

MILLER PLACE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
MILLER PLACE, NEW YORK
BOARD MINUTES
JUNE 14, 2023

Kind of Meeting: Business Meeting
Place of Meeting: Miller Place High School
Time of Meeting: 8:00 P.M.

Those Present:

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| Board President: | Ms. Lisa Reitan |
| Board Vice President: | Mr. Bryan Makarius |
| Board Trustee: | Ms. Andrea Spaniolas |
| Board Trustee: | Ms. Johanna Testa |
| Superintendent of Schools: | Mr. Seth Lipshie |
| Assistant Superintendent: | Ms. Susan Craddock |
| School Business Official: | Ms. Colleen Card |
| Executive Director for Educational Services: | Ms. Sandra Wojnowski |
| Director of Human Resources | Mr. Christopher J. Herrschaft |
| District Clerk | Ms. Patricia Morbillo |

Those Absent:

Board Trustee: Mr. Keith Frank

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A. PUBLIC SESSION

1. Ms. Reitan called the meeting to order at 8:10 P.M. She announced that the meeting was being recorded and that the recording would be posted to the District website in a few days.
2. Ms. Reitan reviewed the Emergency Procedures.

B. RECOGNITION

1. Recognition of Veterans

Ms. Reitan acknowledged the veterans, and their families present at the meeting.

2. Recognition of Media

There was no media present at the meeting.

3. Recognition

District Retirees

The Board of Education recognizes the retirees each year at the June meeting. The retirees for the 2022- 2023 school year are: Albert Hank, Darlene Levi, Russell Rasch, Annalisa Fasano, Chris Parillo, Phil Ruggiero, Maureen Feddern, John Tuminello, Andrea Rasso, Eileen DeCarmine, Karen Engel, Deborah VanBommell, Jeannette Naeder-Accardi and Robert Washburn. The retirees were recognized for their years of service to the District. Mr. Lipshie introduced each principal and administrator to speak about the retirees who attended the meeting. The Board of Education and Administration extended their thanks and well wishes to this year's retirees. All

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retirees will receive a clock as a token of appreciation for their years of service and dedication to the Miller Place School District.

Student Representative

Ms. Reitan said that during the 2022-23 school year, the Board of Education and Administrative staff have had the pleasure of having Alexandra DeAmario represent and be the voice of our High School students. She noted that every year the board has a student representative that works with us. She expressed the board's gratitude to for her outstanding service and commitment as a student representative on Miller Place Board of Education this school year. She advocated for the interests of your fellow students has not gone unnoticed and your contributions to the board meetings have been very important to the board and your unique insights and perspectives that have greatly enriched the board's process. The Board of Education and Administration extended their thanks and well wishes to Alexandra for her service.

C. MESSAGES

1. Superintendent Message

Ms. Reitan introduced Mr. Lipshie to give his message. He stated that, as of today, we have completed the end of year celebrations and moving up ceremonies for our elementary students. The MPHS Seniors paraded throughout the district to say goodbye on June 9, 2023. Parents, teachers, and students at AMPS, LADSBS, and NCRMS lined up and cheered for them as they made their way down the hallways of their old schools. Early next week, we will celebrate our eighth graders with a moving up ceremony and lastly, we will honor the graduating senior class of 2023. Mr. Lipshie reviewed some building information to help wrap up the school year.

Mr. Lipshie reported that at AMPS, the School Improvement Committee created a reading choice board for the summer. Folders with the reading materials were sent home with kindergarten and first grade students with a participation sign up deadline. Students participating in the summer reading will be part of the fall reading celebration.

He then moved to report that at LADSBS, the third graders had the opportunity to host a class of the incoming third graders. During this visit, LADSBS third graders filled the second graders in on the aspects of LADSBS and answered questions. Fourth Grader Margaret O'Callaghan received an honorable mention award at the Brookhaven National Lab Science Fair for her project entitled "Marker Magic." There were six 4th Grade projects that received awards from across Suffolk County. Fifth Grader Walker Knoblauch won the Suffolk County Safe Stop poster contest. Walker's poster was selected as best in Suffolk County representing the importance of the Bus Safety Program and Walker will be recognized by Legislator Sarah Anker.

