

Farmingdale Union Free School District

50 Van Cott Avenue
Farmingdale NY, 11735

DATE: May 3, 2017

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

PLACE: A. Terry Weathers Board Room, Howitt East Auditorium and the Howitt Middle School East Cafeteria, Howitt Middle School

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Lorentz, Mr. Defendini, Dr. Ripley, Mr. Zakian, Richard Guercio Esq, (first executive session only), Reesa Miles, Esq., Mrs. Rogers

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. in the A. Terry Weathers Board Room by Mr. Morales, President of the Board of Education.

Executive Session

Motion made by Mr. Capobianco, seconded by Mr. Goldberg to meet in executive session to discuss specific legal, collective bargaining and personnel issues in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Motion carried 7-0

Meeting recessed for executive session at 6:15 p.m.

Board Recognition Ceremony

At 7:30 p.m. Board President Ralph Morales began a special recognition ceremony in the Howitt Auditorium. Board members introduced to the community the Class of 2017 Valedictorian and Salutatorian, the winners of a National Hispanic Scholarship award, the Harvard Club of Long Island's Distinguished Teacher for 2017, past commendations and presentation nominations by the Harvard Club of Long Island, an elementary educator of excellence, the HMS, SEM and NS Math Olympiads and the FHS Mathletes.

The Board of Education took a short recess and the public meeting reconvened in the Howitt East Cafeteria at 8:30 p.m.

Public Session

At 8:30 p.m., Board President Ralph Morales opened the meeting for the public session. He welcomed all to the May regular meeting of the Board of Education. He stated that the Board of Education was interested in encouraging members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions. Public participation opportunities would be available at the beginning and end of the meeting and, as stated in Board policy, no person would be permitted to speak

for more than three minutes and each period of public participation would be limited to thirty minutes. Questions or concerns regarding matters on the agenda should be addressed during the first public participation. Residents were asked to clearly state their names and addresses when coming to the microphone. Mr. Morales stated that charges, complaints and challenges should follow procedures listed in board policies 1400, 1410 and 1440, which were on the materials table. He thanked all for their anticipated courtesy and cooperation. Mr. Morales pointed out the emergency exits. The public meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Superintendent's Update

Budget Schedule

Board President Ralph Morales introduced Superintendent of School John Lorentz. Mr. Lorentz provided a summary of the events that will conclude with the May 16, 2017 Budget Vote and Election. He stated that there would be a Saturday voter registration event on Saturday, May 6 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Howitt East Lobby. A Public Hearing was scheduled for May 9 at 8:00 p.m. in the Howitt East Cafeteria and that the last day to register to vote would be Thursday, May 11. Mr. Lorentz summarized the community presentations to date. He reminded the Board of Education that polls would open at 6:00 a.m. and close at 9:00 p.m. on May 16.

BOND 2016 Update

Superintendent of Schools John Lorentz provided an update on Bond 2016. He stated that work had begun at the Saltzman East Memorial fields. He summarized the preliminary work, including input from community groups and outlined the planned schedule of work over the next two years. Mr Lorentz introduced Assistant Superintendent for Business Paul Defendini, provided an in-depth PowerPoint presentation that would be available on the district's website.

Mr. Defendini began his presentation with a summary of the tentative building schedule and anticipated timeframe for completion of each phase of Bond 2016. Photographs of the construction under-way were provided along with descriptive summaries for each section of the Saltzman East Memorial project. Mr. Defendini went on to explain the work that would begin at Farmingdale High School during the months of June, July and August 2017, including renovated field work and parking lot upgrades. The middle school work would begin in the winter 2018 with a final completion of all work in winter 2020.

Mr. Capobianco questioned the disruption to the tennis program. Mr. Defendini stated that the athletic director was working on finding temporary facilities at some of our local parks.

At the conclusion of the Bond 2016 Update, Superintendent Lorentz introduced to the Board of Education several new recommended appointees who were in the audience, including Special Education Chairs Jane Gruner and Dr Yuvelin

Baltar, Social Studies teachers Matthew Cillis and Lauren Competiello and Technology Teacher Robert Ianne. Mr. Lorentz welcomed these new, and in some instances, returning candidates to Farmingdale Schools.

Public Participation

Board President Ralph Morales opened the meeting for the first public participation.

Mr. Ulric questioned security procedures at the high school with the upgrades to the parking areas.

A resident asked about the tennis courts and also about the relocation of the Districtwide Operations department to the high school.

Several students and residents raised concerns regarding the movement of a garden from the rear of the high school into an interior courtyard.

Mrs. Lively thanked all for their input and statements.

