North Shore Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes April 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Andrea Macari at 6:15 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria. Present were Trustees Colacioppo, Ludmar, and Mosca. Trustees Cashman and Galati were absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Christopher Zublionis and Assistant Superintendents Dr. Carol Smyth and Mr. James Pappas.

At 6:15 p.m. on motion of Trustee Colacioppo and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, the Board convened an executive session in the faculty lounge to consider matters regarding proposed, pending or current litigation, the employment or appointment of a particular person or persons, and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (The Taylor Law).

President Macari noted that this evening the Board is down two Trustees. She said the Board is committed to always being present, however two trustees had preexisting obligations prior to the meeting being rescheduled. She went on to explain that although the public only sees the Trustees at the public meetings, the Board often meets 2-3 times a week for other matters, and it is highly unusual for them to be down a few members as they are tonight. They all make many sacrifices, including time away from family, for their work on the Board.

At 7:30 p.m. on motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, the Board came out of executive session and convened a meeting of the Audit Committee in the cafeteria.

At 8:05 p.m. on motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo and all in favor, the Board adjourned the Audit Committee Meeting and resumed the regular meeting in the cafeteria. There were 4 people in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Macari led the public in the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

The reading of the draft minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2024, being prepared and disseminated to all members in advance of the meeting, were dispensed. There being no corrections to the minutes, it was declared by President Macari that the minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2024 were approved.

Report from the SGO

SGO vice-president, Paul Pourakis reported on events and activities at the high school. Elections are being held for all class officers and the SGO for the 2024-25 school year and all are contested. The SGO is working with Mr. Wankel on a second Acoustic Café which will be held as a BBQ in the HS courtyard. The Freshman Class is holding a "Rock, Paper, Scissor" tournament as a fundraiser. The winner will receive a gift card and the money collected will go to support the freshman class and to the charity selected by the freshman class. The SGO and class constitutions are being reviewed to make amendments to align them with current school conditions. In the area

of Science Research, 19 freshmen presented in the Long Island Science Congress. This is the latest competition that followed Kaitlin Ho winning LIFSA and securing a spot in the International Science and Engineering fair in L.A., and Eli Wesley Jones third place finish and advancing to round two of LIFSA. In addition, seven students advanced to round two of the NYSSEF. Ten sophomores are conducting research in the small research lab and will be presenting their research in June. Some of these students have asked the SGO to assist them with their concerns of having no water in the research lab to wash their hands or equipment. In addition, they are limited to the kinds of projects they can carry out. The Environmental Club plans to plant a tree in the courtyard. The Senior Fashion Show was successful. Robotics Team "Robo Gym Robotics 3950" is on the way to Houston to compete in the world championships in Robotics.

Report of the Superintendent

Dr. Zublionis reported that the spring concert season has begun with the middle school/high school jazz concert that was held last week and the high school choral concert that will be held tomorrow. After spring break, spring concerts will continue through May. Dr. Zublionis announced that NS CASA and the North Shore District will hold a combined Town Hall event to discuss the results of the recent Bach Harrison survey regarding student interactions and decisions with substances and other decisions and influences. The event will be held in the middle school library and will be livestreamed and interactive.

Dr. Zublionis reported that the two students, Anne Kelly and Metta Pollio, who advanced to the state National History Day finals in Oneonta have now advanced to the national finals in Washington D.C. He also reported that the Robotics team advanced to the national competition in Houston, Texas. He commended their collaboration and dedication and wished them luck in Houston.

Dr. Zublionis explained that the Athletic Advisory Committee did a walk-through of the high school, middle school and Glenwood Landing fields. They had great conversations that will inform discussions about future capital improvements and plans for buildings and grounds.

Dr. Zublionis explained that all school districts are still waiting for New York State to settle their budget and to get final state aid numbers. He further explained that the governor and legislature have come to a conceptional agreement to reinstate "save harmless" which would mean state aid would not be less than last year and the inflation factor will be raised, but they are not sure by how much. This means the budget adoption must move forward without those numbers. Adjustments to revenue can be made after the budget is adopted and he is hopeful the final numbers will come through by Thursday or Friday. Dr. Zublionis will keep the Board and community updated when the numbers come through.