Mr. Lipshie said that the NCRMS Jr. Panthers performed two excellent productions of Finding Nemo. Sixth grade classes met with Mr. Nicky, a certified teacher and musician whose YouTube channel "Mr. Nicky's World History Songs" has over 18 million views and 100,000 subscribers. His songs are imitations of well-known hits, to which he changes the lyrics to teach about ancient civilizations and students had the opportunity to create songs in collaboration with Mr. Nicky using their background knowledge in Social Studies.

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He continued his report that at MPHS, that the Living Environment students participated in the Invasive Species Poster Contest. Tenth Grader Sam Selfridge came in 2nd place for his "Wanted: Mute Swan" poster. This contest was sponsored by the Long Island Invasive Species Management Association.

Mr. Lipshie noted that the following athletic teams were recognized as Sportsmanship winners for the Spring 2022-2023 seasons including Varsity Boys Track, JV Softball, MS Baseball, MS Boys Lacrosse, MS Boys Tennis, MS Boys Track and MS Girls Track. Over the weekend, golfer Anthony Naples competed in the NYS Federation tournament at Bethpage Black. Anthony finished in 3rd place overall in New York State. Jack Kiernan and Katie Doherty were recognized as Dellacave Award nominees for Most Outstanding Athletes at the Suffolk EOC Banquet.

Mr. Lipshie shared information on the upcoming end-of-year events including Senior Academic Awards, the 8th Grade Moving Up Dance, the 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony, the Senior Prom, and lastly the MPHS Graduation.

Mr. Lipshie asked that everyone visit the Community link on the District website where they can find links with information regarding various groups that support our students including the Miller Place Athletic Booster Club, Miller Place Friends of the Arts, Miller Place PTO and the Miller Place Robotics Booster Club. The links include information about summer camp opportunities and in addition, he noted that the Community Flyers link has additional activities for members of the community.

Mr. Lipshie wished the Miller Place community an enjoyable and safe summer.

1. Board Members Message

Ms. Reitan welcomed everyone to the board meeting and said a thank you to all those that are retiring and know that you have touched many lives here in Miller Place and we hope you enjoy your retirement. Ms. Reitan also stated that I was not able to attend the last meeting but wanted to personally thank the community for re-electing me to serve you on the Miller Place Board of Education for the next three years. Ms. Reitan then proceeded to address some of the questions and concerns that the community has brought to us.

She started with the number of music lessons being offered in elementary and middle school. She said the board was aware of the number of lessons but asked Mr. Lipshie to look into this concern further. She noted that the district did not eliminate any positions, other than the noted COVID hires and that the board understands the importance of music in students' lives. The board is hopeful that we will have an further information of the community by the next meeting if we can make any changes to the number of music lessons. She also congratulated the Music Department for receiving the BEST COMMUNITIES FOR MUSIC EDUCATION award for the seventh year in a row.

Ms. Reitan then discussed community member concerns regarding the drama program, the funding of the program, and future drama program volunteers. She noted that this board and every board she has served with have always felt that drama, music, and art were of vital

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importance to our students and school community. She noted that drama is a club and therefore follows the policies 5200, 5205, 5250, and 5251 which govern extraclassroom clubs. The clubs are learning opportunities for all students and each of our clubs is very important to this district. First, she thanked those that have volunteered their time over the years to the drama program. Historically we have had the best parents and community members that have helped our students put on a great production including some relatives who were very invested in the drama program when Mr. David Kramer was the advisor. Ms. Reitan's brother volunteered set building for years back then and even came back a few years after they graduated to help out. She also noted that there have been many parents who volunteered to do costumes, makeup, and other drama needs. It is our hope that this historical volunteerism will continue in the future. It is also the job of the advisor and the students to elicit volunteerism. If there are ever issues with not having enough help to build sets etc., they can reach out to Friends of the Arts or to our administration and they would help get the volunteers they needed.

