

Farmingdale Union Free School District

50 Van Cott Avenue
Farmingdale NY, 11735

DATE: January 10, 2018

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

PLACE: Howitt Middle School Library and Howitt Middle School East Cafeteria, Howitt Middle School

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Goldberg, Mrs. D'Amico, Mr. Espinosa, Mr. Giordano, Mrs. Lively, Mr. Morales, Mrs. Soete

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Lorentz, Mr. Defendini, Dr. Ripley, Mr. Zakian, Richard Guercio, Esq., Reesa Miles, Esq., Mrs. Rogers

Executive Session Meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the A. Terry Weathers Board Room at the Howitt Middle School by Mr. Goldberg, President of the Board of Education.

Motion made by Mrs. D'Amico, seconded by Mr. Giordano, to meet in executive session to discuss specific legal, collective bargaining and personnel issues in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Motion carried 6-0

Meeting recessed for executive session at 6:05 p.m.

Meeting reconvened in the Howitt East Cafeteria at 8:05 p.m.

Mr. Espinosa arrived at 8:15 p.m.

Call to Order

Board President Michael Goldberg welcomed those present and announced that the Board of Education is interested in encouraging all members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions. He noted that public participation opportunities would be available at the beginning of the meeting and again at the end of the meeting and, as stated in Board Policy, no person shall speak for more than three minutes and each period of public participation would be limited to thirty minutes. If there were questions or concerns regarding matters on the Consent Agenda, it would be important to utilize the first public participation opportunity as the Board would act on those items immediately. Mr. Goldberg pointed out the emergency exit. The public session began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent's Update

Board of Education President Michael Goldberg introduced Superintendent of Schools John Lorentz and asked for his monthly update. Mr. Lorentz stated that the recent snow days may impact and change the district's school calendar in the spring. A number of changes in the New York State Education Department's regulations related to school attendance schedules, student half days, hours of attendance and days of attendance has resulted in uncertainty in district next steps. Mr. Lorentz stated that he would keep the Board of Education and community updated as clarifications are received.

School Report Card

Superintendent of Schools John Lorentz introduced Dr. Joan Ripley, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, stating that she would provide an overview of the 2016-2017 School Report Card.

Dr. Ripley stated that the School Report Card includes an accountability review of Annual Yearly Progress as measured by participation rates and state assessment results. She explained that the two-year combined participation data would need to reach a 95% participation rate; the school district's participation rate in all elementary and middle school testing categories fell below this level. The district is considered "In Good Standing".

At the secondary level, the 2017 Seniors ELA cohort did make Annual Yearly Progress as determined by the results on the English Regents. The district fell below the performance index in mathematics. It is important to note that the 2017 cohort was the first group to take the Common Core mathematic exams. While students were able to take both the Regents exam and the Common Core Regents exam, the State Education Department only gave credit for the Common Core.

Dr. Ripley concluded her Board update with an announcement that the Wellness Committee's "Escape the Room" event was scheduled for January 17 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Howitt Middle School.

Public Participation

Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting for the first public participation.

Farmingdale Federation of Teachers President Cordelia Anthony addressed the Board of Education regarding the collective bargaining process, expressing frustration of working without a contract. She stated that there were increasing concerns regarding morale and that they are

looking for respect and understanding. She hoped that the Board of Education could provide for a reasonable contractual settlement to help end their frustration.

Resident Jeff Roth addressed the Board with his concerns regarding a previous community meeting's location during the Bond 2016 presentation schedule, a 2014 lightning strike at Howitt Middle School and a 2016 lightning strike at Northside.

PTA Council President Kate Kelly announced a PTA Blood Drive at the Howitt Middle School from 3:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on Wednesday, January 17 during the district's wellness event.

Board of Education Minutes

**Board of
Education -
Special Meeting -
Nov 29, 2017 6:15
PM**

Motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mrs. Lively that the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 29, 2017 be approved.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Morales, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kathy Lively, Trustee
AYES:	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Board of
Education -
Regular Meeting -
Dec 6, 2017 8:00
PM**

Motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mr. Espinosa that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 6, 2017 be approved.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Morales, Vice President
SECONDER:	Mario Espinosa, Trustee
AYES:	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

**Board
Correspondence**

Board President Michael Goldberg asked the District Clerk if the Board had received any correspondence during the past month. Mrs. Rogers reported that the Board had received a number of electronic updates from the Politico Organization and from the New York State Comptroller's Office.

**Board
Committee
Reports**

Board President Michael Goldberg asked for the Board's committee reports. Mrs. Lively reported that the Chamber of Commerce had postponed its Installation Dinner twice. It was expected to take place on January 11. She also reported that the next meeting of the Farmingdale Youth Council would take place on January 16.