Dr. Zublionis noted that the North Shore School District has one of the lowest proposed 2024-2025 budget-to-budget increases (1.9%) in Nassau County despite losing over \$7M from LIPA over the last 2 years. He further explained that North Shore has cut \$5.2M from their budgets in the last two years and eliminated 41 positions from all units. Dr. Zublionis noted that North Shore has a lower tax rate than East Williston, Farmingdale, Jericho, Levittown, Massapequa, Plainview, Rockville Centre, Roslyn, Syosset and many other school districts who do not have a LIPA Tax issue. Dr. Zublionis reviewed the potential outcomes. He explained that there will be a budget vote and election of trustees on May 21, 2024. If the budget were to fail on the first vote, the Board can make a decision to hold a re-vote. This happened in 2004 and the Board then decided to put up the same budget which did not pass, and the district went on contingency. If this budget were to go down, a new budget would be developed, and there would need to be some type of changes, which likely would result in: reduction in classroom teachers and class sections, increase in class sizes at all levels, reductions in certain programs such as enrichment, clubs, fine and performing arts, sports

teams, and new electives. The proposed budget includes \$2.5M in cuts and slight increases in class size. If the budget were to fail, there would be more cuts. If the district were forced to a contingency budget, the state would decide what the district can and cannot spend money on. The budget would need to be cut by another \$3.5M (total of \$6M in cuts) and the tax levy could not increase. This could mean the elimination of 20-30 teachers, the elimination of some athletics, music, arts, enrichment, and extracurricular programs, elimination of 6-9 elementary class sections, elimination of certain electives at the secondary level, the elimination of field trips, the elimination of community education and public use of fields.

The Board decided to act simultaneously on action items 7, 8 and 9

Prior to approval, Trustee Mosca noted that the claims audit report has zero exceptions. Trustee Ludmar noted that the Federal Single Audit report was discussed during the Audit Committee Meeting and is available on BoardDocs

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo and all in favor, it was: Approval of Budget Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves budget transfers in the amount of \$124,989.20 to cover legal fees; \$50,356.59 to cover substitute teachers at middle school; \$67,669.33 to transfer the cost of SE teacher aides to SE teacher assistants; \$40,827.64 for leave replacement and overages for SE teachers at Glen Head, and \$18,307.06 for the Robotics team's trip to the championships, for a total of \$302,149.82

Approval of Claims Audit Report

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the claims audit report for the period March 2024 as reviewed and submitted by Claims Auditor, Denise Longboardi

Acceptance of Federal Single Audit

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School district hereby accepts the Federal Single Audit Report as prepared by Cullen & Danowski, and reviewed by the Audit Committee on April 16, 2024 for year ended June 30, 2023

On motion of Trustee Colacioppo and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, it was: Election of Trustees to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County
BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby cast its votes for the following candidates to the Board of Trustees of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (Nassau BOCES):

Susan Bergtraum Martin Kaye Michael Weinick East Williston UFSD Valley Stream UFSD 13 Merrick UFSD

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo and all in favor, it was: Nassau BOCES Administrative Operations Budget Vote

WHEREAS, The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County hereinafter "Nassau BOCES") has proposed and presented its Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2024/25 school year (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025); now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Nassau BOCES Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2024/25 school year in the amount of twenty-seven million, one hundred thirty-one thousand, one

hundred seventeen dollars (\$27,131,117) be, and hereby is approved by the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District

Trustee Colacioppo made the following remarks:

I do hope the residents of our district are paying attention. This was a very difficult year for budgeting. And with meticulous financial planning, by thinking out of the box and being extremely strategic, this budget maintains our programs and keeps North Shore, North Shore. While losing \$2.4 million dollars because of the LIPA situation, facing the loss of a \$750,000 grant and an increase in mandatory expenses of \$4.35 million, we still have the second lowest budget to budget increase in Nassau at 1.9%. That is a testament to the many cuts this administration has made over the past 2 years. Over the past two years, this administration has found over \$5 Million in savings and has eliminated 41 positions. These cuts have been so strategic and so precise that most of our students haven't felt any shifts in the quality of their education and experience. With this proposed budget, hopefully next year, they will not be impacted by the changes again. If we had to go to a contingency budget, an additional \$3.5 million in cuts would have to be made that would require cutting an additional 30 teachers, extracurricular and athletic programs. There is a reason our tax levy limit is 5.63%. That calculation is there to protect our district and ensure we have the funds needed to keep our district running. Our administration is so concerned, not only about our students but also about our taxpayers, that they did everything in their power to keep the tax cap as low as possible. A 3.96% tax levy represents \$2.5 million in cuts, we are not gaining anything, we are cutting while trying to maintain our award-winning schools. We will have 3 years to figure out how to maintain these schools before seeing another potentially devastating loss of revenue. We hope this community will come together and advocate for our schools to the county and state to ensure we don't lose an additional \$8.4 million of LIPA revenue in the 27-28 year. I am proud to wholeheartedly support this budget and sincerely thank this administration for your tireless work in keeping this district top ranked in NY state while figuring out how to turn an initial \$7.5 million deficit this year into the 2nd lowest budget to budget increase in Nassau County.

