

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Oyster Bay – East Norwich Central School District**

**Date:** February 9, 2016  
**Kind of Meeting:** Business meeting  
**Location:** Oyster Bay High School, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County NY  
**Members Present:** Ann Marie Longo, President  
Jennifer Romeo-Vice President  
Michael Castellano  
Todd Cronin  
Robin Dando  
Laurie Kowalsky  
John McEvoy

**Members Not Present:**

**Others Present:** Dr. Laura Seinfeld, Superintendent  
Stephen Valente, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations  
Dr. Lisa Mulhall, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment  
Florence Frazer, District Counsel  
Margaret Nolan, District Clerk

Ann Marie Longo called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M. Motion by J. Romeo, second by R. Dando to enter into executive session at 6:45 P.M.

**Call to Order  
Executive Session**

Motion by R. Dando, second by J. Romeo, to claim out of executive session at 7:05 P.M.

Laurie Kowalsky read a brief biography on Quinn Rainey, a student from Theodore Roosevelt School, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Quinn was presented with a certificate for his accomplishments.

Ann Marie Longo called for the approval of minutes from January 5<sup>th</sup> and January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Jennifer Romeo stated that there was a difference in the salary for one appointment from what was on the agenda. The Board approved only the minutes from January 5<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Nolan will look into this and, if needed, correct the minutes which will be approved at the March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Approval of  
Minutes**

Robert Schoen, Area 11 Director from New York State School Boards Association, was in attendance to present awards to some members of the Board of Education. He presented Board members with citations for their continued professional development in their roles as members of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich CSD Board of Education.

**Superintendent's  
Report**

Dr. Seinfeld again thanked the community for their support in passing both bond resolutions.

**Board/Student  
Recognition**

Ann Marie Longo spoke on an event held at the Tilles Center, which she and Dr. Seinfeld attended, in which Billy Joel donated one million dollars to the High School for the Performing Arts.

Dr. Seinfeld introduced Peter Rufa, who introduced and spoke about students who participated in the All County Music Festival. The students were presented with certificates for their accomplishments.

Steve Valente gave a presentation on the expenditure portion of the budget. Mr. Valente reviewed the Projected Tax Levy Limit as of 2/9/16, 0.12% which is OBEN "Cap".





**A) CPSE/CSE MINUTES**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District has arranged that the following appropriate special education programs and/or services be provided as recommended by the Committee on Special Education:

**CPSE:**

01/20/2016	1	Requested Review
02/01/2016	1	Amendment-Agreement No Meeting
02/02/2016	1	Initial Eligibility Determination

**CSE:**

01/19/2016	1	Requested Review
01/21/2016	1	Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting
01/22/2016	1	Annual Review
01/22/2016	1	Requested Review
01/26/2016	1	Reevaluation/Annual Review
01/28/2016	1	Annual Review
01/28/2016	1	Reevaluation/Annual Review

**504**

01/22/2016	1	Initial Eligibility Determination Meeting
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Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by R. Dando, second by L. Kowalsky, to approve the following:

**XII NEW BUSINESS**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby approves the following *New Business* Resolutions as listed:

**New Business**

**A BOND RESOLUTION OF THE OYSTER BAY-EAST NORWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2016, AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO DISTRICT FACILITIES; STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS NOT TO EXCEED \$7,816,791; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,816,791 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID DISTRICT TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.**

**Bond Resolution**

Recital

WHEREAS, at the Special District Meeting duly called and held on December 17, 2015, in the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), a majority of the qualified voters present and voting approved Bond Propositions authorizing (i) various additions, alterations and improvements at the Oyster Bay High School at the estimated cost of not to exceed \$6,990,791; and (ii) the construction of District-wide safety and security system upgrades and enhancements at the estimated cost of not to exceed \$826,000; and further authorized the Board of Education to levy and collect a tax to be collected in annual installments to pay the principal of and interest on the not to exceed \$7,816,791 serial bonds authorized to be issued;

Now, therefore,  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OYSTER BAY-EAST NORWICH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Education) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District, in the County of Nassau, New York, is hereby authorized to construct art and choral room additions, to partially reconstruct and construct of alterations and improvements to existing music and art facilities, to install air-conditioning at the Oyster Bay High School and to construct District-wide safety and security system upgrades and enhancements; all substantially as described in a plan prepared for the District by BBS Architects Landscape Architects and Engineers PC; the foregoing to include all original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus and ancillary or related site, demolition and other work required in connection therewith. The estimated total cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is not to exceed \$7,816,791 and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the issuance of not to exceed \$7,816,791 serial bonds of the District to finance said appropriation, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the District to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Serial bonds of the District in the amount of not to exceed \$7,816,791 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law") to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the purpose for which serial bonds are authorized to be issued pursuant to this resolution, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 97 of the Law, is thirty (30) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds may be applied to reimburse the District for expenditures made for the purpose or purposes for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the District, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the District without limitation of rate or amount. The faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the District by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Education relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of all bonds herein and heretofore authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, are hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or

- (b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary hereof, are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or
- (c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution shall take effect immediately, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish the foregoing resolution, in summary, together with a Notice attached in substantially the form prescribed by §81.00 of the Law in one of the District's official newspapers, hereby designated the official newspaper for such publication.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Board Member Laurie Kowalsky and duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

The resolution was declared adopted.

Motion unanimously carried.

**Discussion:**

The Board discussed the dates for Board of Education Meetings during the 2016-2017 school year. The Reorganization meeting will be held on July 12, 2016. This will be on a future agenda to approve this date. The Board discussed the start time of the meetings for the next school year. Currently meetings start at 7:00 PM. Ann Marie Longo polled the Board to see if they would prefer 7:00 or 7:30 PM.

L. Kowalsky – 7:00; John McEvoy -7:00; Michael Castellano – 7:30; Robin Dando – 7:30; Jennifer Romeo – 7:30; Todd Cronin – either time would work; Ann Marie Longo – 7:30  
The meetings will begin at 7:30 starting July, 2016.

Ann Marie Longo mentioned that there will be one seat open on the Board at the end of the 2015-2016 school year due to the ending of Robin Dando's term.

Dr. Seinfeld thanked Rob Brusca, Kevin Hanifan and Mr. Venditto for the work on the snow removal along Route 106 over the winter.

The Board discussed the process of going paperless and receiving Board packets electronically. Dr. Seinfeld explained that the board would be assigned OBENSCHOOLS e-mail addresses. For the time being, the Board will receive both electronic and hard copies of the packet/agenda.

The Friday packet was discussed. Jennifer Romeo asked about responses to e-mails. The Board discussed APPR; Ann Marie Longo asked why there was an extension; Dr. Mulhall explained. Todd Cronin asked a question regarding personnel that were out during the snow storm.

The Board accepted questions and comments from community members, on non-agenda items, at this time.

Motion by R. Dando, second by J. Romeo, to enter into executive session at 9:34 P.M. to discuss matters of personnel.

Motion by R. Dando, second by J. Romeo, to claim out of executive session and adjourn at 11:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Nolan, District Clerk

**Discussion**

**Friday Packet**

**Public Comments**

**Executive Session**

**Adjournment**