

**CENTER MORICHES UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Thursday, October 1, 2020**

Executive Session – 6:00 PM

Special Meeting – *Approximately* 7:00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

**Minutes**

- I. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM – Board Members Present: Mr. George Maxwell, Ms. Danielle Dench, Mr. Marcus, Babzien, Mr. Thomas Kelly, Ms. Robyn Rayburn

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Ron Masera, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Raina Ingoglia, Ms. K. Loughlin, Mr. R. Soto, Assistant Superintendents; Mr. Eric Levine, Attorney; Ms. J. Barr, District Clerk

59 members of the community viewing virtual meeting.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. *Motioned by Ms. Dench, seconded by Mr. Kelly, motion carried 5-0 unanimously, The Board of Education moved to Executive Session to discuss other matters, the disclosure of which would result in an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy at 6:07p.m.*

*The Board returned from Executive session at approximately 7:22 p.m. to convene into the Special Meeting.*

- III. Special Meeting called to order at 7:26 p.m., PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE lead by Mr. Maxwell at 7:26 p.m.

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Re-Opening Phase II Discussion, Dr. Masera discussed successes and obstacles of reopening; 10/19/2020, Elementary will open to students four days per week; transportation routes need to be worked out; expense for barriers and installation; thank you to Mike Donovan of OLA of Eastern LI for donation of 75 Chromebooks; 10/13/2020 will be next look back period. Mr. Maxwell expressed to community; the Board is listening and understanding of all community concerns at this time, is sympathetic and appreciative of needs.

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Suzanne Junk commented; so appreciative of Dr. Masera's time and good communication throughout reopening phase

Gillian Castiglione commented; thank to administration, High School and Middle School students are missing clubs and activities, questioned if there is a way to rush the process

Christine Buff commented; thank you, expressed concern about High School Clubs, questioned if clubs will need to be Board approved before starting back up

Gabrielle Lambiasi commented; multiple topics, questioned what is the hurdle for a full reopen 'Debbie's iPhone' questioned; shortened High School class periods

Renee Passaro, HS & Elem. Parent questioned; 10th period distance learning, battery life of Chromebooks

Jackie Franke questioned; compared quality of education of High School and Elem. School  
Heather Magill questioned; polling community on reopening  
Brian Tenety commented; thank you, as an educator appreciates every effort  
Tara Hotaling commented;

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Motioned by Ms. Dench, seconded, Mr. Kelly, carried 5-0 unanimously, the Board adjourned for the evening at 8:56 p.m.

VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Announcements:  
Audit Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, October 7, 2020  
6:30 pm - Executive Session Only

Next Regular Board of Education Meeting:  
Wednesday, October 7, 2020  
Board Room, Administration Building  
Action Meeting – *Approximately* 7:00 pm  
Board Room, Administration Building  
529 Main Street, Center Moriches, NY

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannine Bar  
District Clerk  
*(for approval at 10/28/2020 meeting)*