PATCHOGUE-MEDFORD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION 241 South Ocean Avenue Patchogue, New York 11772

Business Meeting Saxton Middle School Auditorium June 24, 2024

PRESIDING OFFICER: Marc Negrin, President

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT AND VOTING: Diana Andrade, Thomas Donofrio, Kelli Anne Jennings, Jennifer Krieger, Bernadette Smith

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Jennifer Krieger, Francis Salazar

OFFICIALS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Dennis M. Logan, District Clerk; Lisa Hutchinson, General/Labor Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT AND REPORTING: Donna Jones, Superintendent of Schools; Lori Cannetti, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction; Joey Cohen, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Jessica Lukas, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services; Frank Mazzie, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board of Education President Marc Negrin called the meeting to order in the Room 124 of Saxton Middle School at 6:00 p.m.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION AND DEPARTURE OF BOARD MEMBER

Motion offered by Diana Andrade, seconded by Bernadette Smith to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education enters Executive Session in order to discuss employee discipline matters, appointments, collective bargaining negotiations and administrative evaluations at 6:01 p.m.

Board of Education member Thomas Donofrio departed the meeting during Executive Session.

Motion carried: 6 - Yes; 0 - No; 2 - Absent (J. Krieger, F. Salazar)

3. **RESUME PUBLIC SESSION**

Board of Education President Marc Negrin called the meeting to order in Public Session in the Saxton Middle School Auditorium at 7:32 p.m.

Board of Education member Jennifer Krieger departed the meeting at this point.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Negrin led those present in the Salute to the Flag.

5. SAFETY MESSAGE

District Clerk Dennis Logan explained the Emergency Evacuation Procedure, the prohibition of smoking on school property and the ground rules for the meeting.

6. **REPORT BY EX-OFFICIO STUDENT MEMBER**

Student Ex-Officio Member Bryan Frascogna provided his final monthly report for those present.

7. **RECOGNITION OF EX-OFFICIO STUDENT MEMBER**

Mr. Negrin presented Student Ex-Officio Member Bryan Frascogna with a Certificate thanking him for his excellent service in his role during the 2023-2024 School Year.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

Members of the audience were given an opportunity to comment after each presentation and to comment on Consent Agenda items.

9 CONSENT AGENDA

Motion offered by Kelli Anne Jennings, seconded by to approve the Consent Agenda (Items A through FF) as follows:

A. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Meeting Minutes for the following Board of Education meetings:

- May 9, 2024 Budget Information Meeting Minutes
- May 13, 2024 Business Meeting Minutes
- May 21, 2024 Special Meeting/Canvass of Annual Budget Vote and Election Minutes
- May 29, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes
- June 6, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes
- B. <u>Approval of Personnel</u>
- WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that in order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a classroom teacher or building principal must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time, be it
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following personnel Reports. (see Schedule #1 Attached)
 - A1. Instructional Staff
 - A2. Instructional Staff Leaves of Absence/Returns
 - B1. Operational Staff
 - B2. Operational Staff Leaves of Absence/Returns
 - C. <u>Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Patchogue-Medford</u> <u>Congress of Teachers Member</u>
- RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a Memorandum of Agreement with the member of the Patchogue-Medford Congress of Teachers named in Confidential Schedule A regarding financial re-imbursement for time and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said Agreement on behalf of the district.
 - D. <u>Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Patchogue-Medford</u> <u>Administrators' Association</u>
- RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a Memorandum of Agreement with a member of the Patchogue-Medford Administrators Association regarding secondary drama productions and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said Agreement on behalf of the district.

