

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF EDUCATION • ROOSEVELT, NEW YORK

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REORGANIZATION  
MEETING

ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL

TUESDAY JULY 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011

5:00 P.M. (Meeting convenes in Executive Session)

7:00 P.M. (Meeting reconvenes in Public Session)

*“The Relentless Pursuit of Excellence In All That We Do!”*

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The Reorganization Meeting of the Roosevelt Union Free School District Board of Education was held on Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at Roosevelt Middle School, 335 E. Clinton Ave., Roosevelt, NY 11575.

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – The public meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Board President Bishop J. Raymond Mackey at 5:31pm

**II. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

*The following members of the Board were present:*

Bishop J. Raymond Mackey, Board President

Wilhelmina Funderburke, Trustee

Frank Scott, Trustee

Robert Summerville, Trustee

Alfred T. Taylor, Trustee

James Milam, District Clerk

*The following members of the Board were absent:*

None

*The following school administrators were present:*

Robert-Wayne Harris, Superintendent of Schools

Marianna Steele, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

RG France, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services

Gene Levenstien, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations

Ronald Grotsky, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Professional Development

*The following school administrators were absent:*

None

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

**A. ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE**

**Robert-Wayne Harris, Superintendent of Schools**

Administered by Guercio and Guercio, LLP

“I, Robert-Wayne Harris, do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Superintendent of Schools according to the best of my ability.”

**Frank Scott, Trustee**

Administered by Guercio and Guercio, LLP

“I, Frank Scott, do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Trustee according to the best of my ability.”

**Alfred Taylor, Trustee**

Administered by Guercio and Guercio, LLP

“I, Alfred Taylor, do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Trustee according to the best of my ability.”

***Public Officers Oath (Article XIII – 1 of the New York State Constitution)***

**B. APPOINTMENT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT****Nomination for Board President**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Votes</b>
Robert Summerville	FS, AT, RS
Alfred T. Taylor	0
Wilhelmina Funderburke	JRM, WF

“I, Robert Summerville, do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Office of Trustee according to the best of my ability.”

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Robert Summerville as Chairperson / President of the Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the event the Chairperson / President is absent from a meeting he shall be authorized to designate a chair pro tem for purposes of presiding over a particular meeting; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the event the Chairperson / President fails to or is unable to designate a chair pro tem, a majority of the entire board may elect a chair pro tem, on a single-meeting basis.

**MOTION BY:** Alfred T. Talyor      **SECOND BY:** Frank Scott      **YEA:** 3  
**NAY:** 0  
**MOTION PASSED**      **ABSTAIN:** JRM, WF

**C. BOARD OF EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Roosevelt Union Free School District hereby authorizes and approves the following as subcommittees of the Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year:

Audit Committee  
High School Renovation Committee  
Policy Committee  
Scholarship and Honors Committee

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Roosevelt Union Free School District hereby authorizes and approves the following Board of Education Members to serve as the Chair of the subcommittees of the Board of Education for the 2011-2012 school year:

Audit Committee – Trustee Robert Summerville  
High School Renovation Committee – Trustee Wilhelmina Funderburke  
Policy Committee – Trustee Frank Scott  
Scholarship and Honors Committee – Trustee Wilhelmina Funderburke

**MOTION TO NOMINATE** – Mr. Alfred T. Taylor as Scholarship and Honors Committee Chairperson

**BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Robert Summerville

**YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

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Scholarship and Honors Committee – *Trustee Alfred T. Taylor*

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott      **SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor      **YEA:** 5  
**NAY:** 0  
**MOTION PASSED**      **ABSTAIN:** 0

**IV.      MOTION TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of Education convened in Regular Session at 6:50 P.M.

- For matters of Personnel, Litigation and real Estate.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott      **SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke      **YEA:** 4  
**NAY:** 0  
**MOTION PASSED**      **ABSTAIN:** JRM

**V.      MOTION TO RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION**      **TIME:** 8:58pm

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott      **SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke      **YEA:** 5  
**NAY:** 0  
**MOTION PASSED**      **ABSTAIN:** 0

**D. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS TO THE BOARD**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints the following officers to the Board for the 2011-2012 school year in accordance with Education Law. These appointments shall be in effect from July 1, 2011 and shall terminate on June 30, 2012.

