

**East Islip Union Free School District
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Islip Terrace NY 11752**

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to celebrate our students' uniqueness and maximize their ability to attain excellence as we guide and prepare them to become responsible citizens of the world.

**East Islip Board of Education
Business Meeting Agenda – February 24, 2014
(Meeting Chaired by Board of Education President)**

The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. for the possible purpose of considering a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss confidential personnel matters and negotiations. If there is an Executive Session, the meeting will return to public session at approximately 7:00 p.m. to consider a public hearing discussing the proposed Veterans' Exemption. Following the public hearing, the Board will convene the Special Meeting to consider the agenda and all other items which may properly come before the Board of Education. The tentative agenda and supporting information for this meeting will be posted at www.eischools.org once it becomes available.

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **BOARD PRESIDENT** to advise members of the audience that they may address the Board regarding agenda items after the approval of the minutes. Only those members, whose names and addresses are listed on the sign-in sheet available prior to the start of the meeting, will be recognized during New Business. The Chairman will limit discussions of any item by the public to three (3) minutes in order for the Board to expeditiously conduct its business.

4. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD**

5. **ACTION ITEMS RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**
 - A. Whereas, students scoring below a state-generated cut score on Middle School assessments are required to receive academic intervention services provided by the District, and, Whereas, students scoring above the cut score on N.Y.S. Assessments are not mandated to receive such services, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective beginning in the 2014/2015 school year, students scoring above the state cut may be provided academic intervention services in the discretion of the administration but subject to the receipt of written parental consent.

 - B. BE IT RESOLVED that based upon the financial exigencies facing the District, the Board of Education approves the cessation of the 6th grade character development class effective with the 2014/2015 school year.

 - C. WHEREAS, based upon the financial exigencies facing the District, the Board of Education has directed that the scheduling process for all secondary schools maximize efficiencies as best possible to ensure that the employees are best utilized in a fiscally efficient manner, and ,

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing that the practice of teaming be discontinued in 7th and 8th grades in the 2014/2015 school year but remain as it exists in the 6th grade, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that teaming be discontinued in 7th and 8th grades beginning in the 2014/2015 school year.

- D. WHEREAS, based upon the financial exigencies facing the District the Board of Education has directed that the District maximize efficiencies as best possible to ensure that the employees are best utilized in a fiscally efficient manner to provide the best educational opportunity to students, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in keeping with the foregoing, the Board of Education in its best efforts possible desires that 6th grade foreign language be offered in the 2014/2015 school year, provided the 2014/2015 school budget tax levy is at or below state restrictions.
- E. WHEREAS, based upon the financial exigencies facing the District the Board of Education has directed that the District maximize efficiencies as best possible to ensure that the employees are best utilized in a fiscally efficient manner to provide the best educational opportunity to students, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in keeping with the foregoing, the Board of Education in its best efforts possible desires that robotics be offered in the 2014/2015 school year at the middle school, provided the 2014/2015 school budget tax levy is at or below state restrictions.
- F. WHEREAS, based upon the financial exigencies facing the District the Board of Education has directed that the District maximize efficiencies as best possible to ensure that the employees are best utilized in a fiscally efficient manner to provide the best educational opportunity to students, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in keeping with the foregoing, the Board of Education in its best efforts possible desires that appropriate staffing of Elementary Science specialists be included within the budget, provided the 2014/2015 school budget tax levy is at or below state restrictions.
- G. WHEREAS, based upon the financial exigencies facing the District the Board of Education has directed that the District maximize efficiencies as best possible to ensure that the employees are best utilized in a fiscally efficient manner to provide the best educational opportunity to students, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, in keeping with the foregoing, the Board of Education in its best efforts possible desires that Elementary Music be reinstated in grade 3, provided the 2014/2015 school budget tax levy is at or below state restrictions.

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Upcoming discussions with elementary school parents/staff on Elementary Grade Reconfiguration Proposal

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING** – March 6, 2014 (Workshop/Budget Presentation #1); March 10, 2014 (Workshop/Personnel Meeting); March 13, 2014 (Regular Business Meeting)