Trustee Mosca remarked that every couple of weeks board members get to speak as Trustees. They are careful and thoughtful and work hard to take care of every member of the community when they speak as Trustees or are acting as Trustees, but they don't stop being parents, or parents of graduates, or grandparents. They often wear both hats. She said she understands the numbers discussed tonight are sobering, but she feels they are also a testament of what we do here, and how we do it with what we have. She recently had the privilege of being part of the state finals of National History Day where the District saw great success with two district students moving on to the national level. She noted, as she walked around the exhibit hall looking at other regional winners, the difference between projects from another high performing school district, which is often compared to North Shore, and the projects of North Shore's students where the value of authentic learning that we promote came shining through. She said it is these moments, and in the science research department, on the athletic fields, the theatre department, the arts programs, the robotics team going to the national competition, that show how the community's resources are well spent. She stated that we are doing amazing work here, she is deeply grateful for the effort of the administrators and it is her honor as a parent and trustee to support this budget.

Trustee Ludmar made the following remarks:

We all know there is a chasm in this community. It needs to be acknowledged as we head into yet another budget-vote season. But at the same time, addressing it directly can have the unintended consequence of dividing people into "camps" which widens that chasm. That's the opposite of what

I've tried to do as a Trustee, and it's exactly what the handful of leaders of the deliberate disinformation campaign are hoping to do. People who live in other Districts – most of whom pay higher school taxes – just can't understand why a beautiful, safe community, with universally acclaimed, high performing schools, distinguished arts programs, successful sports teams, a highachieving special ed approach, nationally recognized Robotics, Science Research, and Key Clubs, and the #1 highest graduation rate on Long Island – benefiting each and every child regardless of their post-HS path - consistently has the closest budget vote margins on the Island. Part of it is the evaporating LIPA contribution to our tax base. That's something unique to North Shore. The "discount" residential taxpayers have enjoyed for decades is a lot lower than it was. We still pay less than neighboring communities, but our share of the tax burden has gone from about 53% to 84%. That is not a mirage. It's real. It means something to our taxpayers, from seniors to young adults hoping to make a life here, and everyone in between. People who watch this administration and Board know how we've prioritized managing that revenue loss, and our efforts to bring people in to the process through committees like Budget Forum, Revenue Generation, Legislative Action, and more, to ease that transition. There was a push from this Board and members of the community to conduct an Independent Budget Review – a great example of residents across the budget-voting spectrum voicing a desire for an external perspective on why our costs per student were so high compared with many neighboring Districts. I commend the Board for hearing these voices and the administration for acting on it. The report showed that the main causes were the marginal effect of our community school approach - with three elementary buildings spread out across the District, a broad array of curricular and extra-curricular offerings, and an outsized special ed population largely integrated into our general ed program. Our teacher pay, our administrative costs, and other operational obligations were very much on par with all our neighbors, regardless of the cost per student. If we had a couple hundred more kids in our schools - which we very well may when or if our golf courses, Lundy Property, and other developments in the works are complete – we'd be on par. Just change the denominator. We all know how strong the demand is for homes in North Shore. The independent reviewer shared how impressed he was by our schools, that we should be proud of what we've built here, and found nothing mismanaged or inappropriate in our approach to education. He concluded by offering choices available to us if we - as a community – wanted to drastically cut costs now, such as closing an elementary school or adopting the Princeton model of grouping students by age in each building, rather than by home address. That's the operative word: choices. It's the "choices" made by our community that have made North Shore Schools what they are today, and we can always opt for a very different series of choices, as shared openly with the community at both the initial public presentation and many other stops as Dr. Z asked this community, "What Makes Us, Us?" Of course, that may not be what you heard from the specific handful of individuals leading the crusade to defund our schools. Nuance doesn't fit their narrative, nor do the very real cuts proposed in this 2024-2025 budget, across all operational departments, the lost teaching and other staff positions, or the significant reduction in our Administrative Unit last year. You'll hear nothing about making these cuts as surgically thoughtful as possible, for minimal student impact. I don't think that prioritizing student experience is a shortcoming. Indiscriminate machete-style budget cuts are in no child's best interest. But I'm not going to allow them to turn this into an us vs. them, neighbor vs. neighbor. Because the budget we are about to adopt, and hand over to the community to have their say at the ballot box, comes from a position of compromise and balance. It should unite people in recognizing what we all believe: that the children of today deserve the strongest education we can offer, just like the children of yesterday, and the children of tomorrow. It recognizes these fiscally challenging times. LIPA payments are slashed. Inflation has hit everyone's wallet. That is why the administration is recommending tough cuts to keep the budget increases among the lowest in Nassau County, which results in a projected tax levy about \$1.5