Board of Education Minutes

Board of Education - Budget / Public Input - Mar 29, 2017 8:00 PM

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

Board of Education - Regular Meeting/Adopt Budget for Voter Approval - Apr 5, 2017 8:00 PM

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

Board of Education - Special Meeting - Apr 19, 2017 7:00 PM

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

Board of Education - Special Meeting-BOCES Budget Adoption / BOCES Vote - Apr 20, 2017 8:00 PM

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

Board Correspondence

Mrs. Rogers reported that the Board received several pieces of correspondence this month, including an invitation from the FFT for a fundraiser for the Nassau-Suffolk Autism Society of America, two FOIL requests, a follow up question to a FOIL request response, a notification of the Music in Our Schools program, a letter regarding a middle school teacher, a letter requesting information to become a poll watcher, an invitation from Assemblywoman Jean-Pierre regarding an Easter Egg Hunt, a journalism student's request for an interview regarding Bond 2016 for a class assignment, four updates from the NYS Comptroller and 19 updates from the POLITICO organization.

Board Committee Reports

Board President Ralph Morales asked Board members if they had any committee reports.

Mrs. D'Amico reported on a Parent Internet Safety program, the Wall of Fame induction ceremony, the Saltzman East Memorial Talent Show and PTA meetings and fund raisers.

Mr. Goldberg reported on the Thespian Honor Society inductions, Northside's Talent Show and the High School PTA meeting.

Mr. Capobianco reported that the next REFIT meeting would take place on May 9. He reported on a meeting with Senator Marcellino. Mr. Capobianco also reported on the April RtI Committee meeting and the new focus on Positive Behavioral Intervention Systems. He provided an update on the Village of Farmingdale's events, including Open mike Night, Cultural Arts Day, and Art in the Park. He stated that the Village Beautification project would take place on May 20 and that the Village Merchants' Association "Live at 5" would begin the week of July 12,

Mrs. Lively reported on the Technology Honor Society induction ceremony at the Airpower Museum. She provided an update on the work of the Farmingdale Youth Council on their budget

development and the constitution overhaul. She reminded all of the two scholarships available to graduating students from the Youth Council. Mrs. Lively stated that there would be a Chamber of Commerce meeting that week. She also attended a transition to employment networking event. Finally, she attended a NYSSBA workshop on rethinking student discipline.

Consideration of Consent Agenda:

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

Business Report

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

Acceptance for File of Financial Reports

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

Acceptance of Extra Curricular Report - March 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 March 2017 pursuant to the authority contained in Section 170.2 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

Acceptance of Claims Auditor RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education accept for file the Claims Auditor Report for the month of March 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.

**Report -
March 2017**

Approval of Contracts and Agreements

Approval of a Special Education Contract RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve the following contract for Special Education services for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said contract.

South Huntington Union Free School District

Approval of Health & Welfare Services Agreements for Resident Students Attending Non Public Schools Outside of the District for the 2016-2017 School Year (Mineola, North Merrick & South Huntington) 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 2016-2017 school year, and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreements.

(Mineola, North Merrick & South Huntington)

Approval of Contract #31 with Nassau BOCES RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a contract with Nassau BOCES.

Approval of SCOPE License Agreement for PSAT/SAT Preparatory Program RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a license agreement with SCOPE for the PSAT/SAT Preparatory Program for the 2017-2018 school year and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

Approval of Agreement with Challenge Day **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education approve an Agreement with Challenge Day to provide the Challenge Day Program at Farmingdale High School and to authorize the Board President to sign the appropriate agreement.

Approval of a One Year Extension Contract with Nesco Bus Maintenance, Inc. **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve a one year extension at the current prices between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and Nesco Bus Maintenance, Inc. for the purpose of Department of Transportation (D.O.T.) Inspection and Preventative Maintenance for bus vehicles for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. Such extension contracts are in accordance with state law and regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

Approval of an Agreement with Educational Bus, Inc. for Installation and Maintenance of Cameras on District Buses **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve an agreement between the Farmingdale Union Free School District and Educational Bus, Inc. for installation and maintenance of cameras on District buses for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and that the Board President be authorized to sign said agreement.

Approval of Transfer of Funds - May 2017 **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the transfer of funds for the purposes noted.

Approval of Declaration of Obsolete Equipment - May 2017 **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education declare items as obsolete and disposed of in accordance with Board Policy 6900.

Acceptance of a Donation to the Sports Rehabilitation Scholarship Fund **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education acknowledge, accept and thank Mr. Willam J. Schwarz, P.T., P.C. for a monetary donation to the Sports Rehabilitation Scholarship Fund.

Approval of Transfer from **RESOLVED**, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education authorizes a transfer from the unappropriated fund balance to

Unappropriated Fund Balance to Increase the General Fund Appropriation for the 2016/17 School Year for the Purpose of Renovating the South Parking Lot at Farmingdale High School increase the general fund appropriation for the 2016/17 school year totaling \$1,500,000 for the purpose of renovating the South Parking Lot at Farmingdale High School.