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| 1.  | District Treasurer                                     | <b>Joy-Ann Secchio</b>                   |
| 2.  | Clerk of the Board                                     | <b>James Milam</b>                       |
| 3.  | Internal Claims Auditor                                | <b>Dennehy Accounting Services, Inc.</b> |
| 4.  | Internal Auditor                                       | <b>Nawrocki and Smith</b>                |
| 5.  | Extra Classroom Activities Account (Central Treasurer) | <b>Lorraine DiPietro</b>                 |
| 6.  | Records Access Officer                                 | <b>James Milam</b>                       |
| 7.  | Purchasing Agents                                      | <b>Lyne Taylor</b>                       |
| 8.  | Records Management Officer                             | <b>Gene Levenstien</b>                   |
| 9.  | Attendance Officer                                     | <b>Don Crummell</b>                      |
| 10. | Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act LEA             | <b>Mason Rahynes</b>                     |
| 11. | Title IX   | <b>Dionne Wynn, JD</b>                   |
| 12. | Liaison for Homeless Children and Youth:               | <b>Jeremiah Sumter</b>                   |
| 13. | Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer                     | <b>Dionne Wynn, JD</b>                   |

**MOTION TO REMOVE ITEM 5****BY:** Frank Scott**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor**YEA:** 3**NAY:** JRM**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** WF

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**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**\*\*The Board Block voted on items E, F, and G together\*\***

**E. APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints the firm listed below as the external auditors of the District for the Year 2011-2012.

**Deans & Archer, Certified Public Accountants**

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**F. APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTING FIRM**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints the firm of **Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Dankowski** to prepare the District's year end financial statements including the Management Discussion & Analysis for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey      **SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor      **YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**G. APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL ATTORNEYS AND ADVISORS TO THE BOARD****GENERAL COUNSEL**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Lamb and Barnosky, LLP as general counsel to the District effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and

**SPECIAL EDUCATION COUNSEL**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Bond, Shoeneck and King, PLLC as special education counsel to the District effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and

**LABOR COUNSEL**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Guercio and Guercio, LLP as labor counsel to the District effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and

**BOND COUNSEL**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints **Hawkins, Delafield and Woods**, as bond counsel to the District for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and

**FINANCIAL ADVISORS**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, appoints **Munistat** as the financial advisors to the District for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012; and



**ARCHITECTS**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints the firm of **Cannon Design** for the purpose of providing architectural and engineering services for the high school roof, asbestos abatement and lead abatement projects.

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey      **SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor      **YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**H. APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMITTEES ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education amends appointments to the Committees on Special Education Shall in accordance to Education Law and shall be effective for the year 2011-2012;

**1. District CSE/CPSE Committee:**

- Dr. Dionne Wynn, CSE/CPSE Chair
- Gwendolyn Holland, Coordinator of Special Education Services/CSE Chair & Alternate CPSE Chair
- Dr. Marie Antoine, Psychological/Alternate CSE Chair
- Dr. Alexander McGlashan, CPSE Chair
- Vivien Mott, Social Worker
- Mia Camen, Speech Pathologist
- Regina Swanson, Special Education Teacher
- Lynn Peeling, Special Education Teacher
- Joyce Boben, General Education Teacher
- Parent Members
  - Regina Williams
  - Joyce Yearling
  - Pamela Muniz
  - Fatima Peralta Rodriguez
  - Mario Juist
  - Timpella Flagg

**2. CSE Subcommittee/Centennial:**

- Rose Spruero, Psychologist
- Gloria Stubbs, Social Worker
- Kathleen Speelman, Speech Pathologist
- Diane Goodwin, Special Education Teacher
- General Education Teacher, TBD
- Parent

**3. CSE Subcommittee/Ulysses Byas:**

- Dr. Alexandra McGlashan, Psychologist
- Evelyn Bullock, Social Worker
- Sandra Williams, Speech Teacher
- Sheila Finch, Special Education Teacher
- General Education Teacher, TBD
- Parent

**4. CSE Subcommittee/Washington Rose:**

- Jayne Ibrahim, Psychologist
- Mia Camen, Speech Therapist
- Nicole Rivera, Special Education Teacher
- General Education Teacher, TBD
- Parent

**5. CSE Subcommittee/Middle School**

- Lynn Leach, Psychologist
- Nicole Charles, Speech Teacher
- Akosua Agyeman, Special Education Teacher
- General Education Teacher, TBD
- Parent

**6. CSE Subcommittee/High School**

- Dr. Marie Antoine, Psychologist
- Vivien Mott, Social Worker
- Sherri Risener, Special Education Teacher
- Regina Swanson, Transition Teacher
- General Education Teacher, TBD
- Parent

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott**SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke    **YEA:** 5**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** 0

**IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk shall canvass the list of impartial hearing officers, who have expressed a willingness to conduct hearings in Nassau County in order to assess whether such hearing officers are willing to serve as hearing officers in connection with Roosevelt matters and to ascertain whether there is any conflict of interest or appearance of impropriety which would preclude a hearing officer from hearing a Roosevelt matter.

