

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: October 7, 2019

PLACE: Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

Members Present

Ms. Elizabeth O'Brien, President
Mrs. Carol Ann Dell'Erba, Vice President
Mrs. Ann Donaldson
Mrs. Linda Jurs
Mr. Dominick Montalto
Mrs. Donna Noesi
Mrs. Tricia Pané

District Superintendent

Mrs. Linda J. Rozzi

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 6:30 p.m. by Ms. O'Brien, President. A motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular individuals, negotiations and advice from counsel was made by T. Pané, seconded by D. Noesi and approved. (7-0) Public session resumed at 7:30 p.m. at which time Ms. O'Brien, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of September 9, 2019 and Work/Study Meeting of September 23, 2019 were approved on motion by L. Jurs and seconded by D. Noesi. (7-0)

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S AND BUSINESS OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for August 2019 and Internal Claims Audit Report for July 2019 and August 2019 were approved on motion by T. Pané, seconded by A. Donaldson. (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Students, staff, and community organizations recognized the Board of Education in honor of National School Board Recognition week. Dr. Daly presented the Board of Education with certificates from Western Suffolk BOCES. Student delegates reported that senior high student council members are working to ensure that the upcoming homecoming will be a success. The Safe Halloween event will be held on October 30, 2019 from 3:30-5:00 p.m. They also reported on activities in the Fine Arts and English Departments. Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, reported on the following:

- We are very happy to report that our school lunch fund is in the black from last year's sales. We must give credit to Mrs. Nancy Padrone and her terrific team for such success. They have been working very hard these last few years championing student/parent outreach, new healthy initiatives, better marketing strategies and overall better customer service. We also discussed eco-friendly lunch materials and strategies with the school lunch team. With that, we'd like to recognize the team and hear from Mrs. Padrone as to her ideas at the November Board meeting where she will share her thoughts.
- Superintendent Rozzi had the first meeting of the year last week at the elementary school where she reviewed the many exciting initiatives (K-12) such as our new Aquaponics STEAM Lab at the high school. It was lovely meeting parents new to Babylon Schools.
- We are looking at a few dates to hold this annual networking event with our PTA's.
- We invite members of our community to participate in the 3rd annual Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Induction to take place on Saturday October 12 at 10:00 a.m. in the lobby of Rowe Hall. We have three extraordinary inductees this year: The "Late" Gilbert Hanse, Class of 1932, who served as mayor of Babylon Village for over 31 years; Mr. David LoValvo, Class of 1972, who is the CEO/Founder & President of the Global Foundation for Ocean Exploration and finally Mr. Matthew Caruso, Class of 1987, who is a distinguished Chief Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force. Please join us if your time allows. Additionally, Babylon Homecoming is scheduled for this same afternoon. Members of the Board of Education are invited to walk with us in the parade after the Alumni Induction concludes. Staging begins at noon in the parking lot behind Gemelli's and step-off is at 12:30 pm sharp. Our Distinguished

Alumni will also be marching with us and will be recognized on Walter Williams Field during halftime. Special thanks to the Village of Babylon who has been very helpful in assisting with the designated parade route, police assistance blocking off the parade route, the staging of the floats by the field fence, etc. It is surely to be a wonderful day, so join in the festivities if your time allows.

Mrs. Donaldson thanked everyone for recognizing the Board of Education.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Mrs. Donaldson, audit committee chairperson, reported that the committee met on September 23rd and reviewed the preliminary results of June 30th audit. We anticipate ending the year with a total fund equity of \$7,369,049. The independent audit presentation will be held on October 21, 2019 during the Work/Study meeting. The Board will adopt the independent audit on November 18, 2019. Mr. Montalto, buildings and grounds committee chair, reported that the architects are in the process of drawing plans for Rowe Hall steps, handicap ramp and two high school cafeteria bathrooms. They have been onsite with the engineers and survey team and submission of plans should be completed by the end of the month and we anticipate this project to begin spring 2020. Ms. Noesi, technology committee chair, reported that the Mr. Dileo gave a full technology update at the last meeting. Ms. Dell’Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported that the committee met and discussed the professional development plan for the upcoming school year. Ms. Pané, policy committee chair, reported that the committee will meet on October 8th at 3:15 p.m. Policies up for review are Policy 5300/Code of Conduct. We will be reviewing the minor amendments to this policy based on it thorough review from our legal counsel. Policy 5420 & Regulation/Student Health Services. A recent change to the State Public Health Law has removed the ability of parents to seek a religious exemption to immunization requirements. We will look at amending the policy to reflect the new regulation. Policy 5420.2 & Regulation/Requests for Religious Exemption. The Committee will be making the future recommendation to rescind this policy as the policy and regulation no longer permits parents to request religious exemptions from immunization. Committee meetings are posted on the district website. As there were no other committee reports, the Board moved to the next item.

