

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: November 24, 2008
PLACE: Babylon Elementary School, 171 Ralph Avenue, Babylon, NY

Members Present

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

Members Absent

Mr. Roger A. Katz

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 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Anderson, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a particular personnel matter was made by Mrs. Melito, seconded by Mrs. Vukovich and approved. (6-0)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:30 p.m. on motion by Mr. Brunjes, seconded by Mr. Melito, the Board unanimously agreed to conclude Executive Session and enter into public session whereupon President J. Anderson led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 14, 2008 and Work/Study Meeting of October 27, 2008 was approved on motion by Mrs. Martino and seconded by Mr. Melito.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for October 2008 was approved on motion by Mr. Melito and seconded by Mr. Conway.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Student Delegate, Michael Augello, reported that the Culture Club will be holding a clothing drive and Roots & Shoots will hold a coat drive as well as other activities being held by various clubs. The football game will be held Saturday, November 29th at 4:30 p.m. Mr. Freidman, grade school principal, thanked the Board of Education for supporting the grade school character program which resulted in the school being named National School of Character. A presentation to the Board of Education and community was conducted by the elementary school literacy collaborative team on curriculum initiatives.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Melito, audit committee chair, reported that the state comptroller's office audit will begin next week. Mr. Conway, technology committee chair, reported that the technology committee met and discussed the third floor renovation. The finance committee will be meeting on Monday, December 1, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. and the policy committee will be meeting on December 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Vukovich, policy committee chair, reported that the policy committee will be conducting a first reading of policies 2120.1, 1740 and second reading of policies 4321.13, 4321.14 and 2270.

FIRST READING POLICIES 2120.1 AND 1740, SECOND READING POLICIES 4321.13, 4321.14 AND 2270

1. **FIRST READING POLICIES 2120.1-CANDIDATES AND CAMPAIGNING AND 1740-RELATIONSHIP WITH NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a first reading of policies 2120.1-Candidates and Campaigning and 1740-Relationship with Nonpublic Schools and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal first reading of policies 2120.1 and 1740, as attached.
2. **SECOND READING POLICIES 4321.13-PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION, 4321.14-SPECIAL EDUCATION PERSONNEL AND 2270-SCHOOL ATTORNEY: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a second reading of policies 4321.13-Preschool Special Education, 4321.14-Special Education Personnel and 2270-School Attorney and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal second reading of policies 4321.13, 4321.14 and 2270, as attached.

On motion by A. Martino, seconded by C. Vukovich, the Board of Education waived the formal first reading of policies 2120.1 and 1740 and waived the formal second reading of policies 4321.13, 4321.14 and 2270.

As there were no other committee reports, the Board moved on to the next item.

NEW BUSINESS

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board of Education addressed questions from visitors on agenda items.

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by Mrs. Martino, seconded by Mr. Melito, an omnibus motion to move Items 1-18 was unanimously approved.

On omnibus motion by Mrs. Vukovich, seconded by Mrs. Martino an omnibus motion to move items 1-18 was unanimously APPROVED (6-0).

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that the request from Lauren Elward, English teacher assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, for an unpaid childcare leave of absence commencing January 30, 2009 to June 30, 2009 be approved.

LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER

2. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT ENGLISH TEACHER: 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 January 30, 2009 to June 30, 2009. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 2 of the MA column of the 2008-2009 teachers' salary schedule.

APPOINTMENT CSE/CPSE ALTERNATE CHAIRPERSON

3. **APPOINTMENT CSE/CPSE ALTERNATE CHAIRPERSON: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Dennis McGovern as an Alternate Chairperson for the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education.

APPOINTMENT CONSULTANTS

4. **APPOINTMENT CONSULTANTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoint the following Consultants for the 2008-2009 school year:

Katy Ann Clarke	Parent Trainer	\$50.00/hour
Thomas Gargiulo	CPR Trainer	\$40.00/pp
Cristina Repetto	Home Tutoring	\$36.00/hour

APPOINTMENT CONSULTANT

5. **APPOINTMENT CONSULTANT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education enter into an agreement with Edgewater Consulting for the 2008-2009 school year as attached.