- E. <u>Establishment of Sick Leave Bank CSEA Full Time Clerical/</u> <u>Aides Unit</u>
- RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the establishment of a sick leave bank for the member of the Civil Service Employees' Association Full-Time Clerical/Aides Unit named in Confidential Schedule A for 9 days. The donation of leave by the Clerical Unit is not to be considered precedentsetting.
 - F. <u>Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Civil Service</u> <u>Employee's Association, Inc., Suffolk Educational Local 870,</u> <u>Patchogue-Medford School District Part-Time Unit</u>
- RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Civil Service Employees' Association, Inc., Suffolk Educational Local 870, Patchogue-Medford School District Part-Time Unit for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2028, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the district.
 - G. <u>Approval for Provision of Educational Opportunities to Resident</u> <u>Pupils with Disabilities</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the provision of educational opportunities to resident pupils as listed, in date order, shown on the following rosters provided:
 - 1. Committee for Pre-School Special Education
 - 2. Committee for Special Education
 - 3. Section 504 Committee
 - H. Acceptance of Financial Reports
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following financial reports for the period from April 1, 2024 through April 30, 2024:
 - 1. Treasurer's Report
 - 2. Claims Auditor Letter
 - 3. Claims Auditor Reports
 - Payroll Schedule Audit Report Payroll Adjustments Report Substitute Teacher Report (Budget) Substitute Teacher Report (Grants) Custodial Overtime Report Cash Disbursement Report Workers' Compensation Cash Disbursement Wire Reconciliation Report NVision Audit Reports Firewall Activity Report
 - 4. Cash Flow Projection
 - 5. Extra Classroom Activity Fund
 - 6. Scholarship Activity Fund
 - 7. General Fund Financial Reports
 - 8. School Lunch Fund Financial Reports
 - 9. Special Aid Fund Financial Reports
 - 10. Capital Projects Fund Financial Reports
 - 11. Miscellaneous Special Revenue Funds Reports
 - 12. Debt Service Fund Financial Reports
 - 13. Workers' Comp. Reserve Financial Reports
 - 14. Budget Transfer Query

- 15. Capital Project Report (7/01/99 Present)
- 16. Warrants
- I. <u>Budgetary Adjustments</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following Budgetary Adjustments, for the period May 4, 2024 through June 14, 2024, 2024 in the amount of \$1,181,995.88 as provided to the Board of Education.
 - 1. Budget Transfers in Excess of \$5,000
 - J. Approval of Contracts

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the following contracts:

#	Contract	Description	Rate	Atty. Reviewed	Reason	Renewal
1.	American Red Cross	Emergency Shelter Agreement	No cost to District – Reimbursement from Red Cross (see contract)	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
2.	Arux Software, Inc. and Bruber Financial Services, Inc. d/b/a Persolvent	Software Vendor Services	Rate is unchanged from 2023-2024	Yes	Attorney Prepared Contract	Yes
3.	Bay Shore UFSD	Health Services	Per pupil rate of \$1,286.47 for 2023- 2024; Rate has increased by \$470.37 per pupil over 2018-2019	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
4.	Blue Sea Educational Consulting	Behavioral Services	See contract for specific rates	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes RFP #2023- 04
5.	Blue Sky Fireworks	Fireworks for Graduation – Revision	Fee for the Town of Brookhaven was previously built into vendor's rate, however Town has changed the way they accept payment so vendor's contract has been reduced by the amount due to Town who we now pay directly	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
6.	Borrelli, Anthony	Adult Ed Instruction	\$30.00 per hour for a maximum of 16 hours per summer 2024 semester; Rate is unchanged from spring 2024 semester	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes

