

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021**  
**VIA ZOOM WEBINAR**

**PRESENT:**

Ms. Barbara Berkowitz, President  
Mr. Donald L. Ashkenase, Vice President  
Ms. Rebecca Sassouni, Alternate Vice President  
Ms. Donna Peirez, Trustee  
Mr. Jeffrey Shi, Trustee

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Dr. Teresa Prendergast, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. John Powell, Assistant Superintendent – Business  
Dr. Stephen Lando, Assistant Superintendent – Secondary  
Ms. Kelly Newman, Assistant Superintendent – Elementary  
Dr. Joseph Hickey, Assistant Superintendent – Pupil Personnel Services  
Ms. Jennifer Kirby, Director – Human Resources  
Dr. Justin Lander, Director of Technology  
Mr. Jack Feldman, Counsel to the Board  
Ms. Kuniko Langel, Secretary to the Board

At 7:30 pm, Ms. Berkowitz convened a working session via Zoom with SAGES leaders to discuss budgetary matters.

Guests: 5

On a motion by Ms. Berkowitz and approved by unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

At 8:30 pm the Board reconvened in public session via Zoom Webinar.

Viewers: 93

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. **December 16, 2020**
- b. **December 28, 2020**
- c. **January 4, 2021**
- d. **January 13, 2021**

The Board approved the minutes of the above meetings, as presented.

## 2. **BOARD/ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS**

### a. **Superintendent's Report**

- **Saddle Rock Clothing Pantry Night** on December 18 an overwhelming success. Thanked SHAI, UPTC, principal Luci Bradley and District social workers for organizing and hosting event.
- **Winter Sports:** Low and moderate risk winter sports (bowling, indoor track & field, fencing and swimming & diving) began earlier this month and competitions will begin shortly. Whenever possible, teams will compete in “virtual” meets in winter track, swimming and diving, and gymnastics. Section VIII Executive Committee and the Nassau County Athletic Council passed a spectator policy for winter sports. The host (home) school will decide whether to allow spectators at winter sports’ contests held at high schools. For outside venues, spectators will not be permitted. As of now, we are not permitting spectators to attend athletic events.
- **High-Risk Sports and Extracurricular Activities:** Participation in high-risk sports (incl. basketball, wrestling, competitive cheer, volleyball) has been suspended by NYS until further notice. Once it is safe to provide additional extra-curricular and athletic opportunities for students, we will move swiftly to implement a plan that is safe for everyone.
- **COVID Update:** Since December 19, 66 students and 27 staff members have tested positive for COVID. To maintain in-person instruction, essential that everyone follow NYS Department of Health guidelines.
- **Daily Infection Rate:** Daily Great Neck Yellow Zone COVID infection rate lower than Nassau county average. On Jan.15, COVID positivity rate for Great Neck Yellow Zone was 4.60%. County average was 7.36%.
- **COVID Vaccinations:** Governor Cuomo approved next phase of vaccine distribution. District in contact with multiple hospitals to secure appointments to receive vaccine for teachers and education workers but to no avail.
- **2021-22 Kindergarten Registration:** Enrollment begins January 25. All applications are now processed online.

Dr. Teresa Prendergast  
Superintendent of Schools

b. **Adoption of School Calendar for 2021-2022**

**INFORMATION**

The attached 2021-2022 School Calendar was presented at the December 16, 2020 Board meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt the attached 2021-2022 School Calendar.

Motion: R. Sassouni

Vote: 5-0



# GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## School Calendar

### 2021-2022

#### August/September

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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Aug.	31	Supt's Conference Day
Sept.	1	First Day of School
	6	Labor Day
	7 - 8	Rosh Hashanah
	16	Yom Kippur
Oct.	11	Columbus Day
Nov.	2	Supt's Conference Day
	11	Veterans Day
	25 - 26	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec.	24 - 31	Holiday Recess
Jan.	17	Martin Luther King Day
Feb.	1	Lunar New Year
	21 - 25	Winter Recess
Apr.	14 - 22	Spring Recess
May	30	Memorial Day
June	20	Juneteenth
	24	Last School Day*

SHADED DATES INDICATE  
SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED.

IF SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED FOR MORE  
THAN 4 "INCLEMENT WEATHER" DAYS,  
MAKE-UP DAY(S) TBD

OUTLINED DATES INDICATE  
SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAYS:  
SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR STUDENTS.

