#### EAST ROCKAWAY UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

East Rockaway, New York Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

7:30 P.M., March 11, 2014 - East Rockaway Jr. /Sr. High School
Preceded by Recognition of Enterprise Participants at United Cerebral Palsy of
Nassau's 2014 Trivia Challenge a Presentation on NYS Social Studies Standards
and a Public Forum

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Approval of Minutes: February 11, 2014
- 3. Acknowledge Receipt of Financial Reports January 2014
- 4. Correspondence Two
- 5. Action Agenda
  - A. Personnel None
  - B. Other Items
    - 1. Approve the 2014-2015 school district calendar.
    - 2. Accept a donation from Nassau Tract in the amount of Four Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and 80 cents (\$433.80) for Collegial Circle books for Centre Avenue.
    - 3. Approve the award of the bid for transportation services to First Student, Inc. for one (1) displaced student living in Island Park to East Rockaway High School and authorize the Director of Finance and Operations to execute the resulting contract on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.
    - 4. Approve the License Agreement with SCOPE Education Services for the SAT Preparatory Program for the 2014-2015 school year and authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the agreement on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.
    - 5. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the East Rockaway Union Free School District approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement dated February 11, 2014, between the Board and the United Public Service Employees Union ("UPSEU") representing the employees in the District's custodial bargaining unit regarding the terms and conditions of employment for the members of the bargaining unit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to execute the resulting collective bargaining agreement on behalf of the Board.

## 6. Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 4, 2014, in East Rockaway, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to extend real property tax exemptions to eligible and qualified property owners pursuant to Real Property Tax Law, Section 485a(2); now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education in the East Rockaway Union Free School District, hereby adopts the definitions of "qualified owner," "qualifying residential real property" and "veteran" as provided in the Real Property Tax Law, section 485-a (1)(c), (d) and (e), respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that eligible recipients shall be entitled to the exemptions provided in the Real Property Tax Law, section 485-a(2)a,(b) and (c) to a maximum of twelve thousand dollars, eight thousand dollars, and forty thousand dollars respectively; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that tenant-stockholders of eligible co-operative corporations, shall be eligible to receive such exemptions as provided in Real Property Tax Law 485-a(6); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that recipients of these exemptions shall be permitted to transfer, on a pro-rata basis, the exemption to another home purchased within the East Rockaway Union Free School District as provided in Real Property tax Law 485-a(8).

### 7. Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 4, 2014 in East Rockaway, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education wishes to extend a real property tax exemption to the parent(s) of a child who died in the line of duty while serving in the United States armed forces during a period of war as permitted by Real Property Tax Law, section 485-a (7); now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the East Rockaway Union Free School District, hereby adopts the definitions of "Gold Star Parent" as provided in the Real Property Tax Law, section 485-a(7)(a); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such a Gold Star Parent shall be entitled to the

exemptions provided pursuant to Real Property Tax Law, section 485-a(7), to a combined maximum of twenty thousand dollars, and as limited by Real Property Tax Law, Section 485-a(7)(c).

- 8. Approve the Notice of Budget Hearing and Annual District Election of the East Rockaway UFSD and the publication of such notice as required by law in the "Oceanside, Rockville Centre, East Rockaway Tribune," and "The Lynbrook/East Rockaway Herald."
- 9. Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the East Rockaway Union Free School District has determined that there is a need to undertake certain capital improvements and technology upgrades to commence during the 2014-2015 school year ("Project"), as described in reports entitled "Capital Projects 2014-15" and "Proposed Technology Reserve Spending 2014-15", respectively, on file and available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk ("Report"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that propositions be presented to the voters of the School District authorizing the expenditure of available funds from the District's existing Capital Reserve Fund for Building Improvements and Repairs and Capital Reserve Fund for Technology Replacement for that purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board establishes itself as lead agency for the purposes of SEQR determinations regarding the proposed Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that, upon the review and recommendation of the District's Architect, the proposed Project is hereby determined to be a Type II action, as defined by 6 NYCRR §617.5[c], which will have no significant impact on the environment, and which does not require any other determination or procedure under SEQRA; and, therefore, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs that the following propositions be placed before the voters of the East Rockaway Union Free School District at the Annual District Meeting to be held between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on May 20, 2014, at the polling place heretofore established within the District; and that the District Clerk be hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such proposition to be voted at said Annual District Meeting by publishing a notice thereof, four times within the seven (7) weeks next preceding the district election, the first publication to be at least forty-five (45) days before the election, and to have the necessary ballot labels printed for said vote in the form corresponding as nearly as may be with the requirements of the Education Law and the provisions of the voting machine rules of this school district.

#### 10. Approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the East Rockaway Union Free School District has determined that there is a need to create capital reserve funds to cover, in whole or in part, the cost of (1) future capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations of School District

facilities, and (2) future purchases, improvements and/or replacement of the District's technology and telecommunications equipment, infrastructure and software; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that propositions be presented to the voters of the School District authorizing the establishment of capital reserve funds for said purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs that the following propositions be placed before the voters of the East Rockaway Union Free School District at the Annual District Meeting to be held between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on May 20, 2014, at the polling place heretofore established within the District; and that the District Clerk be hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such proposition to be voted at said Annual District Meeting by publishing a notice thereof, four times within the seven (7) weeks next preceding the district election, the first publication to be at least forty-five (45) days before the election, and to have the necessary ballot labels printed for said vote in the form corresponding as nearly as may be with the requirements of the Education Law and the provisions of the voting machine rules of this school district.

## 11. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the financial audit prepared by R.S. Abrams and Co., for the year ended June 30, 2013.

## 12. Approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the East Rockaway Union Free School District approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement dated March 5, 2014, between the Board of Education and the East Rockaway Teachers Association, concerning a one-time retirement incentive for members of the teachers bargaining unit and authorize the Superintendent to execute the Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the East Rockaway Board of Education.

- C. Budget Transfers None
- D. Approval of CSE Recommendations
- E. Approval of CPSE Recommendations
- 6. Policy Matters
  - 1. For Adoption
    - a. 5100, Attendance

# 7. Good and Welfare

- a. Condolences to the Tullo family on the passing of Roland LaPointe, father of Barbara Tullo, orchestra teacher, and father-in-law of Duke Tullo, cleaner.
- b. Congratulations to M. Denise Winter, school social worker, on the birth of her grandson, Beau
- 8. Superintendent's Report
- 9. Privilege of the Floor
- 10. Board Member Comments
- 11. Adjournment