**MOTION TO AMEND****BY:** Alfred T. Taylor**SECOND BY:** Frank Scott**YEA:** 5**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** 0

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the District Clerk shall canvass the list of impartial hearing officers, **provided by New York State**, who have expressed a willingness to conduct hearings in Nassau County in order to assess whether such hearing officers are willing to serve as hearing officers in connection with Roosevelt matters and to ascertain whether there is any conflict of interest or appearance of impropriety which would preclude a hearing officer from hearing a Roosevelt matter.

**MOTION BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor**YEA:** 5**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** 0**I. APPOINTMENT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education hereby appoints Michele Reed, MD, as the District's physician for the 2011-2012 year at a rate of \$200.00 per hour.

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey**SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke**YEA:** 5**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** 0

**J. DESIGNATIONS OF BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby designates the following banks as the depositories of the District for 2011-2012:

DESCRIPTION	GENERAL LEDGER ACCT #
<b>CITIBANK</b>	
General Fund Checking	A200
Trust & Agency Fund Checking – P/R Net	T200
Trust & Agency Fund Checking – P/R Deduct	T200ED
Trust & Agency Fund Checking – Special	T200-1
Trust & Agency Eddie Murphy Scholarship	T201
<b>BANK OF AMERICA</b>	
School Lunch Checking	C200BA
Federal Fund Checking	F200
<b>CAPITAL ONE</b>	
Capital Fund Checking	V200
Capital Fund Checking – Centennial	H200-CEN
Capital Fund-Liquid Investment MM Centennial	H201-CEN
Capital Fund Liquid Investment MM Washington Rose	H201-WR
<b>NYLAF/M&amp;T BANK</b>	
General Fund – Liquid Investment MM	A201NYLAF
Lunch Fund – Liquid Investment MM	C201NYLAF
Federal Fund – Liquid Investment MM	F201NYLAF
<b>THE BANK OF NEW YORK</b>	
Bond Issuance Account Required by DASNY	H201-BONY
<b>BETHPAGE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION</b>	
<b>CITY NATIONAL BANK OF NEW JERSEY</b>	

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations to explore and add the following banks, if deemed beneficial, as additional depositories for 2011-2012: MBIA/CLASS, HSBC and Chase. If a change is made, a presentation will be made to the Board of Education prior to implementation.

**MOTION BY:** Alfred T. Taylor      **SECOND BY** Robert Summerville

**YEA:** 5

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**APPOINTMENT OF THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER**

**\*\*The Board block voted items K, L, and M together\*\***

**\*\*Bishop J. Raymond Mackey left the meeting @ 10:00pm without voting on k-m\*\***

- K. BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoints *Newsday* as the official newspaper for the purpose of placing legal advertisements;

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey      **SECOND BY:** Frank Scott      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**L. AUTHORIZATION OF PETTY CASH ACCOUNTS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves that petty cash accounts be established in the amount of \$100 each as follows:

District Clerk – James Milam

Superintendent's Office – Robert-Wayne Harris

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey      **SECOND BY:** Frank Scott      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**M. AUTHORIZATION OF BUDGET TRANSFERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Superintendent of Schools and/or his or her designee is hereby authorized to make budget transfers in accordance with the regulations as set forth by the Commissioner of Education and in accordance with the policy on budget transfers as set forth by the Board. Amounts not to exceed \$7,500.

**MOTION BY:** J. Raymond Mackey      **SECOND BY:** Frank Scott      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED (bv)**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**N. AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education that the following employees be authorized to receive and open bid proposals for the 2011-2012 year:

- a. Superintendent of Schools
- b. Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operation
- c. Purchasing Agent
- d. Clerk of the Board
- e. Assistant Business Administrator

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that two representatives from the District shall be present at all bid openings in accordance with Board policy.