**Proposed: 12/16/2020**  
**Adopted: 1/19/2021**

**Teachers Report 184 Days**  
**Students Report 182 Days**

**c. Policy: Gender Neutral Language Revisions (One Reading Only)****INFORMATION**

As part of the Board of Education's ongoing effort to promote and foster inclusivity and cultural responsiveness, beginning in the 2018-2019 school year the District Policy Committee initiated the use of gender neutral language in all newly adopted policies and the replacement of gender specific language with gender neutral language in existing policies upon revision. Recently, administration received a request from high school students asking the Board to hasten that process. Therefore, listed below are the remaining policies requiring such a change. In addition, upon a recommendation from the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA), the word "shall" is being replaced with the word "will" throughout these policies to indicate that a particular action is required. These revisions will also be applied to the Board of Education Bylaws. In accordance with *Policy 2400 Board Policy Development*, these revised bylaws and policies are being submitted for one reading and possible adoption.

BYLAWS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
0150 AIDS (HIV INFECTION)  
1500 PUBLIC USE OF DISTRICT FACILITIES  
1500-E PUBLIC USE OF DISTRICT FACILITIES FEE CATEGORIES  
1805 DONATIONS AND GIFTS TO THE SCHOOLS  
1930 PARENT INVOLVEMENT IN THE SELECTION OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS,  
PRINCIPALS AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS  
2160 CODE OF ETHICS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES  
4321.5 PROVISION OF IEPs TO TEACHERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS  
4327 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION  
4331.3 STUDENT RESEARCH FUNDS  
4531 FIELD TRIPS  
4531-E2 GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS TEACHER-IN-CHARGE'S POST-TRIP  
TRANSPORTATION REPORT  
4531-E7 GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS PARENT APPROVAL FOR EDUCATIONAL  
FIELD TRIP ELEMENTARY  
4531-E8 GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIP STUDENT  
AFFIDAVIT SECONDARY  
4531-E9 GREAT NECK PUBLIC SCHOOLS ANNUAL PARENT APPROVAL FOR  
LOCAL/WALKING EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIPS  
4772 GRADUATION CEREMONIES  
4772-R GRADUATION CEREMONIES REGULATION  
4851 ANIMALS/PETS ON DISTRICT PROPERTY  
5020.3 REGULAR EDUCATION STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES  
5110 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS  
5140 NEW STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION  
5152 ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS  
5152.1 ADMISSION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

5300.25 CODE OF CONDUCT: STUDENT DRESS CODE  
5300.40 CODE OF CONDUCT: DISCIPLINARY PENALTIES, PROCEDURES AND REFERRALS  
5300.50 CODE OF CONDUCT: DISCIPLINE OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES  
5300.60 CODE OF CONDUCT: STUDENT SEARCHES AND INTERROGATIONS  
5405-R WELLNESS REGULATION  
5420.3 FOOD-INDUCED ANAPHYLAXIS  
5460 REPORTING CHILD ABUSE, NEGLECT AND MALTREATMENT  
5600 CONCUSSION MANAGEMENT  
6250 MANAGEMENT OF CASH IN DISTRICT BUILDINGS  
6600 FISCAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING  
6670 PETTY CASH FUNDS  
6900 DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT PROPERTY  
8130 SCHOOL SAFETY TEAMS AND PLANS  
8210.1 ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE  
8330 AUTHORIZED USE OF DISTRICT-OWNED MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT  
8332 DISTRICT- ISSUED PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES  
8414.5-R ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING FOR SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS AND OTHER SAFETY-SENSITIVE EMPLOYEES REGULATION  
9120.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST  
9140.1 STAFF COMPLAINTS AND GRIEVANCES  
9260 CONDITIONAL/EMERGENCY STAFF APPOINTMENTS  
9320 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE  
9320-R DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REGULATION  
9350 STAFF REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AS AMENDED  
9420 EVALUATION OF STAFF  
9420.1 EVALUATION OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF: ADMINISTRATORS  
9460 INCIDENTAL TEACHING  
9610 STAFF SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
9610-R STAFF SUBSTANCE ABUSE REGULATION  
9620 CHILD ABUSE IN AN EDUCATIONAL SETTING  
9645 DISCLOSURE OF WRONGFUL OR UNLAWFUL CONDUCT: WHISTLEBLOWER

**d. Flexible Benefits Plan Administration**

**INFORMATION**

In January 1990 the Board adopted a Flexible Benefits Plan under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. This plan allows participating district employees to set aside pre-tax earnings for eligible healthcare and dependent-care expenses. The plan has been administered by Brown & Brown of Garden City.