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7.	Calendly	Calendar Scheduling Service (Replaces Agreement Approved in April 2024)	\$2,520.00; Rate is unchanged	Yes	Vendor Template	No
8.	Child Advocacy Center of Suffolk County/EAC Network	Consultant Services	No fee associated with this agreement	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
9.	Dome, Lenora	Adult Ed Instruction	\$30.00 per hour for a maximum of 6 hours per spring 2024 semester; Rate is unchanged from winter 2024 semester	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
10.	Eastern Suffolk BOCES	Shared Services 2024-2025	Total Estimated Contract Costs for 2024-2025 are \$14,024,639.65; Estimated rate is down by \$669,396.68 from last year	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
11.	Flood, Janet	Adult Ed Instruction	\$30.00 per hour for a maximum of 16 hours per spring 2024 semester; Rate is unchanged from winter 2024 semester	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
12.	Girls Incorporated of Long Island	Consultant Services	\$31,250.00. Remaining 50% of program cost to be covered by Girls Inc. funder. Program has been expanded to Oregon MS this year as well.	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
13.	Hawkins Delafield and Wood LLP	Arbitrage Rebate and Yield Restriction Compliance Services	See attached fee schedule	No	Not Necessary	No
14.	Lopez, Alma Lynn	Adult Ed Instruction	\$30.00 per hour for a maximum of 32 hours per spring 2024 semester; Rate is unchanged from winter 2024 semester	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
15.	NYSARC, Inc. – Suffolk Chapter	Special Education Services	In accordance with the tuition rate established by the Commissioner of Education	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes

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16.	Patchogue Lioness-Lions Club	Vision Screening	No fee associated with this agreement	No	Attorney Approved District Template	Yes
17.	Profile Benefits (Pupil Benefits)	Student Accident Insurance	The pure rate per student will be \$14.79; this is an increase of \$0.64 from 2023-2024. The Adult Ed rate will be \$5.00 which is unchanged from 2023-2024. The premium for the excess or catastrophic coverage will be \$4,293, which is a reduction of \$5,247 from 2023-2024.	No	Not Necessary	Yes
18.	Riverhead CSD	Health Services	Per pupil rate of \$1153.06 for 2023- 2024; Rate has increased by \$116.50 per pupil over 2022-2023	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
19.	SchFront LLC	Licensing Agreement for Student, Content and Employee Management Systems	See contract for rate information	Yes	Vendor Template	No
20.	South Country CSD	Health Services	Per pupil rate of \$1,329.89 for 2023- 2024	Yes	Attorney Approved Template	No
21.	St. Charles Hospital	High School Athletic Trainer	\$53,370.00 ; Rate is unchanged from 2023-2024	No	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
22.	SUNY Cortland	Affiliation Agreement	No fee associated with this agreement	Yes	Attorney Approved Template	Yes
23.	SUNY Stony Brook, School of Health Professions	Affiliation Agreement	No fee associated with this agreement	Yes	Vendor Template	No
24.	Swan Lake Nursing & Rehabilitation (formerly Suffolk Center for Rehabilitation & Nursing)	Emergency Shelter Agreement	No fee associated with this agreement	No	Attorney Prepared Rider	Yes

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25.	U.S. OMNI & TSACG Compliance Services	403(b) Third Party Provider	\$612.00 based on 17 accounts at \$36.00 per account plus \$1,500.00 administrative fee; Rate has decreased by \$36.00 from 2023-2024	No	Not Necessary	Yes

K. Approval of Bid Award

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the following Bid Awards:

- #2024-03 (2) Related Services RFP:
 - o All About Kids
 - o Amergis
 - o Blue Sea Educational Consulting
 - o Bright Star Occupational Therapy
 - Clinical Staffing Resources
 - o Kidz Educational Services
 - o Little Angels Center
 - o Metro Therapy
 - o Mindful Kid
 - New York Therapy Placement Services
 - o Out East Therapy
 - o Tender Age PT
 - The Speech Language Place
 - Theralympic Speech
- #2024-04 Internal Auditing Services RFP: Cerini & Associate, LLP
- #2024-06 Summer Transportation RFP: Montauk Bus LLC
- #2024-07 Floor Mats Bid: American Pad, Inc.
- #2024-08 Districtwide Laptop Repair Bid:
 - Cell Mechanic Inc.
 - o iFixYouri Corp.
- L. Disposition of Obsolete Items
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes disposition of the following obsolete items on the lists provided:
 - Assorted technology equipment (*located Districtwide*)
 - Assorted equipment (located at Saxton Middle School)
 - One WISC-IV Kit, ISBN #999830018-5 (located at Saxton Middle School)
 - One Blessing Trumpet, Serial #360180 (located at River Elementary School)
 - M. Approval of Engagement Letter
- RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the engagement of Hawkins Delafield & Wood to provide legal advice regarding arbitrage rebate and yield restriction compliance with respect to any bond or note issue of the District as determined by the District's Assistant Superintendent and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said Engagement Letter on behalf of the district.

