

**MINUTES
ROCKY POINT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2018**

Mrs. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Rocky Point High School auditorium.

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

Absent:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6 p.m. a motion was made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Gregory Amendola to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss confidential personnel matters.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Ring commented on the smooth opening to the school year. He noted that despite the numerous holiday interruptions, students and staff were settling in to the new school year. Dr. Ring announced that the summer construction projects are completed with just minor punch-list items to finalize. The lower High School field is being utilized by our student athletes and new bleachers are now being set in place. A newly paved access road to the field was completed over the weekend as part of the finishing touches on the field. Dr. Ring announced that Homecoming will take place this coming Saturday with the parade beginning at 12 p.m. Preceding and following the parade will be numerous sports competitions. Mrs. Sullivan added that numerous games will take place on Friday as well.

Mrs. Sullivan opened the floor to questions/comments.

There were no questions/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.

III-IX CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

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

- III: Minutes** – Regular Meeting, August 27, 2018
- IV Budget Transfer Summary** – Year End 2018 & August 2018
- V: Treasurer’s Reports** – July and August 2018
- VI: Extra-Classroom Activity Account Treasurer’s Report** – July & August 2018
- VII: Financials** – June, July and August 2018
- VIII: Internal Claims Audit Report** – August 2018
- IX: Committees on Special Education Schedules 9-24-18-A** as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, to arrange for appropriate services, as indicated.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

X ROCKY POINT PTA DONATION FOR INCOMING 9TH GRADE ORIENTATION

Upon a motion made by Ed Casswell and seconded by Gregory Amendola, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the \$250.00 donation from the Rocky Point PTA.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Union Free School District hereby approves, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to increase the general fund budget by \$250.00 as a result of the donation from the Rocky Point PTA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following budget code be adjusted to reflect said increase:

A2110 500 03 0000 \$250.00

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

Mrs. Sullivan thanked the PTA for their donation.

XI PTA DONATION (MS) – UMBRELLAS & PICNIC TABLES

Upon a motion made by Gregory Amendola 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 three (3) umbrellas and two (2) outdoor picnic tables from the Rocky Point PTA, valued at approximately \$1,600.00

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XII SURPLUS BOOKS

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Ed Casswell, 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 books on the following attached list.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XIII SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Upon a motion made by Ed Casswell and seconded by Gregory Amendola, 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 list of equipment.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XIV TAX LEVY

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the tax levy of \$51,166,218 for the 2018-2019 fiscal year be approved.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XV CLEARY SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF 2018-2019 CONTRACT

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Ed 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 Cleary School for the Deaf for special education students' instructional services for the 2018-19 school year as required under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or District Policy.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XVI COMSEWOGUE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2018-2019 CONTRACT

Upon a motion made by Ed Casswell and seconded by Gregory Amendola, 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 Comsewogue School District for special education students instructional services for the 2018-19 school year as required under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or District Policy.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XVII SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT – DDI

Upon a motion made by Gregory Amendola 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 Developmental Disabilities Institute, Inc. for special education students' services for Summer 2018 and the 2018-19 School Year, under applicable Individual Educational Programs, applicable law, and/or District Policy.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

**XVIII AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE ROCKY POINT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
THE ROCKY POINT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**

Upon a motion made by Sean Callahan and seconded by Ed 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 execute an Agreement between the District and the Rocky Point Teachers' Association as per the attached.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XIX PERSONNEL

Upon a motion made by Ed Casswell and seconded by Gregory Amendola, 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.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

XX NEW BUSINESS

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

There was no new business.

Once again Mrs. Sullivan invited the meeting attendees for questions/comments.

- C. McMillen recommended the addition of a new gaming club based on ESports. He provided a Newsday article detailing its current rise in popularity.
- Dr. Pinkenburg inquired as to the reasoning of the reduction in passing time during the school day.
Dr. Ring explained that the change in passing time was instituted in order to provide for additional instructional time, in accordance with NYSED mandates regarding the number of hours of instruction at the secondary level.
- Dr. Pinkenburg requested that the policy that determines class ranking for seniors be re-written. He recommended a policy that allows electives to enhance the ranking, rather than diminish it.
- Ms. Baldi thanked the Board of Education for the Report It app and inquired if there would be an informational flyer sent home.
Dr. Ring advised that there was a Connect Ed sent previously but stated that it could be sent again for anyone that missed it. Mrs. Wilson added that posters were placed in all four school buildings. In addition, the information was posted on the school's website. Mrs. Wilson noted that she could relocate it to a more prominent location for maximum exposure.

There were no further questions/comments.

XXI ADJOURNMENT

At 7:21 p.m., Ed Casswell made a motion, and Sean Callahan seconded to adjourn the meeting.

All in favor – Motion carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly White
District Clerk