For the 2021 calendar year, Brown & Brown of Garden City is continuing to use a third party, FBA National, to process reimbursement claims that are submitted by district employees.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve and sign the Flexible Benefits Plan Agreement for 2021. Monthly administrative fees of \$4.45 per person will be paid by the employees who participate in the plan. There is no cost to the district.

Motion: D. Ashkenase

Vote: 5-0

e. **Student Teacher(s) and/or Observer(s) – Elementary – Spring 2021 Semester**

**INFORMATION**

Pursuant to Education Law Section 301 – Qualification of Teachers, practice teachers enrolled in an approved teacher education program may teach a class provided they are supervised by a certified classroom teacher.

All student teachers and observers enrolled in education classes at universities are interviewed at the building level by the principal or assistant principal to insure their suitability for placement in our elementary classrooms.

The following student teacher(s) and/or observer(s) have requested assignments to our elementary schools for the spring 2021 semester.

**STUDENT TEACHER(S)**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>College</u></b>	<b><u>School</u></b>	<b><u>Teacher</u></b>	<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Dates</u></b>
Rachel Gersten	Molloy	SR	E. Nastri	Gen. Ed. gr.5	1/20-3/12/21
			A. Jordan	Spec. Ed. gr.1	3/15-5/7/21
Christopher Mzorcko	Adelphi	JFK	R. Telsey	Phys. Ed.	1/26-3/19/21
Zihhan Shauna Shang	Queens	PKV	R. Golub	Music	1/21-3/20/21

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the placement of the above elementary student teacher(s) and/or observer(s) to our spring 2021 semester.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

f. **Student Teacher(s) and/or Observer(s) – Secondary – Spring 2021 Semester**

**INFORMATION**

Pursuant to Education Law Section 301 – Qualification of Teachers, a practice teacher enrolled in an approved teacher education program may teach a class provided s/he is supervised by a certified classroom teacher.

All student teachers and observers enrolled in education classes at universities are interviewed at the building level by the principal or assistant principal to insure their suitability for placement in our secondary classrooms.

The following student teacher(s) and/or observer(s) have requested assignments to our secondary schools for spring 2021 semester.

**STUDENT TEACHER(S)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Hours/Dates</u>
Charles Blanda	Adelphi	SHS	D. Herr	Phys. Ed	1/26-3/19/21
Christopher Mzorcko	Adelphi	SHS	D. Herr	Phys. Ed	3/22-5/20/21

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the placement of the above secondary student teacher(s) and/or observer(s) to our spring 2021 semester.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

g. **Alternate Window Replacement – South High and South Middle Schools**

**INFORMATION**

One of the projects in the District’s capital program includes the alternate window replacement at the South High & South Middle Schools. On December 8, 2020, Mr. Jason Martin, Purchasing Officer, received the bids in the name of the Board of Education from the following vendors who submitted bids in accordance with the specifications:

A1 Construction Service, Inc.  
APS Contracting, Inc.  
Arrow Steel Window Corp.  
SMAC Corporation

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education award the alternate window replacement project at the South High and South Middle Schools to Arrow Steel Window Corp. for Base Bid GC-3 plus alternates 1, 2, 3, 8 & 9 for GC-1 and alternates 1, 3, 6a, and 7 for GC-2 in the amount of \$2,507,000.

Motion: D. Peirez

Vote: 5-0

**h. Fire Curtain Replacement – North Middle School****INFORMATION**

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the fire curtain replacement at the North Middle School. On November 17, 2020, Mr. Jason Martin, Purchasing Officer, received two bids in the name of the Board of Education from the following vendors who submitted bids in accordance with the specifications:

Symbrant Technologies	\$205,560
Total Construction Corp.	\$223,000

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the bid from Symbrant Technologies in the amount of \$205,560.

i. **Integrated Pest Management Program**

**INFORMATION**

Specifications were duly advertised to solicit formal proposals from qualified vendors for Integrated Pest Management. On January 6, 2021, Mr. Jason Martin, Purchasing Officer, received the bids in the name of the Board of Education from the following vendors who submitted bids in accordance with the specifications:

Predator Pest Control  
Parkway Exterminating  
Select Exterminating

The term of the contract shall be for three (3) years, from February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2024, with the option for two additional one-year extensions. There is an option to terminate by either party with thirty (30) days notification.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the proposal from Parkway Exterminating.