Consideration of Consent Agenda

Motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mrs. Lively that the Consent Agenda consisting of Items I (a-i), II (a), and III (a-d) be approved as a whole with action recorded separately.

Business Report

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Morales, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kathy Lively, Trustee
AYES:	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Acceptance for File of Financial Reports

Acceptance of Claims Auditor Report - November 2017 RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Claims Auditor Report for the month of November 2017 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

Acceptance of Extra Curricular Report - November 2017 RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the extra-curricular report for Farmingdale High School, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, Albany Avenue Elementary School, Northside Elementary School, Saltzman East Memorial Elementary School and Woodward Parkway Elementary School for the month of November 2017 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report - November 2017 RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Treasurer's Report for the month of November 2017 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

Acceptance of Revenue RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of

and Expenditure Report - November 2017 November 2017 pursuant to the authority contained in 170.2 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with Board Policy 6600.

Approval of Contracts and Agreements

Approval of Special Education Contracts RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve the following contracts for Special Education and General Education services for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contracts.

SOUTH HUNTINGTON UFSD
SCO FAMILY SERVICES, WESTBROOK PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Approval of Special Education SEDCAR Contracts RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve the following contracts for Strategic Evaluation Data Collection Analysis and Reporting (SEDCAR) during the 2017-2018 school year and to authorize the Board President to sign said contracts.

BILINGUALS INC./CHILD & PARENT SERVICES
KIDS FIRST EVALUATION & ADVOCACY CENTER
SCO FAMILY OF SERVICES, MADONNA HEIGHTS SCHOOL

Approval of License for the Use of Hofstra University Facilities for Farmingdale High School June 19, 2018 Commencement Ceremony RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and Hofstra University for the use of Hofstra's David S. Mack Sports Complex for the June 19, 2018 Farmingdale High School Commencement Ceremony and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

Approval of Health & Welfare Services Agreements for Non Resident Students Attending Non Public RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the Health & Welfare Services Agreements for the following school districts for non resident students attending non public schools within the district for the 2017/18 school year, and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreements:

Amityville, Bay Shore, Brentwood, City of New York, Copiague, Deer Park, Hempstead, Longwood, North Babylon, Uniondale & Wyandanch

Schools in the District for the 2017/18 School Year (Amityville, Bay Shore, Brentwood, City of New York, Copiague, Deer Park, Hempstead, Longwood, North Babylon, Uniondale & Wyandanch)

Approval of Health & Welfare Services Agreements for Resident Students Attending Non Public Schools Outside of the District for the 2017/18 School Year (Babylon & Seaford)

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve Health & Welfare Services Agreements with the following school districts for resident students attending non public schools outside of the district for the 2017/18 school year, and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreements:

Babylon & Seaford

Approval of Sales Agreement with Steelcase Inc. & Waldner's Business Environments Inc. for an Active Learning Pilot

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a sales agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and Steelcase Inc. and Waldner's Business Environments Inc. for an Active Learning Pilot Classroom, effective through June 30, 2018, and that the Board President be authorized to sign the appropriate sales agreement.

**Classroom
for the
2017/18
School Year**

**Approval of
Stipulation of
Settlement
Agreement with
CSEA, Inc.,
LOCAL 1000,
AFSCME, AFL-
CIO,
Clerical/Custodial
Unit**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a Stipulation of Settlement Agreement with CSEA, Inc., LOCAL 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Clerical/Custodial Unit, and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

**Acceptance
of Funds and
Increase the
2017/18
Budget for
Lifeguard
Certification
from the
American
Red Cross**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$1,750 for the purpose of providing lifeguard certification to students from the American Red Cross.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District will increase the 2017/18 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Acceptance
of Funds and
Increase the
2017/18
Budget for
the All
County Art
Exhibition**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$840 for the purpose of student participation in the All County Art Exhibition.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District will increase the 2017/18 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Acceptance
of Funds and
Increase the
2017/18
Budget for
the AP Exam**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accepts \$73,000 for the purpose of providing the AP Exam to students.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District will increase the 2017/18 budget in accordance with the fees collected.

**Acceptance
of a Donation
to the Mark
Piven**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education acknowledge, accept and thank Mr. Mark Piven for a monetary donation to the Mark Piven Scholarship Fund.

Scholarship Fund

Approval of Health & Welfare Service Rates for the 2017/18 School Year RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopts a per pupil charge of \$906.10 for Health & Welfare service rates for the instruction of non-resident students that attend the public schools of this district for the 2017/18 school year as calculated by the New York State Education Department, pursuant to Section 174 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

Approval of Declaration of Obsolete Equipment - January 2018 RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education declare items as obsolete and disposed of in accordance with Board Policy 6900.

Approval of Transfer of Funds - January 2018 RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve transfer of funds for the purposes noted.