million dollars under the maximum we could have instituted without seeking a 60% super-majority override. Personally, as I've argued from this dais, I'd have liked us to keep a little more in reserves and inch closer to the tax cap. The cuts are sound and necessary, but the use of reserves concerns me. We have one of the best school districts on Long Island, delivering a unique and successful North Shore Journey. As a business owner for over 20 years, through many challenges, I know that the best offerings are rarely the cheapest or the most expensive. What makes something the best is the value it provides. That should be our barometer, as taxpayers and voters: value. What we get for our tax dollars. And I don't know that a District with some of the highest rankings of any community on Long Island needs to have the second lowest budget increase, especially when we have additional fiscal cliffs ahead of us. The District faces the same inflationary pressures that we do, as individuals and families. Health care and other non-discretionary obligations comprise the biggest pieces of this 2024-2025 budget puzzle. Our residents are still paying taxes at far lower rates, based on home value, than almost all of our neighbors, and while I don't like paying higher taxes more than anyone else – especially when our SALT deductions have been eviscerated as many of us filing their taxes yesterday knows – I know that the value we get for our tax dollars in the North Shore community is superb. That said... I made my case throughout this process while listening to the points and perspectives of my fellow Trustees – those present, those who couldn't be here tonight, and certainly Trustee Russo who recently left this Board. The discussions and respectful disagreements we've all had, as the elected representatives of North Shore, have been the epitome of open, transparent government - which our great community deserves. Openness to other ideas is necessary in reaching balanced, productive decisions. I understand the pressure the community is experiencing, and I respect the prevailing opinion that going higher on the budget and/or projected tax levy – would jeopardize its passage. I have arrived at a point of comfort, deferring to my fellow Trustees and the excellent work Chris and Jamie and Carol have done to thread the needle in balancing the internal pressures on our Schools with those of the taxpaying community, and presenting a fiscally prudent budget. It makes substantial cuts and holds expenses tight while maintaining all that we as a community have invested for generations in our Schools. Thank you all for the public and transparent process, for the huge commitment and scores of hours reading, analyzing, discussing, debating, and listening. Thanks for taking great pains to barnstorm the community and listen to people's needs, priorities and concerns. Those sessions have been real and frank. They have opened my eyes to even more perspectives, and although I wish more people watched, listened, and participated, the number is increasing. Budget meetings have been larger this year, I see more people engaged in thoughtful and informed dialogue, and I look forward to a productive community conversation about this budget leading to the vote on Tuesday, May 21.

