

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021
VIA ZOOM WEBINAR**

PRESENT:

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

* Mr. Donald Ashkenase, Vice President

** passed away on March 8, 2021*

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
Dr. Christopher Gitz, Principal, Great Neck South High School
Mr. Jack Feldman, Counsel to the Board
Ms. Kuniko Langel, Secretary to the Board

GUEST:

Ms. Debbie Doustan, daughter of the late Board Vice President, Donald Ashkenase

Ms. Barbara Berkowitz called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM via live stream.

Viewers: 161

1. **RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS – SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**

Mr. Jeffrey Shi, Board Trustee, and Dr. Christopher Gitz, South High School Principal, made opening remarks.

Dr. Gitz acknowledged 56 South High students who were awarded Certificates of Commendation for their academic achievements and contribution to the quality of school life.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. **February 23, 2021**
- b. **February 24, 2021**
- c. **March 12, 2021**

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

3. **BOARD/ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS**

a. **Presentation: Informal 2021-2022 Budget Overview**

Dr. Teresa Prendergast
Superintendent of Schools

Mr. John Powell
Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance

Dr. Prendergast began the presentation with a brief overview and then turned the remainder of the presentation over to Mr. Powell.

The presentation will be posted to the district website.

b. Superintendent's Report

- **Don Ashkenase's** sudden passing was a complete shock to all of us and his legacy won't soon be forgotten. He was a colleague and a friend, and we are forever grateful to him for his 39 years of devoted service and leadership to the Great Neck Public Schools. May he rest in peace.
- **Change of Date of District Election/Budget Vote:** On 3/12/21, the Board of Education voted to file an emergency appeal with the State to change the date of this year's School District Election and Budget Vote. According to NYS law, school districts are required to hold elections on the third Tuesday in May. This year, the election date of May 18 conflicts with the religious observance of Shavuot, so our Board has requested to change our District's budget vote and election date to May 11, 2021. This morning we were notified that the appeal has been granted. Board resolution items 3g, h, and i have been revised to reflect the change of dates for the adoption of the budget and the budget hearing as required for the budget vote and election.
- **NYS Assessments:** The Biden administration previously announced that it will require all states to administer those standardized tests required by federal law. Last month, the NYSED submitted a formal request to the United States Department of Education (USDE) to waive state testing requirements at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. The Department has determined that it will not be possible to administer any of this year's State assessments remotely, and assessments will be "school-based" and "in-person."

If the US Department of Education does not grant the waiver request or not respond prior to the scheduled test administration dates, we expect:

- only Session One of the grades 3-8 ELA & Math assessments will be administered,
- only the written test component of the grades 4 & 8 Science Tests will be administered;
- the Department will administer only the Regents Examinations required under ESSA during the June 2021 administration, which are the ELA, Algebra 1, Earth Science and Living Environment Exams
- the August 2021 Regents exams will be cancelled

When available, we will share additional information with the community.

- **Summer Programs:** GNPS will once again host in-person summer enrichment, summer school and summer recreation programs. Department of Health guidelines will be followed, and enrollment will be limited, so families will be encouraged to register once the information becomes available.
- **Community Education:** Spring 2021 catalog is now available online, featuring a variety of in-person and online courses. Registration currently underway.

- **South High Fencing Teams:** Great Neck South High School's boys and girls fencing teams are 2021 Nassau County Champions. For the girls, this is the 1st time in more than 20 years that a fencing team has won 3 consecutive championship titles and the 4th county championship in 5 years. Congratulations to our athletes, and coach Catie Sagevick and coach Baravarian, who was also named Newsday's 2021 Fencing Coach of the Year.
- **Budget Development:** Tonight's presentation is a review/discussion of administration's proposed budget. It is a working document, not a final document. Budget adopted in April by the Board of Education, and then presented for approval in May will reflect input from the school community.

Dr. Teresa Prendergast
Superintendent of Schools

c. **Policy 0101 – Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms (First Reading)**

INFORMATION

Attached for Board of Education consideration is a newly required policy: ***Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms (0101)***. The policy governs the designation of all single occupancy bathrooms in the District as gender neutral. In order to be in compliance with New York State law, the policy is required to be in place by March 23, 2021. Therefore, it is being submitted for a first reading and conditional approval. In accordance with Policy 2400 *Board Policy Development*, the policy will be placed on subsequent Board agendas for its second and third readings.

This policy will be brought back for a second reading at a future Board meeting.

0101

GENDER NEUTRAL SINGLE-OCCUPANCY BATHROOMS

In accordance with New York State law, all single-occupancy bathroom facilities in the District are designated as gender neutral. Signs designating gender neutral single-occupancy bathrooms must be posted on or near the entry door of that bathroom facility.

A single-occupancy bathroom is as defined in New York State Public Buildings Law §145(d) as a bathroom intended for use by any of the following:

- a. One occupant at a time.
- b. Members of the same family.
- c. An individual requiring assistance.

Such bathrooms will have a door providing entry and egress that can be locked by the occupant to insure privacy.

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Proposed: 3/16/21

d. **Policy 1131 – District-Sponsored Social Media (First Reading)**

INFORMATION

Attached for Board of Education consideration is a new policy: ***District-Sponsored Social Media (1131)***. This policy defines the purpose of the District's social media presence as an information resource intended to highlight educational activities and academic accomplishments of the District, its students and staff. As such, it is imperative that all those who engage with these platforms understand that they must do so respectfully and responsibly. The policy outlines inappropriate behaviors that could lead to cancellation of the privilege of participation as well as other disciplinary action. It is being submitted for a first of three readings. No Board action will be taken at this time.

This policy will be brought back for a second reading at a future Board meeting.