Approval of Award of Bid - Reeds, Mouthpieces & Supplies RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the **AWARD OF BID for REEDS, MOUTHPIECES & SUPPLIES** to **INTERSTATE MUSIC** at their per unit prices, this company being the sole bidder meeting specifications at the bid opening on **APRIL 4, 2017**.

Farmingdale Union Free School District has the right to withdraw the award if it is not in the best interest of the Farmingdale Union Free School District.

Approval of Award of Bid - Marching Band Uniform RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education approve the **AWARD OF BID for MARCHING BAND UNIFORM** to **FRUHAUF UNIFORMS, INC.** at their per unit prices, this company being the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications at the bid opening on **APRIL 5, 2017**.

Farmingdale Union Free School District has the right to withdraw the award if it is not in the best interest of the Farmingdale Union Free School District.

Items for Action

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

Approval of Textbook Adoption: Forensic Science 2E: **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Farmingdale UFSD Board of Education adopt the following textbook for the Science Department in accordance with Board Policy 4511.

Fundamentals and Investigations Forensic Science 2E: Fundamentals and Investigations (Grades 10-12) Cengage

Approval of Policy #5280, Interscholastic Athletics RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt Policy No. 5280, Interscholastic Athletics, in accordance with Board Policy 2410.

Approval of Declaration of Obsolete Library Books RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education declare the attached items as obsolete and disposed of in accordance with Board Policy 6900.

Approval of the Superintendent's Contract Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the Superintendent's contract.

Superintendent's Report

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

Personnel Items -- Instructional

Instructional: 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 accept an instructional personnel action: "Leave of Absence", effective for the date noted hereon and for the reason stated.

Instructional: Appointments - Administrative 2017-2018 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 - Administrative 2017 - 2018", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Instructional: Appointments 2017-2018 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 - 2017-

2018", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:
Appointment
of
Retroactive
Regular
Substitute** 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: "Retroactive Regular Substitute Appointment", in accordance with Board Policy 9241. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:
Appointment
of Regular
Substitute** 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: "Regular Substitute Appointment", in accordance with Board Policy 9230. Appointment does not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

**Instructional:
Tenure
Recommendations** RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District place the following staff members on tenure in accordance with Education Law of the State of New York and Board Policy 9251. In recommending tenure, the Superintendent has based his decision on the record of performance of the staff members during the tenure period as reported by the Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, the Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration, the Assistant Superintendent for Business, principals and others in supervisory positions. Tenure becomes effective on the dates noted hereon contingent upon continued satisfactory performance in the job until said date tenure becomes effective.

**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 of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve the following 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: Confirmation of Start Date 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 labor classification personnel action: "Confirmation of Start Date", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-instructional: Resignation - Bodily Hygiene Aide 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, non-competitive personnel action: "Resignation: Bodily Hygiene Aide", effective on the date noted hereon.

Non-instructional: Appointments / 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, non-competitive 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 dates 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: Change in Assignment / 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: "Change in Assignment", in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service Commission regulations. Appointments do not exceed the number of positions authorized in the budget.

Non-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 a schedule of non-instructional personnel actions: "Appointment of Student Workers", subject to termination at any time.

**/ Student
Workers**

**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 April 9, 2017, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

**Approval of
Committee
on Preschool
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 Preschool Special Education Placements Report by the Director of Special Education dated April 9, 2017, in accordance with New York State Education Part 200 Regulations.

Items For Discussion

**Draft Policy
#5420,
Student
Health
Services**

Board President Morales introduced Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Administration Glen Zakian and asked for an update on the Policy Committee's work on Policy 5420, "Student Health Services" and the associated regulation 5420-R.

Mr. Zakian stated that the Board of Education had been provided a copy of this updated policy the previous month. The district, along with the Policy Committee and the district's attorneys, Guercio & Guercio, had reviewed this policy when changes were received from NYSED regarding traumatic brain injuries and concussions. Those changes were incorporated into Policy 5280, "Interscholastic Athletics", resulting in the continued review of associated policies. Board members were asked to review the language; approval of this revised policy would be presented in the Consent Agenda at the June Regular Board Meeting.

RESULT:

DISCUSSED

**Public
Participation**

Board President Ralph Morales opened the meeting for the second public participation.

Mr. Ulric provided a summary of the history of the Thespian Honor Society in Farmingdale Schools.

Adjournment Motion made by Mr. Espinosa, seconded by Mrs. Lively to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing specific personnel matters in accordance with Open Meetings Law.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was reconvened in public session at 11:00 p.m.

Motion made by Mr. Capobianco, seconded by Mr. Goldberg to adjourn.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk