

**MINUTES OF THE EAST MORICHES BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 28<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016**

**Place:** East Moriches Elementary School Cafetorium

**Members Present:** M. Griffin, J. Lapinski, L. Pesce, J. Burke

**Members Absent:** L. Pagano

**Others Present:** Dr. Charles. T. Russo, Superintendent of Schools, J. Miglino, Treasurer, J. Franke, District Clerk, Mr. Michael Carlson, Middle School Principal, Mr. Edward Schneyer, Elementary School Principal, Mrs. Emily Peterson, Assistant Principal, Ms. Michele Pepey, PPS Supervisor

At the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education moves to Executive Session at 6:00 pm to discuss legal matters and personnel items.

**Call to Order:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, to call the Executive Meeting to order. The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. The vote was 4-0.

**Adjournment:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, to adjourn the Executive Meeting at 7:35 p.m. The vote was 4-0.

**Call to Order:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, to call the Regular Meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was called to order at 7:39 p.m. The vote was 4-0.

**Minutes:** Motion by J. Burke, second by L. Pesce, to adopt the minutes of the August 31, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Is there any discussion? The vote was 4-0.

**Consent Agenda I**

**Financial:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2016. Is there any discussion? The vote was 4-0.

**Internal Claims Auditor's Report:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, to accept the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of September 2016. Is there any discussion? The vote was 4-0.

**Monthly Bills:**

Motion by J. Burke, second by L. Pesce, to approve payment of the monthly bills for the month of September 2016 as per the Internal Claims Auditor's Report. Is there any discussion?  
The vote was 4-0.

**ERS Reserve:**

Motion by J Lapinski, second by J. Burke, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorize an increase to the ERS Reserve from the unappropriated unreserved fund balance as of June 30, 2016 in an amount up to \$100,000. Is there any discussion?  
The vote was 4-0.  
Dr. Russo mentioned that this money will go toward replenishing the employee retirement reserve.

**Budget Transfers:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve the following budget transfers. Is there any discussion?

<b>Item 2015-2016 Transfer</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1.	<b>A2250.4</b>	<b>A9901.93</b>	<b>\$25,000.00</b>

<b>Transfer 2016-2017</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1.	<b>A2630.45</b>	<b>A2630.46</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
2.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A1240.15</b>	<b>\$3,570.00</b>
3.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A1310.15</b>	<b>\$16,258.00</b>
4.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A2020.15</b>	<b>\$51,844.27</b>
5.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A2810.16</b>	<b>\$1,018.05</b>
6.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A2815.16</b>	<b>\$4,272.00</b>
7.	<b>A2110.12</b>	<b>A2820.15</b>	<b>\$2,654.00</b>
8.	<b>A1320.4</b>	<b>A1325.16</b>	<b>\$18,772.00</b>

The vote was 4-0.

**OSC Response Letter:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to sign the letter of response to the Office of The State Comptroller to accept the recommendations for the audit period July 1, 2014, to May 31, 2016. The Board of Education also approves the Corrective Action Plan to address the recommendations by the Office of the State Comptroller. Is there any discussion?  
The vote was 4-0.

Dr. Russo stated that the report is still in draft form. When the report is finalized it will be published on the school district website.

**School Tax Levy:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education establishes the 2016-2017 School Tax Levy in an amount of \$19,609,982 and Library Tax Levy in an amount of \$781,932. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

**Donation/Football Equipment:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accept multiple football equipment donations made to the East Moriches School District from Mr. EJ Gilbride in the amount of \$5, 990, as per the attached schedule. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

**PTO Donation/Football Equipment:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accept multiple football equipment donations made to the East Moriches School District from East Moriches PTO in the amount of \$3,231 as per the attached schedule. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

**Consent Agenda II:  
Personnel:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approves the Personnel Schedules A-6 and P-3 as listed below. Is there any discussion?