N. <u>Approval of Investment Company</u>

- WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o ("Section 119-o") empowers municipal corporations [defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, town and villages, and districts] to enter into, amend, cancel and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers and duties on a cooperative or contract basis;
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford UFSD wishes to invest portions of its available investment funds in cooperation with other corporations and/or districts pursuant to the NYCLASS Municipal Cooperation Agreement Amended and Restated as of March 28, 2019;
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford UFSD wishes to assure the safety and liquidity needs of their funds;

Now, therefore, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

That Virginia Newell, District Treasurer of Patchogue-Medford UFSD is hereby authorized to participate in the NYCLASS program under the terms of the NYCLASS Municipal Agreement Amended and Restated as of March 28, 2019.

- O. <u>Approval of The Continuance of an "Employee Benefit Accrued</u> <u>Liability Reserve" (EBALR)</u>
- WHEREAS, section 6-p of the General Municipal Law authorizes a Board of Education to establish a reserve fund by resolution to be known as the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of paying any accrued employee benefits due to an employee upon termination of his/her employment; and
- WHEREAS, such benefits are sick leave, personal leave, vacation leave and other benefits earned by employees and payable upon termination that are not covered by another existing reserve fund;
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund (EBALR).
 - P. Approval of the Continuance and Funding of the "Workers' <u>Compensation Reserve Fund</u>"
- WHEREAS, section 6-j of the General Municipal Law authorizes a Board of Education to establish a reserve fund by resolution to be known as the Workers Compensation Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of paying compensation and benefits, medical, hospital, or other expenses authorized by Article 2 of the Workers' Compensation Law and to pay the expenses of administering a self-insurance program; and
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund, and authorizes to transfer and amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the available fund balance from the 2023-2024 school year to the Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund. .

- Q. <u>Approval of the Continuance of the "Unemployment Insurance</u> <u>Payment Reserve Fund"</u>
- WHEREAS, section 6-m of the General Municipal Law authorizes a Board of Education to establish a reserve fund by resolution to be known as the Unemployment Insurance Payment Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of reimbursing the State Unemployment Insurance Fund for payments made to claimants where the District has elected to use the "benefit reimbursement" method; and
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Unemployment Insurance Payment Reserve Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Unemployment Insurance Payment Reserve Fund.
 - R. Approval of the Continuance of the "Insurance Reserve"
- WHEREAS, section 6-n of the General Municipal Law authorizes a Board of Education to establish a reserve fund by resolution to be known as the Insurance Reserve Fund to be used for the purpose of paying liability, casualty and any other types of losses, except losses incurred for which the following types of insurance may be purchased: life, accident, health, annuities, fidelity and surety, credit, title residential value and mortgage guarantee; and
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Insurance Reserve Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Insurance Reserve Fund.

S. <u>Approval of the Continuance and Funding of a "Retirement</u> <u>Contribution Reserve Fund (Employees Retirement System)"</u>

- WHEREAS, section 6-r of the General Municipal Law authorizes a Board of Education to establish a reserve fund by resolution to be known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (Employees Retirement System) to be used for the purpose of financing retirement contributions to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System; and
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (Employees Retirement System), and authorizes to transfer an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 from the available fund balance from the 2023-2024 school year to the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (Employees Retirement System).

T. <u>Approval of the Continuance and Funding of a "Retirement</u> <u>Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund"</u>

- WHEREAS, on May 20, 2019, the Board of Education of the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District by resolution established a Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund Sub-Fund known as the RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION RESERVE FUND SUB-FUND pursuant to Section 6-r of the General Municipal Law; and
- WHEREAS, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education desires to continue the Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund for such purposes; and it is hereby

- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to continue a fund known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund, and authorizes to transfer an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the available fund balance from the 2023-2024 school year to the Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund.
 - U. Approval of Funding of the "Capital Reserve 2022"
- RESOLVED, that the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District Board of Education hereby authorizes to transfer of an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 from available fund balance from the 2023-2024 school year to the Capital Reserve Fund 2022.