1131

DISTRICT-SPONSORED SOCIAL MEDIA

The purpose of the Great Neck Public Schools social media presence is to serve as an information resource for District staff, students, families and community members. Official District social media platforms, as defined by [Policy 4526 Computer Network and Internet Acceptable Use](#), are intended to highlight educational activities and academic accomplishments of the District, its students and staff. Engagement with District-sponsored social media platforms must be consistent with this purpose and the educational objectives of the District as set forth in [Policy 0000 Educational Philosophy](#).

The District reserves the right to remove or block any message, post, or link that is inconsistent with the purpose and educational objectives of the District's social media platforms. The District also reserves the right to respond to any message, post or link to correct outdated, incomplete or inaccurate information.

The District encourages respectful and responsible participation on its social media platforms. Inappropriate or illegal engagement may result in the temporary or permanent cancellation of the privilege of such participation and may result in additional disciplinary and/or legal action. Grounds for such cancellation, disciplinary and/or legal action include but are not limited to:

1. The use of inappropriate language, including language that might be considered dangerous, violent, spam-like, profane, vulgar, sexually explicit, obscene, discriminatory, or harassing to others.
2. The use of any District social media platform for non-educational or non-school related purposes.
3. Any vandalism that is a malicious attempt to harm, destroy, modify, or disrupt any District social media platform.
4. Any violation of District policy, including, but not limited to, [Policy 0100 Equal Opportunity](#), [Policy 0110 Sexual Harassment](#), [Policy 0115 Bullying and Harassment](#), [Policy 4526 Computer Network and Internet Acceptable Use for Students and Staff](#), and the [District Code of Conduct \(Policy 5300\)](#).
5. Any message, post or link that causes or can reasonably be foreseen to cause a substantial disruption to the school environment.

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Proposed: 3/16/21

e. **Policy 4010 – Comparability of Schools (Second Reading)**

INFORMATION

Attached for Board of Education consideration is a revised policy: ***Comparability Of Schools (4010)***. This policy was adopted in 1984 as a required part of an application for Federal funding. Currently, the policy is only required for districts with more than one building on a grade span that is eligible for Title I funding under the Federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). While this designation does not apply to District schools, new language has been added to the policy to emphasize the District's ongoing commitment to educational equity. As such, a change of the policy title from ***Comparability of Schools*** to ***Equivalence of Schools*** is also being proposed. There have been no changes since its first reading on 2/24/21, and this revised policy is being submitted for a second of three readings. No Board action will be taken at this time.

This policy will be brought back for a third reading at a future Board meeting.

4010

COMPARABILITY EQUIVALENCE OF SCHOOLS

~~It shall be the policy of this school district that the Board of Education shall ensure comparability among schools in the following manner:~~

In accordance with the Federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the Board of Education directs that services in Title I schools and programs, when taken as a whole, will be substantially equivalent to services in schools and programs that do not receive Title I funds. This includes curriculum materials, instructional supplies, and personnel (teachers, administrators, and other personnel).

The Superintendent of Schools will follow New York State Education Department guidelines in determining such equivalence on an annual basis, and report to the Board, upon request, on the status of District schools with regard to equivalence.

~~A. All teachers are paid in accordance with an approved, written, district-wide salary schedule resulting from negotiated contracts.~~

~~B. Teachers, administrators, and paraprofessionals are assigned to schools in accordance with course requirements, pupil registration, and contractual obligations.~~

~~C. Instructional materials, books, and other supplies are provided in an equitable manner by use of a per pupil index system. Such funds are derived from local (not Federal) sources.~~

Instructional materials, books, and other supplies are will be provided in an equitable manner by use of a Per Pupil Index system. Such funds are derived from local (not Federal) sources.

All teachers are will be paid in accordance with an approved, written, District-wide salary schedule resulting from negotiated contracts. Teachers, administrators, and paraprofessionals are will be assigned to schools in accordance with course requirements, pupil registration, and contractual obligations.

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Adopted: 8/13/84

Proposed Revision: 2/24/21; 3/16/21

f. **Policy 8505 – Charging of School Meals and Prohibition Against Shaming (Second Reading)**

INFORMATION

Attached for Board of Education consideration is a revised policy: ***Charging Of School Meals And Prohibition Against Shaming (8505)***. The revision addresses the ongoing issue of debt collection from families who have enrolled through MySchoolBucks to pay for student meals. As such, the policy has been amended to change the threshold for outstanding balances from \$75 to \$25 so that it correlates with the value of the five meal negative balance requirement used for determination of eligibility for free or reduced lunch. In addition, in the event of continued failure to replenish an outstanding balance, deterrents such as curtailment of a parent's electronic access to student records or a limitation of student participation in various school sponsored events or activities may be considered. Restrictions will not be imposed on any student certified as eligible for free or reduced lunch and, as indicated in the policy's third paragraph, the District has always maintained a commitment to supporting families who may be facing temporary financial difficulty with regard to paying for student meals. This revised policy is being submitted for a second of three readings. No Board action will be taken at this time.

This policy will be brought back for a third reading at a future Board meeting.

8505

CHARGING OF SCHOOL MEALS AND PROHIBITION AGAINST SHAMING

The Board of Education recognizes that, on occasion, students may forget to bring meal money to school. To ensure that students do not go hungry, the Board will allow students who do not have enough funds the option to “charge” the cost of meals to be paid back subject to the terms in this policy. Parents/guardians ~~shall~~ will be notified annually that they have the right to opt out of charging privileges.

- I. Only regular meals, and only what is on the menu may be charged;
- II. No snacks may be charged;
- III. A computer-generated point of sale system ~~shall~~ will be used for identifying and recording all charged meals, as well as for collecting repayments.

Students who cannot pay for a meal or who have unpaid meal debt ~~shall~~ will not be publicly identified or stigmatized. District staff ~~shall~~ will not discuss a student’s unpaid meal debt in front of other students. The District ~~shall~~ will not take any action directed at a student to collect unpaid school meal fees. However, the District may discretely notify secondary students of their account balances, and why certain items (e.g., à la carte, etc.) could not be provided with charged meals.