**EAST MORICHES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PERSONNEL SCHEDULE  
2016-2017 A-6  
September 28, 2016**

**Professional Appointments**

Item#	Name	Assignment	Type of Appointment	Step	Annual Salary	Effective Dates	Tenure Area	Certification Status
1.	Rountos, Muriel	Teacher Assistant	Probationary		\$31,957	9/6/16	Teacher Assistant	Math 7-12, Professional
2.	Atkinson, Colin	Teacher Assistant	Probationary		\$31,957	9/6/16	Teacher Assistant	Teacher Assistant, Level I

### Professional Extra Compensation Appointments

Item #	Name	Assignment	Salary	Effective Dates
3.	Hempson, Sara	Talent Show Co-Coordinator	\$606	2016-2017 school year
4.	Wunsch, Lauren	Badminton Advisor	\$636	2016-2017 school year
5.	Franke, Jacqueline	Temporary payroll clerk	\$20.27/hour	9/6/16 – 10/31/16

### Civil Service Appointments

Item#	Name	Assignment	Annual Salary	Effective Dates
6.	Joseph, Renee	Leave Replacement Teacher Aide	\$20,269.17	9/7/16 – 6/30/17

### Per Diem Appointments

Item#	Name	Assignment	Salary	Effective Dates	Certification
7.	Cremer, Andrew	Substitute Teacher	\$100/day	9/29/16 – 6/30/17	To approve as a Substitute Teacher for 30 days pending certification.
8.	Jones, Dolores	Substitute Teacher	\$100/day	9/29/16 – 6/30/17	N,K, & Gr. 1-6, Permanent.
9.	DePaulis, Loren	Monitor	\$10/hour	9/19/16 – 6/30/17	N/A
10.	Spitaleri, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher Aide	\$12.50/hour	9/12/16 – 6/30/17	N/A
11.	Spitaleri, Jennifer	Substitute Monitor	\$10/hour	9/12/16 – 6/30/17	N/A
12.	Dougherty, Mallory	Home Tutor	\$51/hour	7/1/16 – 6/30/17	Childhood Education Gr. 1-6 & Students w/ Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial

### Other Appointments

Item#	Name	Assignment	Salary	Effective Dates
13.	Pepay, Michele	Chairperson of Committees on Special Education and Pre-School Special Education	N/A	2016-2017 school year

**EAST MORICHES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PERSONNEL SCHEDULE  
2016-2017 P-3  
September 28, 2016**

**Retirement/Resignations**

Item#	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Comments
1.	Narus, Christa	Substitute Teacher Aide	9/1/16	Resignation as a substitute Teacher Aide.
2.	Cremer, Christian	Teacher Assistant	9/6/16	Resignation as a Teacher Assistant.
3.	Harris, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher	9/7/16	Resignation as a substitute teacher.
4.	Meraglia, Robert	Substitute Teacher	9/21/16	Resignation as a substitute teacher.
5.	Scanlon, Kelly	Substitute Teacher	9/21/16	Resignation as a substitute teacher.

**Leave of Absences**

Item #	Name	Assignment	Dates Paid	Dates Unpaid	Comments
6.	Congedo, Danielle	Teacher Assistant		10/3/16 – 10/31/16	Military Leave
7.	Atkinson, Colin	Teacher Aide		9/6/16 – 6/30/17	Take a leave from Teacher Aide position to be a Teacher Assistant.

**Change of Status**

Item#	Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Salary	Comments
8.	Bentivegna, Lauren	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher	9/1/16	\$80,857/year	Salary advancement column move from Step E-8 to Step F-8.
9.	Clay, Christie	Kindergarten Teacher	9/1/16	\$69,099/year	Salary advancement column move from Step D-5 to Step E-5.
10.	Neidhart, Margaret	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher	9/1/16	\$86,927/year	Salary advancement column move from Step F-9 to Step G-9.
11.	Percoco, Luise	Kindergarten Teacher	9/1/16	\$83,732/year	Salary advancement column move from Step F-8 to Step G-8.
12.	Rakowski, Jean	Special Education Teacher	9/1/16	\$83,732/year	Salary advancement column move from Step F-8 to Step G-8.
13.	Napoli, Darby	Robotics Advisor	2016-2017 school year	\$636	Adjust stipend to full amount.
14.	Johnson, Renee	Leave Replacement			Change from Part time Elementary Computer

		Elementary Computer Teacher – Part Time (0.2)			Teacher to Part time Leave Replacement Elementary Computer Teacher
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The vote was 4-0.