She then reviewed some funding information including that the lighting and sound systems were upgraded here in the auditorium between 2017-2018 which totaled over \$61,000. She noted that the LADSBS production, the MPHS fall production were just added this year. There was concern that that MPHS fall production was not fully funded but that production was meant to be a smaller parred down production versus the full spring production. The drama advisor and students came to Mr. Lipshie after the district's budget was passed, last September asking to add this play at the last minute. The board rather than say no, we were able to take funds from the general budget to start the program for a trial run. She then reviewed the fall play costs which were paid by the district including director stipend, assistant director stipend, chaperones costs, script, poster artwork, supplies which was at a net cost of about \$3,700. She noted that stipends are contract negotiated. She then reviewed the new LADSBS drama club that was added as a last minute request as well had two advisors, chaperones, and supplies with a net cost to district of about \$1,500. She reviewed that the regular NCRMS drama club had one advisor stipend and chaperones costs with a cost of over \$5,600. She reviewed that the MPHS drama club had a director, two assistant directors, stage manager, band director, vocal director, chaperones with a cost to the district of over \$17,000. Overall, the district spent over \$27,000 in district funds on drama costs this school year.

She then reviewed some of the fundraising that the drama club undertook this year to raise funds including ticket sales, Playbill sponsors, merchandise, raffle baskets, etc. This is part of the learning experience for the students as they are supposed to be involved in how that money gets raised and spent. This year drama club fundraised \$33,000 towards their production How they choose to spend it is part of the budget they and their director set up at the beginning of the club. If they want to spend on wood, props, costumes, or whatever they want to spend it they may use those funds. I know this year the drama club spent over \$5,000 in costumes, where in other years they may decide to put the funds to other uses. The spending is totally controlled by the club. They can reuse props and repaint wood, or purchase new wood etc. I have also been told that if they have larger than expected bills, they may go to the building principal and ask for some funding help through their funds. With the direct expenses of the district added that to money fundraised that is a total of \$60,000 for the drama program. She also stated that it is hard to compare clubs like drama with sports because drama is a school club, and sports are overseen by

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section XI and they have a whole set of rules that the schools have to follow. Sport teams do not fundraise, but booster other organizations like MPAA are able to raise on their behalf.

She stated that the board was concerned about the student last month that told us about the nails coming up on the stage and she reported that the drama club will hammer down wood onto the stage for their sets and it is those nails that the students are getting caught on. There are no nails coming out of our wood floors on the stage. She reported that there was a leak, it was repaired and then it started to leak again, and they are repairing that again. Ms. Reitan noted that in the future if there is a maintenance problem the club advisor needs to immediately notify Mr. Slavin.

Ms. Reitan hoped this answers some of the questions brought up and that the board will continue to work with the drama directors in the future to make sure our drama club runs as it always has. We wanted the community to know that if there are other questions, please let us know, because drama is and has always been very important to this district. She noted that this is the last Board of Education meeting of this school year and that the board would like to congratulate all our teachers, staff, administration, and students on a wonderful school year.

Ms. Testa then took a moment to state that Mr. Frank was not at the meeting due to a work commitment. Ms. Testa thanked Mr. Frank for serving on the Miller Place Board of Education since 2015. She stated he was a kind and caring man and that his service and skills have greatly helped the Board make many important decisions. Ms. Testa thanked the entire Frank family for their dedication to the district and community.

D. PUBLIC BE HEARD

Comments are limited to 2 minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes **related to agenda items only**, state name, resident, or non-resident. All comments are to be directed to the Board of Education.

There were no comments about the agenda items.

E. CONSENT AGENDA – MINUTES – None

F. CONSENT AGENDA - FINANCE/FACILITIES:

1. Obsolete Assets:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting your approval of the resolution to declare the District owned asset list as obsolete and its possible sale, and/or disposal.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the District owned assets list as obsolete and its possible sale, and/or disposal.”