The District ~~shall~~ will discretely notify parents/guardians of students with negative balances of at least five meals, to determine if the student is directly certified to be eligible for free meals, ~~and~~ Attempts to reach the parent/guardian will be made in order to assist them in the application process for free ~~and/or~~ reduced price meals, ~~and~~ to determine if there are other issues within the household causing the insufficient funds and to offer appropriate ~~assistance~~ support. If a parent/guardian regularly fails to provide meal money and does not qualify for free or reduced price meals, the District may take other actions as appropriate.

If school food service authorities identify that a family may be in violation of this policy by accumulating an outstanding balance greater than ~~\$75~~ \$25, they ~~shall~~ will discretely notify the parent/guardian of the balance and the process to refill the account. This notification ~~shall~~ will continue regularly until the account is replenished. Failure to replenish an outstanding balance may result in the curtailment of a parent’s electronic access to student records.

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The District ~~shall~~ will communicate to all parents on an annual basis, prior to the opening day of school and to families transferring into the District during the year, notifying them of the requirements of this policy. The policy ~~shall~~ will also be published in appropriate school and District publications. All staff involved in implementing and enforcing this policy ~~shall~~ will also be notified of these requirements and their responsibilities. The District's enrollment process ~~shall~~ will include the application process for free and reduced price meals. If the District becomes aware that a student is so eligible, it ~~shall~~ will file an application for the student. Staff responsible for assisting foster, homeless and migrant students ~~shall~~ will coordinate with food services staff to ensure such students receive free school meals.

Unpaid meal charges are a financial burden to the District and taxpayers and can negatively affect the school program. All schools ~~shall~~ will maintain a system for accounting for charged meals that follows New York State guidelines. The District ~~shall~~ will attempt to recover unpaid meal charges before the end of the school year, but may continue efforts into the next school year. The District ~~shall~~ will notify parents/guardians of unpaid meal charges at regular intervals, and may engage in collection activities by District staff, which do not involve debt collectors as defined in Federal law (15 USC §1692a), and may not charge fees or interest. The District ~~shall~~ will offer repayment plans, and may take other actions that do not result in harm or shame to the child, until unpaid charges are paid. As a last attempt to recover unpaid meal charge balances, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools or designee, a student's participation in various school sponsored events/activities, including but not limited to receipt of a high school parking pass, a class yearbook, a cap/gown and/or participation in a graduation/moving-up ceremony, may be withheld.

Remaining funds ~~shall~~ will be carried over to the next school year. When students leave the District or graduate, the District ~~shall~~ will attempt to contact the parent/guardian to return remaining funds. Parents/guardians may request, in writing, that funds be transferred to other students (e.g., siblings, unpaid accounts).

In accordance with Federal law, the District is not permitted to extend credit for meal purchases to staff.

Great Neck Public Schools***Adopted: 6/16/14******Amended: 7/5/17; 6/18/18; 8/28/18******Proposed Revision: 2/24/21; 3/16/21***

g. Establishment of Board of Registration

INFORMATION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that for the purposes of the annual district election and vote to be held on May 11, 2021 in this school district, the Board shall appoint the following members as the Board of Registration as set forth below, together with the election districts in which they are to serve:

District # 1: Joan Lazaunik
E.M. Baker Berenise Roggendorf

District #2: Ellen Shabi
South High Helen Chang

District #3: Barbara Konigsberg
Saddle Rock Anna Maria Reda

District #4: Rosemarie Cacioppo
Lakeville Anna Bertorelli

RECOMMENDATION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the above members as the District's Board of Registration for the annual district election to be held on May 11, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Registration shall meet during the annual district election for the purpose of preparing a register of the qualified voters of this district for subsequent district elections, at which time any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register provided that at such meeting of the board of registration, he/she is known, or proven to the satisfaction of the board of registration, to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at subsequent annual district election for which such register is prepared. The District Clerk will attend on said day with the members of the board of registration.

As amended.

Motion: R. Sassouni

Vote: 4-0

h. Call of Annual District Election

Ms. Barbara Berkowitz offered the following resolutions and moved their adoption:

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION as follows:

Section 1. The annual district election of the qualified voters of this School District shall be held on May 11, 2021, in the four election districts provided for and described in Section 4.

WITHIN AND FOR ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 1

at the E.M. Baker School, 69 Baker Hill Road, Great Neck, New York

WITHIN AND FOR ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

at the Great Neck South High School, 341 Lakeville Road, Great Neck, New York

WITHIN AND FOR ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 3

at the Saddle Rock School, 10 Hawthorne Lane, Great Neck, New York

WITHIN AND FOR ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 4

at the Lakeville School, 47-27 Jayson Avenue, Great Neck, New York

The voting of such annual district election shall be by ballot on voting machines as provided by the Education Law, and the polls in each Election District shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. DST on that day, and as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters then present to cast their ballots. The District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to have the necessary ballot labels printed for said voting machines in the form corresponding as nearly as may be with the requirements of the Education Law and the provisions of the voting machine rules of this school district.

Section 2. The business to be acted upon at such election is as follows:

- A) To vote upon the annual school budget for the year 2021-2022, and to authorize the levying of a tax upon the taxable property of the district for the foregoing purposes.
- B) To vote upon the following propositions:

PROPOSITION NO. 2:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Great Neck Union Free School District, Nassau County, New York, shall pay to the Great Neck Library, Great Neck, New York, a sum to be requested by the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library, Great Neck, New York, such sum to be raised by tax on the taxable property of said district for the support of said Great Neck Library for the year beginning January 1, 2022.

