MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Royalton-Hartland Central School District Middleport, New York

June 13, 2019

A regular meeting of the Royalton-Hartland Board of Education was held on the above date at the high school immediately following a facilities meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Present: Carol Blumrick, Carrie Choate, Sara Fry, Jeff Waters, Jason Wilhelm, Vice President, Tom Brigham and President, Chad Owen

Also Present: Dr. Hank Stopinski, Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Andrew Lang, Business Administrator/Clerk Pro-Tem

At 6:03 p.m. Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, to go into an executive session to discuss current litigation and an update on an employee issue.

Motion carried.

At 6:55 p.m. Mr. Wilhelm moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, to end the executive session. Motion carried.

Mr. Owen welcomed visitors and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION(S)

John Grzymala, Athletic Director/Dean of Students, presented certificates to student athletes.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mr. Wilhelm, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 9, 2019, the special meeting of May 21, 2019, the April 2019 appropriation status report, the April 2019 student activity treasurer's report and the CPSE and CSE recommendations dated March 22 through June 4, 2019 are approved. Motion carried.

EDUCATION

Mrs. Blumrick moved, seconded by Mrs. Choate, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the request from a non-resident employee for their children to attend the Royalton-Hartland Central School District for the 2019-2020 school year is approved per Board Policy #7132:

Grade Pre-K – 1 student

Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

Mr. Waters moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent,

that the following individuals are appointed, without benefits, as substitutes with services to be utilized on an as-needed basis. Employment shall be effective through June 25, 2019 unless terminated sooner:

Certified Teacher - Samantha Pagliei; Non-Certified Teacher - Cassidy Albone, Katie Kneeland; Food Service - Kathleen Mullin, Susan Clute

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mrs. Blumrick, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that Melodi Click is appointed to a twelve-month probationary position of Custodian effective July 1, 2019.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Wilhelm, that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to continue the involuntary paid leave of an employee.

Motion carried.

Mr. Brigham moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the resignation from Michael Tarnowski from his position as a technology teacher be regretfully accepted effective at the end of the day on June 30, 2019.

Discussion: Mr. Brigham stated that the District is losing a great coach and mentor. Motion carried.

Mr. Wilhelm moved, seconded by Mrs. Choate, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the Agreement with the Royalton-Hartland Classified Employees Association of CSEA, Inc., dated May 20, 2019 and signed by the Association on May 20, 2019, for a collective bargaining agreement with a three-year term (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021), and the Board of Education hereby approves funds to implement the agreement. Motion carried.

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Mrs. Choate moved, seconded by Mr. Waters, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the donation of supplies from DonorsChoose.org to the elementary school are accepted as presented.

Motion carried.

Mr. Wilhelm moved, seconded by Mrs. Fry, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following resolution:

A BOND RESOLUTION, DATED JUNE 13, 2019, OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ROYALTON-HARTLAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NIAGARA, GENESEE AND ORLEANS COUNTIES, NEW YORK (THE "DISTRICT") AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT (1) TO UNDERTAKE AN APPROVED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, 2019 (THE "PROJECT") CONSISTING OF THE RECONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION, IN PART, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS, IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES TO, VARIOUS DISTRICT BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND THE

SITES THEREOF, AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$12,100,000; (2) TO EXPEND OR APPLY TOWARD THE PROJECT \$2,500,000 FROM THE DISTRICT'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RESERVE FUND, 2018; AND (3) TO ISSUE SERIAL BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT (IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,600,000) TO FINANCE THE BALANCE OF THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF THE PROJECT, AND DELEGATING THE POWER TO ISSUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES (IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SALE OF SUCH OBLIGATIONS) TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, at an annual meeting and vote of the qualified voters of the Royalton-Hartland Central School District, Niagara, Genesee and Orleans Counties, New York (the "District"), that was held on May 21, 2019, a proposition (the "Proposition") was duly adopted authorizing the Board of Education of the District (the "Board") (1) to undertake, in general accordance with a referenced project plan, a Capital Improvements Project, 2019 (the "Project") consisting of the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of additions, improvements and upgrades to, various District buildings and facilities and the sites thereof, the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and in connection with the financing thereof, all at an estimated maximum cost of \$12,100,000; (2) to expend or apply toward the Project, during the current fiscal year of the District, \$2,500,000 from the District's Capital Improvements Reserve Fund, 2018; and (3) to levy a tax to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project, such tax to be collected in annual installments, with obligations of the District to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the expenditure of up to \$12,100,000 for such purpose, and to provide for the financing thereof in accordance with the Proposition;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board (by a favorable vote of at least two-thirds of all of the members of the Board), as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this resolution is the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of additions, improvements and upgrades to, various District buildings and facilities and the sites thereof, to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures required by the State Education Department in connection with any significant capital project and various other measures that are generally described in (but not to be limited by) the written plan for the Project that was prepared by the District (with the assistance of LaBella Associates) and is on file

with the District Clerk, and being subject to the possibility of reallocation, deletion, revision or supplementation, as provided in the public notice of the vote on the Proposition. The foregoing work shall include the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and in connection with the financing thereof.

