colleen Burke, valued at approximately \$35.00

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan offered her gratitude to Ms. Colleen Burke for her generous donation.

X SCIENCE SUPPLIES DONATION

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the donation of one (1) Enviro-Genie Incubator/Stirrer and six (6) Vortex Genie-w Mixers from Scientific Industries, Inc., valued at \$3,000 and \$1,000, respectively.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

Mrs. Sullivan thanked Scientific Industries, Inc. for their generous contributions.

XI SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves for surplus the following attached lists of equipment.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XII 2016-2017 INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT ON EXTRA-CLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUNDS

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the Independent Auditors Report on Extra-Classroom Activity Funds with accompanying statements and schedules for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2017, which have been submitted by our external auditors, R.S. Abrams.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XIII 2016-2017 INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

Upon a motion made by Joseph Coniglione and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the Independent Auditors Report with accompanying statements and schedules for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2017, which have been submitted by our external auditors, R.S. Abrams.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XIV 2016-2017 INDEPENDENT AUDIT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the Independent Audit Corrective Action Plan responding to Current Year Comments from the District's external auditors, R.S. Abrams.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XV ADOPTION OF THE REVISED AND UPDATED ACADEMIC INTERVENTION PLAN

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the revised and updated Academic Intervention Plan as heretofore submitted

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XVI RESOLUTION TO STANDARDIZE ON RESILITE PRODUCTS

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, the following resolution was offered:

WHEREAS, the Rocky Point Union Free School District wrestling room contains mats manufactured by Resilite Sports Products, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, it is the Board of Education's desire to avoid possible system incompatibility with the District's current resource, and the Board of Education deems it necessary and appropriate to standardize the purchase of wall padding for the wrestling room to that manufactured by Resilite Sports Products, Inc.;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the authority conferred by 103(5) of the General Municipal Law, the Board of Education hereby determines that it is in the best interests of the District, to procure seamless, flush and antimicrobial treated wall padding, consistent with the current floor mats, by requiring the purchase of Resilite products and equipment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Purchasing Agent for the School District is authorized to contract for the purchase of additional products and equipment as the School District may require, manufactured by Resilite Sports Products, Inc, and be authorized to purchase such products from the lowest responsible bidder, after advertisement for sealed bids in the manner provided by Section 103 of General Municipal Law, or any other process permissible under such law.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Reh inquired if this resolution included wall padding and mats. Dr. Ring advised that this was for wall padding only.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XVII SACHEM CSD SUMMER 2017 CONTRACT

Upon a motion made by Joseph Coniglione and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board of Education to enter into a contract with the Sachem Central School District for special education students instructional services for Summer 2017 as required under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or district policy.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XVIII RIVERHEAD CSD SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT 2017-18

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board of Education to enter into a contract with the Riverhead Central School District for nonpublic or parochial school special education students services for the 2017-2018 school year, as required under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or district policy.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XIX REVIEW AND RE-ADOPTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY NUMBER 7315 (SECOND READING)

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education reviews and re-adopts the following policy (*second reading*): 7315

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

**XX MOTION TO DESTROY BALLOTS CAST, SPOILED AND
UNUSED AT THE MAY 16, 2017 ANNUAL DISTRICT BUDGET
VOTE AND BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION**

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Education Law Section 2034, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District Clerk to destroy all of the ballots cast, spoiled and unused at the May 16, 2017 Annual District Budget Vote and Board of Education Election, no earlier than November 16, 2017.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

**XXI BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUEST TO REVIEW ANNUAL
REVIEWS FOR ADMINISTRATORS**

Upon a motion made by Joseph Coniglione and seconded by Edward Casswell, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education is hereby requesting that the Superintendent of Schools provide the 2016-17 annual professional performance reviews (APPRs) of administrators of the Rocky Point UFSD, in accordance with Part 84 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education. Such records are to be produced in Executive Session of the Board of Education meeting on November 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. and promptly returned to the Superintendent of Schools immediately thereafter.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

**XXII APPROVAL OF SECTION 32 WORKER COMPENSATION
SETTLEMENT**

Upon a motion made by Edward Casswell and seconded by Sean Callahan, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the settlement of Workers Compensation claim W001624362 in the amount of \$99,081.33.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XXIII PERSONNEL

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Scott Reh, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the attached Personnel changes.

Motion carried 4-0

1 Abstention – Sean Callahan

XXIV OLD BUSINESS

MODIFICATION OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Upon a motion made by Scott Reh and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the Modification to the Employment Agreement Between the Board of Education of the Rocky Point Union Free School District and Susan Wilson, dated October 23, 2017 and effective July 1, 2017, as attached hereto.

All in favor - Motion carried 5-0

XXV NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Sullivan inquired of the trustees if they had any new business they wished to discuss.

There was no new business at this time.

Mrs. Sullivan once again invited the meeting attendees to come forth with any questions/comments.

- Dr. Pinkenburg commented on a letter that was sent out in reference to the AP Calculus BC exam. He inquired why it was left up to the parents/guardians to prepare the students for this exam if they choose to take it. Dr. Ring explained that the AP Calculus BC course was not offered in the high school. Therefore, the School District will not divert teaching resources away from the current curriculum being offered in order to prepare a student for this exam.

- Ms. Connelly advised that she had previously requested the number of non-mandated administrators and their salaries. She received the requested information from Mr. Hilton: 14 non-mandated administrators and \$2.5 million in salaries.
- Ms. Connelly requested the breakdown of monies dispersed from the grant received from Congressman Tim Bishop in 2010. Dr. Ring advised that he does not have that information in front of him. He stated that Ms. Connelly could make a FOIL request if she chooses.

There were no further questions/comments.

Mrs. Sullivan congratulated Ms. Susan Randazzo on her probationary appointment as CSE Administrator.

XXVI ADJOURNMENT

At 7:23 p.m. a motion made by Scott Reh, and seconded by Joseph Coniglione, to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly White
District Clerk