V. Approval of Attendance at Conferences

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves attendance by the following staff members at the conference specified:

#	Staff Member(s)	Name of Conference and Location (City, State)	Date(s)	Professional Organization Sponsoring Conference	Cost	District or Grant Funded
1.	Carol Sicignano	NYAPT 65 TH Annual Summer Conference; Saratoga Springs, NY	July 7, 2024, through July 10, 2024	N.Y. Association for Pupil Transportation	\$1,283.29	District
2.	Steven Cole	NYS Track and Field Championships; Cicero, NY	June 6, 2024, through June 8, 2024	N.Y. State Public High School Athletic Association	\$1,143.66	District
3.	Scott Hicks	NYS Track and Field Championships; Cicero, NY	June 7, 2024, through June 8, 2024	N.Y. State Public High School Athletic Association	\$803.87	District
4.	Susan Sclafani	AP Capstone Seminar Training; Virtual	August 5, 2024, through August 9, 2024	Texas Christian University – College Board	\$1,055.00	District

- W. <u>Change of Date for Annual Re-Organization Meeting and July</u> <u>Business Meeting</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby changes the date of the July Board of Education Re-Organization Meeting and Business Meeting from July 9, 2024, to July 15, 2024.
 - X. <u>Authorization to Assign Staff to Summer Committee on Special</u> <u>Education (CSE) Meetings</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his or her designee to assign teachers for Committee on Special Education (CSE) meetings as may be needed during the summer months at the negotiated rate contained in the contract currently in effect with the PMCT.
 - Y. <u>Recommended Authorization to Assign Staff to Summer Psychologist</u> <u>Work</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his or her designee to assign staff for Summer Psychologist Work as may be needed during the summer months at the negotiated rate contained in the contract currently in effect with the PMCT.

- Z. Recommended Authorization to Assign Staff to Summer Guidance Work
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his or her designee to assign staff for Summer Guidance Work as may be needed (not to exceed 10 days) during the summer months at the negotiated rate contained in the contract currently in effect with the PMCT.
 - AA. <u>Recommended Authorization to Assign Teachers on Special</u> <u>Assignment (TOSA), Leads, Department Chairs, Deans. Librarians</u> <u>and Social Workers to Summer Work</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools or his or her designee to assign Teachers on Special Assignment (TOSA), Leads, Department Chairs, Deans, Librarians and Social Workers for Summer Work as may be needed (not to exceed 5 days) during the summer months at the negotiated rate contained in the contract currently in effect with the PMCT.
 - BB. <u>Nomination for New York State School Boards Association Area</u> <u>12 Director</u>
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District hereby nominates Catherine Romano for Area 12 Director of the New York State School Boards Association and direct the District Clerk to notify the New York State School Boards Association of this nomination.
 - CC. Approval of Board of Member Activities
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby grants permission for the following activities:
 - 1. <u>SCOPE Annual Meeting</u>

The Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of Board of Education members Diana Andrade, Thomas Donofrio, Kelli Anne Jennings, Jennifer Krieger, Marc Negrin, Francis Salazar and Bernadette Smith, Superintendent of Schools Donna Jones, and District Clerk Dennis Logan, at the SCOPE Education Services Annual Dinner Meeting to be held on August 13, 2024 at the Bourne Mansion in Oakdale, New York at a cost of \$85 per person.

2. <u>New York State School Boards Association Annual</u> <u>Convention</u>

The Board of Education approves that attendance of Board of Education members Diana Andrade, Thomas Donofrio, Kelli Anne Jennings, Jennifer Krieger, Marc Negrin, Francis Salazar and Bernadette Smith, Superintendent of Schools Donna Jones and District Clerk Dennis Logan at the New York State School Boards Convention to be held on October 19 through October 22, 2024 in New York, New York including lodging and meal expenses, and that all are authorized to attend either the Pre-Convention Law Conference or Board Leadership Conference as well with a total cost to the district not-to-exceed \$2,000.00 per person.