New Business

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by A. Donaldson, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-18 were approved (7-0).

On omnibus motion by D. Montalto, seconded by T. Pané an omnibus motion to approve Resolutions 1-18 were approved (7-0)

Mrs. Donaldson thanked the Babylon Booster Club for their generous donation which the Board accepted this evening.

RESIGNATION

1. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Patrice Bagdanoff, school nurse, effective November 30, 2019, with best wishes on her retirement.

**PROBATIONARY
OFFICE ASSISTANT**

2. **PROBATIONARY OFFICE ASSISTANT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Joanne Mineo as a 12 month Office Assistant effective October 21, 2019. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1/Column F of the 2019-2020 CSEA, Inc. Clerical/Nursing/Network & Systems Technicians Association contract. (\$36,189)

**PART-TIME ASL
TEACHER**

3. **PART-TIME ASL TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an increase in the FTE of Alesia Olsen as a part-time ASL teacher from a .6 FTE to a .8 FTE effective September 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Compensation for this assignment to be .8 of Step 3/MA+75 of the 2019-2020 Babylon Teachers Association salary schedule. (.8 FTE of \$88,374)

**PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER
APPOINTMENTS**

4. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following per diem substitute teachers from October 8, 2019 to June 30, 2020. Compensation for these assignments to be at the substitute teacher per diem rate of pay scale: Days: 1-30 \$110.00; Days: 31-60 \$120.00; Days: 61-90 \$130.00; Over 91 days: \$140.00. This resolution reflects the established pay scale for per diem substitute teachers.
Amanda Luisi Diana Orsini Nicole Casanova Cassidy Brennan

**HOME TUTORING
TEACHER
APPOINTMENT**

5. **HOME TUTORING TEACHER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Victoria Leichert as a home tutoring teacher for the 2019-2020 school year. Compensation for this assignment to be in accordance with the 2019-2020 Babylon Teachers’ Association Contract. (\$43.00/hour)

**CASUAL
APPOINTMENTS**

6. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following casual appointments for the 2019-2020 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers’ Association Contract for the 2019-2020 school year:

High School

Drama Production Director	Eddie Storey	(\$5635)
Drama Production Producer/Technical Director	Elizabeth Losito	(\$3945)
Set Construction, Drama Production	Linda Napolitano	(\$1498)
DECA Assistant Advisor	Eddie Storey	(\$2621)
Esports Club Co-Advisors	Michael Birnbaum	(\$2248)
	Frank Mancuso	(\$2248)
Select Chorus	Brian Kroll	(\$2621)
Chamber Orchestra Ensemble (revised replacing Pep Band)	Ashley Tomei	(\$1498)
JH Student Council Advisor (9/1/19-11/11/19)	Linda Fama	(\$2997 prorated)
JH Student Council Advisor (11/12/19-6/30/19)	Keith Fasano	(\$2997 prorated)
School Paper Co-Advisors	Keith Fasano	(\$3745 split equally)
	Michael Birnbaum	
	Patricia Stork	
Literary Magazine Co-Advisors	Keith Fasano	(\$2621 split equally)
	Michael Birnbaum	
	Patricia Stork	
Writer’s Club Co-Advisors	Keith Fasano	(\$1498 split equally)
	Michael Birnbaum	
	Patricia Stork	

Grade School

Art Club	Laura Doherty	(\$1498)
Babylon Broadcast Club Grade 5	Danielle Weis	(\$1498)
Babylon Broadcast Club Grade 6	Danielle Weis	(\$1498)
Chess Club	Rick Punzone	(\$ 750)
Cross Country Club	Rick Punzone	(\$ 750)
Math All Stars	Jessica Kurtz	(\$1498)
First Lego League Club (2)	Jen Brown/	(\$4494)
	Pat Stork	(\$4494)
Volleyball	Lauren Heck	(\$1498)
Maker Club Co-advisors	Lisa Lindeman/	(\$1498 split equally)
	Ashley Belmonte	
Mock Trial (2)	Kerrin Brennan	(\$2997)
	Lisa Necroto	(\$2997)
Intramurals Open Gym Club	Lauren Heck	(\$1498)
Connect With Crafts	Jessica Linder	(\$1498)
Safety Patrol	Kristine Prass	(\$1498)
STEAM Club Co-advisors	Brittany Mueller	(\$1498 split equally)
	Samantha Czczotka	
Student Council Grades 3 & 4	Erin Kennedy	(\$1873)

