Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Island Trees Union Free School District, Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, Levittown, New York. The meeting was held at the Stephen E. Karopczyc School, 74 Farmedge Road, Levittown, New York, on Wednesday, September 16, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Kristen Daum at 6:32 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Kristen Daum, President

Mrs. Barbara Medellin, Vice President

Mr. Brian Fielding Mr. William Fitzgerald Mr. Paul Giambona Mr. Michael T. Rich, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Charles J. Murphy, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Arlene Genden Sage, Assistant Superintendent for Special Ed.

Mrs. Susan Hlavenka, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Mrs. Elizabeth Roemer, Admin. for Ed. Progs., Lit. & Staff Develop.

Mr. Richard Guercio, General Legal Counsel (arrived 8:09 PM) Mrs. Tara Kahn, General Legal Counsel (arrived 7:32 PM)

Mrs. Concetta Carr, District Clerk

EXECUTIVE: SESSION:

On **Motion** of Mr. Rich, seconded by Mrs. Medellin, and unanimously carried (6-0), the Board of Education recessed into Executive Session at 6:32 PM to conduct interviews and discuss personnel issues regarding employee disciplinary issues.

The meeting returned from Executive Session at approximately 7:30 PM. The meeting resumed with the public at 7:32 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mrs. Daum led the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment

ICE: of silence for our troops.

MINUTES: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the following minutes:

Special Meeting – August 20, 2015 Regular Meeting & Executive Session – August 26, 2015 Committee on Special Education – August 18, 25, 26, 27, September 2, 2015 Committee on Preschool Special Education – August 20 & 27, 2015

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RECOGNITION

Reward School Recognition – Dr. Murphy announced that out of 4,500 schools state-wide, Island Trees High was recognized for their excellence and designated as a high performing Reward School by the New York State Department of Education. Several teachers from the high school were present for this recognition. Mr. Grande thanked the Board of Education for their support and endless service, and stated that he is proud of the high school staff and the staff at the middle school, Stokes and Sparke because this is a district-wide award that comes from the state. Mrs. Daum said the Board of Education is very proud of this commendation and to continue the good work that they do.

VISITORS

COMMENTS: None

ACTION ITEMS

1. <u>Board of Education Approval of Island Trees Memorial Middle School Seventh</u> Grade Field Trip to New York City

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Giambona, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the request for the Island Trees Memorial Middle School seventh grade field trip to New York City from November 5, 2015, to November 6, 2015, at a cost to the students of approximately \$469.00 per student.

2. <u>Board of Education Approval of Stipend for New York City Field Trip Staff</u> <u>Chaperones</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Giambona, seconded by Mr. Rich, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the payment of overnight stipends to each of the estimated ten (10) teachers chaperoning the seventh grade field trip to New York City from November 5, 2015, to November 6, 2015, in the amount of \$100 per evening, a total of \$100 per chaperone, and authorizes the Board President to sign the Stipend Agreement with the U.T.I.T.

3. <u>Board of Education Approval of Stipend for New York City Field Trip Administrative Chaperone</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Fielding, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the payment of an overnight stipend to one (1) administrative chaperone for the seventh grade field trip to New York City from November 5, 2015, to November 6, 2015, in the amount of \$125 per evening, a total of \$125, as per the administrators' contract.

4. <u>Board of Education Approval of Revised Regular School Year Transportation</u> Contract

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and that in order to accommodate a new placement for a special education student, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Fielding, seconded by Mrs. Medellin, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve to amend the 8/26/2015 award of contract 675.016.014 with WE Transport Inc. as part of the Southeast Nassau Transportation Cooperative (SENTCO) bid dated May 12, 2015, from a \$0.00 contract to a contract in the amount of \$20,000.00, and authorizes the Board President to sign said contract.

5. Board of Education Approval to Reject All Bids on the Stokes Elevator Project

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve to reject all bids received on Bid #673.015.010, dated July 2, 2015, for Michael F. Stokes Installation of LU/LA Elevator.

