January 31, 2017

Kind of Meeting: Budget Work Session

Place: Board Room

The Budget Work Session of the Board was called to order by Richard J. Burns, Superintendent of Schools, 6:00 p.m., motioned by Mrs. Pucci, and seconded by Ms. Lowey, Motion Carried: (4-0), Mr. Foster, Mrs. DeSanti, Mr. Wilson absent, followed by the Pledge. There was an audience of approximately seven (7) people. One member of the press was present.

Members Present: Elizabeth Pucci, Jacqueline Lowey, Wendy Geehreng, and John Ryan, Sr.

Members Absent: James P. Foster, President; Christina DeSanti, Vice President; and Richard Wilson.

Others Present: Richard J. Burns, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Robert Tymann, Assistant Superintendent, and Isabel Madison, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Others Absent: None

Superintendent's Report and Recommendations:

1. A motion was offered by Ms. Lowey, and seconded by Mr. Ryan, Sr., that the Board approve the following Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, that the proposal of Rogers & Taylor Appraisers, Inc., dated January 19, 2017, to conduct an appraisal of the Springs Fireplace Road property presently owned by the Town of East Hampton, and being considered as a possible site for a Transportation Depot, be and hereby is accepted,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents in furtherance of the foregoing.

Motion Carried (4-0), Mr. Foster, Mrs. DeSanti, Mr. Wilson absent

2. A motion was offered by Mrs. Pucci, and seconded by Mr. Ryan, Sr., that the Board approve the following amended Resolution, to wit: RESOLVED, That the Board approve the seventh and eighth grade foreign language student trip to Montreal and Quebec, Canada from February 2, 2017 to February 5, 2017 at an estimated cost of \$715.00 per student (based on 48 students), including transportation. Fundraising will off-set the entire cost of the trip, and there is no cost to the District. Chaperones are Ellen Collins, Karen Crowley, Nicholas Finazzo, Charles Jiudice, Barbara Tracey, and Anne Marie Tetrault.

Motion Carried (4-0), Mr. Foster, Mrs. DeSanti, Mr. Wilson absent

3. A motion was offered by Mr. Ryan, Sr., and seconded by Mrs. Pucci, to wit: RESOLVED,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the East Hampton Union Free School District has been elected by the residents of the East Hampton Union Free School District to determine policy and approve programming for the students of the District, within the confines of both Federal and State statutes governing education, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wants all of our students, regardless of ability, background, race, or gender, to feel secure, focusing on the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and relational growth of our students, and

WHEREAS, President Trump has called for the nomination of Betsy DeVos as Secretary of Education of the United States, a candidate apparently lacking any credentials as an educator, experience in the administration and management of public schools, demonstrating a pre-disposition towards and long history of support for charter schools and school voucher programs, which by their very nature undermine free and appropriate public education for specific economic, social and racial groups, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Hampton Board of Education hereby, based on this record, opposes the confirmation of Betsy DeVos as Secretary of Education, and until such time as the Trump administration presents a formal vision for the future of public education in the United States of America, we will continue to oppose such a nomination, and call upon the United States Senate to stand firm by opposing this nominee and affirming this serious need.

Motion Carried (4-0), Mr. Foster, Mrs. DeSanti, Mr. Wilson absent

Budget Work Session Presentations

- 1. Isabel Madison, Assistant Superintendent for Business presented:
 - Business Office Budget
 - Transfer to Debt Service & Capital Revenues
- 2. Dr. Robert Tymann, Assistant Superintendent presented:
 - Assistant Superintendent Office Budget
 - DW Staff Development & Curriculum

The Budget Work Session was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.., motioned by Mrs. Pucci, and seconded by Ms. Lowey.

Motion Carried (4-0), Mr. Foster, Mrs. DeSanti, Mr. Wilson absent