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2. **Donation – General Mills / Box Tops for Education:**

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting your approval of the resolution to approve the donation from General Mills / Box Tops for Education to be used in support of the students at the Laddie A. Decker Sound Beach School and Andrew Muller Primary School.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts the donation from General Mills Box Tops for Education in support of the students at the Laddie A. Decker Sound Beach School in the amount of \$36.70 and Andrew Muller Primary School in the amount of \$57.50.”

3. **Donation – Scholarships and Awards:**

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting your approval of the resolution to accept donations for the scholarships and awards.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts the scholarship and awards donations for the MPUFSD Senior Scholarships and Awards account from:

Miller Place Secretarial and Clerical Association - \$500.00
Miller Place Athletic Booster Club - \$4,100.00
Miller Place Athletic Association - \$1,700.00.”

4. **Request for Proposal Award – Electrical Services #24-13:**

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting your approval of the following Electrical Services Request for RFP#24-13 to Relle Electric Corp. for the 2023-24 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby awards the Request for Proposal - RFP#24-13 to Relle Electric Corp. for Electrical Services for the 2023-24 fiscal year.”

G. CONSENT AGENDA - PERSONNEL:

1. **Personnel List:**

Mr. Lipshie and Mr. Herrschaft recommend and request your approval of the personnel list of June 14, 2023.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the Personnel List of June 14, 2023, as presented. For any probationary appointment for a class room teacher or building principal that except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the class room teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d of either E or H in at least three of the four preceding

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years and if the class room teacher or building principal receives an I composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at this time.”

2. Miller Place Administrators Association - Memorandum of Agreement:

Mr. Lipshie and Mr. Herrschaft recommend and request your approval of the memorandum of agreement with the Miller Place Administrators Unit for employee #2511.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the memorandum of agreement with the Miller Place Administrators Association for employee #2511.”

H. CONSENT AGENDA - SPECIAL EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. CSE and CPSE Recommendations:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Wojnowski are requesting your approval of the CSE and CPSE recommendations.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby accepts the recommendations of the CSE’s and CPSE’s dated: CPSE AMPS 3-17-23; CSE LADSBS 1-30-23; CSE MPHS 1-4-23; CSE MPHS 6-5-23; CPSE AMPS 4-11-23; CSE LADSBS 1-31-23; CSE MPHS 1-30-23 (2); CSE NCR 2-10-23; CPSE AMPS 4-12-23; CSE LADSBS 2-1-23; CSE MPHS 1-30-23; CSE NCR 2-27-23; CPSE AMPS 4-13-23; CSE LADSBS 2-2-23; CSE MPHS 1-31-23 (2); CSE NCR 2-28-23; CPSE AMPS 4-14-23; CSE LADSBS 2-3-23; CSE MPHS 1-31-23; CSE NCR 3-1-23; CPSE AMPS 4-21-23; CSE LADSBS 2-13-23; CSE MPHS 2-1-23 (2); CSE NCR 3-2-23; CPSE AMPS 4-25-23; CSE LADSBS 2-14-23; CSE MPHS 2-1-23; CSE NCR 3-3-23; CPSE AMPS 4-27-23; CSE LADSBS 2-15-23 (2); CSE MPHS 2-2-23 (2); CSE NCR 3-2-23; CPSE AMPS 5-3-23; CSE LADSBS 2-15-23; CSE MPHS 2-2-23; CSE NCR 3-30-23; CPSE AMPS 5-11-23; CSE LADSBS 2-16-23 (2); CSE MPHS 2-3-23 (2); CSE NCR 5-24-23; CSE AMPS 2-6-23; CSE LADSBS 2-16-23; CSE MPHS 2-3-23; CSE NCR 5-11-23; CSE AMPS 2-9-23; CSE LADSBS 2-17-23; CSE MPHS 2-13-23 (2); CSE OOD 1-20-23; CSE AMPS 2-10-23; CSE LADSBS 3-6-23; CSE MPHS 2-13-23; CSE OOD 2-27-23; CSE AMPS 2-27-23; CSE LADSBS 3-9-23; CSE MPHS 2-14-23; CSE OOD 3-6-23; CSE AMPS 2-28-23; CSE LADSBS 3-10-23 (2); CSE MPHS 2-15-23 (2); CSE OOD 3-10-23 (2); CSE AMPS 3-2-23; CSE LADSBS 3-10-23; CSE MPHS 2-15-23; CSE OOD 3-10-23; CSE AMPS 3-3-23; CSE LADSBS 3-21-23 (2); CSE MPHS 2-16-23 (2); CSE OOD 3-13-23; CSE AMPS 3-16-23; CSE LADSBS 3-21-23; CSE MPHS 2-16-23; CSE OOD 3-15-23; CSE AMPS 3-17-23; CSE LADSBS 3-22-23; CSE MPHS 2-17-23 (2); CSE OOD 3-15-23; CSE AMPS 3-29-23; CSE LADSBS 3-23-23; CSE MPHS 2-17-23; CSE OOD 3-16-23; CSE AMPS 3-30-23; CSE LADSBS 3-24-23; CSE MPHS 3-22-23 (2); CSE OOD 3-17-23; CSE AMPS 3-31-23; CSE LADSBS 3-27-23; CSE MPHS 3-22-23 (2); CSE OOD 5-25-23; CSE AMPS 4-19-23; CSE LADSBS 3-31-23; CSE MPHS 3-24-23 (2); CSE AMPS 4-20-23; CSE LADSBS 4-10-23; CSE MPHS 3-24-23; CSE AMPS 4-21-23; CSE LADSBS 4-12-23; CSE MPHS 3-28-23; CSE AMPS 5-5-23; CSE LADSBS 4-19-23; CSE MPHS 4-28-23; CSE LADSBS 5-4-23 (2);