6. Board of Education Approval of Non-Aligned Salary Schedules

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Giambona, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the salary schedules effective July 1, 2015, for the 2015-2016 school year for the employees in the following job titles as presented and are on file with the District Clerk:

Teacher Aides
Registered Professional Nurse
Building and Grounds/Security – Hourly
Part Time – Hourly
Substitutes – Food Service Helper and School Monitor

7. <u>Board of Education Approval to Declare Surplus and Dispose of Library Books from Island Trees High School and Michael F. Stokes Elementary School</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Giambona, seconded by Mr. Rich, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve to declare surplus and dispose of certain library books that are in poor condition or are obsolete from the Island Trees High School and Michael F. Stokes Elementary School as it sees fit pursuant to the State Education Department's recommended procedures.

8. Board of Education Approval of OASAS Drug Abuse Services Contract

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Fielding, and unanimously carried (6-0) to accept grant funding under the OASAS (Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services) in the amount of \$32,428.00 per year for the 2015 and 2016 calendar years, and authorizes the Board President to sign a two year contract with Nassau County for said grant.

9. <u>Board of Education Approval of Certified EMTs for Island Trees School District</u> <u>Home Football Games</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Fielding, seconded by Mrs. Medellin, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve Kristin Rochon and Thomas Mayer, Certified EMTs, to cover all Island Trees School District home football games at a rate of \$60 per game, and authorizes the Board President to sign the professional service agreements.

10. <u>Board of Education Approval of Island Trees High School Music Field Trip to The Metropolitan Opera House</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the request for the Island Trees High School chorus students to attend a dress rehearsal of the production of Puccini's "Manon Lescaut" at The Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, New York City, on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, at a cost to the students of approximately \$40 per student.

11. Board of Education Acceptance of Revised Policy #5151, Homeless Children

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Fitzgerald, seconded by Mr. Giambona, and unanimously carried (6-0) to accept the revised Homeless Children, Policy #5151, as presented.

12. Board of Education Approval of Personnel Report

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Giambona, seconded by Mr. Rich, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve, as presented, the Personnel Report dated September 16, 2015, 1 through 150 inclusive.

13. Board of Education Approval of Use of Buildings

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Rich, seconded by Mr. Fielding, and unanimously carried (6-0) to approve the use of buildings or fields by the following community and school organizations for the 2015-2016 school year subject to the limitations of policy and regulation:

Island Trees Retired Teachers

Island Trees Baseball

Theodore Roosevelt Council Boy Scouts of America

Island Trees Varsity Baseball

Island Trees Baseball

The Princeton Review

Island Trees Elementary PTA

SEPTA Island Trees

Island Trees PTSA

Cub Scout Pack 600

Girl Scouts of Nassau County Plains Assn.

Girl Scouts of Nassau County Troop 3633

St. Bernard's CYO Basketball

Island Trees Football Booster Club

Island Trees Class of 2017

Bulldogs Travel Baseball

Freshman Class of 2019

Girl Scout Troop

Girl Scout Troop 3365

Girl Scout Troop 3195

Girl Scout Troop 3299

Girl Scout Troop 3627

Girl Scout Troop

Cub Scout Pack 600

Girl Scout Troop 3196

Cub Scout Pack 600 Wolf Den

Girl Scout Troop 3183

Girl Scout Troop 3278

Girl Scout Troop 3280

Girl Scout Troop 3327

Girl Scout Troop 3480

Girl Scout Troop 3132

Cub Scout Pack 600 - Tiger Den

Girl Scout Troop 3511

Girl Scout Troop 3559

Girl Scout Troop 3227

Girl Scout Troop 3107

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FINANCIAL REPORT

The Board of Education accepted the Financial Report for June, 2015, as presented.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS (OLD & NEW

BUSINESS): None

EXECUTIVE

SESSION: On **Motion** of Mr. Giambona, seconded by Mr. Rich, and unanimously

carried (6-0), the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 7:40 PM to discuss personnel issues. Mr. McLean, Director of Plant & Facilities was

invited to attend.

RETURN TO REGULAR

SESSION: On **Motion** of Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mr. Giambona, and unanimously

carried (6-0) the meeting came out of Executive Session at 9:14 PM.

ADJOURNED: On **Motion** of Mr. Giambona, seconded by Mrs. Medellin, and unanimously

carried (6-0), the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Concetta Carr District Clerk	
Minutes approved_	