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3. <u>New York State School Boards Association "Leadership in</u> <u>Education Event"</u>

The Board of Education authorizes Board of Education members Bernadette Smith and Jennifer Krieger to attend the New York State School Boards Association "Leadership in Education" event from July 19 through July 20, 2024, at the Crowne Plaza/Desmond Hotel in Colonie, New York travelling on July 18 and returning on July 20, 2023, at a cost not to exceed \$1000.00 per person to the district.

- DD. <u>Authorization to Destroy Cast Ballots from the 2023 Annual Budget</u> <u>Vote and Election</u>
- WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District conducted its annual Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, the District Clerk is currently in possession of all cast ballots resulting from said annual Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, the Record Retention and Disposition Schedule LGS-1 provides for the destruction of such ballots after one (1) year from the date of the Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, at least one (1) year has passed from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election held on May 16, 2023 and no proceedings have been commenced with regard to such Annual Budget Vote and Election; now, therefore BE IT,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby orders the destruction of all cast ballots from the May 16, 2023 Annual Budget Vote and Election.

EE. <u>Authorization to Destroy Unused</u>, Defective, Void and/or Spoiled Ballots from the 2023 Annual Budget Vote and Election

- WHEREAS, on May 16, 2023, the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District conducted its annual Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, the District Clerk is currently in possession of all unused, defective, void, and/or spoiled ballots resulting from said annual Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, the Record Retention and Disposition Schedule LGS-1 provides for the destruction of such ballots after six (6) months from the date of the Budget Vote and Election; and
- WHEREAS, at least six (6) months have passed from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election held on May 16, 2023 and no proceedings have been commenced with regard to such Annual Budget Vote and Election; now, therefore be it,
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby orders the destruction of all unused, defective, void, and/or spoiled ballots from the May 16, 2023 Annual Budget Vote and Election.
 - FF. Policy Adoption
- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopts the following policies which were circulated for a first reading and some for a second reading:
 - 5110 Comprehensive Attendance Policy
 - 5420 Student Health Services
 - 5421 Administration of Medication (for removal)
 - 5427 Allergy and Anaphylaxis (for removal)
 - 6154 Homework Policy

A roll-call vote was taken on the Consent Agenda (Items A through FF above):

Diana Andrade – Yes Thomas Donofrio – Absent Kelli Anne Jennings– Yes Jennifer Krieger – Absent Francis Salazar - Absent Bernadette Smith - Yes Marc Negrin - Yes

The Consent Agenda was approved.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Policy First Reading

The following policies will be circulated for a first reading. If there are no changes, the policies will be included on the August 26, 2024, Board of Education agenda:

- 5110 Comprehensive Attendance Policy
- 5420 Student Health Services
- 5421 Administration of Medication (for removal)
- 5427 Allergy and Anaphylaxis (for removal)
- 6154 Homework Policy

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Jones provided a report on her recent activities.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair people of the Board of Education Committees reported on the activities of their committees.

13. DISCUSSION TOPICS

The Board of Education conducted discussions about:

- Recess time as instructional time
- Eliminating field testing for New York State Assessments
- Excessive heat mandates in classrooms
- Mandating the exclusion of cell phones in classrooms
- Blue Ribbon Pathways graduation measures
- Path forward for the science of instruction of reading

14. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Members of the community were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments. None came forward.

15. BOARD COMMENTS

Members of the Board of Education provided comments.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion offered by Marc Negrin, seconded by Diana Andrade to wit: RESOLVED, that there being no further items for discussion, the meeting is adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Motion carried: 4 - Yes; 0 – No; 1-Absent (T. Donofrio, J. Krieger F. Salazar)

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis M. Logan District Clerk