

Farmingdale School District

DATE: March 27, 2019

KIND OF MEETING: Board Meeting / Public Input

PLACE: A. Terry Weathers Board Room, Howitt Middle School East

Cafeteria, Howitt Middle School

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Goldberg, Mrs. D'Amico, Mr. Espinosa, Mr. Giordano, Mrs.

Lively, Mr. Morales, Mrs. Soete

OTHERS PRESENT: Mr. Defendini, Dr. Ripley, Mr. Zakian, Dr. Brennan, Dr. Olsen,

Mr. Motisi, Mrs. Rogers

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Michael Goldberg welcomed those present and announced that the Board of Education was interested in encouraging all members of the public to share their ideas, comments and questions. He noted that public participation opportunities would be available at the beginning of the meeting and again at the end of the meeting and, as stated in Board Policy, no person should speak for more than three minutes and each period of public participation would be limited to thirty minutes. As stated in Board Policy, during special meetings, public participation would be limited to agenda items. Mr. Goldberg pointed out the emergency exit. The public session began with the Pledge of

Allegiance.

Public **Participation** Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting for the first public

participation. No one came forward at this time.

Budget Presentation: 2019/20 **Financial Planning**

Board President Michael Goldberg introduced Assistant to the Superintendent for Business Michael Motisi and asked for his budget presentation related to financial planning. Mr. Motisi began with a summary of the presentations made thus far. He began with the goals used during the development of the 2019-2020 budget, including remaining within the tax levy limit, strengthening programs and services to better meet operational needs, maintaining a strong financial condition and continuation of the protection of the district from fluctuations in state aid, unfunded mandates and changing benefits costs. Mr.

Motisi detailed the revenue budget and the cost element summary.

The focus on the presentation included a review of the long-term financial planning and associated data, including trends in the CPI, which drives the calculation of the tax levy limit, state aid revenue and benefits' expenditures. He reviewed the fund balance and reserve account data for each fiscal year beginning in 2015, with projected figures for year end 2019. budget comparison, which included projected impacts on fund balance for the 2018-19 and 2019-2020 school years. He provided two scenarios through the 2020-20201 budgets, based on increases in benefits costs.

Items for Action

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] Ralph Morales, Vice President **MOVER:** Mario Espinosa, Trustee **SECONDER:**

Lively, Morales, Goldberg, Espinosa, Giordano, D'Amico, Soete **AYES:**

Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement

with the Nassau **County Board** of Elections for the May 21, 2019 **Budget Vote**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approves a memorandum of agreement with the Nassau County Board of Elections regarding election services for the May 21, 2019 Budget Vote and Election.

Appointment of Chief Inspector, Assistant Clerks and Inspectors /

Budget Vote and Election

and Election

RESOLVED, that the Board of Elections of the Farmingdale Union Free School District approve a resolution to appoyint the Chief Election Inspector, Assistant Clerks and Inspectors of the Election for the school district Budget Vote and Election dated May 21, 2019.

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 21, 2019 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the West gymnasium of the Weldon E. Howitt Middle School, 70 Van Cott Avenue, Farmingdale, New York, and the Public Hearing shall be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 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.

Public Participation

Board President Michael Goldberg opened the meeting for the second public participation. No one came forward at this time.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Mr. Morales, seconded by Mrs. Lively, the meeting was adjourned.

Motion carried 7-0

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mary E. Rogers, District Clerk