- C) To elect for a three-year term, a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Barbara Berkowitz, the new term to begin July 1, 2021.
- D) To elect for a three-year and fifty-day term, a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Donald Ashkenase, the new term to begin immediately upon qualification.
- E) To vote upon such other propositions as may properly come before the meeting.

Section 3. The annual election shall be held in accordance with the Rules for the Use of Voting Machines in the Conduct of Meetings and Elections heretofore adopted by the Board.

Section 4. For the purpose of said annual district election of this school district to be held pursuant to this resolution, the school district is divided into four Election Districts as follows:

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 1: E.M. Baker School

Western Boundary: Middle Neck Road from Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Wildwood Road, to Cherry Lane, to Horizon Way to the Long Island Sound.

Southern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from Middle Neck Road to East Shore Road.

Eastern Boundary: East Shore Road and Manhasset Bay to the Long Island Sound.

Northern Boundary: Long Island Sound.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 2: Great Neck South High School

Northern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from South Middle Neck Road to East Shore Road.

Western Boundary: Stewart Avenue from Hillside Avenue along the NYC/Queens Border to the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to Lakeville Road to South Middle Neck Road to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Eastern Boundary: New Hyde Park Border from Hillside Avenue to Union Turnpike to Continental Drive and the Herricks Boarder to the Manhasset Border to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Southern Boundary: Hillside Avenue from Stewart Avenue to Herricks Border.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 3: Saddle Rock School

Northern Boundary: Horizon Way to Cherry Lane to Wildwood Road from the Long Island Sound to Middle Neck Road.

Southern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) tracks from Little Neck Bay to Middle Neck Road.

Western Boundary: Little Neck Bay/Long Island Sound from the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Horizon Way.

Eastern Boundary: Middle Neck Road from the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Wildwood Road.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO 4: Lakeville School

Southern Boundary: Long Island Expressway (LIE) from the NYC/Queens Border to Lakeville Road.

Eastern Boundary: Lakeville Road and South Middle Neck Road from the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Western Boundary: NYC/Queens Border from the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Northern Boundary: The Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from the NYC/Queens Border to South Middle Neck Road.

Section 5. The members of the Board of Registration of this school district heretofore appointed and the election districts in which they are to serve are hereby designated as follows:

Election District No. 1: E.M. Baker	Joan Lazaunik Berenise Roggendorf
Election District No. 2: South High	Ellen Shabi Helen Chang
Election District No. 3: Saddle Rock	Barbara Konigsberg Anna Maria Reda
Election District No. 4: Lakeville	Rosemarie Cacioppo Anna Bertorelli

In Districts Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, the District Clerk, the Acting District Clerk, an Assistant District Clerk, or any one of them will attend on said day with the members of the Board of Registration.

Section 6. The District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such annual election and budget hearing by publishing a notice thereof, four times within the seven (7) weeks next preceding the district election, the first publication to be at least forty-five (45) days before the election. Such publication is to be placed in the Great Neck News, the Great Neck Record, and any other newspaper having general circulation within the said school district.

Section 7. Registration is permitted on school days in the office of the District Clerk, Phipps Administration Building, 345 Lakeville Road, Great Neck, New York, during the hours 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, up to and including May 6, 2021.

Section 8. A Register will be prepared and filed in the office of the District Clerk and shall during the five days preceding May 11, 2021, except Sunday, be open for inspection by any qualified voter of this School District.

Section 9. The Board of Registration will further meet during the hours of voting at the Annual District Election on May 11, 2021, at the E.M. Baker, South High School, Saddle Rock and Lakeville Schools for the purpose of preparing a register for District elections to be held subsequent to May 11, 2021. Said register shall include (1) all qualified voters of this District who shall present themselves personally for registration, and (2) all qualified voters of the District who shall have been previously registered for any annual or special District election and who shall have voted at any annual or special District election held or conducted at any time within the four calendar years (2017-2020) prior to the preparation of said register.

Section 10. The notice of such annual election shall be substantially in the form attached herewith.

Section 11. The Board of Education will hold a public hearing on April 28, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom webinar for the purpose of discussing the expenditure of funds and the budgeting therefore relative to the appropriation of necessary funds to meet the necessary expenditures of said school district for the school year 2021-2022 at which time and which place all persons interested in the subject matter thereof concerning the same will have an opportunity to be heard.

Section 12. This Board shall convene a special meeting thereof within twenty-four hours after the filing with the District Clerk of a written report of the results of the ballot for the purpose of examining and tabulating said reports of the result of the ballot and declaring the result of the ballot; that the Board hereby designates itself to be a set of poll clerks to cast and canvass ballots pursuant to Education Law, §2019-a, a subdivision 2b at said special meeting of the Board.

Section 13. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

AYES: 4
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**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ANNUAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION OF THE
GREAT NECK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF NORTH HEMPSTEAD
COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual election of the qualified voters of the Great Neck Union Free School District Nassau County, New York will be held on May 11, 2021 in the following election districts:

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 1: Great Neck E.M. Baker School, 69 Baker Hill Road, Great Neck, N.Y.

Western Boundary: Middle Neck Road from Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Wildwood Road, to Cherry Lane, to Horizon Way to the Long Island Sound.

Southern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from Middle Neck Road to East Shore Road.

Eastern Boundary: East Shore Road and Manhasset Bay to the Long Island Sound.

Northern Boundary: Long Island Sound.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 2: Great Neck South High School, 341 Lakeville Road, Great Neck, N.Y.

Northern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from South Middle Neck Road to East Shore Road.

Western Boundary: Stewart Avenue from Hillside Avenue along the NYC/Queens Border to the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to Lakeville Road to South Middle Neck Road to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Eastern Boundary: New Hyde Park Border from Hillside Avenue to Union Turnpike to Continental Drive and the Herricks Border to the Manhasset Border to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Southern Boundary: Hillside Avenue from Stewart Avenue to the Herricks Border.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 3: Great Neck Saddle Rock School, 10 Hawthorne Lane, Great Neck, N.Y.