**MOTION BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke    **SECOND BY:** Frank Scott

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**O. ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICT RATES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board hereby establishes the following schedule of rates:

- a. Use of Facilities (Buildings) and Fields shall be in accordance with the regulations
- b. Authorized Reimbursable Travel Mileage Allowance shall be set at the IRS rate.
- c. Daily Meal Allowance for conference shall be set at \$45 per day.
- d. School Breakfast and Lunch Prices shall be as follows:
  - a. Pre-Kindergarten: Breakfast - \$1.00 Lunch - \$1.50
  - b. Elementary (K-6): Breakfast - \$1.00 Lunch - \$1.50
  - c. Secondary (7-12): Breakfast - \$1.00 Lunch - \$1.50
  - d. Milk - 35¢
  - e. Chocolate Milk - 35¢
- e. Substitute Teacher, Teacher Assistant, Clerical and Cleaner Rates shall be as follows:
  - a. Daily Substitute Teacher rate - \$90 non-certified; and \$110 certified
  - b. Substitute Clerical rate - \$10.50 per hour
  - c. Substitute Cleaner rate - \$9.75 per hour
- f. District Rates for Election Workers
  - a. Election Chairpersons - \$18.00 per hour
  - b. Election Workers - \$15.00 per hour
- g. District Rates for Board of Registration - \$15.00 per hour

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 3

**NAY:** AT

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**P. DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES ON CHECKS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the District for the period to begin July 1, 2011 and end June 30, 2012; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the absence of the Treasurer, the Superintendent and Board of Education member, Wilhelmina Funderburke, shall be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the District for the period to begin July 1, 2011 and end June 30, 2012.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

**BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Robert Summerville

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES ON CHECKS (continued)**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Treasurer be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the District for the period to begin July 1, 2011 and end June 30, 2012; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in the absence of the Treasurer, the Superintendent and Board of Education member, **Alfred T. Taylor**, shall be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the District for the period to begin July 1, 2011 and end June 30, 2012.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Robert Summerville

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**\*\*The Board block voted items Q, R, S together\*\***

**Q. CERTIFICATION OF PAYROLLS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education hereby approves the Superintendent of Schools or the Assistant Superintendent for Business shall be designated as the authorized person to certify the payrolls of the District from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**R. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE CONFERENCES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the Superintendent of Schools and his or her designee shall be designated as the authorized persons to approve employee requests to attend in state conferences for the year 2011-2012.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0



**S. BONDING OF EMPLOYEES**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education, in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, that all the employees and officers of the Board shall be bonded and included within the blanket public employee dishonesty insurance policy purchased by the Roosevelt Union Free School District. The insurance policy covers all employees, including the Superintendent, Treasurer, Purchasing Agent, Payroll Clerk, Accounts Payable Clerk, all Assistant Superintendents, Central Treasurer for Extra Classroom Activity Fund, Internal Auditor, Internal Claims Auditor and External Auditor.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**T. ACCEPTANCE OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education that the Board hereby accepts, as a necessary preliminary, any and all State and Federal funds that are to be used for the improvement of the Educational System of the Roosevelt Public Schools.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Roosevelt Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to apply for and accept all grants from governmental and private organizations.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**U. BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY MANUAL**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education that the Board hereby the current Board of Education Policies.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

**BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**SECOND BY:** Robert Summerville

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY MANUAL (continued)**

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**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**V. INDEMNIFICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 18 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York authorizes municipal corporations, including boards of education, to adopt supplemental defense and indemnification provisions to those contained in the Education Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the statute authorizes boards of education to defend, indemnify and save harmless, members of boards of education and officers, agents and employees of boards of education; authorized parent volunteers; members of school-based planning and shared decision making committees; and members of the district's audit committee, in connection with any claims, awards or judgments obtained against such board members, officers, agents or employees; authorized parent volunteers; members of the district's audit committee in any State or Federal Court, in the amount of any judgment, award or claim arose or occurred while the board member, officer, agent or employee or authorized parent volunteer; member of a school-based planning and shared decision making committee; or a member of the district's audit committee was acting within the scope of his or her office or employment or authorized volunteer duties;

**INDEMNIFICATION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES****(continued)**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby adopts the supplemental defense and indemnification provisions contained in Section 18 of the Public Officers Law for its Board members, officers, agents and employees; authorized parent volunteers, members of schools-based planning and shared decision making committees; and members of the district's audit committee. This coverage shall supplement and shall be in addition to the coverage available to such individuals under other enactments, including but not limited to the Education Law of the State of New York; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that supplemental hereto and as an additional perquisite to public office and employment, the Board hereby further extends the right to be defended and indemnified as provided in Public Officers Law, §18 to board members, school officers, agents and employees who are requested or are called to testify as a witness or to answer questions concerning their acts or omissions within the scope of their office, agency or employment before a grand jury, the Office of the District Attorney or other law enforcement official. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or require defense or indemnification to a board members, school officer, agent or employee who has been identified as a defendant in a pending criminal prosecution or where such individual, or the school district, has reason to believe that such individual is a target in a criminal investigation or prosecution by the Office of the District Attorney or other law enforcement entity.