President Macari said she was born and raised in this district and is also a graduate of the district. The District means a lot to her, now even more as a parent, and she wants to protect it. She said she is so proud of all of the stakeholders of this district. She said she is proud of Dr. Zublionis, Mr. Pappas and Dr. Smyth for allowing ample opportunities for everyone who is connected to North Shore to help shape this budget. She is proud of all of the community members who came out and gave advice, asked questions, and offered constructive feedback. It helped them understand the different perspectives in our community. She is proud of how many more people participated in the meetings this year and how civil the participation was. She could see the effects of the Board's efforts to be transparent to increase awareness, by how people came to meetings with a greater knowledge. She said she is proud of the directors who took a hard look at their budgets and made difficult cuts. She is proud of the teachers who helped inform directors and will carry out good work regardless of where the cuts were made. She is proud of her fellow trustees who worked hard through every line of a voluminous budget. She said she is proud that they have now come to a

place where they will present a budget that balances real financial constraints with this community's values. President Macari thanked everyone and said she looks forward to the next several weeks when they will once again go out into the community and communicate and inform the public on what this vote means, what the budget means for the district and the students, and will answer any questions for our community so they get accurate information.

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo, and all in favor, it was: Adoption of the 2024-2025 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby adopts the proposed budget in the amount of \$122,648,900.09, for the 2024-2025 school year for submission to the qualified voters of the School District at the annual election to be held on May 21, 2024

Prior to approval, Trustee Ludmar confirmed that the Property Tax Report Card will be filed upon approval

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo and all in favor, it was: Approval of Property Tax Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the real property tax report card prepared by the District's business office for the 2024 Annual District Meeting; and

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

Regular Business Comments from the Public – 8:45 p.m.

There were no comments from the public.

Prior to approval, Dr. Zublionis congratulated French teacher Mr. Eric Lepetit who is retiring after many years of service to the district and Ms. Darlene Skaee, elementary teacher who he called a true innovator. He wished them both well in their retirement.

On motion of Trustee Colacioppo and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, it was: Personnel

Resignation for Retirement Purposes - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation for retirement purposes of Eric Lepetit, World Languages (French), effective June 30, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation for retirement purposes of Darlene Skaee, Elementary, effective June 30, 2024

Resignation - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Samantha Drexler, English as a New Language (ENL), effective June 30, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Justin Fitzpatrick, Social Studies, effective June 30, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Lauren Gibbs, Art, effective June 30, 2024

<u>Amendment to Appointment - Certified</u>

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby amends the April 4, 2024 appointment of Cara Duffy as follows:

Cara Duffy, Elementary, is hereby appointed through June 26, 2024

Per Diem Substitutes

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the addition of the following names to the per diem substitute list:

Name	Category
Jeffrey Johnson	Part-time Cleaner Substitute
John Mendes	Part-time Cleaner Substitute
Kelly Skillmore	Teacher Assistant Substitute

The Board decided to act simultaneously on action items 17, 18, and 19

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Colacioppo and all in favor, it was: Approval of Exam Review Instructors

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the following exam review instructors:

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AP/IB Review Sessions		World Languages			
Seth Klein		Evelyne Pomma	ateau (French)		
Chris Halloran		Stephanie Piace	entino (Italian)		
Evelyn Pommateau		Roberto Bongio	vanni (Latin)		
Christina Margiore		Cynthia Li (Man	darin)		
Greg Perles		Steven Burgos (Spanish)			
Melanie Grimshaw		Christina Margiore (Spanish			
LiHong Cai		Amanda Haleiko (NYSESLAT)			
Sara LeMar					
Kathleen Festa		<u>Mathematics</u>			
Christine Considine		<u>Algebra 1</u>			
Brooke Hope		Jen Horton			
Lauren DeLuca		<u>Algebra 2</u>			
Lauren Sandback		Jen Horton			
Maryalice Kelly		Leah Sclair			
Janice Chen		Kristen Nersesian			
Stephen Peroni		Geometry			
Veronica Otero		Lauren DeLuca			
Josh Knight		Kathleen Festa			
Diana Garone		Alessia Merritts			
Carolyn Chimeri					
<u>Science</u>	<u>Science</u>		<u>Science</u>		
Earth Science	Chemistry		<u>Physics</u>		
Alex Acosta	Lisa Miller		Tyler Bianco		
Josh Timlin	Tina Passanante		Sara LeMar		
Laura DiLallo	Patrick Cassino		Stephen Peroni		
Chris Gish					

US History and Government	Global History and	
Brian Rodahan	<u>Geography</u>	
Jason Millard	Emily Whelan	
	Kevin Dahill	
Middle School	Middle School	
<u>Living Environment</u>	<u>Algebra</u>	
Lauren Mistretta	Mallory Schroeder	
Christina Bianco	John Pace	
Nicole Green		
Brian Lang		

