Public Hearing

A Public Hearing of the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District was held on Monday evening, May 11, 2009, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in the Career Counseling Center at Northport High School, 154 Laurel Hill Road, Northport, New York, with Mrs. Arlene S. Munson, President, opening the meeting and presiding.

Members present: Mr. Warren S. Arthur, Mrs. Liz Dragone, Mr. Joe Gannon, Mr. Rob Ingraham, Mr.

Steven A. Meyerowitz, Mrs. Arlene S. Munson, Dr. Kay Hutchins Sato, Mr. Stephen

V. Waldenburg, Jr., Mrs. Karen Wills

Members absent: None

Also present: Dr. Marylou McDermott, Superintendent of Schools

1. President Munson called the meeting to order.

Motion was made by Trustee Arthur, seconded by Trustee Gannon, to convene in Executive Session to discuss negotiations and a student matter.

Unanimously carried.

At 7:55 p.m., motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Dragone, to reconvene in public session in the Library at Northport High School.

Unanimously carried.

Public attendance: There were approximately 25 persons present.

- 2. Mrs. Munson led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance; and
- 3. Pointed out the emergency exits.
- 4. Overview by the Superintendent of the Proposition on the May 19, 2009 Ballot

Dr. McDermott stated that Proposition #1, the 2009-2010 proposed budget of \$146,268,851 represents a budget increase of 2.09%, an estimated tax rate of 1.98% and tax levy of 1.88%. Dr. McDermott noted that this is the lowest tax rate increase in 15 years. Dr. McDermott also noted that the proposed 2009-2010 budget includes increasing the District's bandwidth, online interactive Regents support, and extension of the kindergarten day by 20%.

The President of the Board opened up discussion to the community. There were no questions or comments from the community.

There being no further discussion, at 8:10 p.m., motion was made by Trustee Meyerowitz, seconded by Trustee Sato, to adjourn the public hearing and to convene into special meeting.

Unanimously carried.

Beth M. Nystrom
District Clerk

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