Casual Appointments Continued

Student Council Grades 5 & 6 Co-advisors	Nicole Cupo	(\$1873 split equally)
	Amy Malone	
Swing Chorus	Colleen Angerami	(\$1498)
Bullet Journaling Club	Amy Malone	(\$ 750)

Elementary School

Science Club Fall (2)	Yani Rodriguez	(\$1498)
	Bernadette Forthmuller	(\$1498)
Science Club Spring (2)	Yani Rodriguez	(\$1498)
	Bernadette Forthmuller	(\$1498)
FLES Club	Rebecca Olivieri	(\$1498)
Art & Literacy Club Co-Advisors	Elizabeth Losito	(\$1498 split equally)
	Eddie Storey	
Sign Language Club	Linda Slack	(\$1498)
Where in the World	Alyssa Freeman	(\$1498)
STEAM Gr. 1	Emily Moran	(\$1498)
STEAM Gr. 2	Emily Moran	(\$1498)

Winter Coaching

Varsity Boys Basketball	William Singleton	(\$8037)
JV Boys Basketball	Mert Sonmez	(\$6364)
JH Boys Basketball** (Black)	Robert Andrews	(\$4649)
JH Boys Basketball**(Orange)	Thomas Williams	(\$4649)
Varsity Girls Basketball	Chris Ryan	(\$8037)
JV Girls Basketball	Stephanie Greaney	(\$6364)
JH Girls Basketball***(Black)	Rich Villanueva	(\$4649)
JH Girls Basketball***(Orange)	Thomas Williams	(\$4649)
JH Girls Volleyball**(Black)	Brenda Mayo	(\$4649)
JH Girls Volleyball**(Orange)	Lauren Halvorsen	(\$4649)
Varsity Boys Winter Track	Adam Geller	(\$7252)
Varsity Boys Winter Track Assistant	Dennis McGovern	(\$5734)
Varsity Girls Winter Track	Melissa Pascarella	(\$7252)
Varsity Girls Winter Track Assistant	Michael Sinclair	(\$5734)
Varsity Wrestling	Danny McHugh	(\$8037)
JV Wrestling	Kyle Cropsey	(\$6364)
JH Wrestling***	Phil Grande	(\$4649)
JH Wrestling***	Mike Russo	(\$4649)
Varsity Cheerleading	Kara Bocchicchio	(\$5635)
JV Cheerleading	Nicole Roggemann	(\$4828)
JH Cheerleading**	Jessica Kahn	(\$4649)
Winter Weight Room Supervisor	John Greaney	(\$1000)
Athletic Trainer	Professional Athletic Training	

denotes Early Winter Sport *denotes Late Winter Sport

**VOLUNTEER
COACHING
APPOINTMENT**

- VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the board of Education approves Jeffrey Hedberg as a volunteer varsity boys/varsity girls winter track coach for the 2019-2020 school year in accordance with Board of Education Policy 4532-School Volunteers.

**MENTOR
APPOINTMENTS**

- MENTOR APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following teachers as mentors for the 2019-2020 school year. Compensation for these positions to be as specified in the 2019-2020 Babylon Teachers’ Association Contract.(\$1087 for the 2019-2020 school year or three (3) in-service credits per semester)

Mentor

Jennifer Bell
Lisa Lindeman
Robert Andrews

New Teacher

Lindsay Carbone
Leova Manbhat
Kara Bochicchio

Mentor Appointments Continued

Mentor

Kelly Arcoleo
Kim Gentile
Kathleen Anderson
Kim Gentile
Claire Donaldson
Brooke Carey
Barbara O'Halloran

New Teacher

Ashley Belmonte
Nicole Cupo
Amy Malone
Samantha Czeczotka
Michael Sinclair
Nicole Blair
Kaitlyn Loos

INTERNSHIP

9. **INTERNSHIP: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the School Building Leadership internship of Erin Campbell in the elementary school for the 2019-2020 school year.

