

Public Hearing/Regular Meeting
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FIRE ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
November 9, 2021

In accordance with Chapter 417 of the Laws of 2021, this meeting was held virtually with public access.

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by President J. Lippert.
MEMBERS PRESENT	B. Chenault, L. Kaufman, J. Lippert, L. Nowachek, J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood.
OTHERS PRESENT	L. Ferraro, Superintendent J. Lizza, School Business Official P. Tamberino, Principal R. Roth, School Attorney D. Clock, District Clerk T. Murphy, Administrative Assistant G. Donovan, Teacher L. Chenault, community member R. Murray, community member
PUBLIC HEARING – TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN 2022 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS	A Public Hearing was held to review and discuss the following proposed Town of Brookhaven 2022 Tax Exemptions: • Partial Tax Exemption for Real Property of Senior Citizens • Partial Exemption for Real Property of Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income • Real Property of Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers Exemption
VOICE OF THE TAXPAYER - VIRTUAL MEETINGS	In response to written requests from B. Chenault, L. Chenault, and D. Wyckoff to hold future Board of Education meetings in person, the Board chooses to hold meetings virtually through January 15, 2022, in accordance with Chapter 417 of the Laws of 2021. (A. Wood, J. Phelan; 6-1, with B. Chenault voting nay)
SCHOOL COVID-19 VACCINATION SITE	In response to a written question from L. Chenault regarding the use of the school building as a Covid-19 vaccination site, the Superintendent responded that she did not anticipate Woodhull being used as such.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes of the following meetings were accepted as read: • Audit Committee Meeting of October 12, 2021 • Regular Meeting of October 12, 2021 • Special Meeting of October 21, 2021 (K. Skelly-Kurka, L. Nowachek; 7-0)
SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION	Due to this meeting being held remotely, the Board authorizes the District Clerk to sign documents on behalf of the Board President. (L. Nowachek, J. Phelan; 7-0)
TREASURER’S REPORT	Treasurer’s Report for the month ended October 2021 was accepted as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
TRIAL BALANCE REPORTS	The Board accepts the Trial Balance Report for the month ending October 2021 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)

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APPROPRIATION & REVENUE STATUS REPORTS	The Board accepts the Appropriation and Revenue Status Reports for October 2021 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
CASH DISBURSEMENT REPORT	The Board accepts the Cash Disbursement report for October 2021 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
VOIDED CHECK REPORT	The Board accepts the Voided Check report for October 2021 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
GENERAL FUND CASH FLOW REPORT	The Board accepts the General Fund Cash Flow report as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
CASH TRANSFER	The Board approves a cash transfer in the amount of \$500,000.00 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
WARRANTS – GENERAL FUND CAPITAL FUND	The Board hereby approves the General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$263,536.49, and the Capital Fund Warrant in the amount of \$4,602.50 as presented. (L. Kaufman, J. Phelan; 7-0)
SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT	Mrs. Ferraro reported on the following: • Interviews were held with 3 firms that submitted proposals for construction management services for the upcoming HVAC project at Woodhull School • BBS Architects submitted a revised schedule for the HVAC project. 4 engineers will be sent to survey areas related to the project • Weekly COVID screening/testing has been going well. • Field trips are being scheduled including going to a performance of the Nutcracker, and the 6th grade trip to New York City; the Halloween parade took place; after school clubs are being held again; and we will be holding our traditional Thanksgiving Feast again. • Nick Fortugno, Custodial Worker II, has passed his CDL and will soon be available to drive buses as needed. • Recommended the cancellation of the November 23, 2021 work session.
BOARD CALENDAR REVISION	On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby cancels the previously scheduled Work Session for November 23, 2021. (A. Wood, J. Lippert; 7-0)
2022 TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN PARTIAL TAX EXEMPTION FOR REAL PROPERTY OF SENIOR CITIZENS	The Board approves the 2022 Town of Brookhaven Partial Tax Exemption for Real Property of Senior Citizens as hereby attached. (A. Wood, J. Phelan; 7-0)
2022 TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN PARTIAL TAX EXEMPTION FOR REAL PROPERTY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES	The Board approves the 2022 Town of Brookhaven Partial Tax Exemption for Real Property of Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)
2022 TOWN OF BROOKHAVEN REAL PROPERTY OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS EXEMPTION	The Board approves the 2022 Town of Brookhaven Real Property of Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers Exemption as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)

2021-2022 RESPONSE TO
INTERVENTION/ACADEMIC
INTERVENTION SERVICES
PLAN

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the 2021-2022 Response to Intervention/Academic Intervention Services Plan as presented.
(K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood; 7-0)

SEQRA RESOLUTION –
PROPOSED HVAC SYSTEM
UPGRADE

RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Fire Island Union Free School District Board of Education approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to embark upon the Proposed HVAC Upgrade (Project), which includes installation of three (3) new energy recovery ventilators on the roof with duct work to provide ventilation to all areas of the building except the gym, boiler room, and utility/storage spaces. The work will include structural supports, electrical, ductwork, duct coils, piping loop & circulator, building management system, temperature control work, ceiling removal & reinstallation, insulation, testing & balancing.

WHEREAS, said Project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of SEQRA; and the Board of Education, as the lead agency, has examined all information related to the Project and has determined that the Project as a whole hereto is classified as a Type II Action as defined by Section 617.5(c)(8) of the SEQRA Regulations and therefore requires no further review;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the final Project acceptance, upon receipt, from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, in connection with its request for approval of said Project from the New York State Education Department.

(K. Skelly-Kurka, J. Phelan; 7-0)

APPOINTMENT –
CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

On the recommendation of the interview committee, the Board hereby accepts the proposal from Savin Engineers, P.C. for construction management services for the proposed HVAC system upgrade at a cost of \$138,800.00. (K. Skelly-Kurka, J. Phelan; 7-0)

EMPLOYEE RESIGNATION –
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
SERVICES/SCHOOL NURSE

The Board regrettably accepts the resignation of Janet LaViolette, Director of Health Services/School Nurse, for the purpose of retirement effective at the end of business on December 31, 2021.
(A. Wood, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)

2022-2023 NON-RESIDENT
TUITION

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the 2022-2023 tuition rates for non-resident students as follows:

- PreK-K \$2,875.00
- Gr. 1-6 \$3,285.00

(A. Wood, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

CREDIT CARD
AUTHORIZATION

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves a change in the Bank of America VISA Business Credit Card authorization to reflect the removal of Kevin Wurtz as an authorized user and to replace him with Jacqueline Lizza as authorized used of said credit card.

(K. Skelly-Kurka, J. Phelan; 7-0)

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PUBLIC HEARING/1ST READING A Public Hearing and first reading of a revision to policy #1510 – Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure) was held.

PUBLIC HEARING/2ND
READING & ADOPTION OF
POLICY REVISION Following a Public Hearing and second reading the Board adopts a revision to policy #6160 – Professional Growth/Staff Development as hereby attached. (A. Wood, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

EXECUTIVE SESSION The Board entered into executive session at 5:34 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the appointment of a particular person and to receive advice from counsel.
(A. Wood, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)

The regular meeting resumed at 6:12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.
(A. Wood, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)

Donna Clock
District Clerk