

A Special Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, in the All-Purpose Room located in the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue in Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Ms. Lisa Herbert – President
Mr. Jimmy Chwe – Trustee
Ms. Trisha Matulewicz – Trustee
Ms. Heather Umhafer - Trustee

ABSENT: Ms. Andrea Parisi – Vice President

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Adele V. Pecora
Dr. Sheena Jacob
Ms. Amanda Barney
Mr. Andrew Casale

At 7:33 p.m., the President of the Board of Education opened the Special Meeting. As the first order of business, Board President Lisa Herbert led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN SPECIAL MEETING

Superintendent Dr. Adele Pecora spoke about the one personnel action on tonight’s agenda – the retirement of Manor School Principal Debra Emmerich. Dr. Pecora went on to speak about Ms. Emmerich’s 18 years at Seaford. She went on to speak about the last seven years of her working with Ms. Emmerich and the relationships formed, both personally and professionally and how she will be missed.

OPENING REMARKS

Board President Lisa Herbert spoke for Vice President Andrea Parisi who was unable to attend tonight’s meeting. Ms. Parisi congratulated Ms. Emmerich on her retirement and extended her deep thanks for her dedication to our students, faculty and staff. She went on to say that she knew sending her own children off to her school each day they would be loved, cared for and safe and that is the most important thing we can ask for as parents. Thank you for your many years of loving, effective and supportive leadership of the Manor School.

None

RESIDENTS’ COMMENTS

Responses have been sent to all correspondence

CORRESPONDENCE

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to approve the votes cast for the three (3) individuals listed below as members to the BOCES Board.

BOCES BOARD CANDIDATES

Susan Bergtraum	Martin R. Kaye	Cynthia Nunez
		No Discussion
	Lisa Herbert -	Aye
	Jimmy Chwe -	Aye
	Trisha Matulewicz -	Aye
	Heather Umhafer -	Aye
		Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (hereinafter “Nassau BOCES”) has proposed and presented its Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2024-2025 school year (July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025); now therefore,

BOCES 2024/20225 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Nassau BOCES Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of twenty-seven million, one hundred thirty-one thousand, one hundred and seventeen dollars (\$27,131,117) be, and hereby is approved by this Board.

	No Discussion
Lisa Herbert -	Aye
Jimmy Chwe -	Aye
Trisha Matulewicz -	Aye
Heather Umhafer -	Aye
	Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to approve a health and welfare services agreement with the Union Free Union School District for the 23-24 school year and authorize the Board President to sign said agreement.

CONTRACT 2023/2024 HEALTH SERVICES UNIONDALE UFSD

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to approve an Employment Agreement between Mary Catherine Culella-Sun as Executive Director for Student Support Services and the Seaford Union Free School District from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027, and authorize the Board President to sign this Agreement.

**EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT
7/01/2024 – 6/30/2027
MARY CATHERINE
CULELLA-SUN**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to approve a memorandum of agreement between the Seaford Association of School Administrators and the Seaford Union Free School District and authorize the Board President to sign said agreement.

**MEMORANDUM OF
AGREEMENT
SASA**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to accept the recommendation to approve the Personnel Action Report:

**PERSONNEL ACTION
REPORT - INSTRUCTIONAL**

A. Instructional (dated April 16, 2024):

P-1: POSITION ABOLITION: No Recommended Actions

P-2: POSITION CREATION: No Recommended Actions

P-3: RESIGNATIONS: No Recommended Actions

1. DEBRA EMMERICH

Position:	Principal
Assignment:	Seaford Manor School
Effective Date:	August 1, 2024
Reason:	Retirement

P-4: LEAVES: No Recommended Actions

P-5: TERMINATIONS: No Recommended Actions

P-6: TENURE APPOINTMENTS: No Recommended Actions

P-7: APPOINTMENTS: No Recommended Actions

P-8: OTHER: No Recommended Actions
No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Board President Lisa Herbert reminded everyone that there is once seat open for election on this Board this year. That seat is Andrea Parisi's; Ms. Parisi will be running for re-election. If anyone is also interested in running, candidate petitions must be submitted to the District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22nd.

MISCELLANEOUS

Closing remarks by the Administration and Board

CLOSING REMARKS

- ◆ Congratulations to Ms. Emmerich on her retirement; she will be missed
- ◆ My three children were so lucky to have you; you were so warm, loving and nurturing
- ◆ Ms. Emmerich you are so appreciated for all you have done
- ◆ Appreciate the love and passion you show for your students
- ◆ Your impact and legacy will live on here at Seaford
- ◆ Wishing you all the joy with your beautiful family in your retirement

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Umhafer, second by Mr. Chwe, to adjourn the Special Meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**ADJOURN SPECIAL
MEETING**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen T. Ouellette
District Clerk

Heather Umhafer
Vice District Clerk