

# Farmingdale Union Free School District

50 Van Cott Avenue  
Farmingdale NY, 11735

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*THE GOAL OF THE FARMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS TO ESTABLISH OURSELVES AS A HIGH ACHIEVING SCHOOL DISTRICT AS EVIDENCED BY HIGH LEVELS OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE IN ALL AREAS.*

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Board of Education Special Meeting/ Budget Workshop  
March 22, 2017

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION, 7:00 P.M. – A. TERRY WEATHERS BOARD ROOM**

*It is anticipated that upon a majority vote of the total membership of the Board, a motion to meet in Executive Session to discuss board development in accordance with Open Meetings Law will be considered. Following the Executive Session the Board will reconvene in the Howitt East Cafeteria at approximately 8 p.m.*

## **PUBLIC MEETING, 8:00 P.M.**

### Howitt East Cafeteria

The Board of Education is interested in encouraging all members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions as we continue our budget hearings for the 2017-2018 school year. Public participation opportunities will be available at the beginning and end of this meeting and, as stated in board policy, no person shall speak for more than three minutes and each period of public participation shall be limited to 30 minutes. It is the policy of the Board of Education that public participation during Special Meetings be limited to addressing items on the agenda. Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation.

IN THE EVENT OF FIRE AND/OR IF YOU HEAR THE FIRE BELL, YOU MUST LEAVE THE BUILDING. PLEASE USE THE NEAREST EXIT, WHICH IS TO YOUR RIGHT IN THE BACK OF THIS ROOM.

### **Call to Order**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Public Participation**


- Budget Presentation: 2017 -2018 Capital Presentation

### **I. Items for Action**

- a. Voter Registration for the May 16, 2017 Budget Vote and Election
- b. Appointment of Chief Inspector, Assistant Clerks and Inspectors for Budget Vote and Election
- c. Authorization of Reserve Fund Expenditure Proposition
- d. Adoption of the Annual Budget Vote and Election Resolution

### **Public Participation**

### **Adjournment**

  
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Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk

**Board of Education**  
50 Van Cott Ave  
Farmingdale, NY 11735

Meeting: 03/22/17 08:00 PM  
Department: District Clerk  
Category: Action Item  
Prepared By: Mary E. Rogers  
Initiator: Mary E. Rogers  
Sponsors:  
DOC ID: 3963

**SCHEDULED**

**CONSENT ITEM (ID # 3963)**

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## **Voter Registration for the May 16, 2017 Budget Vote and Election**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District desires to make voter registration more accessible to residents; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that voter registration shall take place on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, at the annual Community Summit Expo and Health Fair, Farmingdale High School, 150 Lincoln Street, Farmingdale, New York between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that voter registration will also take place on Saturday, May 6, 2017, from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Lobby of the East Building, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York. Walk-in registration is available in the Office of the District Clerk up to and including Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

**Board of Education**

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**SCHEDULED****CONSENT ITEM (ID # 4015)**

Meeting: 03/22/17 08:00 PM

Department: District Clerk

Category: Action Item

Prepared By: Rita Murphy

Initiator: Mary E. Rogers

Sponsors:

DOC ID: 4015

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## **Appointment of Chief Inspector, Assistant Clerks and Inspectors for Budget Vote and Election**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Elections of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a resolution to appoint the Chief Election Inspector, Assistant Clerks and Inspectors of the Election for the school district Budget Vote and Election dated May 16, 2017.

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Meeting: 03/22/17 08:00 PM  
Department: Assistant Superintendent of Business  
Category: Action Item  
Prepared By: Ro Fullam  
Initiator: Paul Defendini  
Sponsors:  
DOC ID: 4000

**SCHEDULED**

**CONSENT ITEM (ID # 4000)**

## **Authorization of Reserve Fund Expenditure Proposition**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District, Towns

of Oyster Bay and Babylon, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York, as follows:

**Section 1.** The proposition hereinafter set forth is hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters at the annual school district election to be held in said School District, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.

**Section 2.** The School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include as a part of the notice of the annual district meeting and election notice with reference to the submission of said proposition in substantially the following form:

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said annual election to be held on May 16, 2017,

the following proposition will be submitted:

### RESERVE FUND EXPENDITURE PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District, Towns of Oyster Bay and Babylon, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to reconstruct bathrooms at various schools, including incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$5,000,000, and that said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be expended from the Buildings and Facilities Capital Reserve Fund of the District therefor.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Voting:**

Consent Item (ID # 4000)

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Mr. Capobianco  
Mrs. D'Amico  
Mr. Espinosa  
Mr. Giordano  
Mr. Goldberg  
Mrs. Lively  
Mr. Morales

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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Meeting: 03/22/17 08:00 PM  
Department: District Clerk  
Category: Action Item  
Prepared By: Mary E. Rogers  
Initiator: Mary E. Rogers  
Sponsors:  
DOC ID: 3962

**SCHEDULED**

**CONSENT ITEM (ID # 3962)**

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## **Adoption of the Annual Budget Vote and Election Resolution**

RESOLVED, that the Farmingdale Union Free School District Board of Education adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget Vote and Election of the Farmingdale Union Free School District, of the Towns of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, and Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, shall be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the East gymnasium of the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, and the Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, at 8:00 p.m. in the East cafeteria of the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School in said district for the purposes set forth in the annexed notice.

