

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: March 14, 2011

PLACE: Babylon Memorial Grade School, 169 Park Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

Members Present

Mr. Henry Brunjes, President
Mrs. Catherine Vukovich, Vice President
Mrs. Judy Anderson
Mr. Roger A. Katz
Mr. Dominic Bencivenga
Mrs. Lisa McKeown
Mr. Thomas Melito

District Superintendent

Dr. Ellen Best-Laimit

Central Office Administration

Dr. Peter Daly, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Daniel D'Amico, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

District Clerk

Linda Pesce

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. Vukovich, Vice-President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters, advice from counsel, and a particular personnel matter was made by Mr. Bencivenga, seconded by Mrs. McKeown and approved. (5-0) Mr. Brunjes arrived at 6:03 p.m., Mr. Katz arrived at 6:10 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 p.m. on motion by Mr. Bencivenga, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, the Board agreed to resume public session whereupon Vice-President Vukovich led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance. (6-0) Mr. Brunjes was not present when the Board resumed public session.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 7, 2011, Work/Study Meeting of February 28, 2011 and Special Meeting of March 7 2011 was approved on motion by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mr. Bencivenga. (6-0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for February 2011 was approved on motion by Mrs. McKeown and seconded by Mr. Katz. (6-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Student delegate, Adam Marrone, reported that Junior High student council held their dance on Friday, March 11th and everyone had a great time. Twenty students from Babylon Schools were selected to perform with Division 1, 2, & 3 SCMEA Ensembles. He also reported on other activities in the Babylon Junior-Senior High School. Mr. Rick Schliemann, Technology Manager, reported on the district Technology Infrastructure. Dr. Daly presented the proposed 2011-2012 school budget and addressed questions from visitors.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Melito, buildings and grounds committee chair, reported that the buildings condition survey has been received and the report will be shared with the public at a future meeting. Mr. Bencivenga, technology committee chair, reported that the committee met regarding tonight's technology presentation. Mrs. Anderson, audit committee will be scheduling a meeting. As there were no other committee reports, the Board moved on to the next item.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board addressed questions from visitors on agenda items.

NEW BUSINESS

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bencivenga, a motion to omnibus Items 1-12 was unanimously approved. (6-0)
On omnibus motion by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Katz an omnibus motion to move items 1-12 was unanimously APPROVED. (6-0)

- RESIGNATION** 1. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Edward Augustine, school guidance counselor, effective June 30, 2011 with regret and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
- RESIGNATION** 2. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Mary Jo McCaig, social studies teacher, effective June 30, 2011 with regret and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
- RESIGNATION** 3. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Cathy Zelli, mathematics teacher, effective June 30, 2011 with regret and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
- PROBATIONARY PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT** 4. **PROBATIONARY PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the probationary appointment of Al Cirone as principal of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, effective July 1, 2011. Compensation to be as per attached Schedule A.
- MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT** 5. **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the Babylon Teachers' Association and the Babylon Union Free School District dated March 14, 2011 regarding Separation Incentive.
- DONATION** 6. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept a donation of \$1,000 for the 2010-2011 school year and an expectation of an additional \$1,000 per year through 2015 for a total of \$5,000 from Alfred Guy, Babylon Class of 1982, with appreciation for this generous gift.
- CONDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN, SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITOR, SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER APPOINTMENTS** 7. **CONDITIONAL SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN, SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITOR, SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Education Law 3000-d that the Board of Education approve the following conditional substitute appointments:
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| Substitute Custodian | George Burke, Jr. | \$11.00/hour |
| Substitute Aide/Monitor | Peter Young | \$13.60/hour |
| Substitute Food Service Worker | Marie Tripp | \$10.00/hour |
| Substitute Food Service Worker | Carolyn Romaine | \$10.00/hour |
| Substitute Food Service Worker | Tanya Lindenberg | \$10.00/hour |
- APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS** 8. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following appropriation transfers for the 2010-2011 school year:
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| From: | A9760-7300-00 Debt Service/TANS | (\$185,000.00) |
| To: | A2110-1383-01 Tch/Reg Sch/Career Increment | \$185,000.00 |
- SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS** 9. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education service contracts between the Babylon Union Free School District and the following providers: South Oaks (SE29) and Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations with DDI, Leeway School, ACLD, Just Kids, Kids First, Suffolk County, Metro Therapy, East Islip (SE30) for the 2010-2011 school year.
- LEGAL NOTICE** 10. **LEGAL NOTICE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the legal notice for the 2011 Annual Meeting and Election and hereby directs the District Clerk to publish said notice in two papers for general circulation in the District.

RCT WAIVER

11. **RCT WAIVER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education renew its approval to award RCT/local credit for diploma purposes to eligible students who score within the range of 55-64% on corresponding Regents exams. The approval covers the following subject areas: Mathematics (Integrated Algebra Regents), Science (Earth Science and Biology Regents), English/Reading/Writing (Comprehensive English Regents), Global Studies/History (Global History & Geography Regents), U.S. History & Government (U.S. History & Government Regents).

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PRESCHOOL EDUCATION

12. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases, as attached hereto, be accepted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Melito read a statement regarding the boards' commitment to working collaboratively with the community and asked for the community's respectful commitment in return.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. Richardelli, BTA President, reported that 25 teachers are donating their time to students in a mentorship program which is part of BTA Gives Back. BTA will hold a fundraising golf outing on May 27th. Last year the event raised funds for an AED for the district and the rest of the proceeds were donated to a local soup kitchen. A representative from BACE thanked district officials and board members for meeting with them in the spirit of working collaboratively and their next meeting will be held on April 6th.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The Board of Education addressed questions and/or concerns regarding the principal appointment, course scheduling, residency requirements for board members, and open meetings law.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education will be holding a work/study meeting of the Board of Education in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School on Monday, March 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. and a Budget Presentation at 7:30 p.m. A regular meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School. Topic: Budget Presentation and Adoption of Proposed 2011-2012 budget.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:38 p.m. there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. McKeown and approved. (6-0)