Northern Boundary: Horizon Way to Cherry Lane to Wildwood Road from the Long Island Sound to Middle Neck Road.

Southern Boundary: Long Island Rail Road (LIRR) tracks from Little Neck Bay to Middle Neck Road.

Western Boundary: Little Neck Bay/Long Island Sound from the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Horizon Way.

Eastern Boundary: Middle Neck Road from the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) to Wildwood Road.

ELECTION DISTRICT NO. 4: Lakeville School, 47-27 Jayson Avenue, Great Neck, N.Y.

Southern Boundary: Long Island Expressway (LIE) from the NYC/Queens Border to Lakeville Road.

Eastern Boundary: Lakeville Road and South Middle Neck Road from the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR)

Western Boundary: NYC/Queens Border from the Long Island Expressway (LIE) to the Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR).

Northern Boundary: The Long Island Rail Road Tracks (LIRR) from the NYC/Queens Border to South Middle Neck Road.

The annual election on May 11, 2021 shall be held for the following purposes:

- A) To vote upon the annual school budget for the school year 2021-2022 and to authorize the levying of a tax upon the taxable property of the district for the foregoing purposes (PROPOSITION NO. 1).
- B) To vote upon the following proposition (PROPOSITION NO. 2):

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Great Neck Union Free School District, Nassau County, New York, shall pay to the Great Neck Library, Great Neck, New York, a sum to be requested by the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library, Great Neck, New York, such sum to be raised by tax on the taxable property of said district for the support of said Great Neck Library for the year beginning January 1, 2022.

C) To elect for a three-year term, a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Barbara Berkowitz, the new term to begin July 1, 2021.

D) To elect for a three-year and fifty-day term, a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Donald Ashkenase, the new term to begin immediately upon qualification.

E) To vote upon such other propositions as may properly come before the meeting.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Education will hold a public budget hearing on April 28, 2021 at 7:30 p.m., via Zoom webinar (link will be posted on the District website homepage www.greatneck.k12.ny.us) for the purpose of discussing expenditure of funds and the budgeting thereof relative to the appropriation of necessary funds to meet the necessary expenditures of said school district for school year 2021-2022 at which time and which place all persons interested in the subject matter thereof will have an opportunity to be heard.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the annual election shall be conducted by voting on propositions and candidates on voting machines on May 11, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes (school budget) exclusive of public monies, and copies of propositions involving expenditure of monies for the operation of the school system for the ensuing year, may be obtained by any resident in the District during the 14 days immediately preceding the annual election, on the District website or by contacting the office of the District Clerk by phone (516)441-4020 or email spedone@greatneck.k12.ny.us. The aforesaid budget statement shall contain the amount of money to be paid to Great Neck Library for library services for the year beginning January 1, 2022.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that pursuant to Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law, the District is required to attach to its proposed budget an exemption report. Said exemption report, which will also become part of the final budget, will show how the total assessed value on the final assessment roll used in the budgetary

process is exempt from taxation, list every type of exemption granted by the statutory authority, and show the cumulative impact of each type of exemption, the cumulative amount expected to be received as payment in lieu of taxes and the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that nominations for members of the Board of Education shall be made by petition signed by at least 32 qualified voters of the District and filed in the office of the District Clerk between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., not later than the 30th day preceding the election at which the trustees shall be voted upon, except that on the 30th day, this year, April 12, 2021, such propositions may be submitted between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Such petition shall state the residence of each signer and shall state the name and residence of the candidate and must describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated, including the length of the term of office and the name of the last incumbent. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each specific vacancy shall be considered elected to office. However, a nomination may be rejected by the Board of Education if the candidate is ineligible for the office or declares his or her unwillingness to serve.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that registration is permitted at the office of the District Clerk on school days, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, up to and including May 6, 2021. A register will be prepared and will be filed in the office of the District Clerk, 345 Lakeville Road, Great Neck, NY, and such register will be open for inspection by any qualified voter between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on each of the five (5) days prior to the day set for voting on the budget and election, except Sunday, and between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Saturday by appointment only, and at each polling place on election day.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a person shall be entitled to vote at the annual election who is a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age, a resident of the School District for a period of 30 days next preceding the election at which he/she offers to vote and registered to vote for said election. A person shall be registered to vote if he or she shall have permanently registered with the Nassau County Board of Elections or with the School District's Board of Registration. Only persons who shall be registered shall be entitled to vote. Said register shall include (1) all qualified voters of the District who shall present themselves personally for registration, and (2) all voters previously registered for any annual or special District election

and who shall have voted at any annual or special District election held or conducted at any time within the four calendar years (2017-2020) prior to preparation of said register.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Registration will meet during the hours of voting at the Annual District Election on May 11, 2021 at the polling places in each of the election districts to prepare a register for District elections to be held subsequent to May 11, 2021.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board shall convene a special meeting thereof within 24 hours after the filing with the District Clerk of a written report of the results of the ballot for the purpose of examining and tabulating said reports of the result of the ballot and declaring the result of the ballot.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots for the school district election are to be completed on a form prescribed by the state board of elections and may be obtained by visiting the District website (<http://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/voting>), the New York State Education Department's Website (<http://www.counsel.nysed.gov/common/counsel/files/absentee-ballot-application-and-instructions-english.pdf>, <http://www.counsel.nysed.gov/common/counsel/files/absentee-ballot-application-and-instructions-spanish.pdf>), or by contacting the office of the District Clerk by email spedone@greatneck.k12.ny.us or phone (516-441-4020). Completed applications must be received at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the applicant, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the applicant or to his or her designated agent. Absentee ballot applications will not be accepted by the District Clerk before April 12, 2021. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available at the office of the District Clerk on each of the five days prior to the day of the election except Sunday, and between the hours 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on the Saturday prior to the election by appointment only.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that pursuant to Education Law §2018-d, any person serving in the military, including spouses and dependents, may register to vote in the upcoming school district election. A military voter who is a qualified voter of the school district may obtain a registration form by visiting the District website (<http://www.greatneck.k12.ny.us/voting>) or contacting the office of the District Clerk by phone (516)441-4020, facsimile (516)441-4922, email spedone@greatneck.k12.ny.us, mail at Great Neck UFSD,

