

Date: April 20, 2021

DATE

Kind of Meeting: Executive Session/Regular Meeting

REGULAR MEETING

Call Meeting to Order: The Meeting of the Board was called to order by James P. Foster, President, at 5:32 p.m. A motion was offered by Ms. Lowey, and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing: (1) The employment history of particular persons; (2) Matters leading to the appointment of particular persons; (3) Matters leading to the discipline of a particular person; (4) Matters leading to the dismissal of a particular person; and (5) Discussions involving current litigation (Dominic Baldi v EHUFSD, et al., and Michael Lee, Jr. v EHUFSD).

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ENTER INTO REGULAR SESSION

Motion Carried (6-0) Mrs. O'Mara Limonius absent

Mrs. O'Mara Limonius arrived at the meeting at 5:51 p.m.

The Board reconvened into public session at 6:30 p.m., motioned by Ms. Vorpahl, and seconded by Mrs. Minardi, followed by the Pledge.

Motion Carried (7-0)

Board Members Present: James P. Foster, President; Christina DeSanti, Vice President; Sandra Vorpahl, Jacqueline Lowey, Justine O'Mara Limonius, John Ryan, Sr., and Sarah Minardi

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Board Members Absent: None

Central Administration Present: Adam Fine, Assistant Superintendent; Timothy Fromm, Assistant to the Superintendent; and Keith Rugen, Assistant Superintendent for Business

OTHERS PRESENT

Central Administration Absent: Richard J. Burns, Superintendent of Schools

Administrative Team Members Present: James Crenshaw, Karen Kuneth, Joseph Vasile-Cozzo, Cindy Allentuck, and Elizabeth Reveiz

Administrative Team Members Absent: Dr. Charles Soriano

News of the Schools: The Board was apprised of school news from Karen Kuneth, James Crenshaw, Adam Fine and Joseph Vasile-Cozzo

NEWS OF THE SCHOOLS

Public Comments (Agenda Items): Members of the community were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments on Board Agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda:

A motion was offered by Mrs. O'Mara Limonius, and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board accept item #1 through item #4 of the Consent Agenda as written and place on file:

1. That the Board accept the Minutes of April 6, 2021 as written and place on file.
2. That the Board accept the February 2021 Treasurer Report as written and place on file.

BOARD MINUTES: April 6, 2021

TREASURER REPORT: February 2021

3. That the Board approve the following Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Free School District (“District”) hereby approves an unpaid leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act (“FMLA”) for Erin Abran, an elementary school teacher, beginning on April 9, 2021, and ending on April 30, 2021, which will run concurrently with sixteen (16) days of available paid sick leave. **MEDICAL LEAVE:
Erin Abran**

4. That the Board approve the following Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Free School District (“District”) hereby approves an unpaid leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act (“FMLA”) for Desiree Albright, a paraprofessional, beginning on April 8, 2021, and ending on May 4, 2021, which will run concurrently with nineteen (19) days of available paid sick leave. **MEDICAL LEAVE:
Desiree Albright**

Motion Carried (7-0)

Superintendent’s Report and Recommendations:

1. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Mrs. DeSanti, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Tiffany Patterson be granted a one-year unpaid leave of absence from her position as a teacher of English as a New Language effective July 1, 2021. **UNPAID LEAVE OF
ABSENCE:
Tiffany Patterson**

Motion Carried (7-0)

2. A motion was offered by Mrs. DeSanti, and seconded by Mrs. Minardi, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Tiffany Patterson be appointed to a four-year probationary term as Director of ENL in the administrative tenure area of Director of ENL. **FOUR-YEAR
PROBATIONARY
ADMINISTRATIVE
TERM: Tiffany
Patterson**

Motion Carried (7-0)

3. A motion was offered by Mrs. DeSanti, and seconded by Mr. Ryan, Sr., that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3012 of the Education Law and part 30.3 of the rules of the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board does hereby appoint Tiffany Patterson to the administrative position of Director of ENL, who holds a valid New York State certification in the aforesaid area for a probationary period of four years unless sooner terminated in accordance with applicable law, effective July 1, 2021 and expire on August 31, 2025, and is to be paid at an initial annual salary of \$135,000.00. **ADMINISTRATIVE
APPOINTMENT:
Tiffany Patterson**

Motion Carried (7-0)

4. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Mrs. O’Mara Limonius, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Free School District pursuant to Rule 14 of the Suffolk County Civil Service Commission, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Vanesa Tacuri Chumbi to the position of Office Assistant, Spanish-Speaking, for a probationary period of 26 weeks effective April 26, 2021, and is to be paid at an annual salary based on \$39,081.00 (Step 1/C, pro-rated, of the salary schedule attached to the non-instructional collective bargaining agreement). **NON-
INSTRUCTIONAL
APPOINTMENT:
Vanesa Tacuri
Chumbi**

