North Shore Schools Board of Education Special Meeting Minutes April 2, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Sara Jones at 7:45 p.m. The meeting was held via Video Conference. Present were Trustees Commander, Galati, Ludmar, Madden, Russo and Vizza. Also present Superintendent Peter Giarrizzo, and Assistant Superintendents Olivia Buatsi and Christopher Zublionis.

## Pledge of Allegiance

President Jones led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## Approval of Minutes

On motion of Trustee Commander and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, the minutes of March 26, 2020 were approved.

## **Regular Business**

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, it was: Resolution of The North Shore Central School District, New York, Delegating to the President of the Board of Education the Power to Authorize the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes and Revenue Anticipation Notes.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTH SHORE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than a majority of all the members of said Board of Education) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In order to facilitate the issuance from time to time of tax anticipation notes and revenue anticipation notes to meet periodic cash-flow needs pursuant to Sections 24.00 and 25.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law"), the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District (the "District"), in the County of Nassau, New York, hereby delegates its power to authorize the issuance of tax anticipation notes and revenue anticipation notes (herein referred to collectively as the "Notes") to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District, pursuant to Section 30.00 of the Law.

Section 2. All Notes so 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 3. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00 and 60.00 of the Law, the powers to sell and issue such Notes, including the 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, are hereby further delegated to the President of the Board of Education.

Section 4. All of such Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of 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

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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 5. The powers hereby delegated shall be exercised by the President of the Board of Education until June 30, 2020, or such earlier time as the Board of Education, by resolution, shall elect to reassume the same. In the event any of such powers are exercised, the President of the Board of Education shall provide written notice thereof to each member of the Board of Education on or before the date of such exercise.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

On motion of Trustee Commander and seconded by Trustee Vizza and all in favor, it was:

<u>Approval of an Intermunicipal Cooperative Agreement with Syosset Central School District</u>

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 119-o of the General Municipal Law, School Districts have the power to enter into agreements for the performance one for the other of their respective functions, powers and duties on a contract basis;

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo implemented Executive Order 202.4 which requires all School Districts to provide Emergency Child Care Services to children of the School District for the children of first responders and medical service providers; and

WHEREAS, Syosset Central School District (hereinafter referred to as "Host District") has agreed to host an Emergency Child Care Services Program ("Program") provided by SCOPE Education Services; and WHEREAS, the North Shore Central School District wishes to send its eligible students to attend such Program (hereinafter referred to as "Sending District"); and

WHEREAS, Host District is willing to receive said eligible students from Sending District; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to General Municipal Law §119-o, the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an intermunicipal cooperation agreement with Host District for the purposes of allowing Sending District to send students to the Program run by SCOPE at the Host District ("IMA"), in accordance with applicable law and as provided for in the IMA, for the period effective March 23, 2020 through April 15, 2020, unless earlier terminated or extended as provided therein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said IMA on behalf of the Board

At 8:00 p.m. on motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Commander and all in favor, the Board moved to convene an executive session to consider matters leading to the appointment or employment of a particular person or persons and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).

At 8:55 p.m. on motion of Trustee Vizza and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, the Board moved to come out of executive session and resumed the meeting via video conference.

President Jones noted that at the last meeting the Board voted to set the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election. Since that time, the Governor postponed the date of all elections. She therefore wondered if the Board should take action to rescind that motion. The District's counsel, Jack Feldman explained that there was no point in taking any action at this stage as there are many aspects of the election which still needs to be figured out. President Jones noted that after the motion is acted on it triggers a chain of events including a notice of the election, and she asked if for that reason the motion should be rescinded. Mr. Feldman explained the Governor negated all of that with his Executive Order. He further explained that in approximately 2-3 weeks there will probably be another motion to be made in respect to the election. He went on to explain that the Board members whose terms will be expiring

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will be "hold overs" until another election takes place. He said the Governor is aware the District will need to have a budget by July 1. Trustee Ludmar added the Board wants to be sure the public is aware of the change of date of the budget vote. Mr. Feldman suggested posting on the website that the date has been changed. Trustee Russo said the resolution may be modified at a later date and therefore they should not rescind what was done. There was consensus on the Board to post the change of date on the website and send out an email to the community that the date of the budget vote has changed.

Trustee Russo asked if the schools are making any strides in consistency in instruction with what is being done by grade level, in terms of whether some are using Google Classroom, posting assignments, or types of instructions going out. Dr. Giarrizzo said he will put together a document with Dr. Zublionis which will be sent to the Board describing what is happening, and the efforts they are making. They are putting out a survey to parents, one to faculty and one to all students. They will get the data back to the Board once it is compiled. Trustee Russo asked that once the data is gathered there is a public discussion about it at the next meeting so the public can have access to that information. Trustee Vizza asked that there is component in that report that speaks to the special education administration to address the plan for annual reviews. She said other districts are holding annual reviews on conference calls. Trustee Russo said there are districts who have been able to deliver special education services through Zoom and Google Meet. She said it would be interesting to include in the report what we have been doing to be in compliance with the IEP.

President Jones would like to discuss cash flow going forward and the impact of school closures on the budget. She suggested the Board receive new budget projections so they can get an idea of where we are going to end up this year. She suggested getting cash flow projections on a weekly basis, rather than on a monthly basis and would like to get a revised projected budget for the end of the year assuming schools do not reopen. There was consensus on the Board to go forward with those suggestions.

President Jones suggested Trustees use headphones or ear buds during executive session portions of the video conference meetings going forward.

Trustee Russo said she believe there was a misunderstanding about an email that was sent out about the Glen Head Parade. She said the faculty had already set a date and time for that parade on Tuesday; the date had been scheduled for Friday at 2:00 p.m. and there was some confusion created by the email. She went on to say that Dr. Giarrizzo may not have been aware that the staff generated the event; it was not an event handled by the administration of each school. She wanted the Superintendent to be aware of that in case anyone raised the issue with him.

## Adjournment

At 9:15 p.m. on motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi District Clerk

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