345 Lakeville Rd, Great Neck, NY 11020, or in person during regular office hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A military voter who is duly registered may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application by also visiting the District website or contacting the office of the District Clerk. Completed applications must be personally delivered or mailed to the District Clerk and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2021. Military ballots must be received by 5:00 p.m. on May 11, 2021 if signed and dated by the military voter and one witness thereto with a date which is not later than the day before the election, or not later than the close of the polls on May 11, 2021 if postmarked or endorsed by an agency of the United States government. A military voter may designate a preference to receive a military voter registration form, military ballot application or military ballot by mail, facsimile or electronic mail in the request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. For purposes of this school district election, a military voter is a qualified voter of New York State, who: (i) is in actual military service, and by reason of such military service is absent from the school district in which he or she is qualified to vote on the day of registration or election; or (ii) is discharged from such military service within 30 days of an election; or a spouse, parent, child or dependent of a such voter, accompanying or being with such voter, if a qualified voter of New York State and a resident of the same school district as such voter.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Education has adopted rules governing the election, which include the following:

- a) Any proposition or question to be placed upon the voting machines (except propositions or questions which are required to be stated in this Notice) shall be submitted in writing by petition subscribed by at least 292 qualified voters, and filed in the office of the District Clerk-between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., not later than the 30th day preceding the election at which such question or proposition shall be voted upon, except that on the 30th day, this year, April 12, 2021, such propositions may be submitted between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- b) All petitions submitting questions or propositions shall clearly and concisely state the proposition or question to be submitted to the election, but the form and language of such question or proposition shall be determined by the Board of Education.

c) The Board of Education shall examine each petition filed with the office of the District Clerk for the submission of questions and propositions and may reject said petition if its purpose is not within the power of the voters, or where expenditure of money is required by the petition, if the proposition fails to include the necessary specific appropriation.

Dated: March 16, 2021
Great Neck, New York

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
GREAT NECK UNION FREE
SCHOOL DISTRICT

STACEY PEDONE, DISTRICT CLERK

As amended.

Motion: R. Sassouni

Vote: 4-0

i. **Appointment of Election Chairpersons for Special District Meeting of May 11, 2021**

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint:

- a chairperson for Election District #1;
- a chairperson for Election District #2;
- a chairperson for Election District #3, and;
- a chairperson for Election District #4;

to serve at the Annual District Meeting to be held on May 11, 2021.

The following resolution is recommended:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint:

- Michele Domanick as Chairperson for Election District #1;
- Susan Garfinkel as Chairperson for Election District #2;
- Anne Hartel as Chairperson for Election District #3, and;
- Rosemarie Cacioppo as Chairperson for Election District #4;

for the Annual District Election to be held on May 11, 2021.

j. Affordable Care Act Consulting Firm**INFORMATION**

The District wishes to continue utilizing the Seneca Consulting Group for the 2021-22 school year. We have been satisfied with the leadership and guidance provided by Seneca in their efforts to ensure that we remain compliant with mandatory Affordable Care Act reporting.

This will be the third year of the District's current agreement with Seneca, which began in fall 2019, when the District issued a Request for Proposals (RFP). Seneca agreed to hold its price for the duration of this contract, so there will be no cost increase for 2021-22.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an extension of the contract with the Seneca Consulting Group to assist the District in meeting the Affordable Care Act requirements. The annual cost of this service is \$10,500, plus \$1.30 per employee to print and mail the 1095-B and 1095-C forms that are mandated by the Internal Revenue Service, plus \$250 for New Jersey's required Shared Responsibility Reporting. If additional consulting services are needed, the hourly fee will be \$250.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

k. **Resolution for the Nomination of BOCES Board Members**

WHEREAS, the Board of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (hereinafter "BOCES") has three Board seats for which the term will expire on June 30, 2021,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Great Neck Public Schools Board of Education hereby nominates:

Susan Bergtraum
Martin R. Kaye
Michael Weinick

to run for a three-year term beginning on July 1, 2021 for the Nassau BOCES Board.

I. **Resolution for Participation in the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Bidding Program for 2020-2021**

INFORMATION

The Great Neck Union Free School District would like to participate in the Cooperative Bidding Program offered by the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Eastern Suffolk County (ESBOCES). As a Cross Contract Service, there will be an annual fee of \$556 per bid/ RFP. Participation in the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Bidding Program will afford the District the opportunity to receive equipment, supplies, and services at substantial savings.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the District's participation in the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Bidding Program for 2020-2021.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

m. 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 OBSERVER(S)

<u>Name</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Julia Manley	Hofstra	ERP	J. Feinstein	Gr. 2	25 hours
Betina Puliafico	Hofstra	ERP	A. Frey	Gr. 1	25 hours
Andrew Tong	Hofstra	ERP	J. Perez	Gr. 2	25 hours
Elizabeth Vario	Hofstra	ERP	J. Neuwirt	Gr. 2	25 hours
Katherine Neri	LIU	EMB	J. Brock	Gr. 3	55 hours
Shuqi Huang	Queens	SR	J. Klein	Gr. K-1	10 hours
Amelia Ditola	St. John's	EMB	L. Glad	Gr. 3	10 hours
Olivia Stevens	Vassar	SR	J. Brennan	Gr. 4	40 hours

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: 4-0

n. **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 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 secondary classrooms.