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor**YEA:** 4**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED****ABSTAIN:** 0

## W. AUTHORIZATION OF BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

National School Boards Association  
New York School Boards Association  
Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association  
National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE)  
Reform Educational Financing Inequities Today (REFIT)

## X. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent of Schools or his designee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for daily operations.

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**Y. CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education herewith approve the attendance by Board of Education Members and Superintendent of Schools at any conferences, workshops, training sessions, educational information sessions and any other presentations by the educational organizations and institutions set forth below for the 2011-2012 school year:

The National School Boards Association  
The Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association  
The New York State School Boards Association  
New York State Education Department  
Reform Educational Financing Inequities Today (REFIT)  
Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES)  
New York State Legislative Network  
Administration for Supervision and Curriculum Development  
Nassau County Council of School Superintendents  
American Management Association  
Association of School Business Officials International  
New York State Association of School Business Officials  
National Alliance of Black School Educators

**SCOPE**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Board members who want to participate in conferences, programs, workshops and training sessions sponsored by any other educational organizations or institutions shall obtain prior approval from the Board.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, and in keeping with our Mission and Vision Statements, the Board of Education is committed to the education of the children of Roosevelt and to that end, wishes to participate in any and all programs which will help our Board enhance, enrich and improve our students and help them become life long learners.

**CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS (continued)**

The Board has determined that attendance of Board Members at conferences, workshops, training sessions, educational information sessions and any other presentations by educational organizations and institutions is in the best interest of the District and therefore has determined to reimburse attending Board Members for all reasonable and appropriate expenses, which may be prepaid by the District if appropriate, will be reimbursed after careful consideration of the most economical and practical means of transportation available. Registration, workshop and other fees as itemized in conference literature will be reimbursed at actual cost, or pre-paid by the District. Reimbursement or pre-payment for lodging will be at a rate not in excess of the rate charged by the meeting hotel. Attending Board Members will be provided with tax exemption certificates for use if applicable.

**MOTION TO AMEND****BY:** Alfred T. Taylor**SECOND BY:** Frank Scott**YEA:** 4**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED (bv)****ABSTAIN:** 0**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott**SECOND BY:** Robert Summerville**YEA:** 4**NAY:** 0**MOTION PASSED (bv)****ABSTAIN:** 0

**Z. USE OF CELL PHONES**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby authorizes Curtis Ramdewar for a Nextel Cellular Phone with 450 minute monthly phone plan for use during official duties:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following employees for Nextel Cellular Phones (walkie-talkie) or its equivalent use during official duties:

1. Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations
2. Assistant Business Administrator
3. Maintenance Supervisor
4. Maintainers
5. Custodian Supervisors
6. Head Groundsmen
7. Groundsmen
8. Messenger
9. Head Custodians
  - Roosevelt High School
  - Roosevelt Middle School
  - Washington Rose Elementary School
  - Centennial Avenue Elementary School
  - Ulysses Byas Elementary School

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott

**SECOND BY:** Alfred T. Taylor

**YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

### AA. CONFIDENTIAL MANAGEMENT STIPEND



**DD. APPOINTMENT OF ASBESTOS HAZARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATOR**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves an \$8,000.00 stipend for Mason Rahynes, Custodian Supervisor, serving as Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Coordinator.

**Funding Source: A 1620-160-00-0000**

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott                      **SECOND BY:** Wilhelmina Funderburke      **YEA:** 4

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0

**\*\*Alfred T. Taylor left the meeting at 10:52pm and did not participate in the motion to adjourn\*\***

**EE. ADJOURNMENT** – Board President Robert Summerville called for a motion to adjourn at 10:53

**MOTION BY:** Frank Scott                      **SECOND BY:** J. Raymond Mackey                      **YEA:** 3

**NAY:** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

**ABSTAIN:** 0