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CSE MPHS 5-23-23; CSE LADSBS 5-4-23; CSE MPHS 5-16-23; CSE LADSBS 5-12-23; CSE MPHS 5-24-23 .”

I. CONSENT AGENDA - CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. Textbook Adoption:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Craddock are submitting for your approval and consideration of the Board of Education Policy 4511 Textbook Selection and Adoption, the appropriate building level committee review and final recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent the resolution to adopt the *Environment: The Science Behind the Stories* textbook to be used in the Science Department at the Miller Place High School.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby adopts *Environment: The Science Behind the Stories* textbook to be used in the Science Department at the Miller Place High School by the publisher of Pearson.”

2. Obsolete Textbooks:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Craddock are requesting your approval of the resolution to declare the district owned textbook list obsolete for its possible sale, and/or disposal.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the district owned textbook list as obsolete for its possible sale, and/or disposal.”

J. CONSENT AGENDA – OTHER – None

K. CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVAL

Ms. Reitan thanked all of the donors for their generosity that were contributing to scholarships for Miller Place High School graduates.

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

L. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Student Representative Report

The Board Student Representative, Alexandra DeAmario, gave a report on the happenings of the Miller Place High School. She reported on all of the Senior activities including yearbook signing day in the library where the students wore their jerseys; students signed the 2023 mural that was painted by Kate Walter; the Senior walk through all of the school buildings and to see all of the students and teachers cheering and crying for us – it was very good for everyone just

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seeing each other again; and the Senior BBQ was really fun with the food trucks, lots of games, they went to the football field for their countdown and played a really big game of duck, duck goose; and finally when they departed at the end of the day's activities which was a great bonding experience. She noted that the final activities are the prom at the Waterview in Port Jefferson and graduation which everyone is very excited about. Ms. Reitan noted that there is a slideshow that was posted to the district website for community members to review that was great. Alexandra thanked the board for listening to all of her reports this school year.

2. Board Committee Reports, if applicable

Ms. Reitan gave an overview of the wellness committee. She reported that the district Automated External Defibrillators (AED)'s pads are being replaced and that there are 20 in central building locations and there are 26 for athletic teams. She noted that the board is very happy that the athletic teams have AEDs as this is not mandated but an important health and safety measure. These pads are replaced every two years. The district also has Narcan kits with the AED's which are provided by the state for free. The district had a substance abuse presentation for students that was given by Dr. Pachter which was well received by students and staff. The VAPE sensors have been successful, and the district will be looking to expand this program in the future. This was the final meeting of the committee for the school year.

3. Bond 2021 Report

Ms. Reitan asked Ms. Card to give a bond stats update. She reported that the AMPS gymnasium plans and NCRMS plans that were submitted to NYSED facilities planning are still awaiting NYSED facilities planning approval. The architect is reviewing contractor job submittals for the AMPS ventilation projects. The district has received these contracts and the board president will be signing them tonight. She reported that the AMPS kick-off construction meeting was held last week. She noted that the district will continue to provide regular updates to the board and this information can be found on the district website under departments > business office > bond information for your reference.

4. Strategic Planning Committee Report

Ms. Reitan asked Mr. Lipshie to report on the status of the strategic plan. Mr. Lipshie stated that the Strategic Plan Committee met last night and has started the review of the comments and responses to the questions from the eight different Focus Groups that met during the month of May. The Strategic Planning Committee will be meeting several times over the summer to continue to look at the data collected to make recommendations for the Final Plan. The recommendations will include the final priorities, the activities to meet those priorities and the performance indicators. The goal of the committee is to have a finalized plan for the fall 2023 that can be used as an accountability metric to help guide the district moving forward.

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M. **DISCUSSION – None**

N. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

1. **Board of Education Transfer from EBLAR Reserve Fund to Fund 2022-23 Retirees and Increasing the 2022-23 Budget:**

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that the following resolution be adopted regarding the retiree funding for the 2022-23 fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, and are requesting a roll call vote.

RECOMMENDED MOTION “WHEREAS, the 2022-23 revised budget of \$77,691,336 did not make provisions for the District to meet certain unanticipated obligations for contingent negotiated employee contractual expenses of up to \$700,000;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the transfer of up to \$700,000 in funds from the District’s Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve, thereby increasing the 2022-23 revenue budget of up to \$78,391,336; and

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves increasing the 2022-23 revised expenditure budget of \$77,691,336 of up to \$700,000 for these unanticipated obligations, thereby totaling the 2022-23 expenditure budget of up to \$78,391,336; and

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Miller Place School District hereby approves the School Business Official to expend the specific budget expenditure appropriation of up to \$700,000 to meet these certain unanticipated obligations for contingent negotiated employee union contractual retirement expenses.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
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| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | _____ |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | _____ |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | _____ | <u>ABSENT</u> |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | _____ |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | _____ |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

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2. Funding of Unemployment Reserve Fund Resolution 2022-23:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that this resolution be adopted regarding the funding of reserve funds from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, if funds are available. This resolution only allows the Board of Education to consider funding reserves after the external audit is completed if funds should be available at that time. We are requesting a roll call vote for this resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the funding of the **Reserve for Unemployment**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the appropriation of funds not to exceed \$300,000 from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
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| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | <u>ABSENT</u> | |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

3. Funding of Workers’ Compensation Reserve Fund Resolution 2022-23:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that this resolution be adopted regarding the funding of reserve funds from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, if funds are available. This resolution only allows the Board of Education to consider funding reserves after the external audit is completed if funds should be available at that time. We are requesting a roll call vote for this resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the funding of the **Reserve for Workers’ Compensation**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the appropriation of funds not to exceed \$850,000 from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations.”

