

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: December 7, 2020
PLACE: Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702
Via Video Conference

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 personnel, negotiations and advice from counsel was made by L. Jurs, 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 November 2, 2020 were approved on motion by A. Donaldson and seconded by D. Noesi. (7-0)

APPROVAL OF INTERNAL CLAIMS AUDIT REPORTS

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for October 2020 was approved on motion by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Montalto. (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, reported on the following:

- Our fall newsletter was distributed. It has some wonderful news about AP honors, the successful fall off-season athletic programs that our district sponsored, social emotional learning throughout the district and instructional snapshots K-12 that we see throughout the district as well.
- Distinguished Alumni - We do have a call for distinguished alumni. We would like to have a fall 2021 induction of new members. Our planning committee will be starting shortly after the New Year with nomination forms being sent out to the local publications and also advertised on our website.
- K-6 Clubs - On tonight's agenda, we have K-6 clubs on to be approved, which we're very excited about and our building principals are in the process of getting all that information out to our families so students can stay engaged.
- Zoom Webinar - Last week we sent out a detailed letter about an upcoming zoom webinar, scheduled for Monday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m. The letter went into good details about the yellow, orange and red zone definitions that are coming down from the State of New York and what it means to go into those zones as a school district and what the testing requirements would be for school districts in order to stay open. The letter discussed for faculty, staff and all families a "willingness to test" survey that we urge every family and staff to please fill out online. That survey is due by December 16, 2020. The survey can be found on the letter and will be up on the website so it can be accessed. The zoom meeting is going to be a community webinar hosted by the district. It's going to end exactly the way the informational webinar occurred back in August when we were discussing our reopening plans.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Mrs. Jurs, finance committee chair, reported that the committee met tonight and had a preliminary discussion about what we are looking at budget wise. Dr. Daly informed me that right now he's looking at the tax levy to be 1.7% increase, \$251,000 without any other pieces of the puzzle that we will be working on. The next meeting will be held on January 25 at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Noesi, technology committee chair, reported that the committee met on November 23rd. Some important updates from that meeting are: The tech department is about halfway through the issues that had accumulated from the start of school. They are diligently working through those issues and expect to be through them soon. The district has purchased 70 new surface devices. The benefits of these devices are that they are faster, light weight, larger screen, they have a rechargeable pen instead of a battery pen, better processor, we are looking to purchase two hundred more for next year and this will give us two grades worth of updates. Ed law 2d is officially in effect as of October. The big component this year is mandatory training for all staff who work in the district. While some of this training is still being planned, we are ahead of the game compared to other districts. Still to be worked on is the disaster recovery plan and the NIST policy alignment. We were three-quarters of the way done last March when we closed down so a lot of the groundwork is in place, we just have to get it done. Mrs. Dell'Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported that the committee met today. We looked at some of the changes to the reopening plan as we see more need come up. Special education students in the small class are now going to be able to come into the building on Wednesday's. Just some questions about testing. We don't know what the State's going to do with the 3-8 testing as of now. We had a great meeting with some parents who came and are interested in diversity and curriculum. We had an opening conversation on that and we are going to share resources. Mrs. Pané, policy committee chair, reported that the committee met this evening and discussed policy 5151/5151R Homeless Children. This is the second revision from the original policy which dates back to November 2005. This revision includes transportation to the district of origin for summer programs and extracurriculars, as well as language, including a person of parental relation. The first reading will be in January. Committee meetings are posted on the district website.

New Business

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by D. Noesi, seconded by L. Jurs, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-14 were approved (7-0).

On omnibus motion by C. Dell'Erba, seconded by D. Montalto an omnibus motion to approve Resolutions 1-14 were approved (7-0)

RESIGNATION

1. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Gail Farley, senior account clerk, effective January 30, 2021, with best wishes in her retirement.

RESIGNATION

2. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Christina Ciavarella, part-time aide, effective November 9, 2020.

**AMENDED LEAVE
OF
ABSENCE/LEAVE
REPLACEMENT**

3. **AMENDED LEAVE OF ABSENCE/LEAVE REPLACEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education amends the dates of the unpaid leave of absence for Margaret Enkababian, teacher assistant, from September 15, 2020 to November 20, 2020, and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education amends the dates for Krista Maffei as a teacher assistant leave replacement effective September 15, 2020 to November 20, 2020.

**PART-TIME AIDE
APPOINTMENTS**

4. **PART-TIME AIDE APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following part-time aides from December 8, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the 2020-2021 aides and monitors association contract. (Step 1-\$17.90, Step 2-\$18.20, Step 3-\$18.55)

Meeghan Goodard

Gina Link

**PART-TIME
MONITOR
APPOINTMENT**

5. **PART-TIME MONITOR APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Jennifer Luczak as a part-time monitor December 8, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for this position to be in accordance with the 2020-2021 aides and monitors association contract. (Step 1-\$16.65, Step 2-\$16.95, Step 3-\$17.30)

**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 2020-2021 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract for the 2020-2021 school year:

Junior-Senior High School

Debate Team Advisor (SH Mock Trial)	Jessica Kahn	(\$4561.00)
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Elementary School

Signs, Sounds and Songs	Linda Slack	(\$1520.00)
Random Acts of Kindness (RAK)	Samantha Czczotka	(\$1520.00)