Motion: D. Ashkenase

Vote: 5-0

j. **Oil and Gas Burners – Repair and Service**

**INFORMATION**

Specifications were duly advertised for oil and gas burners - repair and service at the John F. Kennedy School. On June 23, 2020, Mr. Jason Martin, Purchasing Officer, received the bids in the name of the Board of Education from the following vendors who submitted bids in accordance with the specifications:

Best Climate Control Corp.  
Energy Mechanical Inc.  
Thermo Tech Combustion Inc.  
Ultimate Power, Inc.

The term of the contract shall be for three (3) years, from January 21, 2021 to January 20, 2024. There is an option to terminate by either party with thirty (30) days notification.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education award the oil and gas burners – repair and service to Thermo Tech Combustion Inc.

k. **Use of Parkwood Parking Lot for North Shore Hebrew Academy Middle School Graduation**

**INFORMATION**

North Shore Hebrew Academy has requested the use of the Parkwood Parking Lot on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm (with a rain date of Wednesday, June 16) to hold their Middle School graduation.

**RECOMMEDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education grant permission to the North Shore Hebrew Academy to use the Parkwood Parking Lot on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm (with a rain date of Wednesday, June 16).

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

I. **Donation – Equipment: South High School (Bench)**

**INFORMATION**

The Great Neck South High School PTO would like to donate a bench for use in the South High School courtyard in honor of Assistant Principal Dr. Sharon Applebaum's retirement.

The administration has indicated that the donation would be very much appreciated.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the above donation.

Ms. Berkowitz thanked the donor.

Motion: D. Ashkenase

Vote: 5-0



## GREAT NECK SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL PTO

341 Lakeville Rd, Great Neck, NY 11020 • (516) 441-4800 • info@gnschs-ptto.org

January 6, 2021

Board of Education  
Great Neck Public Schools  
345 Lakeville Road  
Great Neck, NY 11020

Dear Mrs. Berkowitz and Members of the Board:

The Great Neck South High School PTO would like to donate a bench in honor of South High Assistant Principal Dr. Sharon Applebaum's retirement.

Intended Location: South High Courtyard

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carol Valic".

Carol Valic, PTO Co-President

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Gitz".

Dr. Chris Gitz  
South High Principal

m. **Donation – Monetary: South Middle School (Author Visit)**

**INFORMATION**

The Great Neck South Middle School PTA would like to make a monetary donation of \$1,000 towards this year's author visit at South Middle School.

The administration has indicated that the donation would be very much appreciated.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the above donation.

Ms. Berkowitz thanked the donor.

Motion: D. Ashkenase

Vote: 5-0



## Great Neck South Middle School PTA

349 Lakeville Road, Great Neck, NY 11020 • 516-441-4600 • ptasouthmiddle@gmail.com

December 15th, 2020

Mrs. Barbara Berkowitz, President  
Board of Education  
Great Neck Public Schools  
345 Lakeville Road  
Great Neck, NY 11020

Re: Donation to South Middle School

Dear Mrs. Berkowitz and the Members of the Board,

The South Middle School PTA would like to donate \$1,000 towards this year's author visit to the school.

Noted author, Grace Lin, has agreed to participate in a one-hour Zoom call with students at the South Middle School on April 14, 2021 for each grade. Author visits create a lasting impression on students where they can connect lessons learned in the classroom with the written word as the author discusses their writing and creative process. In years past, students expressed how they were inspired after author visits, in particular, the author's writing journey. We would like to support the children's classroom learning.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Korina Lau", written over a horizontal line.

Korina Lau, PTA President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gina Cartolano", written over a horizontal line.

Approved by Dr. Gina Cartolano, Principal

n. **Donation – Monetary: Scholarships/Awards****INFORMATION**

The following donations have been received by the District:

<b><u>Name of Scholarship</u></b>	<b><u>Name of Donors</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Evan Grabelsky Memorial Fund	North High Ace & Transitions Program	\$50
Frederic D. Barstow Scholarship	The New York Community Trust, William & Francoise Barstow Foundation No. 1	\$2,000
Jenny Spielman Scholarship	Spielman Family Foundation	\$10,000
Jenny Spielman Scholarship	Jane & Frances Stein Foundation	\$5,000
Jenny Spielman Scholarship	J.R. Realty Corporation	\$1,000
Jenny Spielman Scholarship	The Mittlemann Family	\$1,000
Jenny Spielman Scholarship	Jeffrey Barber	\$100
Lewis E. Love Memorial Award	Sol Goldman Charitable Trust	\$10,000

The administration has indicated that these donations are very much appreciated.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the above donations.