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

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

Coaching Appointments

Varsity Boys Basketball	-	Steve Edmonds
Varsity Boys Basketball Assistant	-	Chris Morra
Junior Varsity Boys Basketball	-	David Mayo
JH Boys Basketball JH-B	-	Robert Andrews
Freshman Boys Basketball	-	Francis Bustamante
Varsity Girls Basketball	-	Chris Ryan
Varsity Girls Basketball Assistant	-	Tim Harrison
Junior Varsity Girls Basketball	-	Andrew Marulis
JH Girls Basketball (8 th Grade)	-	Rich Villanueva
JH Girls Basketball (7 th Grade)	-	Christian Murphy
JH Girls Volleyball (7 th Grade)	-	Brenda Mayo
JH Girls Volleyball (8 th Grade)	-	Hans Wiederkehr
Varsity Boys Winter Track	-	Mike DeJoseph
Varsity Girls Winter Track	-	Kelly Maier
Varsity Wrestling	-	Ken Brodmerkel
Junior Varsity Wrestling	-	Patrick Luba
JH Wrestling	-	Joe Fragapane
JH Wrestling	-	Mike Russo
Cheerleading	-	Meredith Carlock
Athletic Trainer	-	Martina Luce

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS

7. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education extend the Emergency Conditional Appointments for the following staff: Maria Scaduto, Courtney Croteau, RobertGrandjean, Penny Walsh, Karen Bumbalo

HOURLY RATE INCREASE FOR SUBSTITUTE CALLING SERVICE

- 8. **HOURLY RATE INCREASE FOR SUBSTITUTE CALLING SERVICE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education increase the hourly rate of pay for Carolyn Palumbo, substitute calling service, to \$14.50 per hour effective December 1, 2008.

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS

- 9. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the services provided by NYSARC and with the East Islip School District and West Islip School District for students who attend private schools for the 2007-2008 school year.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE CONTRACTS

- 10. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE CONTRACTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education service contracts for the 2008-2009 school year for Tender Age Pediatric Therapies, EAC Nassau Learning Center, Tammy Rogers, Kid Physical Therapy Inc.

SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS

- 11. **SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the goals established for the 2008-2009 school year as attached.

LONG ISLAND SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BIDS

- 12. **LONG ISLAND SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BIDS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the bids for the purchase of food items specified in the cooperative bid for the 2008-2009 school year, as attached.

ADOPTION OF POLICIES

- 13. **ADOPTION OF POLICIES: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve and adopt policies 4321.13-Preschool Special Education, 4321.14-Special Education Personnel and 2270-School Attorney, as attached.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 14. **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.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

- 15. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following appropriation transfers:

A.	
From: A9010-8001-00 Employee Benefits/ERS	(83,915.00)
A9790-7300-00 Debt Service –Tax Anticipation Notes	(302,875.00)
To: A9710-6187-00 Debt Service-Library Bond Principal	190,000.00
A9710-7187-00 Debt Service-Library Bond Interest	196,790.00
B.	
From: A5543-4000-00 Contract Trans/District Buses	(121,921.00)
To: A5541-4000-01 Contract Trans/Athletics	96,040.00
A5542-4000-01 Contract Trans/Field Trips	5,715.00
A5542-4000-02 Contract Trans/Field Trips	2,490.00
A5542-4000-03 Contract Trans/Field Trips	17,676.00
C.	
From: A2855-4190-01 Intersch Activ/Assoc Fees	(4,000.00)
A2855-4196-01 Intersch Activ/Officials Fees	(4,000.00)
To: A2855-4600-01 Intersch Activ/Recon/LDR	8,000.00

CHANGE ORDER RR1

- 16. **CHANGE ORDER RR1: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve Change Order RR1, to complete work at the Babylon Junior-Senior High School with Best Roofing of NJ Inc. in the amount of \$48,300.00.

CHANGE ORDER ECR1

- 17. **CHANGE ORDER ECR1: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve Change Order ECR1, to complete work for the emergency ceiling replacement at the Babylon Junior-Senior High School with Hi-Lume Corporation in the amount of \$4,817.01.

ACCOUNTS CLOSED

18. **ACCOUNTS CLOSED: RESOLVED**, that on the recommendation of the district auditors, that the Board of Education approve the closing of the following four bank accounts carrying small balances and transfer such money into the General Fund Revenue account at Chase Bank:

General Fund Money Market	\$ 6,155.40
General Fund Technology	\$ 5,921.97
Capital Project Phase II	\$ 855.52
Extra Curricular Savings	\$10,044.63

DONATIONS

19. **DONATIONS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the following donations: \$500.00 from Mr. & Mrs. Gordon to be used towards the Babylon Elementary School playground, the donation of a 32" LCD DTV/DVD valued at 450.00 from the Class of 1978 and an anonymous donation of snacks valued at approximately \$500.00 towards the senior class fundraiser, the with thanks and appreciation.

On motion by H. Brunjes, seconded by D. Conway, Resolution 19 was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

As there was no other business, the Board moved on to the next item.

**REPRESENTATIVES
OF ORGANIZATIONS/
QUESTIONS FROM
VISITORS**

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

The Board of Education addressed questions from visitors regarding Universal Pre-K and community involvement in the budget process.

**FUTURE BOARD
MEETING**

The Board of Education will hold a Regular Meeting on Monday, December 8, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 p.m. there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mrs. Vukovich, seconded by Mrs. Martino.