Motion Carried (7-0)

5. A motion was offered by Ms. Vorpahl, and seconded by Mrs. Minardi, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the following appointments for the 2020-2021 school year: **APPOINTMENTS**

JMMES Lunch Monitor

Cinthya Durazno (at \$17.94 per hour)

Substitute Teacher

Luis Aguilar – at the uncertified instructional rate of pay

Substitute Custodian

Luis Rivera – effective April 21, 2021

JMMES Literacy Academy, Grades 2-3 (amendment)

Christie DeLigny – Grant Funded at the hourly professional rate of \$75.35

Newcomer Program

Julia Petersen – Grant Funded at the hourly professional rate of \$75.35

Interscholastic Coaches

Ethan Mitchell, MS Football Coach, Level IV, 0 years, \$5,095.00 (pro-rated) – effective April 8, 2021

James Foster, JV Baseball Coach, Level III, 0 years, \$6,369.00 (pro-rated)

Kelly Doyle, JV Softball Coach, Level III, 0 years, \$6,369.00 (pro-rated)

Jenna Pierro, Girls JV Asst. Lacrosse Coach, Level IV, 2 years, \$5,095.00 (pro-rated)

Lillian Bryant, MS Track Coach, Level IV, 2 years, \$5,095.00 (pro-rated)

Kevin Barry, MS Track Coach, Level IV, 7 years, \$5,605.00 (pro-rated)

Motion Carried (6-0), Mr. Foster abstained

6. A motion was offered by Mrs DeSanti, and seconded by Mrs. O’Mara Limonius, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the following amended appointment to teach an additional secondary ENL section due to an increase in enrollment effective Monday, April 19, 2021 through the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year as follows:
- Nina Santacroce - \$23,567.40 (pro-rated)

**AMENDED
ADDITIONAL
TEACHING
SECTION**

Motion Carried (7-0)

7. A motion was offered by Ms. Lowey, and seconded by Mrs. Minardi, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the third amended Resolution as follows: RESOLVED, that the Board appoint the following persons for their services at the Annual School Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021:
- Kerri S. Stevens, Chairperson
 - Rebecca Guerin, Sherri Ross, Amanda Hayes, Susana Vazquez, Deborah Mansir, Wendy Lehnert, Lindsay Roman, Keilyn Clark, Joan Cangelosi, Catherine Dickinson, Ivonne Tovar, Tonya Gregg, Jessica Neal, Stephanie Oddo, and Florbela Correia (to be paid at the employee’s hourly rate of pay per the EHUFSDSRPA contract agreement).
 - Dorothy DeMarco, Matthew Galcik, Karen Kreider, Shirley Wornstaff, Theresa Coppola, and Julia Mead (as certified election inspectors to be paid at the hourly rate of \$20.00).

**AMENDED
ANNUAL SCHOOL
BUDGET VOTE &
ELECTION
APPOINTMENTS**

Additional election inspectors and personnel may be appointed as needed.

Motion Carried (7-0)

8. A motion was offered by Ms. Vorpahl, and seconded by Mrs. DeSanti, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the Library Weeding Log (from January 1, 2021 to March 11, 2021) to discard obsolete and damaged books from the East Hampton Middle School Library

**OBSOLETE &
DAMAGED BOOKS**

Media Center collection.

Motion Carried (7-0)

9. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Mr. Ryan, Sr., that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: WHEREAS, the Middle School Surfrider Club has proposed a project to plant white pine seedlings in the Edward's Hole Nature Preserve which is owned by the Town of East Hampton, and

**AGREEMENT
between EHUFSD &
Town of East
Hampton: MS
Surfrider Club Event**

WHEREAS, the Town of East Hampton will permit said project to proceed, provided the District agrees to release claims resulting from and indemnify the Town against claims arising out of said project by executing an agreement entitled "Release of All Claims and Agreement to Indemnify and Hold Harmless," and

WHEREAS, the District's insurance underwriter, NYSIR has confirmed coverage against such claims, now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education agrees to release claims resulting from and indemnify the Town of East Hampton against claims arising out of said project in consideration of the Town's permission for the Surfriders Club to engage in its tree planting project at the Edward's Hole Nature Preserve, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board President be and is hereby authorized to execute the above-mentioned agreement on behalf of the District.

Motion Carried (7-0)

10. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Mrs. DeSanti, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Free School District approve the Engagement Letter between the Board of Education and Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP to retain the services of Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP as the District's counsel to represent the District's interests in pending litigation entitled, Dominic Baldi v. East Hampton Union Free School District et al. for the 2020-2021 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in said Engagement Letter, and

**ENGAGEMENT
LETTER between
EHUFSD & Lewis
Brisbois Bisgaard &
Smith LLP**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the President of the Board be authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Motion Carried (7-0)

11. A motion was offered by Mrs. O'Mara Limonius, and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board accept, with gratitude, a donation from Mr. Edward Cashin of one indoor/outdoor Kettler ping pong table to be utilized for student recreational activities.