Approval of Piano Accompanist for Spring Concerts

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves Richard Giordano as a piano accompanist for spring concerts on an as needed basis at a rate of \$75/rehearsal and \$120/performance

Acceptance of a Donation from the North Shore Women's Club to the North Shore High School BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the donation of \$1,500 from the North Shore Women's Club to the North Shore High School International Music Tour account to be used for future trips

The Board decided to act simultaneously on action items 20, 21, and 22 On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, it was: Adoption of Policy 4327 (Homebound Instruction)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shor Central School District hereby adopts revised policy #4327 on Homebound Instruction, along with #4327-R (Regulation) and Exhibits #4327-E.1 (Forms A-E), as discussed at the meeting of April 4, 2024, effective April 16, 2024

Approval of Change Orders from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-01 from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc. for Phase Two bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$1,478.40 (addition)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-02 from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc. for Phase Two bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$3,990.03 (addition)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-03 from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc. for Phase Two bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$12,654.00 (addition)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-04 from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc. for Phase Two bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$7,380.95 (addition)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-05 from Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc. for Phase Two bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$9,600.00 (addition)

Approval of Change Order from Cooper Power & Lighting Corp.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number EC-35 from Cooper Power & Lighting Corp., for Phase Two Bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$1,876.27 (addition)

Approval of Change Order from Hirsch & Co., LLC

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order #PC-05 from Hirsch & Co., LLC. for Phase Two bond work at the Glenwood Landing School in the amount of \$4,557.65 (addition)

Approval of Change Orders from W.H.M. Plumbing & Heating Contractors

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-01 from W.H.M Plumbing & Heating Contractors for Phase Two bond work at the Glen Head Elementary School in the amount of \$5,102.95 (addition)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number PC-02 from W.H.M Plumbing & Heating Contractors for Phase Two bond work at the Glen Head Elementary School in the amount of \$2,367.33 (addition)

Approval of an Agreement between the North Shore CSD and Syosset CSD

BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby enters into a contract for Health Services with the Syosset Central School District for 10 students residing within the North Shore School District and attending non-public schools within the Syosset Central School District for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$1,244 per student as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Approval of an Agreement between the North Shore CSD and Uniondale UFSD

BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby enters into a contract for Health Services with the Uniondale Union Free School District for 18 students residing within the North Shore School District and attending non-public schools within the Uniondale Union Free School District for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$1,101.05 per student as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Approval of an Agreement between the North Shore CSD and South Huntington UFSD
BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby
enters into a contract for Health Services with the South Huntington Union Free School District for
12 students residing within the North Shore School District and attending non-public schools within
the South Huntington Union Free School District for the 2023-2024 school year at a cost of \$888.05
per student as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Unfinished Business

Trustee Ludmar asked whether the tax cap will be affected by the adjustment to the state aid inflation rate. Dr. Zublionis said it will affect the amount of aid and the CPI, but not the tax cap.

Trustee Ludmar commented on the new electronic sign and wondered if it can be used to highlight all events happening throughout the District to bring people in to the many free entertainment opportunities that are world class. Trustee Colacioppo noted this also came up at the PTO presidents' meeting.

President Macari said the sign at the entrance to the high school looks to be in need of repair. She asked that it be looked at. Dr. Zublionis said the sign, which was donated by a former class, is being checked into.

Trustee Mosca asked about the status of the "Welcome to Glen Head" sign and also asked about the "Welcome to Sea Cliff" sign near the Middle School which seems to be obstructed. Dr. Zublionis explained that he has been in contact with George Pombar and they have found an alternate location for the Glen Head sign; closer to Kissam Lane. Regarding the Sea Cliff sign, he suggested someone from Sea Cliff Village should reach out if that sign needs attention.

New Business

Trustee Colacioppo asked if the issue with water in the science research lab is something the administration is aware of. Dr. Zublionis explained they are aware of it, and they are discussing finding an alternate space for the science research lab.

Trustee Colacioppo said she is glad to see that the directors are reading "The Anxious Generation". She said there is so much in the news about screen time. She would like to hear any updates or policy changes that come about. Dr. Zublionis explained that the technology update will come before the end of the year, and they will add AI as part of the discussion.

<u>Adjournment</u>

At 8:57 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi District Clerk