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

STUDENT OBSERVER(S)

<u>Name</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Hours/Dates</u>
Samantha Catapano	Stony Brook	SM	T. Hatten	Science	50 Hours
Christina Mihalatos	Adelphi	SM	S. Kramer	Spec. Ed.	25 Hours

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: 4-0

o. **Interior Alterations – John F. Kennedy School (Change Order #1)**

INFORMATION

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the interior alterations at the John F. Kennedy School. While working on the project, ACS System Associates, Inc. was back-charged for not providing items in the original contract as follows:

<u>Items Back-Charged</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Change Order #1	
District requested that the contractor provide a credit for the unused General Allowance.	(\$1,866.25)
Total Change Order #1:	(\$1,866.25)
Original Contract Sum:	\$350,000.00
Change Order #1:	(\$1,866.25)
Amended Contract Sum:	\$348,133.75

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order #1 for a credit of \$1,866.25 with ACS System Associates, Inc.

p. **Roof Reconstruction and RTU Replacement – South High School
(Change Order #1)**

INFORMATION

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the roof reconstruction and RTU replacement at the South High School. While working on the project, Hi-Tech Air Conditioning Service, Inc. was asked to perform additional work in the original contract as follows:

<u>Items Back-Charged</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Change Order #1	
District requested that the contractor remove the existing ductwork in conflict with new roof area #35. Contractor to raise and install new ductwork (Hi-Tech PCO #9).	\$5,760.48
District requested that the contractor provide a credit back for site restoration.	(\$750.00)
Total Change Order #1:	\$5,010.48
Original Contract Sum:	\$1,240,000.00
Change Order #1:	\$5,010.48
Amended Contract Sum:	\$1,245,010.48

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$5,010.48 with Hi-Tech Air Conditioning Service, Inc.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

q. **Roof Reconstruction and RTU Replacement – South High School**
(Change Order #1)

INFORMATION

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the roof reconstruction and RTU replacement at the South High School. While working on the project, Palace Electrical Contractor, Inc. was back-charged for not providing items in the original contract as follows:

<u>Items Back-Charged</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Change Order #1	
District requested that the contractor provide a credit for the unused 'Allowance No. 6'.	(\$20,000)
Total Change Order #1:	(\$20,000)
Original Contract Sum:	\$233,000
Change Order #1:	(\$20,000)
Amended Contract Sum:	\$213,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order #1 for a credit of \$20,000 with Palace Electrical Contractor, Inc.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

r. **Roof Reconstruction and RTU Replacement – South Middle School (Change Order #1)**

INFORMATION

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the roof reconstruction and RTU replacement at the South Middle School. While working on the project, Hi-Tech Air Conditioning Service, Inc. was asked to perform additional work in the original contract as follows:

<u>Items Back-Charged</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Change Order #1</u>	
District requested that the contractor provide a credit for the remaining unused 'MC Allowance No. 11.'	(\$8,288)
District requested that the contractor provide a credit back for site restoration.	(\$750)
Total Change Order #1:	(\$9,038)

Original Contract Sum:	\$955,000.00
Change Order #1:	(\$9,038.00)
Amended Contract Sum:	\$945,962.00

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order #1 for a credit of \$9,038 with Hi-Tech Air Conditioning Service, Inc.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

s. **Roof Reconstruction and RTU Replacement – South Middle School (Change Order #1)**

INFORMATION

One of the projects in the District's capital program includes the roof reconstruction and RTU replacement at the South Middle School. While working on the project, Palace Electrical Contractor, Inc. was back charged for not providing items in the original contract as follows:

<u>Items Back Charged</u>	<u>Amount</u>
<u>Change Order #1</u>	
District requested that the contractor provide a credit for the unused 'Allowance No. 12'.	(\$20,000)
Total Change Order #1:	(\$20,000)
Original Contract Sum:	\$168,000
Change Order #1:	(\$20,000)
Amended Contract Sum:	\$148,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Change Order #1 for a credit of \$20,000 with Palace Electrical Contractor, Inc.

t. **Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release**

INFORMATION

An employee was undercharged for health insurance coverage. An agreement was reached between the employee and the school district to pay for coverage received but not paid for.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the agreement for the employee to repay the school district for health insurance coverage received but not paid for be signed by the President of the Board of Education.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

u. **Donation – Monetary: South Middle (Read-a-Thon)**

INFORMATION

The Great Neck South Middle School PTA would like to make a monetary donation of \$1,960 towards the classroom libraries.

The administration has indicated that this donation is very much appreciated.

RECOMMENDATION

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



Great Neck South Middle School PTA

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

February 23rd, 2021

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

Re: Donation to South Middle School

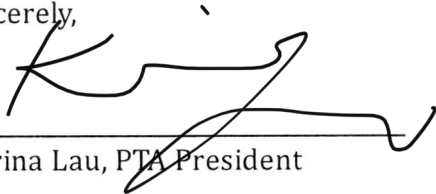
Dear Mrs. Berkowitz and the Members of the Board,

The South Middle School PTA would like to donate \$1,960 towards the classroom libraries.

We had A Read-a-Thon Fundraiser in the month of January 2021 to raise money by getting people to support students who spent a few weeks focusing on reading. The English department indicated that they wanted to get new books for the classrooms and we would like to support them with the money raised.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Korina Lau, PTA President



Approved by Dr. Gina Cartolano, Principal

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

The following donation has been received by the District:

<u>Name of Scholarship</u>	<u>Name of Donors</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Ryan L. Sims Memorial Scholarship	Melinda N. Sims	\$2,000

The administration has indicated that this donation is very much appreciated.

RECOMMENDATION

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

4. **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.

