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NINA LANCI: Mission statement.

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: Sure. Our mission is to inspire all students to be confident, passionate learners with the courage and skills to lead their lives with integrity while contributing to our global community with creativity and compassion.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Nina, she's done.

NINA LANCI: Thank you. There's lot of technical problems here today. Sorry.

At this time I'll ask the Board if upon review of the agenda items (inaudible) to approve the capital reserve proposition as contained in the agenda.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Nina, I think your phone is too close to -- the Zoom call is too close to the cell phone because you're getting feedback.

NINA LANCI: Let me shut this computer down because maybe this is causing the problem.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yeah, feedback.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

NINA LANCI: Let's take this

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computer out of here.

FEMALE SPEAKER: The computer --
the microphone.

NINA LANCI: Very frustrating.
Can you hear me, Joanne?

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yes, we got you.

NINA LANCI: Okay. I don't know
why the speaker is not on the phone, but -- at
this time, I'll ask the Board for approval of
the capital reserve proposition as contained in
the agenda.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Approved.

JOHN FERRARA: Motion.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Whatever. Sorry.

NINA LANCI: Is there a second?

ROSEMARY CORLESS: John seconded.

JOHN FERRARA: Second.

NINA LANCI: Discussion?

JO-ANN ERHARD: No discussion.

NINA LANCI: Okay. All in favor?
(WHEREUPON, there was a unanimous,
affirmative vote of the members present.)

NINA LANCI: Thank you.

At this time we have item five to

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twenty, 21 Nassau Boces proposed administrative
budget as contained in the agenda. There's
form A as contained in the Agenda for the
approval of the operations budget.

I'll ask for a motion from the
Board.

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: Motion.

ROSEMARY CORLESS: Second. Sorry.

NINA LANCI: (Inaudible)

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yes.

NINA LANCI: Any discussion?

(WHEREUPON, no response was heard.)

NINA LANCI: All in favor?

(WHEREUPON, there was a unanimous,
affirmative vote of the members present.)

NINA LANCI: Thank you.

Item 5-B, as contained in the
agenda, it's the operation budget for BOCES.
It's form B -- oh, no, that's the same as the
-- it's administrative operations budget. It
was the same --

MARIE TESTA: Yes, that's just if
we weren't approved --

NINA LANCI: I don't know why form

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MARIE TESTA: That's just if we're
not approving it, Mrs. Lanci, but --

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NINA LANCI: Okay.

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MARIE TESTA: (Continuing) --

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NINA LANCI: (Inaudible)

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JO-ANN ERHARD: Right. Correct.

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NINA LANCI: This time item 6 is
the election of the trustees for the Board of
Education. At this time, we have three
candidates we can vote for, and no more than
one vote. So I'll ask for votes from the Board
on Deborah Coates (phonetic)

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JO-ANN ERHARD: I vote for Deborah
Coates (phonetic).

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ROSEMARY CORLESS: Me, too.

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NINA LANCI: (Inaudible)

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FEMALE SPEAKER: Roe.

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NINA LANCI: No? Roe.

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JO-ANN ERHARD: Melissa --

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JOHN FERRARA: John.

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JO-ANN ERHARD: (Continuing) -- and

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NINA LANCI: Okay. So we have all

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in favor of Deborah Coates (phonetic)

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(WHEREUPON, three ayes were heard.)

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NINA LANCI: Item two, Gene Pechal

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JO-ANN ERHARD: (Inaudible)

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NINA LANCI: (Inaudible) Okay.

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JOHN FERRARA: I vote.

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NINA LANCI: Okay. Item 3.

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Lawrence Greenstein. Do I have any motions to

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JO-ANN ERHARD: I would vote for

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NINA LANCI: Any others?

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(WHEREUPON, no response was heard.)

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NINA LANCI: Okay, seeing no other

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one. We only have one vote for Mr. Greenstein.

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Item 4, Michael Hayden (phonetic)

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MARIE TESTA: I'm seeing all those

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-- no -- no votes.

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JOHN FERRARA: No.

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NINA LANCI: Item number 5, Douglas

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Pascarella (phonetic).

ROSEMARY CORLESS: Yes.

NINA LANCI: Roe. Anybody else?

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: Melissa.

NINA LANCI: Okay. Mr. Ferrara, do you have anything?

JOHN FERRARA: Yes.

NINA LANCI: Okay.

JO-ANN ERHARD: On Douglas?

NINA LANCI: Yeah, we have three votes for Mr. Pascarella.

And Item 6 is Eric Schultz.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yes.

ROSEMARY CORLESS: Yes, I agree.

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: Yes.

ROSEMARY CORLESS: John?

NINA LANCI: John?

JOHN FERRARA: Yes.

NINA LANCI: Okay. At this time we have four votes for Debra Coats (phonetic); we have three votes for Mr. Pascarella (phonetic) and four votes for Mr. Schultz (phonetic).

I ask the Board to accept the motion for those three candidates.

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ROSEMARY CORLESS: Motion.

(Inaudible)

JOHN FERRARA: Second.

JO-ANN ERHARD: There's no --

NINA LANCI: All in favor?

JO-ANN ERHARD: There's no
discussion?

NINA LANCI: No discussion.

Okay, thank you.

At this time -- (inaudible)

JO-ANN ERHARD: I was asking --
Nina, Nina. Nina, I was asking a question.
You can't discuss the candidates?

NINA LANCI: Yeah, you can. I'm
sorry, I cannot hear you through this phone.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Okay. I
(inaudible) from their resumes. Greenstein has
the most scope of different aspects.
Pascarella (phonetic) hasn't been on the school
board (inaudible) years and he had no other
experience; not on BOCES, not on a school board
association. The only reason I went for
Greenstein over Pascarella (phonetic). So I
was just kind of wondering why people picked

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him.

NINA LANCI: Any other Board members want to comment on your support of Mr. Pascarella (phonetic)?

ROSEMARY CORLESS: I liked him better when I read all the resumes, and I've heard things from his area that they're very happy with the way he performs. That's why I picked him.

NINA LANCI: Thank you.
Any other comments from the Board?

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: No.

NINA LANCI: Okay.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Okay, I'll go along.

NINA LANCI: Okay. At this time then, the Board has made a motion for Debra Coats (phonetic), Douglas Pascarella (phonetic) and Eric Schultz to -- they have our endorsement as candidates for the election of trustees of the BOCES board.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yes.

NINA LANCI: Any other discussion?

(WHEREUPON, no response was heard.)

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NINA LANCI: All in favor?

(WHEREUPON, there was a unanimous,
affirmative vote of the members present.)

NINA LANCI: (Inaudible) we'll have
a -- adjournment.

Do I have a motion to adjourn?

MELISSA CMAR-GROTE: Motion.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Yeah all of us.

JOHN FERRARA: Motion.

NINA LANCI: Okay, thank you,
everyone. Sorry for this technical difficulty.

JO-ANN ERHARD: No problem.

NINA LANCI: Mr. Fishetta
(phonetic)?

JO-ANN ERHARD: We made it work
around, don't worry.

NINA LANCI: You need help.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Thank you to the
Board.

NINA LANCI: (Inaudible) be safe
and be healthy.

JO-ANN ERHARD: No problem. Bye,
bye.

NINA LANCI: Thank you.

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ROSEMARY CORLESS: Bye. Thank you
everyone.

JO-ANN ERHARD: Good night.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Good night.

FEMALE SPEAKER: Good night.

JOHN FERRARA: Good night.

(WHEREUPON, this audio was
concluded.)

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