RESOLVED, that said notice (copy attached) be published once in each of four weeks in the seven weeks preceding the annual budget and election voting in the *Massapequa Post* and the *Farmingdale Observer*, two newspapers having general circulation in the district. The first notice must appear at least 45 days before the date of the vote.

RESOLVED, that the school District Clerk is hereby authorized to amend and/or supplement this notice hereinafter set forth from time to time as in her discretion such amendment may be required.

RESOLVED, that Kathy Lively is designated as Permanent Chairperson of the Election in accordance with Section 2025 of the Education Law.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION  
OF THE FARMINGDALE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TOWNS OF OYSTER BAY, NASSAU COUNTY AND BABYLON  
SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing of the qualified voters of the Farmingdale Union Free School District of the Towns of Oyster Bay and Babylon, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York, will be held in the East Cafeteria of the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, in said District on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law, including the following items:

1. To present to the voters a detailed statement (proposed budget) of the amount of money which will be required for the 2017-2018 fiscal year.
2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by voting machines at the Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that said Budget Vote and Election will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, in the gymnasium of the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2017-2018 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District, Towns of Oyster Bay and Babylon, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to reconstruct bathrooms at various schools, including incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of \$5,000,000, and that said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be expended from the Buildings and Facilities Capital Reserve Fund of the District therefor.
3. That the Farmingdale Youth Council Appropriation for fiscal year 2017-2018, as submitted, shall be approved and the requisite amount thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
4. To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education for three year terms commencing July 1, 2017 and expiring on June 30, 2020.

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AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required for the 2017-2018 school year for school purposes (the proposed budget) and the 2017-2018 Farmingdale Youth Council Appropriation budget, will be made available, to any resident of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning May 2, 2017, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at the Office of the District Clerk, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York upon request, at each schoolhouse in the District, at school district offices, at the Farmingdale Public Library, and on the District's website at [www.farmingdaleschools.org](http://www.farmingdaleschools.org).

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Chapter 258 of the Laws of 2008, Section 495 was added to the Real Property Tax Law, and requires the School District to attach to its proposed budget an exemption report. Said exemption report, which will also become part of the final budget, will show how much of the total assessed value on the final assessment roll used in the budgetary process is exempt from taxation, list every type of exemption granted, identified by statutory authority, and show: (a) the cumulative impact of each type of exemption expressed either as a dollar amount of assessed value or as a percentage of the total assessed value on the roll; (b) the cumulative amount expected to be received from recipients of each type of exemption as payments in lieu of taxes or other payments for municipal services; and (c) the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted. The exemption report shall be posted on any bulletin board maintained by the District for public notices and on any website maintained by the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Administration Building, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, not later than April 17, 2017, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing time. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the candidate is nominated; must be directed to the Clerk of the District; must be signed by at least 41 qualified voters of the District (representing the greater of 25 qualified voters or 2% of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election); must state the name and residence of each signer, and, must state the name and residence of the candidate.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that personal registration of voters is required either pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law or pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law. If a voter has heretofore registered pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law and has voted at an annual or special district meeting within the last four (4) calendar years, he or she is eligible to vote at this election. If a voter is registered and eligible to vote under Article 5 of the Election Law, he or she is also eligible to vote at this election. All other persons who wish to vote must register.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law of the State of New York, the Board of Registration will meet on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, at the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York to prepare the Register of the School District to be used at the Budget Vote and Election to be held in 2018, and any special district meetings that may be held after the preparation of said Register, at which time any person will be entitled to have his or

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her name placed on such Register provided that at such meeting of said Board of Registration he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of such Board of Registration to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at the school election for which said Register is prepared, or any special district meeting held after May 16, 2017.

Registration shall be conducted for the purpose of registering all qualified voters of the District pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law through May 11, 2017, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time, on all regular days during which the office of the District Clerk is in operation, located in the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, and on Saturday, May 6, 2017, between the hours of 3:00 p.m., and 9:00 p.m., at which time any person will be entitled to have his or her name placed on such register, provided that at such time he or she is known or proven to the satisfaction of said District Clerk to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at such election for which the register is prepared. The register so prepared pursuant to §2014 of the Education Law will be filed in the Office of the District Clerk, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District beginning on Thursday, May 11, 2017, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., prevailing time, on weekdays, and each day prior to the day set for the election, except Sunday, and on Saturday, May 13, 2017, between the hours of 9:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m., and at the polling place on the day of the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk beginning March 22, 2017. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after Thursday, May 11, 2017, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and on May 16, 2017, the day set for the election. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of the qualifications as a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for such challenge. Any such written challenge shall be transmitted by the District Clerk or a designee of the Board of Education to the inspectors of election on election day.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Board Policy, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Education at the District Office, Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 50 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, on or before April 17, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., prevailing time; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be directed to the Clerk of the School District; must be signed by at least 103 qualified voters of the District (representing 5% of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election); and must legibly state the name of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine,

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which is unlawful or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition, or where other valid reason exists for excluding the proposition from the ballot.

Dated: Farmingdale, New York  
March 1, 2017

By Order of the  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
FARMINGDALE UNION FREE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Nassau & Suffolk Counties  
Farmingdale, New York  
Mary Rogers, District Clerk

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