

Regular Meeting  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FIRE ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
December 8, 2020

*Due to concerns about COVID-19 and road closures on Fire Island, this meeting was held remotely via phone conference with public access.*

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m. by President Lippert.
MEMBERS PRESENT	V. Henriksen, L. Kaufman, J. Lippert, L. Nowachek, J. Phelan, K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood.
OTHERS PRESENT	L. Ferraro, Superintendent K. Wurtz, School Business Official D. Clock, District Clerk T. Murphy, Sr. Office Assistant
VOICE OF THE TAXPAYER	There were no residents participating in the phone conference.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes of the following meetings were accepted as read: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regular Meeting of November 10, 2020</li><li>• Work Session of November 24, 2020</li></ul> (A. Wood, J. Phelan; 7-0)
TREASURER'S REPORT	Treasurer's Report for the month ended November 2020 was accepted as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)
TRIAL BALANCE REPORTS	The Board accepts the Trial Balance Report for the month ending November 2020 as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)
APPROPRIATION & REVENUE STATUS REPORTS	The Board accepts the Appropriation and Revenue Status Reports for November 2020 as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)
TRUST & AGENCY CASH DISBURSEMENT	The Board accepts the Trust and Agency Cash Disbursement report for November 2020 as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)
GENERAL FUND CASH FLOW REPORT	The Board accepts the General Fund Cash Flow report as hereby attached. (J. Phelan, A. Wood; 7-0)
CASH TRANSFER	The Board approves a cash transfer in the amount of \$500,000.00 as hereby attached. (L. Kaufman, L. Nowachek; 7-0)
WARRANT	The Board hereby approves the General Fund Warrant in the amount of \$221,717.03 as presented. (A. Wood, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

Mrs. Ferraro reported on the following:

- Suffolk County is providing school districts with stop arm cameras to prevent motorists from passing stopped school buses. The cost of the installation and equipment is covered by the county. M. DiDio will contact the installer to see how long installation takes and if all buses need to be out of service at once.
- Occurrence of an accident involving a district bus and a private vehicle when the driver of that car opened her car door as the bus was passing on a residential street. No injuries resulted but there was minor damage to the bus and more damage to the other vehicle.
- Covid updates:
  - Remote learning day on November 30, 2020 to test procedures was successful
  - Although the CDC has reduced the length of quarantine requirements, NYS and Suffolk County Health Departments require a 14 day quarantine period.
  - Data shows that COVID spread is not happening in schools
  - Governor Cuomo has revised the requirements for yellow, orange and red micro-clusters in regard to the closing of schools and testing students for COVID-19
  - A survey has been sent to parents to see if parents would allow their children to be tested for COVID either in school by the Director of Health Services or a private practitioner.
  - There is still a level of anxiety among teachers regarding preparation to move quickly to full remote teaching. Mrs. Ferraro expressed her confidence in the staff to do so.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

BID RESULTS & AWARD –  
RFP FOR EXTERNAL  
AUDITING SERVICES

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts a proposal from R.S. Abrams, LLP for external auditing services for fiscal years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods as presented.  
(K. Skelly-Kurka, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

BID RESULTS & AWARD –  
RFP FOR FINANCIAL  
ACCOUNTING SERVICES

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts a proposal from Cullen & Danowski, LLP for year-end closing of the books and records and preparation of the Financial Statements for fiscal years 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023, with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods as presented. (J. Phelan, L. Nowachek; 7-0)

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DONATION TO  
NON-RESIDENT  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Board gratefully accepts a donation from the Fire Island Association for the non-resident scholarship fund in the amount of \$3,252.80 for school year 2020-2021.  
(K. Skelly-Kurka, A. Wood; 7-0)

CSE RECOMMENDATIONS

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as presented. (J. Phelan, L. Kaufman; 7-0)

PUBLIC HEARING & 1<sup>ST</sup>  
READING OF PROPOSED  
POLICIES

A Public Hearing and first reading of the following proposed policies was held:  
#5670 Records Management  
#5673 Computer Control for Financial Network & Systems  
#5677 Wireless Security  
#5678 Mobile Computing and Storage Devices

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered into executive session at 5:02 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular person.  
(L Kaufman, K. Skelly-Kurka; 7-0)

The regular meeting resumed at 5:51 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.  
(A. Wood, J. Phelan; 7-0)

Donna Clock  
District Clerk