

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: June 22, 2009
PLACE: Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

Members Present

Mrs. Judy Anderson, President
Mr. Henry Brunjes, Vice President
Mr. Darrell J. Conway
Mr. Roger A. Katz
Mrs. AnneMarie Martino
Mr. Thomas Melito
Mrs. Catherine Vukovich

District Superintendent

Dr. Ellen Best-Laimit

Central Office Administration

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

District Clerk

Linda Pesce

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mrs. Anderson, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss negotiations, and a particular personnel matter made by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mrs. Martino and approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION At 7:35 p.m. on motion by Mr. Brunjes, seconded by Mr. Melito, the Board agreed to conclude Executive Session and enter into public session whereupon President Mrs. Anderson led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Dr. Best-Laimit and the Board of Education recognized Ray Wardell and Steven Alonso for their participation in the STANYS State Science Congress competition.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS As there were no questions on agenda items the Board moved to the next item.

New Business

BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION 1. **BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION: RESOLVED**, as Mr. Darrell J. Conway completes his term of office as a Member of the Babylon Board of Education, Mr. Conway is hereby recognized for his outstanding leadership and service to the Babylon School District and Babylon Community. On motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. Martino, Resolution (1) was approved. (7-0)

OMNIBUS MOTION **On motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mr. Conway, an omnibus motion to move Items 2-3 and 6-31 was unanimously approved. Items 4 and 5 were struck from the agenda.** On omnibus motion by Mr. Brunjes, seconded by Mrs. Vukovich an omnibus motion to move items 2-3 and 6-31 was unanimously approved. Items 4 and 5 were struck from the agenda.

REORGANIZATION MEETING/REGULAR MEETING 2. **REORGANIZATION MEETING/REGULAR MEETING: RESOLVED**, that the Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Education of the Babylon UFSD be scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 6, 2009, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Babylon UFSD will be held following the Reorganization Meeting.

FIRST READING POLICY 5422-ALLERGY 3. **FIRST READING POLICY 5422-ALLERGY: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a first reading of policy 5422-Allergy and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal first reading of policy 5422-Allergy, as attached.

RESIGNATION 6. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Kim Barretta, elementary teacher, effective June 30, 2009 with regret and best wishes.

RESIGNATION 7. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Sumintra Duca, food service worker, effective June 12, 2009 with regret and best wishes.

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ART TEACHER K-12

8. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ART TEACHER K-12: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Patricia Stork as a probationary art teacher K-12 assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, effective September 1, 2009. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 3 of the MA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT MATHEMATICS TEACHER 7-12

9. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT MATHEMATICS TEACHER 7-12: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Frank Mancuso as a probationary mathematics teacher 7-12 assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, effective September 1, 2009. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the BA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

10. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the request from Nancy Welch, Psy.D., school psychologist, for an unpaid childcare leave of absence commencing September 1, 2009 to January 22, 2010, be approved.

LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER 7-12

11. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER 7-12: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Sarah Schreiber as a leave replacement English teacher, assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, replacing a staff member who is on an unpaid leave of absence, be approved effective September 1, 2009 to January 22, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 2 of the BA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER 7-12

12. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER 7-12: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Kathryn McGrorty as a leave replacement English teacher, assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, replacing a staff member who is on an unpaid leave of absence, be approved effective September 1, 2009 to January 22, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 3 of the MA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ART TEACHER

13. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ART TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Nina Vassallo as a part-time art teacher K-12 (.8 FTE) assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, effective September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be .8 FTE of Step 3 of the MA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

APPOINTMENT PART-TIME FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHER

14. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Lilly Salcedo as a part-time (.6 FTE) foreign language teacher K-12 assigned to the Babylon Memorial Grade School effective September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be .6 FTE of Step 2 of the BA+15 column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

APPOINTMENT PART-TIME READING TEACHER

15. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME READING TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Daisy Holzmacher as a part-time (.6 FTE) reading teacher K-12 assigned to the Babylon Memorial Grade School effective September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be .6 FTE of Step 5 of the MA+15 column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule.

APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ELEMENTARY TEACHER K-6/PART-TIME PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE

16. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ELEMENTARY TEACHER K-6/PART-TIME PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE: RESOLVED**, that the employment of Jennifer Brown, as a part-time (.5 F.T.E.) elementary teacher K-6 and a part-time (.5 F.T.E.) permanent substitute teacher assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, be approved effective September 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Compensation for this assignment to be .5 F.T.E. of Step 3 of the MA column of the 2009-2010 teachers' salary schedule and .5 F.T.E. of the permanent substitute per diem rate.

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

17. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint the following casual appointments for the 2008-2009 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

<u>Mentor</u>		<u>Teacher</u>
Eileen Ratto		Lilly Salcedo
Cheryl Murphy		Lisa Necroto
<u>Elementary School</u>		
Multi-Sensory Spelling Program	-	Anne Morris

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

18. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the elementary, grade, and middle school summer school programs from June 29, 2009 to August 11, 2009 and music summer school program from July 6, 2009 to August 7, 2009. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the teachers' contract and non-instructional aides and monitors agreement:

Pre-K	-	Jennifer Brown	Aide	-	Denise Szymanski
Grade K	-	Jackie Meth	Aide	-	Donna Russo

Cont'd

Grade 1	-	Lisa Necroto	Aide	-	Patty Ryder
Grade 2	-	Elizabeth Palumbo	Aide	-	Annette Cariello
Grade 3	-	Steve Fasciani	Aide	-	Susan Borg
Grade 4	-	Eileen Ratto	Aide	-	Corinne Samon
Grade 5	-	Rita Bartenback	Aide	-	Barbara Tighe
Grade 6	-	Danielle Erardy	Nurse	-	Patrice Bagdanoff
Administrative Assistant	-	Leah Freese	Aide	-	Pat Ciambrello
Special Education K-2	-	Katy Clarke	Aide	-	Beth Cullen
Special Education 3-6	-	Vickie Tillinghaust	Aide	-	Karen Altieri
Special Education	-	Lauren Shanks	Multi-sensory	-	Robin LaBarbera
Grades 7-8 ELA	-	Kate McGroty	Music	-	Donald Meier
Grades 7-8 Math	-	Michael Speroni	Music	-	Paul Grisafi
Music	-	Elizabeth Foster	Aide	-	Maria Cullen

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

19. **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the Babylon Administrators' Association dated June 22, 2009 regarding compensation for the position of Data Administrator.

LITERACY COACH

20. **LITERACY COACH: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Bernadette Forthmuller as the Literacy Coach for the 2008-2009 school year. Compensation for this assignment to be \$35.00/hour through Federal Grant monies.

APPOINTMENT ARCHITECT

21. **APPOINTMENT ARCHITECT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of James M. Campbell Architects PC to prepare drawings and SED application for the existing Press Box structure. Compensation for this project to be \$3,000.00.

LICENSE AND OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH SCOPE EDUCATION SERVICES

22. **LICENSE AND OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH SCOPE EDUCATION SERVICES: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the license and operating agreement between the Board of Education and SCOPE Education Services for the 2009-2010 school year.

GUERCIO & GUERCIO CONTRACTS

23. **GUERCIO & GUERCIO CONTRACTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute a contract between the Babylon Union Free School District and Guercio & Guercio for a one year extension of the General Counsel Contract and Labor Counsel Contract from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, as attached.

AMERICAN RED CROSS AGREEMENT

24. **AMERICAN RED CROSS AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board of Education to enter into an agreement between the Babylon Union Free School District and American Red Cross as an emergency shelter during a disaster.

TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

25. **TEXTBOOK ADOPTION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education adopt the following textbook proposed for the 2009-2010 school year: History: Introduction to Criminal Justice- McGraw Hill Fifth Edition

ANNUAL FIRE INSPECTION REPORT

26. **ANNUAL FIRE INSPECTION REPORT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the annual fire inspection report for 2009/2010; **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby directs the filing of said inspection in the Office of the District Clerk and the Office of the Commissioner of Education; **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby gives public notice of the filing of said report as follows: Notice is hereby given that the annual inspection for the year 2009/2010 of the school buildings, Babylon Elementary School, Babylon Memorial Grade School and Babylon Junior-Senior High School within the boundaries of the Babylon Union Free School District for fire hazards which might endanger the lives of students, teachers and employees therein, has been completed and the report thereof is available at the Office of the District Clerk of the Babylon Union Free School District at 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, New York for inspection by all interested persons and **IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said notice in the Babylon Union Free School District's official newspaper within twenty (20) days.

COOPERATIVE BIDDING PROGRAM

27. **COOPERATIVE BIDDING PROGRAM: WHEREAS**, the Board of Education, Babylon School District of New York State (the "School District") wishes to participate in a Cooperative Bidding Program conducted by The Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County ("Nassau BOCES") for 2009-2010 school year for the purchase of various commodities and/or services as authorized by and in accordance with the Education Law and General Municipal Law, Section 119-o; and **WHEREAS**, the District, more particularly, wishes to participate in the joint cooperative bids for Boiler, Duct & Kitchen Exhaust Cleaning and Doors: Hollow Metal, Frames and Hardware, Replacement and Installation. **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the School District

hereby appoints Nassau BOCES as its representative and agent in all matters related to the Cooperative Bidding Program, including but limited to responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting the results to the School District and making recommendations thereon, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Nassau BOCES is hereby authorized to award cooperative bids on behalf of the School District to the bidder deemed to be the lowest responsible bidder meeting the bid specifications and otherwise complying with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York relating to public bids and contracts and to enter into contracts for the purchase of the commodities and/or services as authorized herein, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School District hereby authorizes its School Business Administrator or his/her designee on behalf of the School district to participate in cooperative bidding conducted by Nassau BOCES and if requested to furnish Nassau BOCES an estimated minimum number of units that will be purchased and such other documents and information which may be reasonable necessary or useful in conducting the Cooperative Bidding Program, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School District agrees to assume its equitable share of the administrative costs of the cooperative bidding program and all of its obligations and responsibilities pursuant to any contract that may be awarded by Nassau BOCES on behalf of the School District.

**LONG ISLAND
SCHOOL NUTRITION
DIRECTORS
ASSOCIATION
COOPERATIVE BID
COMMITTEE**

28. **LONG ISLAND SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BID COMMITTEE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the bids for the purchase of food items & supplies (#FS1) as specified in the cooperative bid for the 2009-2010 school year.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
CONSULTANT**

29. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Teresa Lang as a special education consultant providing services from July 1, 2009 to August 14, 2009. Compensation to be \$50.00/half hour.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
SERVICE CONTRACT**

30. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education services provided by Metro Therapy, Inc. (SE12), Islip Tutoring Service (SE13), Bilinguals Inc (SE14) for the 2009-2010 school year.

**COMMITTEE ON
SPECIAL EDUCATION
AND CPSE**

31. **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

The Board of Education discussed the school board meeting schedule for the 2009-2010 school year and tabled that discussion to the next meeting of the Board of Education on July 6, 2009. Mrs. Martino inquired as to the status of a JV Cheerleading squad. Dr. Best-Laimit reported that the district is looking for a coach.

**REPRESENTATIVES OF
ORGANIZATIONS**

Mr. Lally, BTA President, thanked the Board of Education for their dedication to the students and staff of the Babylon community and introduced the new BTA President, Mr. Robert Richardelli.

**QUESTIONS FROM
VISITORS**

The Board of Education addressed questions and/or concerns regarding facilities usage, coaching recommendations and security procedures at the high school.

**FUTURE BOARD
MEETINGS**

The Board of Education Reorganization/Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, July 6, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:40 p.m. there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Conway, seconded by Mr. Brunjes.

Attachments referred to are on file in the District Office