



**RYE NECK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
300 HORNIDGE ROAD  
MAMARONECK, NEW YORK 10543  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
JUNE 14, 2023**

Present: President Gloria Golle  
Trustee Rebecca Mansell  
Trustee Patty Nashelsky  
Trustee Jennifer Rubin  
Trustee Devina O’Reilly  
Trustee Elizabeth Yong  
Dr. Eric Lutinski, Superintendent of Schools  
Carolyn Mahar, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Corinne Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction  
Mary Ellen Chiera, District Clerk

**I. Adjournment of Executive Session**

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Mansell and seconded by Trustee Rubin, it was  
**RESOLVED**, that the executive session be adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**AYES: All Present**  
**NAYES: None**

**II. Opening of Meeting**

President Golle called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

**III. President’s Report**

President Golle began by sharing that there were many celebrations in the District this week and more to come over the next few days. The sports award ceremony was held on Monday in addition to the theater students taking home Metro awards. Moving-up ceremonies and graduations are coming up. Tonight we are recognizing seven tenure candidates, two retirees, and saying goodbye to two of our Board trustees, Jennifer Rubin and Devina O’Reilly. President Golle wished everyone a restful and joyful summer.

**IV. Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Lutinski announced that tonight’s meeting is a celebratory meeting as we award tenure to some of our newer teachers and teaching assistants and say goodbye to our retirees. Prior to tonight’s celebration, the Athletic Department held its Varsity Sports Award Ceremony to recognize the accomplishments of our student-athletes. Among

them is former student and current high school teacher Jessica Calvini who is being inducted into the NYS High School Softball Hall of Fame. Rye Neck Hosted the 2023 Youth Leadership Recognition Awards with NYS Senator Shelly Mayer at which five Rye Neck students received awards. In addition, our high school musical *Anastasia* team attended the Metro Awards in Tarrytown and came home with two individual actor awards and the Best Overall Production of a Musical award.

Finally, Dr. Lutinski congratulated our two retiring trustees, Jennifer Rubin and Devina O'Reilly, and thanked them for their service.

V. **Recognition**

**Yearbook - Class of 2023**

Students Christina Pirrone, Daniella Pirrone, Pat Pappalardi and Skylar Mindich presented Rye Neck High School's 2023 Yearbook to the Board trustees.

**Retirees**

Mr. Scarantino acknowledged retired F.E. Bellow Nurse Kim Barth, and Dr. Wilson and Mrs. Pat Rinello recognized retiring High School Art Teacher Karen Fontecchio.

**Tenure Candidates**

Upon Motion duly made by Trustee O'Reilly and seconded by Trustee Rubin, it was

**RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Lina Amello**, Certification: Teaching Assistant, effective 09/01/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Darien Bica**, Certifications: Health and Physical Education K-12, effective 09/01/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Amy Bushnell**, Certifications: Health and Physical Education K-12, effective 05/15/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Amanda D'Addona**, Certification: Social Studies 7-12, effective 09/16/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Alyssa Massi**, Certification: Childhood Education 1-6, effective 08/30/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grants tenure to **Monica Ann Muir**, Certification: Teaching Assistant, effective 09/01/2023; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby that the Board grant tenure to **Kristi Rachiele**, Certification: Chemistry 7-12, effective 09/01/2023.

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

**Board Trustees - Jennifer Rubin & Devina O'Reilly**

President Golle recognized retiring Trustees Jennifer Rubin and Devina O'Reilly and thanked them for their service on the Board.

**VI. Approval of Consent Agenda**

Upon Motion duly made by Trustee Nashelsky and seconded by Trustee Yong, it was **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District approves the following consent agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 7, 2023 Board of Education Planning Session/Middle & High School Programs & Priorities Meeting
2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 13, 2023 Board of Education Planning Session
3. Approval of Personnel Appointments
4. Approval of Superintendent Salary Increase
5. Approval of Salary of Confidential Employees
6. Approval of Salary of Safety & Security Officer
7. Approval of Summer School Hourly Rate
8. Approval of Establishment of Standard Work Days for Appointed Officials
9. Adoption and Approval of Stipulation Agreement
10. Approval of Participation in PNW BOCES Cooperative Bidding Blanket
11. Approval of Plan for Foundation Aid Increase
12. Approval of Disposal of Furniture
13. Approval of CSE Recommendations
14. Approval of Homebound Instruction
15. Approval of Budget Transfers
16. Approval of Financial Reports

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

**VII. Financial Reports for Information**

The Board was presented with the Warrant Schedule - All Funds for information Purposes.

**VIII. Communications to the Board**

President Golle reported that the Board has received 13 communications since the last Meeting, 8 regarding safety, 2 regarding programs and priorities, 1 regarding technology, 1 regarding election results and 1 regarding emails.

**X. Citizens' Privilege of the Floor**

The Board heard from various community members regarding technology purchases, safety and security, cyber security, and AI technology.

**X. Reports - Board of Education**

**West/Put Report**

Trustee Rubin reported that Dr. Lutinski, President Golle and Trustee Nashelsky attended WestPut's Boards Night Out on June 8th where discussion was had regarding how technology is changing K-12 education through media literacy, artificial intelligence and advocacy. In addition, Trustee Nashelsky was recognized for her service as Treasurer of the WestPut board.

**Audit Committee**

Trustee Yong reported that the Audit Committee had a year-end audit kick-off meeting on May 24th with the external auditors. The audit will take place over the summer months, with the report being completed in October. In addition, they met with the internal auditor regarding his Risk Assessment Report. She was pleased to announce that no action items had been reported.

**Policy Committee**

Trustee Rubin addressed this under New Business - Adoption of Amended Policy 5420. Amendments were made to include language permitting the administration of naloxone in the event of an opioid-related or suspected opioid-related overdose.

**XI. New Business**

**Acceptance of Internal Audit Risk Assessment**

Upon Motion duly made by Trustee Rubin and seconded by Trustee Yong, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District accepts the annual update of the internal audit risk assessment dated May 10, 2023 by Sanossian, Sardis & Co., LLP; and it was

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the attached district management action plan prepared in response to the risk update.

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

**Approval of Technology Purchases**

Upon Motion duly made by Trustee Nashelsky and seconded by Trustee Yong, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District accept and approve the attached 2022-2023 Technology Purchasing Summary.

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

**Adoption of Amended Policy 5420 - Student Health Services**

**WHEREAS**, revisions to Policy 5420 were presented to the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District at a public meeting for discussion and a first reading at the May 17, 2023 Board Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 5420 has been presented to the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District at this current public meeting for discussion and a second reading.

Upon Motion duly made by Trustee Mansell and seconded by Trustee Rubin, it was

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Rye Neck Union Free School District hereby approves the adoption of amended Policy 5420.

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

**XII. Public Comments Concerning Above**

There were no comments made by the public.

**XIII. Adjournment of Meeting**

Upon motion duly made by Trustee Mansell seconded by Trustee O'Reilly, it was

**RESOLVED**, that there being no further business before the Board, that the Board of Education Meeting of May 17, 2023 be adjourned.

**AYES: All Present**

**NAYES: None**

President Golle adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Ellen Chiera  
District Clerk