DONATION

Motion Carried (7-0)

12. A motion was offered by Mr. Ryan, Sr., and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Hampton Union Free School District Board of Education hereby casts its vote and approves the Administrative Budget of Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the 2021-2022 year.

**2021-2022 ESBOCES
ADMINISTRATIVE
BUDGET**

Motion Carried (7-0)

13. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Mrs. DeSanti, that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Hampton

**ES BOCES
ELECTION OF
BOARD**

Union Free School District Board of Education hereby casts one (1) vote for each of the five (5) following Eastern Suffolk BOCES Board Candidates: Arlene Barresi, Middle Country CSD; Joseph LoSchiavo, Patchogue-Medford UFSD; James F. McKenna, Southampton UFSD; Brian O. Mealy, Mattituck-Cutchogue UFSD; and Robert P. Sweeney, Mount Sinai UFSD.

CANDIDATES

Motion Carried (7-0)

14. A motion was offered by Ms. Lowey, and seconded by Mrs. O'Mara Limonius, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the following Tax Anticipation Note Resolution of East Hampton Union Free School District, New York, adopted April 20, 2021, authorizing the issuance of not-to-exceed \$20,000,000.00 Tax Anticipation Notes in anticipation of the receipt of taxes to be levied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

**TAX
ANTICIPATION
NOTE RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF EAST HAMPTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of East Hampton Union Free School District, in the County of Suffolk, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$20,000,000.00, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

- a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.
- b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.
- c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.
- d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute tax certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of one of the following: the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District; and shall have the

corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Board Member Justine O'Mara Limonius and duly put to a vote, which resulted as follows:

AYES: 7 NOES: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

Motion Carried (7-0)

15. A motion was offered by Mrs. DeSanti, and seconded by Mrs. Minardi, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board authorize the Assistant Superintendent for Business to make year-end budget transfers for the school year ending June 30, 2021.

**YEAR-END
BUDGET
TRANSFERS
AUTHORIZATION**

Motion Carried (7-0)

16. A motion was offered by Ms. Lowey, and seconded by Mrs. DeSanti, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board adopt the 2021-2022 proposed budget in the amount of \$75,157,245.00.

**ADOPTION OF
2021-2022
PROPOSED
BUDGET**

Motion Carried (7-0)

17. A motion was offered by Mrs. Minardi, and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl hat the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Fee School District approves the real property tax report card prepared by the District's Business Office for the 2021 Annual District Meeting; and

**REAL PROPERTY
TAX REPORT
CARD APPROVAL**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of said report card shall be submitted to the State Education Department by the end of the next business day following this approval.

Motion Carried (7-0)

18. A motion was offered by Mrs. DeSanti, and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl, to wit: RESOLVED, that the Board approve the following Budget Transfers as follows:

**BUDGET
TRANSFERS**

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
A9060.8000.04 (Health Active Employees)	A9060.8100.4 (Health Retirees)	\$194,969.40	Retiree Health Ins.
A9060.8000.04 (Health Active Employees)	A9060.8300.04 (Medicare Part B)	\$50,000.00	Medicare Part B
A 2114.1300-11 (ENL Instruct. Sal./K-3)	A 2114.1300-12 (ENL Instruct. Sal./9-12)	\$25,548.02	Salaries, (bld. transfer)
A 2122.1300-13 (Music Instruct. Sal./7-8)	A 2122.1300-12 (Music Instruct. Sal./ 9-12)	\$20,746.73	Salaries, (bld. transfer)

Old Business

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1. Mr. Ryan Sr. discussed the abbreviated sports seasons for the 2020-2021 SY.

New Business

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1. Mr. Fine and the Board gave kudos and much gratitude to our District's instructional staff in honor of National Teacher Appreciate Week (May 3-7).
2. The Board discussed arrangements and safety procedures in progress in order to bring

back in- person Board meetings on a limited capacity basis (maximum of 30 people). Information will be placed on the District's website before scheduled Board meetings for community members to register to attend the Board meetings in-person.

3. The District's Budget Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4th at 6:00 p.m. preceding the Regular Board meeting that begins at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comments: Members of the community were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments.

**PUBLIC
COMMENTS**

A motion was offered by Mr. Ryan, Sr., and seconded by Ms. Vorpahl to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Carried (7-0)

April 2021 Committee Schedule

April 28th

- Personnel Committee – 1:00 p.m.
- Athletic Committee – 2:00 p.m.

May 2021 Committee Schedule

May 13th

- Facilities Committee – 9:15 a.m.

May 14th

- Academic Committee – 1:00 p.m.
- Policy Committee immediately following Academic Committee meeting

May 26th

- Personnel Committee – 1:00 p.m.
- Athletic Committee – 2:00 p.m.