**Consent Agenda III**

**Contracts:**

**ESBOCES Service**

**Agreement:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to sign the Service Agreement between Eastern Suffolk BOCES and the East Moriches USFD for the 2016-2017 school year providing services to ESBOCES students attending East Moriches Elementary and Middle Schools. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

Dr. Russo informed the community that this is revenue to the district.

**EMTA MOA:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the East Moriches Teacher’s Association and the East Moriches Board of Education stipulating a half-day vacation in lieu of a second teacher night that includes parent presentations. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

Dr. Russo spoke of the work done with Ms. Mitchell and all of the association members regarding the APPR plan, the Smart Schools plan and this MOA.

**Consent Agenda IV**

**Other Business:**

**AIS ELA & Math**

**District Procedures:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve the AIS ELA and MATH District procedures to identify students receiving services. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

**School Wide District**

**Safety Plans:**

Motion by J. Burke, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve the Elementary, Middle School, and District Safety plans. Is there any discussion?

The vote was 4-0.

Dr. Russo spoke about the full day conference he recently attended with Homeland Security.

- CPSE:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Pupil Personnel/Special Education Supervisor, the Board of Education accepts the Special Education recommendations of Preschool Special Education students numbered: 5255, 5254, 5289, 5281, 5267, 5268. Is there any discussion?  
The vote was 4-0.
- CSE:** Motion by J. Burke, second by L. Pesce, at the recommendation of the Pupil Personnel/Special Education Supervisor, the Board of Education accepts the Special Education recommendations of School Age Special Education students numbered: 5107, 1234, 1225, 5242, 1228, 5284, 1178, 1121, 1218, 5279, 5249, 5244, 5257, 1233, 5272, 1230, 5229, 5246, 5238. Is there any discussion?  
The vote was 4-0.
- EMO Shines:** President Griffin said that the district is off to a fantastic start. He witnessed the enthusiasm of teachers at the district wide Superintendent's Conference Day. President Griffin said that, as a Board, we are excited to start this year.  
  
Mrs. Pesce mentioned that, this year in particular, she has received a lot of positive feedback from the community regarding the beginning of the school year.
- Public Comment:** Community member Jodi Wenzel spoke about her dissatisfaction with the bussing situation. Dr. Russo said he would look into it and get back to her.  
  
Community Member Lisa Johnson asked a question about the MOA for the teachers. Dr. Russo explained the agreement. Ms. Johnson asked about teacher communication with parents. Dr. Russo explained what he expects from the teachers regarding communication with parents. Ms. Johnson had a question about school lunch. Dr. Russo explained our school lunch program and why we haven't gone to an automated system.  
  
Middle School Principal, Michael Carlson, recognized the 137 Middle School students who met the summer math challenge. Mr. Carlson thanked Ms. Ringhoff and the math staff for supporting this program.  
  
Vice President Lapinski acknowledged the importance of the summer reading program and commended those students who participated. Ms. Lapinski thanked the parents, teachers and PTO for supporting this program.
- Adjournment:** Motion by J. Lapinski, second by J. Burke, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:17 p.m.  
The vote was 4-0.

**Executive Session  
Adjournment:**

Motion by J. Lapinski, second by L. Burke, to adjourn the  
Executive Session at 10:20 p.m.  
The vote was 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 29, 2016

Jacqueline Franke  
District Clerk