**STUDENT
OVERNIGHT TRIP**

10. **STUDENT OVERNIGHT TRIP: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an overnight field trip for the varsity girls softball team's annual spring training trip to San Diego, California from March 12-16, 2020.

DONATIONS

11. **DONATIONS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of 27 vinyl championship banners totaling \$2405.00 and 2 indoor batting cages valued at \$8,282.00 from the Babylon Booster Club with appreciation for these generous donations.

OBSOLETE ITEMS

12. **OBSOLETE ITEMS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education declares the following mathematics textbooks obsolete: Mathematics B, Unified Mathematics/Book 1, Mathematics in Action, Integrated Mathematics/Course 1, Pre-Algebra/An Accelerated Course, New York Math A/An Integrated Approach, Mathematics/Course 2.

**RESCIND
EMERGENCY
REPAIR
RESOLUTION**

13. **RESCIND EMERGENCY REPAIR RESOLUTION: WHEREAS**, on February 25, 2019, on the recommendation of the District Architect and Deputy Superintendent the Board of Education adopted a resolution declaring the replacement of the roof top heater/AC unit at the High School as an emergency repair necessary to protect District property and the health and safety of staff and students; **WHEREAS**, the proposed project was submitted to the State Education Department for review and final approval; **WHEREAS**, the District has learned that the proposed project was not deemed to be an emergency repair by the State Education Department; **WHEREAS**, no interfund transfer to capital was made to finance the proposed project as anticipated; be it hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby rescinds its February 25, 2019 resolution regarding emergency repairs to the roof top heater/AC unit at the High School.

**HEALTH SERVICES
AGREEMENTS**

14. **HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the health service agreements between the Babylon UFSD and the following school districts for the 2019-2020 school year: Bay Shore UFSD, Brentwood UFSD, Central Islip UFSD, Deer Park UFSD, Farmingdale UFSD, Hauppauge UFSD, Longwood UFSD, Patchogue-Medford UFSD, South Huntington UFSD, West Babylon UFSD, William Floyd UFSD and Wyandanch UFSD.

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION
SERVICES
CONTRACT**

15. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education services contract between the Babylon UFSD and Deer Park UFSD from July 8, 2019 to August 16, 2019. (SPED-DOR 19-20 #1)

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION
EVALUATION
CONTRACT**

16. **SPECIAL EDUCATION EVALUATION CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education evaluation contract between the Babylon UFSD and The Hagedorn Little Village School for the 2019-2020 school year. (SPED-EVAL #1)

SPECIAL EDUCATION RECEIPT OF FEDERAL PART B FLOW-THROUGH ALLOCATIONS

17. **SPECIAL EDUCATION RECEIPT OF FEDERAL PART B FLOW-THROUGH ALLOCATIONS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the approves the Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations for the 2019-2020 school year between the Babylon UFSD and the following providers: Building Blocks Developmental Preschool (SEDCAR 2019.2020 #2), The Hagedorn Little Village School (SEDCAR 2019.2020 #3) Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center (SEDCAR 2019.2020 #4), Developmental Disabilities Institute (SEDCAR 2019.20 #5), Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy Center Inc. (SEDCAR 2019.20 #6), Leeway School (SEDCAR 2019.20 #9), NYSARC-Suffolk (SEDCAR 2019.20 #12).

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COIMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

18. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the recommendation from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases from June 2019 to September 2019 be accepted.

MOTION TO ADD RESOLUTION TO AGENDA

A MOTION TO ADD A PERSONNEL RESOLUTION TO THE AGENDA LISTED AS ITEM #19 WAS MADE BY D. NOESI, SECONDED BY C. DELL'ERBA AND APPROVED. (7-0)

PERSONNEL RESOLUTION

19. **PERSONNEL RESOLUTION: RESOLVED**, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves an Agreement between the Board and the employee listed on confidential attachment "A" regarding a pending disciplinary matter as more fully discussed in executive session, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board.
On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by T. Pané, Resolution 19 was approved. (7-0)

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Rozzi echoed the sentiments of Mrs. Donaldson thanking the Babylon Booster Club for their generous donation and support of the Babylon Athletics. Mrs. Rozzi mentioned possible dates for the annual networking meeting with the PTA's.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

As there was no report from representatives of organizations, the Board of Education moved to the next item.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The Board of Education addressed questions/comments from a visitor regarding: questions on agenda items, microphone adjustments at meetings.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education will hold a work/Study Meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. and a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:02 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Montalto and approved (7-0)