Ms. Berkowitz thanked the donors.

Motion: D. Ashkenase

Vote: 5-0

### 3. **FINANCE AND OPERATIONS**

#### a. **Contract(s) – Health and Welfare Services**

##### **INFORMATION**

New York State law requires that public school districts provide health and welfare services to non-public schools located within their district. The public school may bill each student's district of residence for a portion of the services provided. The Board of Education is asked to approve the contract(s) listed below for students who attend non-public school in other districts and reside in Great Neck.

<b>District</b>	<b>Students</b>	<b>Rate/Student</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>School Year</b>
Jericho Union Free School District	2	\$1,321.25	\$2,642.50	2020-2021
Uniondale Union Free School District	53	\$908.27	\$48,138.31	2020-2021

##### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the above contract(s) for health and welfare services rendered to student(s) of Great Neck who attend a non-public school in other districts.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

**b. Contract(s) – Maintenance: Nassau County Department of Social Services**

**INFORMATION**

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) has recommended that certain students with disabilities attend residential programs located in other public school districts, or approved private special education settings. The Board of Education is asked to approve the following payment(s) for maintenance reimbursement.

<b>Residential Program</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>School Year</b>	<b>Students</b>	<b>Total</b>
Anderson Center	\$546.94	4/1/20-6/30/20	3	\$77,731.12
Harmony Heights School	\$203.17	4/1/20-6/30/20	1	\$10,510.33
Summit School	\$368.00	4/1/20-6/30/20	1	\$19,037.26
Anderson Center	\$546.94	9/1/20-6/30/21	2	\$188,420.22
Harmony Heights School	\$203.17	9/1/20-6/30/21	1	\$34,995.92
Summit School	\$368.00	9/1/20-6/30/21	2	\$126,775.59

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the revised percentage for maintenance reimbursement to the Nassau County Department of Social Services of Uniondale, New York from 38.424% to 56.848% of the total maintenance cost for each classified student placed in the residential program(s) listed above effective April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

**c. Contract(s) – Related Services – District of Location****INFORMATION**

New York State Law 3602-c requires that public school districts reimburse districts of location for actual costs for providing related services to non-public school students located within their district. The public school may bill each student's district of residence for the services provided. The Board of Education is asked to approve the contract(s) listed below for students who attend non-public school in other districts and reside in Great Neck.

<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>School Year</b>	<b>Students</b>
Lawrence Union Free School District	Lawrence	2018-2019	1

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the above contract(s) and/or payment(s) for related services rendered to residents of Great Neck who attend/attended a non-public school.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

**d. Contract(s) – Tuition Addenda****INFORMATION**

New York State adjusts tuition rates for approved private special education schools during the school year and sets final rates during and after the school year is over. This state process requires us to approve adjustments to such tuitions several times. In that regard, the Board of Education is asked to approve payments resulting from the tuition adjustments for students who attend(ed) approved private special education schools, as noted below.

<b>School</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Classified Student(s)</b>	<b>Adjustment</b>	<b>Dates</b>
United Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County	Roosevelt	1 additional student	\$49,369.00 per student	9/20-6/21
United Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County	Roosevelt	1 additional student	\$22,226.40 per student for 1:1 Aide	9/20-6/21

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the revised rate(s) above for classified student(s) who attend(ed) approved private special education schools.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

**e. Evaluation and Assessment Services****INFORMATION**

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) has recommended specialized assessments and evaluation for certain students with disabilities. The Board of Education is asked to approve payment for the evaluations which have been provided by the consultants and agencies below:

South Huntington Union Free School District, Huntington Station, New York:

Vision	\$530.00 per evaluation
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Anderson Center for Autism, Staatsburg, New York:

Psychoeducational	\$1,500.00 per evaluation
Speech/Language	\$ 750.00 per evaluation
Occupational	\$ 750.00 per evaluation
CSE Participation	\$ 190.00 per hour

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the above payments for the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion: J. Shi	Vote: 5-0
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f. **Outside Service Agreements**

**INFORMATION**

The attached Outside Service Agreements are being submitted for approval. Provider credentials have been reviewed by administration.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board of Education to approve payment of the attached Outside Service Agreements.