Items for Action

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Morales, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kathy Lively, Trustee
AYES:	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Approval of Declaration of Obsolete Library Books & Non-Public Textbooks RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale School District Board of Education declare items obsolete and disposed of in accordance with Board Policy 6900.

Superintendent's Report

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ralph Morales, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kathy Lively, Trustee
AYES:	Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete

Personnel Items -- Instructional

Instructional: Resignation RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept an instructional personnel action: "Resignation", effective on the date noted hereon.

Instructional: Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept an instructional personnel action: "Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement", effective on the date noted hereon and to adopt the corresponding retirement resolution.

Instructional: Leaves of Absence RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Leaves of Absence", effective for the dates noted hereon and for the reasons stated.

Instructional: Appointment - Return from Leave of Absence RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve an instructional personnel action: "Appointment - Return from Leave of Absence", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. This appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Instructional: Appointment RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve an instructional personnel action: "Appointment", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. This appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Instructional: Appointment - Part Time Teacher - Change in Assignment RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve an instructional personnel action: "Part Time Appointment - Change in Assignment", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. This appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget. Part time positions are annual appointments.

Instructional: Guidance Plan Development Committee RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions "Appointments - Guidance Plan Development Committee" for the 2017 - 2018 school year. Stipends are contingent upon the completion of assignment.

Instructional - Physical Education Plan Committee RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointment - Physical Education Plan Committee" for the 2017 - 2018 school year. Stipends are contingent upon completion of assignment.

Instructional: Continuing and Community Education Appointment RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of Continuing and Community Education Personnel." Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Instructional: Coaching and Extra Curricular Appointments RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Coaching and Extra Curricular Appointments", in accordance with Board Policy 5200. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget. Stipends are contingent upon completion of assignments.

Instructional: Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute Teachers RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of On-Call, Per Diem Substitute Teachers", subject to termination at any time.

Personnel Items -- Non-Instructional

Non-instructional: Resignation RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a non-instructional personnel action: "Resignation", effective on the date noted hereon.

Non-instructional: Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement", effective on the dates noted hereon and to adopt the corresponding retirement resolutions.

Non-instructional: Confirmation of Start Dates RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the following non-instructional personnel actions: "Confirmation of Start Dates", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission

regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non Instructional: Appointment /Leave of Absence /Appointment RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel action" "Appointment / Leave of Absence / Appointment" in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Authorization of Transitional Per Diem Work RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District authorize a newly retired instructional support staff member serve as transitional per diem staff at the daily rate through March 31, 2018, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools and/or his designee.

Non-instructional: Leaves of Absence / TASM RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District accept a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Leaves of Absence", effective for the dates noted hereon and for the reasons stated.

Non-instructional: Change in Assignment / TASM RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional, personnel action: "Change in Assignment / TASM", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. This appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Appointment / TASM RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointments / TASM", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Resignation / Food Service RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional food service personnel action: "Resignation", on the date noted hereon.

Non-instructional: Appointment / Food Service RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of food service personnel actions: "Appointments", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Changes in Assignments / Food Service RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional / food service personnel actions: "Changes in Assignments", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute Cleaner RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel action: "Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute Cleaner", subject to termination at any time.

Non-instructional: Appointment of On-Call, Per Diem Substitute School Monitor RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a non-instructional personnel action: "Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute School Monitor", subject to termination at any time.

Non-instructional: Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute Food Service Workers RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of On Call, Per Diem Substitute Food Service Workers", subject to termination at any time.

Approval of Committee on Preschool Special Education Placements Report and RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Preschool Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated December 3, 2017, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

**Acceptance
for File of
Said Report**

**Approval of
Committee
on Special
Education
Placements
Report and
Acceptance
for File of
Said Report**

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve and accept for file the Committee on Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated December 3, 2017, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

Items For Discussion

**Draft Policy
and
Regulation
No. 4526.1,
Internet
Safety**

Board President Michael Goldberg introduced Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration Glen Zakian for a first discussion of Policy 4526.1 Internet Safety. Mr. Zakian stated that this is an extension of Policy 4526, which outlines protective measures and procedures for safety and security for students, including network site monitoring, training and reporting. Mr. Zakian stated that the Policy Committee review the language with district attorneys from Guercio & Guercio, Dr. William Brennan and board trustees. It was anticipated that the policy would be included in the February Board agenda for discussion and possible approval.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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**Public
Participation**

Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting for the second public participation.

Resident Jeff Roth addressed the Board of Education with topics ranging from a 1990s discussion regarding access from the Farmingdale High School football field to the Bethpage State Parkway, the high school's print shop program, a high school TV studio discussion and the approved bond referendum.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mrs. Lively, to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a specific personnel matter in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

On a motion made by Mr. Espinosa, seconded by Mr. Giordano, the meeting reconvened.

Motion carried 7-0

Motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mrs. Lively, to adjourn.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk