

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Thursday, April 15, 2021, in the All-Purpose Room of the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Bruce A. Kahn - President
Mr. Kevin Devlin- Vice President
Ms. Andrea Parisi - Trustee
Ms. Natalie Pedisich – Trustee
Ms. Stacie Stark - Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Adele V. Pecora
Mr. John A. Strifolino
Ms. Rhonda L. Meserole
Ms. Mary Anne Sadowski – Attorney

At 7:04 p.m., the President of the Board of Education opened the Special Meeting. As the first order of business, Board President Bruce Kahn led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN MEETING

Board President Bruce Kahn welcomed everyone back in person and advised that the meeting was also being live streamed.

Dr. Adele Pecora:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Update on COVID cases

Next Wednesday, April 21st, first day all High School students back in person
State released State Aid runs late

New Federal Grants available this year; these funds are to be used for learning loss and improving ventilation systems (COVID related expenditures)

- Information related to the criteria for accessing these funds and the manner in which these funds need to be spent has not yet been released
- We know we are to have access to these funds but do not know exactly the procedure for procuring them

Ms. Meserole will be presenting tonight the Revenues and Expenditures related the 2021/2022 budget

- Happy to report the budget is robust and not only has aspects of maintaining our program but also enhancing our programs
- We have been able to stay within our tax cap which is 1.497

Areas covered in Budget Session #3 - Seaford UFSD Budget 2021-2022
Anticipated Expenses and Revenues included:

PRESENTATIONS

Proposed Budget 2021-2022

Budget-to-Budget Increase

Projected Tax Levy Increase

Proposed Revenue Budget 2021-2022

- Seaford UFSD Tax Levy History
- Required Tax Levy within the Tax Cap
- 2021-2022 Revenue Sources
- Current State Aid as of 4/15/21
- Seaford takes a conservative approach to State Aid and the Legislative Budget
- NYS Legislative State Aide – Projected vs. Actual
- New Federal Funds Reported with Legislative Budget Never offered before...
- American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021
- Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSAA) Act of 2020

Proposed Expenditure Budget 2021-2022

- General Fund Expenditure Budget Categories
- Budget to Budget Comparison
- Budget Enhancements 2021-2022
- Expenditure Budget Includes

What's on the Ballot?

Schedule of future meetings

Questions

A special thank you to our Board of Education and the Seaford Community for Supporting our Schools

Mr. Kahn advised that the annual Budget Hearing will be held on Wednesday, May 5th in the High School Auditorium

In response to Mr. Kahn's question related to monies available for Universal Pre-K, Dr. Pecora explained that even though it is State Aid, it is considered a grant for purposes of budgeting. It is not in our budget - similar to the Federal funds. Our District does not have the space to run Pre-K in house. It is also only for a limited time that they are guaranteeing the funds (right now two years). We would have to send out proposals to some of local community-based organizations that provide Pre-K and see if they have seats for our children. Then we would have to set up from the business aspect the ability to pay for the seats and allocate seats appropriately throughout the community – it would probably be done by some sort of lottery system. Dr. Pecora went on to say that it was something they are looking at but not sure it could be actualized because a lot of things must come together, and the funding is only a two-year commitment.

Ms. Stark spoke about the Seaford Public Library vote. Ms. Meserole advised that in addition to the School District Budget and Trustee Election, the Seaford Public Library budget would be on this year's ballot. Mr. Kahn advised that the Library also had one seat up for election and that would also be on the ballot.

At 7:25 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Devlin, second by Ms. Stark, to adjourn the Special Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular and upon completion of discussion respecting the foregoing to return to open session.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING

Executive Session concluded at 7:40 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDS

The Special Meeting resumed at 7:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Devlin, second by Ms. Stark, to adopt the following resolution:

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, pursuant to Education Law Section 913, that an instructional employee, whose identity is known to the Board of Education, is directed to report for an examination in order to determine the capacity of such person to perform his/her duties. The examination will be conducted by Dr. Randall Solomon at his office located at 55 Nesconset Highway, Port Jefferson Station, NY, 11776 on April 26, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. and/or any other subsequent days that Dr. Solomon may require.

	No Discussion
Bruce Kahn -	Aye
Kevin Devlin -	Aye
Andrea Parisi -	Aye
Natalie Pedisich -	Aye
Stacie Stark -	Aye
	Motion Carried.

Ms. Parisi stated that guidance had come down about barriers and that they wouldn't be required. She went on to say that she didn't know if they would be removed or kept as a precautionary in the budget. Dr. Pecora briefly spoke about the guidance and advised that barriers will be required in all schools. She went on to speak about Federal funds which will be available and how they can be used.

At 7:49 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Devlin, second by Ms. Stark, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-aligned employee contracts and possible litigation matters and upon completion of discussion respecting the foregoing to return to open session.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Kahn advised that the Board would only returning to open session to adjourn the meeting.

Best of luck to the High School next and hope all goes well

CLOSING REMARKS

Executive Session concluded at 9:42 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION
ENDS**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Devlin, second by Ms. Stark, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 9:42 p.m.

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No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen T. Ouellette
District Clerk

Andrea Parisi
Vice District Clerk