

EAST ROCKAWAY UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
East Rockaway, New York
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
7:00 P.M., December 20, 2016 – East Rockaway Jr. /Sr. High School

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. November 22, 2016
3. Acknowledge Receipt of Financial Reports – October 2016
4. Correspondence
5. Hearing of visitors on items in the Agenda
6. Action Agenda
 - A. Personnel
 1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, accept the resignation of:
 - a. Linda Donovan, substitute teacher aide, effective December 20, 2016
 - b. Sylvia Asselta, substitute teacher aide, effective December 5, 2016
 - c. Loredana Ippoliti, temporary teaching assistant and substitute teacher, effective December 2, 2016
 - d. Alexa Koutsantanou, part-time Spanish teacher and substitute teacher, effective December 16, 2016
 2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the revised Centre Avenue Club Advisor assignments for the 2016-2017 school year.
 3. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the request of Donna Smith for a leave of absence for medical reasons from her special education teacher position effective January 30, 2017, through April 7, 2017.
 4. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Jacqueline Purtee-Beytin to the position of leave replacement special education teacher, effective January 30, 2017, through June 30, 2017, at the MA, Step 1, annual salary set forth in the East Rockaway Teachers Association contract for the 2016-2017 school year.
 5. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Noreen McDougal, to the position of leave replacement reading teacher, effective December 12,

2016, through June 30, 2017, at the prorated MA, Step Entry, annual salary set forth in the East Rockaway Teachers Association contract for the 2016-2017 school year.

6. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the appointment of Linda M. Donovan to the position of teacher aide, (6 hours per day), effective December 21, 2016, at the prorated Step 1 annual salary set forth in the East Rockaway Teacher Aides Association Agreement for the 2016-2017 school year.
7. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following temporary assignments at the salary approved by the East Rockaway Board of Education on the Non-Contractual Salary Schedule for substitute workers for the 2016-2017 school year, effective upon Civil Service approval:
 - a. Kathleen Gicewicz, substitute teacher aide and substitute clerical
 - b. Lucia Castro, substitute cleaner

B. Other Items

1. Approve the Health and Welfare Services Agreement between the East Rockaway UFSD and Hempstead UFSD for health and welfare services for the 2016-2017 school year and authorize the Superintendent and President of the Board of Education to execute the agreement on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.
2. Approve the Enterprise Program Services Agreement between the East Rockaway UFSD and Malverne UFSD for Enterprise Program services for the 2016-2017 school year, and authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the Agreement on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.
3. Accept the Title IIIA – Immigration Education –Federal Funding Grant Award for the funding dates of September 1, 2016, to August 31, 2017, with an approved budget total of \$21,957.
4. Approve the Special Education Services Contract with Great Neck Union Free School District for the 2016-2017 school year for the following students and authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the contract on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.
 - a. Student ID. No : 180005541
 - b. Student ID. No : 180006249
5. Approve the East Rockaway School District's participation in the Unified Sports Program Basketball League, a Special Olympics inclusive program, for the spring 2017 season, and accept a grant in the sum of \$1,000 from Special Olympics, and a grant in the sum of \$1,000 from Section VIII to support the program.
6. Approve the Non-Contractual Salary Schedule for the 2016-2017 school year.

7. Accept the following donations:
 - a. Check in the amount of \$92.39 from the Centre Avenue PTA for classroom supplies
 - b. Office furniture consisting of 5 desks and 3 credenzas from Weil, Gothshal & Manges LLP valued at \$7,000

8. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that approval is hereby granted to enter into service agreements with the following service providers as indicated in the Request for Proposal published in Newsday on November 28, 2016, for the 2016-2017 school year and authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board of Education:

- a. Capital Markets Advisors, LLC for financial advisor services
- b. Dr. Richard L. Addes for school physician services
- c. Nawrocki Smith LLP for external auditor services
- d. Cullen & Danowski, LLP for internal auditor services

9. Approve the following Cold War Veterans Property Tax Exemption Resolution:

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature amended the New York State Real Property Tax law (“RPTL”) to authorize school districts to provide a real property tax exemption from school district taxation for Cold War veterans under RPTL§458-b; and

WHEREAS, the state legislation was intended to provide Cold War veterans with real property tax exemptions similar to tax exemptions given to other war time veterans; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the East Rockaway UFSD (“Board of Education”) desires by this resolution to extend similar real property tax exemptions to Cold War veterans who are eligible and qualified property owners pursuant to RPTL§458-b; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 13, 2016, in East Rockaway, New York; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

I. The Board of Education hereby adopts the definitions of “qualified owner,” “qualified residential real property” and “Cold War veteran” as provided in the RPTL§458-b(1); and

II. Eligible recipients shall be entitled to the exemption provided under RPTL§458-b(2)(a) to a maximum of fifteen (15%) percent of the assessed value of such property; provided however, that such exemption shall not exceed Twelve Thousand (\$12,000) Dollars or the product of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000) Dollars multiplied by the latest state equalization rate of the assessing unit, or, in the case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is less; and

III. Eligible recipients shall be entitled to the exemption provided under RPTL§458-b(2)(b) to

the extent of the product of the assessed value of such property, multiplied by fifty percent of the Cold War veteran disability rating; provided, however, that such exemption shall not exceed \$40,000 multiplied by the latest state equalization rate for the assessing unit, or, in the case of a special assessing unit, the latest class ratio, whichever is less; and

IV. Tenant-stockholders of eligible cooperative corporations, shall be eligible to receive such exemptions as provided in RPTL§458-b (7); and

V. If a Cold War veteran receives an exemption under section 458 or 458-a of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, the Cold War veteran shall not be eligible to receive the exemption provided by this resolution; and

VI. The exemption provided under paragraph II of this resolution shall be granted for a period of ten (10) years, the commencement, measurement and expiration of which shall be governed pursuant to RPTL§458-b(2)(c)(iii).

VII. Application for the exemption shall be made by the owner, or all of the owners, of the qualified residential real property on a form prescribed by the state.

VIII. This resolution may be repealed by the Board of Education. Any such repeal shall occur at least ninety (90) days prior to the taxable status date of the County of Nassau.

C. Budget Transfers

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the following budget transfer:

- a. Transaction No. 17-0002

D. Approval of CSE Recommendations

E. Approval of CPSE Recommendations

7. Policy Matters

1. For Adoption

- a. Policy 4321.4, 4321.4-R, Independent Educational Evaluations and Regulations

8. Good and Welfare

- a. Congratulations to Erik Walter on his engagement to Kim Green
- b. Condolences to Laura Clarke and family on the passing of her father, Albert Martino
- c. Condolences to Carol Sanders and family on the passing of her mother, Elaine Sanders
- d. Condolences to the family of Anthony Quercia on his sudden and unexpected passing

9. Superintendent's Report

10. Privilege of the Floor

11. Board Member Comments

12. Adjournment