A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, at 7:10 PM at the District Office by board president, Annie Doresca.

Members of the board present:
Annie Doresca, President
Mary Jo O’Hagan, Vice President
Susan Cools
Karyn Reid
Tom Smyth

Also present:
Dr. Shari L. Camhi, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Michelle Gallo, Asst. Superintendent – Human Resources
Mr. Anthony Mignella, Asst. Superintendent – Curriculum
Dr. James P. Robinson, Asst. Superintendent – Business & Admin. Services
Mary Hobbs, District Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES
Mrs. O’Hagan led the salute to the flag and indicated the emergency exits.

BUSINESS ITEM
It was move by Karyn Reid and seconded by Susan Cools that the board of education award the Exterior Sign Bid #28-02-10-03-0-009-040 to Visual Information Services, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder.

Yes – Mary Jo O’Hagan
Susan Cools
Karyn Reid
Thomas Smyth
Absent – Annie Doresca

2020-2021 BUDGET WORK SESSIONS
Mrs. O’Hagan turned the meeting over to Dr. Shari L. Camhi, superintendent of schools, to open the work session to discuss the Program and Revenue components of the 2020-2021 Budget. Dr. Camhi explained that the purpose of the budget is always all about the kids and providing them with the best education as possible. She explained that the budget is divided into three components: Administrative, Capital and Program, and this presentation is on the Program and Revenue parts. She reported that due to new State Education Department requirements, there will be a shift in how where some parts of the budget are reported. Dr. Camhi announced that the total proposed budget for the 2020-2021 school year is $138M, which is a budget-to-budget increase of 3.11%.

Dr. Camhi presented a breakdown of revenue per dollar, and discussed the per-pupil expenditure comparison of Nassau County districts. She provided a breakdown of class size for the elementary schools by school and by grade. She illustrated the services provided to out-of-district students and the special education related services. She also discussed the new initiatives, including new technology, redesigned learning spaces, professional development, K-6 Eureka Math, Jumpstart Kindergarten, SC Community College, Simon Youth Partnership
and new courses such as AP Seminar, See You In Court, Digital Storytelling, Coding, Introduction to the World of Drones and Soccer & Volleyball Officiating, as well the traditions, including Blue & Gold games, Fine and Performing Arts, and Sportsnight. Dr. Camhi illustrated the line by line program budget which included legal, inservice training – instruction, teaching, pupil services, occupational education – BOCES, continuing education, elementary summer school, secondary summer school, library media, computer assisted instruction, attendance, guidance, health services, psychological services, co-curricular activities, social work services, interscholastic athletics, district transportation, contract transportation, community services, program benefits, and interfund transfer. Additional program highlights included college acceptances, mentoring program, elementary, middle school and high school extra-curricular clubs, middle and high school athletics, and Fine and Performing Arts events for all grades Points of Pride for Music & Art, Athletics, Pupil Services, Academics, Business Academy, Law Academy and the Baldwin Family were illustrated, as well as program additions such as professional development, instructional technology in the classrooms, AP Art 2D, AP Computer Science Principles and AP Research.

Dr. Camhi answered questions from the board and then opened the floor for questions and comments from the audience. Noted speakers were:

Joel Press

At 7:30 PM, Annie Doresca joined the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
At 8:50 PM, it was moved by Karyn Reid and seconded by Thomas Smyth that the meeting be adjourned.

Unanimous Affirmative

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Hobbs, District Clerk