District	Students	Rate/Student	Total	School Year
Mineola Union Free School District	18	\$818.00	\$14,724.00	2020-2021
South Huntington Union Free School District	4	\$798.86	\$3,195.44	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: D. Peirez

Vote: 4-0

b. Contract(s) – Related Services Addendum**INFORMATION**

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) has recommended specialized assessments and evaluations as well as resource and related services for certain students with disabilities. The Board of Education is asked to approve the contract(s) with the consultant/agency noted below, for service to be rendered as needed during the 2020/2021 school year.

Provider	Location	Adjustment	Dates
Metro Occupational & Physical Therapy	Garden City	\$60 per hour for CSE participation	2/21-6/21

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the adjustment to the related service contract previously approved for the above provider(s).

Motion: D. Peirez

Vote: 4-0

c. **Contract(s) – Tuition Addendum**

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.

School	Location	Classified Student(s)	Adjustment	Dates
Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf	Mill Neck	1 student	\$53,867.52 per student	11/20-6/21

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: D. Peirez

Vote: 4-0

d. Outside Service Agreement - Addendum**INFORMATION**

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) has recommended specialized assessments and evaluations as well as resource and related services for certain students with disabilities. The Board of Education is asked to approve the addendum with the consultant/agency noted below, for services to be rendered as needed during the 2020/2021 school year.

COVE SLFT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve an addendum to the Outside Service Agreement with Cove SLFT of Glen Cove, New York for occupational therapy services to be provided during the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion: R. Sassouni	Vote: 4-0
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e. **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: R. Sassouni

Vote: 4-0

**OTHER CONSULTANTS
3/16/21 BOARD MEETING**

<u>Consultant</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Max. Approval</u>
Educational Vistas	<i>*Revision from 12/16/20 Board due to Shipping Charges*</i> Scoring of Grade 4-8 ELA and Math Assessments	District Wide	12/17/20-6/30/21	\$63,053.25	\$63,053.25
Grace Lin	Author Presentation to 6 th , 7 th and 8 th Grades	South Middle	4/14/21	\$2,300/day	\$2,300.00
Herff Jones	2020-2021 Yearbook	Village	9/1/20-6/30/21	\$2,636.40	\$2,636.40
Transfinder	Maintenance and Annual Technical Support and Upgrade	District Wide	4/1/21-3/31/22	\$10,350/year	\$10,350.00

*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.

f. **Claims Audit Report to the Board of Education – January 2021**

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 January 2021 claims audit report, as presented.

The Board accepted the report as presented.

g. Payment of Fees to Counsel – October 2020

INFORMATION

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

Student Matters – Special Ed (13)	\$	10,300.50
Negotiations	\$	1,446.75
Human Resources (5)	\$	4,419.00
Instruction	\$	3,147.75
Student Matters – Residency	\$	0.00
Miscellaneous	\$	14,140.90
	\$	<u>33,454.90</u>

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the payment of \$33,454.90 for October 2020 as per the invoices submitted by Frazer & Feldman for professional services rendered as stated above.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

h. Payment of Fees to Special Counsel – January 2021

INFORMATION

Invoices were received from special district counsel, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, for professional services rendered during January 2021 in the following matters:

Human Resources	\$ 63,023.50
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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Education authorize the above payment to Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC.

Motion: J. Shi

Vote: 4-0

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

- 1) Monthly Treasurer's Report – January 2021
- 2) Monthly Budget Status Report for General, Capital, Debt Service, Lunch and Special Aid Funds – January 2021
- 3) Revenue Status Report General Fund – January 2021
- 4) Quarterly Extra Classroom Activity Funds Report – July through September 2020 and October through December 2020

The Board accepted the reports as presented.

5. 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.

A5243	A8020	B9919
Y8178	A0874	B5563
G1207	M8140	L9283
L1061	M7098	M2881
N2688	N4001	P1443
R3022	B4292	Y7893
Y7012	Y0666	Y6054

**b. Committee on Preschool Special Education Recommendations
2021-2022****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 2021 – 2022 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.

A8074	B5563	M8140
N4001	B4292	W6070
Y7893	Y0666	

c. 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.

10311	E1039	R1891
10597	E8468	S2348
10681	K0013	S3001
A1489	K0665	S6175
A4486	K8408	S6433
A4990	K8578	S8677
A5149	L6099	S8877
B4328	L7788	T0453
C0608	M4036	V2070
C3017	P1533	Z7890
D0849	P3587	
D2297	P3588	

d. Committee on Special Education Recommendations 2021-2022**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 2021 – 2022 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.

A1243	G5266	L3871	R6669
A2970	G7001	L4053	R8444
A2971	G7231	L5156	R9441
A2972	G8768	L6383	S0050
A4952	H0370	L8209	S0671
A5692	H1883	L9283	S0743
A7953	H3091	M0856	S1018
A8020	H4138	M2881	S3094
B0166	H4307	M6310	S3534
B4558	H7475	M9060	S4747
B9841	H7496	N1318	S6260
C1333	I5757	N2766	S7795
C2263	I6052	N8388	T0329
C2264	J1451	N8486	T0720
C4307	K0665	O3741	T2002
C5484	K1020	O4154	T4250
C8069	K1589	P1356	U1811
D2297	K1796	P2498	V6404
E4777	K4955	P2933	V8880
F2317	K60025	P3587	W6070
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G1931	L1032	Q8226	Y6054
G2635	L3846	R1372	

Motion: D. Peirez

Vote: 4-0

8. **BOARD DISCUSSION**

a. **Mr. Ashkenase's Announcement**

At 8:46 pm, Ms. Debbie Doustan, daughter of the late Mr. Ashkenase, joined to read her father's announcement which he had prepared for tonight's meeting. The speech was to announce that Mr. Ashkenase was not seeking re-election.

On a motion by Ms. Berkowitz and approved by unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Kuniko Langel
Secretary to the Board