Grade School

Animal Club	Jessica Kurtz	(\$1520.00)
Broadcast Club Grade 5	Danielle Weis	(\$1520.00)
Broadcast Club Grade 6	Danielle Weis	(\$1520.00)
Bullet Journal Club	Amy Malone	(\$ 761.00)
Chess Club	Rick Punzone	(\$ 761.00)
Creative Writing Club	Lisa Necroto	(\$1520.00)
Cross Country	Rick Punzone	(\$ 761.00)
Harry Potter Club	Samantha Covello	(\$1520.00)
Math All Stars Club	Jessica Kurtz	(\$1520.00)
Mindfulness Club	Lauren Heck	(\$1520.00)
Mock Trial	Lisa Necroto	(\$3042.00)
Mock Trial	Kerrin Brennan	(\$3042.00)
Newspaper Club	Diana Orsini	(\$1520.00)
Photography Club	Jessica Linder	(\$1520.00)
Safety Patrol	Donna Hendrickson	(\$1520.00)
Student Council Grades 3 &4	Erin Kennedy	(\$1901.00)
Student Council Grades 5 & 6 (Co-Advisors)	Nicole Cupo/ Amy Malone	(\$1901.00 split equally)

Winter Coaching

Varsity Boys Basketball	William Singleton	(\$8158.00)
JV Boys Basketball	Mert Sonmez	(\$6459.00)
JH Boys Basketball** (Black)	Robert Andrews	(\$4719.00)
JH Boys Basketball** (Orange)	Thomas Williams	(\$4719.00)
Varsity Girls Basketball	Chris Ryan	(\$8158.00)
JV Girls Basketball	Stephanie Greaney	(\$6459.00)
JH Girls Basketball***(Black)	Rich Villanueva	(\$4719.00)
JH Girls Basketball***(Orange)	Lauren Heck	(\$4719.00)
JH Girls Volleyball**(Black)	Brenda Mayo	(\$4719.00)
JH Girls Volleyball**(Orange)	Lauren Halvorsen	(\$4719.00)
Varsity Boys Winter Track	Adam Geller	(\$7361.00)
Varsity Boys Winter Track Asst.	Dennis McGovern	(\$5820.00)
Varsity Girls Winter Track	Melissa Pascarella	(\$7361.00)
Varsity Girls Winter Track Asst.	Mike Sinclair	(\$5820.00)
Varsity Wrestling	Danny McHugh	(\$8158.00)
JV Wrestling	Kyle Cropsey	(\$6459.00)
JH Wrestling***	Phil Grande	(\$4719.00)
JH Wrestling***	Mike Russo	(\$4719.00)
Varsity Cheerleading	Kara Bocchicchio	(\$5720.00)
JH Cheerleading**	Olivia Cabral	(\$4719.00)
Winter Weight Room Supervisor	John Greaney	(\$1015.00)
Athletic Trainer	Professional Athletic Training	

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**VOLUNTEER
COACHING
APPOINTMENT**

7. **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 winter track coach for the 2020-2021 school year in accordance with Board of Education Policy 4532-School Volunteers.

**PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHERS**

8. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following per diem substitute teacher appointments effective December 8, 2020 to June 30, 2021. 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.

Timothy Piligra Kimberly Cooney Alexa Brown Jamie Preziosi

**SUBSTITUTE
AIDE/MONITOR
APPOINTMENT**

9. **SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITOR APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Stephanie Bohland as a substitute aide/monitor effective December 8, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for this assignment to be \$13.60/hour.

OBSOLETE ITEMS

10. **OBSOLETE ITEMS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education declares that the following items obsolete as they no longer work and cannot be repaired.: 16 Singer Sewing Machines, 3 Typewriters and 2 Duplicating Machines.

**RETENTION AND
DISPOSITION
SCHEDULE**

11. **RETENTION AND DISPOSITION SCHEDULE: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Babylon UFSD that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Article 57-A: (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION
RECEIPT OF
FEDERAL PART B
FLOW-THROUGH
ALLOCATIONS**

12. **SPECIAL EDUCATION RECEIPT OF FEDERAL PART B FLOW-THROUGH ALLOCATIONS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations for the 2020-2021 school year between the Babylon UFSD and The Hagedorn Little Village School. (SEDCAR2020.2021#4)

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION
CONSULTING
SERVICES
AGREEMENT**

13. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education consulting services agreement between the Babylon Union Free School District and The Long Island Home d/b/a South Oaks Hospital for the 2020-2021 school year.

**COMMITTEE ON
SPECIAL
EDUCATION AND
COMMITTEE ON
PRESCHOOL
EDUCATION**

14. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Education for cases dated October 9, 2020-November 23, 2020

OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Rozzi recognized Mrs. Gail Farley. Mrs. Farley has been here for a very long time working in our business office. She is resigning for the purpose of retirement. We wish her many happy years and thank her for her good service.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

Mrs. Rozzi read the following information from a representative of the K-6 PTA: I want to just give you a recap of the family holiday hunt that the K-6 PTA. Since 2020 is about unusual as you can get, the Babylon K-6 PTA held a family holiday hunt yesterday, December 6th at the Conklin House instead of having their annual holiday breakfast, the social distancing and mask requirements were followed. It was a very successful event and even Santa and Mrs. Claus were able to attend. All that attended, enjoyed the beauty of the Conklin House. In addition, over 30 students from the junior-senior high school volunteered their time with the event. A huge thank you to our students and other volunteers that helped make this very successful.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The following questions were addressed from visitors regarding: COVID 19, BOE Meetings.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education will hold a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, January 11, 2021 and Work/Study Meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by L. Jurs seconded by T. Pané and approved (7-0)