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Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | <u>ABSENT</u> | |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

4. Funding of Employee Retirement Contributions Reserve Fund Resolution 2022-23:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that this resolution be adopted regarding the funding of reserve funds from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, if funds are available. This resolution only allows the Board of Education to consider funding reserves after the external audit is completed if funds should be available at that time. We are requesting a roll call vote for this resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the funding of the **Reserve for Employee Retirement Contributions,** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the appropriation of funds not to exceed \$950,000 from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Ms. Spaniolas moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | <u>ABSENT</u> | |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

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5. Funding of Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund Resolution 2022-23:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that this resolution be adopted regarding the funding of reserve funds from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, if funds are available. This resolution only allows the Board of Education to consider funding reserves after the external audit is completed if funds should be available at that time. We are requesting a roll call vote for this resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the funding of the **Reserve for Employee Benefit Accrued Liability**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the appropriation of funds not to exceed \$1,600,000 from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations.”

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Ms. Spaniolas moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | <u>ABSENT</u> | |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

6. Funding of Teachers’ Retirement Contributions Reserve Fund Resolution 2022-23:

Mr. Lipshie and Ms. Card are requesting that this resolution be adopted regarding the funding of reserve funds from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 2023, if funds are available. This resolution only allows the Board of Education to consider funding reserves after the external audit is completed if funds should be available at that time. We are requesting a roll call vote for this resolution.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: “**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the funding of the **Reserve for Teachers’ Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Miller Place Union Free School District hereby approves the appropriation of funds not to exceed \$850,000 from within the existing 2022-23 general fund budgetary appropriations.”

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Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the resolution as presented and if there were any questions which there were none.

Ms. Spaniolas moved, seconded by Mr. Makarius, and duly put to a roll call vote which resulted as follows:

| <u>Roll Call Vote:</u> | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Ms. Lisa Reitan, President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Bryan Makarius, Vice President | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Mr. Keith Frank, Trustee | <u>ABSENT</u> | |
| Ms. Andrea Spaniolas, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |
| Ms. Johanna Testa, Trustee | <u>X</u> | <u> </u> |

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

O. BOARD POLICIES – First Time Reading:

- 7000 Public Use of School Facilities
- 7000.E.1 Public Use of Facilities Agreement
- 7000.E.2. Application for Public Use of School Facilities

P. BOARD POLICIES – Review:

- 2232 Duties of the School District Treasurer
- 4327 Homebound Instruction
- 4513 Library Materials Selection
- 5160 Student Attendance
- 6410 Authorized Signatures

Ms. Spaniolas stated there were some comments and questions about Policy 4513 Library Materials Selection at the May 31, 2023, Board of Education Meeting. The board requested that this policy continue to remain in review at this time to possibly review and/or reword slightly the current suggested changes to the policy.

Q. BOARD POLICIES – Action:

- 4531 Field Trips and Excursions
- 7500 Naming Facilities
- 7500.R Naming Facilities Regulation

Ms. Reitan asked if there were any questions on the policies in action. There were no board questions and Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to approve the policies in action.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, to approve the policies in action.

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

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R. OTHER – None

S. PUBLIC BE HEARD

Comments are limited to 2 minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes; state name, resident, or non-resident. All comments are to be directed to the Board of Education. The Board of Education follows Policy 1440 – Public Complaints about District Personnel in which the Board discourages complaints or criticisms about individual District personnel at our public meetings. If there is a concern about individual District personnel, please contact the Superintendent of Schools.

The public addressed the Board of Education regarding several items. A community member asked about the NYS Education Department’s 2023 update and best practices for creating a safe, supportive, and affirming environment for transgender and gender expansive students. Ms. Reitan stated that the Board just received the update on Monday, and the board needs to review and understand the new update. Another community member wanted to follow up on some questions that were asked at previous Board of Education meetings throughout the year. The board and administration listened and responded to some of the questions. The District Clerk accepted the list of questions from this community member so that the Administration could respond to the rest by email or possibly for the Board to respond at a future Board of Education meeting.

T. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Ms. Reitan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Makarius moved, seconded by Ms. Testa, to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 P.M.

Yes 4; No 0; Motion Carried

Respectively submitted by Ms. Patricia A. Morbillo, District Clerk