Section 2. The estimated maximum cost of such class of objects or purposes is determined to be \$12,100,000, which expenditure is hereby authorized. The plan for the financing of the Project is (1) to expend or apply toward the Project, during the current fiscal year of the District, \$2,500,000 from the District's Capital Improvements Reserve Fund, 2018 and (2) to issue up to \$9,600,000 of serial bonds or other obligations of the District that may be lawfully issued under the Local Finance Law (the issuance of which being hereby specifically authorized for the financing of the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project), with such amount to be offset by any federal, state, county and/or local funds received by the District for the Project. Unless paid from other sources or charges, such balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project is to be paid by the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the District to pay the principal of such bonds or other obligations, and the interest thereon, as the same shall become due and payable.

<u>Section 3.</u> It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the class of objects or purposes referred to in Section 1 hereof is 30 years, pursuant to subdivision 97 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance 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 of Section 50.00, Sections 56.00 to 60.00, Section 62.00, Section 62.10, Section 63.00, and Section 164.00 of the Local Finance Law, the powers and duties of the Board pertaining or incidental to the sale and issuance of the obligations herein authorized, including but not limited to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and details as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of such bonds, and the renewals of such notes, are hereby delegated to the President of the Board, as the chief fiscal officer of the District. Without in any way limiting the scope of the foregoing delegation of powers, the President of the Board, to the extent permitted by Section 58.00(f) of the Local Finance Law, is specifically authorized to accept bids submitted in electronic format for any bonds or notes of the District.

Section 5. The temporary use of available funds of the District, not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the purpose or purposes described in Section 1 of this resolution. The District then reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures

(to the extent made after the date hereof or within 60 days prior to the earlier of (1) the date hereof or (2) the date of any earlier expression by the District of its intent to reimburse such expenditures) with the proceeds of the bonds authorized by Section 2 of this resolution (or with the proceeds of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds). This resolution shall constitute the declaration (or reaffirmation) of the District's "official intent" to reimburse the expenditures authorized by Section 2 hereof with such bond or note proceeds, as required by United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2.

Section 6. Each of the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and such obligations shall be general obligations of the District, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the taxable real property within the District, without limitation as to rate or amount (subject to certain statutory limitations imposed by Chapter 97 of the 2011 Laws of New York). The faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the District by appropriation for (1) the amortization and redemption of any such obligations to mature in such year and (2) the payment of interest on any such obligations to be due and payable in such year.

Section 7. The President of the Board is further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and may designate the obligations authorized by this resolution, and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

<u>Section 8.</u> The President of the Board is further authorized to enter into a continuing disclosure agreement with the initial purchaser of the obligations authorized hereunder (or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations), containing provisions that are satisfactory to such purchaser in compliance with the provisions of Rule 15c2-12, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

<u>Section 9.</u> In the absence or unavailability of the President of the Board, the Vice President of the Board is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the President of the Board in this resolution.

<u>Section 10.</u> The District Clerk is hereby authorized and instructed to publish this resolution, or a summary thereof, together with a notice in substantially the form provided by Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law, in the Lockport Union-Sun & Journal and Buffalo Business First, which have been designated as the official newspaper(s) of the District. The validity of the obligations authorized hereby, or of

any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations, may be contested only if:

- (1) (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 publication of this resolution (or a summary thereof) are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within 20 days after the date of such publication; or

(2) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of New York.

Section 11. This resolution is effective immediately and shall be placed in the official minutes of the Board as an official action of the Board.

Motion carried.

Mr. Waters moved, seconded Mr. Brigham, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following resolution:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT RESOLUTION FOR 2019-20 Capital Outlay Project

WHEREAS, the Royalton-Hartland (the "District") Board of Education is proposing the following Scope of Work to be completed: Improvements to the High School Auditorium

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its architects, engineers, and environmental specialists with respect to classification of the action in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c), which reads as follows:

- (2) replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part
- (10) routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings

WHEREAS, Type II actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment and are not subject to review under SEQRA, now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, no further action is required by the Royalton-Hartland CSD Board of Education with regard to SEQRA for this action.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE NOTES

Mrs. Fry moved, seconded by Mr. Brigham, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the notes of the Facilities Committee meeting on May 9, 2019, the Audit Committee meeting on June 5, 2019 the Technology Committee meeting on May 14, 2019 and the Academic Committee meeting on June 4, 2019 are approved.

Motion carried.

BOARD REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

The Board set the date of July 11, 2019 for the 2019-2020 reorganization meeting.

Mr. Owen spoke about the Audit Committee and the Committee's Charter.

SUPERINTENDENT INFORMATION

The Board received the April 2019 Warrant, Treasurer's and Revenue reports.

The Principals spoke about various initiatives going on within their buildings.

The Superintendent spoke about the excellent yearbook, the upcoming Board Retreat and the focus groups for the 2019 Capital Improvement Project that will be meeting in a few weeks.

PUBLIC FORUM

No comment(s).

At 7:38 p.m. Mr. Brigham moved, seconded by Mrs. Choate, that the meeting adjourns. Motion carried.

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The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.