Motion: J. Shi	Vote: 5-0
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**OTHER CONSULTANTS  
1/19/21 BOARD MEETING**

<u>Consultant</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Max. Approval</u>	
Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center	Professional Development Program Focusing on Anti-Bias Teaching, White Fragility and Implicit Bias	North Middle	1/25/21	\$150/session	\$150.00	
Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance Center	Tolerance Program for First and Second Grade	Lakeville	2/22/21-3/19/21	\$150/session	\$3,600.00	
Herff Jones	Yearbook for the 2021-2022 School Year	North Middle	1/20/21-6/30/22	\$26,668	\$26,668.00	***
Susanne Marcus	Teacher Center Courses "Welcome to Great Neck: An Introduction to Our Community of Learners," "Who are our Great Neck ELL's?" and "The Impact of Trauma on ELL Students' Success at School & Beyond"	Great Neck Teacher Center	9/1/20-6/30/21	\$106/Hour	\$1,696.00	*

\*Partially or fully funded by a State or Federal Grant.

\*\*Emergency conditional appointment as defined in Section 1709, Subdivision 39 of the Education Law.

\*\*\*Amount included in fee paid for by participants.

**g. Claims Audit Report to the Board of Education – November 2020**

**INFORMATION**

Each month the District's claims auditing firm, R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP prepares a report of the previous month's claims activity. This report is solely for the Board of Education's information. It has been recommended that the submission of these monthly claims reports to the Board of Education and their acknowledgement of receipt be documented.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the November 2020 claims audit report, as presented.

The Board accepted the report as presented.

**h. Payment of Fees to Counsel – August - October 2020****INFORMATION**

Invoices were received from district counsel, Frazer & Feldman, for professional services rendered during August 2020 through October 2020 in the following matters:

Student Matters – Special Ed (13)	\$	17,970.75
Negotiations	\$	45.00
Human Resources (5)	\$	841.50
Instruction	\$	5,091.75
Student Matters – Residency	\$	506.25
Miscellaneous	\$	13,367.22
	\$	<u>37,822.47</u>

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the payment of \$37,822.47 for August 2020 through October 2020 as per the invoices submitted by Frazer & Feldman for professional services rendered as stated above.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 5-0

i. **Electronic Submission of Reports to the Board of Education**

- 1) Monthly Treasurer's Report – October 2020
- 2) Monthly Budget Status Report for General, Capital, Debt Service, Lunch and Special Aid Funds – October 2020
- 3) Revenue Status Report General Fund – October 2020

The Board accepted the reports as presented.

**4. STUDENT MATTERS AND CURRICULUM****a. Committee on Preschool Special Education Recommendations  
2020-2021****INFORMATION**

In accord with applicable regulations and law, the Board of Education is required to approve services to students with disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Board of Education has been provided with the schedule of specific recommendations for the 2020 – 2021 school year made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for students whose ID numbers appear below. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this schedule.

B5888	B7418	M8178
Y8178	D4946	B7919
J5752	L1728	A1378
J5534	M4841	M3009
M8611	M7596	N1858
N8810	P1853	P5941
S9199	S1892	L1299
S0683	S5266	Y4929
D8886	B6054	Z2900

**b. Committee on Special Education Recommendations 2020-2021****INFORMATION**

In accord with applicable regulations and law, the Board of Education is required to approve services to students with disabilities as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Board of Education has been provided with the schedule of specific recommendations for the 2020 – 2021 school year made by the Committee on Special Education for students whose ID numbers appear below. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve this schedule.

10251	B6406	K2390	M8515
10276	C0939	K2562	O1163
10365	C1507	K2810	O4175
10396	C2263	K3143	P0820
10459	C2264	K3338	R3987
10529	C8371	K3741	R5020
10550	D3878	K6663	R5608
10566	E1047	L1032	R6963
10575	E1218	L5033	S0050
10598	E8766	L5475	S3104
10618	F0457	L5755	S3616
10640	F0619	L7543	S6604
10647	F6226	L8100	S7414
10659	G2354	L8311	S7748
10714	G3737	M0349	V4179
A0793	G4303	M0604	W1217
A1489	G5028	M0880	W2618
A6694	H0987	M1495	Y8826
A6761	H1608	M1604	Y8827
B1653	H2246	M2549	Y9340
B3082	H7789	M5127	Z1565
B3323	H8817	M6356	Z7890
B5922	K0128	M8259	

On a motion by Ms. Berkowitz and approved by unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 pm.

Kuniko Langel  
Secretary to the Board