

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD WORK/STUDY MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: March 21, 2016

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

Members Present

Mrs. Ann Donaldson, President
Mr. Dominick Montalto, Vice President
Mrs. Elizabeth Altbacker
Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga
Mrs. Carol Ann Dell'Erba
Mrs. Linda Jurs
Ms. Tricia Pané

District Superintendent

Mrs. Linda J. Rozzi

Central Office Administration

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

District Clerk

Linda Pesce

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Donaldson, President. A motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and the employment history of particular individuals was made by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Bencivenga and approved. (7-0) Public session resumed at 7:30 p.m. at which time Mrs. Donaldson, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BOARD AGENDA
ITEMS
QUESTIONS FROM
VISITORS ON
AGENDA
ITEMS/DISCUSSION**

The Board of Education addressed questions from a visitor regarding Resolutions 13 and 15. As there was no discussion from the Board, the Board moved on to New Business.

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by D. Bencivenga, seconded by C. Dell'Erba, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-4 and 10-15 were approved (7-0).
On omnibus motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by D. Montalto an omnibus motion to move Resolutions 1-4 and 10-15 were approved (7-0).

**CAPITAL
RESERVE FUND II
PROPOSITION**

1. **CAPITAL RESERVE FUND II PROPOSITION: BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Babylon Union Free School District hereby authorizes the following proposition to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 17, 2016, and for said proposition to be included in the Annual Notice of said Vote and Election:

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

Shall the Board of Education of the Babylon Union Free School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the New York Education Law to be known as the Babylon Union Free School District Capital Reserve Fund II for a probable term of ten (10) years in an ultimate amount of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000.00), plus interest and investment earnings thereon, whose purpose shall be to fund in whole or in part, the cost of the construction of additions to, improvements to, reconstruction, and equipping of School District buildings, facilities and athletic fields and tracks, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and site and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, with such funds to be obtained from surplus dollars and/or legally available funds available to the District when it closes its books every June 30.

**AMENDED LEGAL
NOTICE**

2. **AMENDED LEGAL NOTICE: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the amendment to the district's legal notice of annual meeting and election of the Babylon Union Free School District to include the capital reserve fund II proposition, as attached.

**NASSAU COUNTY
COOPERATIVE
BIDDING
PROGRAM**

3. **NASSAU COUNTY 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 the 2015-2016 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 bid for Abatement and Disposal of Asbestos and Lead materials.. 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.

**STUDENT
OVERNIGHT TRIP**

4. **STUDENT OVERNIGHT TRIP: RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves overnight participation for DECA students who qualified at NYS DECA Career Competition to travel to Nashville, TN to compete in the International DECA Career Competition April 23-26, 2016.

RESIGNATION

5. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Suzanne Murphy, guidance counselor, effective July 1, 2016, with best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Montalto, Resolution #5 was approved. (7-0)

RESIGNATION

6. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Jeanne Weingarten, mathematics teacher, effective July 1, 2016, with best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
On motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by T. Pané, Resolution #6 was approved. (7-0)

RESIGNATION

7. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Carole Polney, Coordinator of Assessments, Data, Learning and Technology, effective July 1, 2016, with best wishes in her future endeavors.
On motion by D. Bencivenga, seconded by E. Altbacker, Resolution #7 was approved. (7-0)

RESIGNATION

8. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Jessica Kemler, elementary school principal, effective June 30, 2016, with best wishes in her future endeavors.
On motion by D. Montalto, seconded by L. Jurs, Resolution #8 was approved. (7-0)

RESIGNATION

9. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Matthew Ryan, junior-senior high school assistant principal, effective June 30, 2016, with best wishes in his future endeavors.
On motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by C. Dell’Erba, Resolution #9 was approved. (7-0)

**LEAVE OF
ABSENCE**

10. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the request from Colleen Angerami, music teacher, for an unpaid childcare leave of absence commencing April 18, 2016 to June 30, 2016.

LEAVE

11. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the

**REPLACEMENT
TEACHER**

Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Eddie Storey as a leave replacement music teacher, effective April 18, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1/MA (\$59,260 prorated) of the Babylon Teachers' Association 2015-2016 salary schedule.

**PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER
APPOINTMENTS**

- 12. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the following per diem substitute teacher appointments effective March 22, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for these assignments to be \$110.00/day.

Michael Breihof	Elizabeth Rosenthal	Alyssa D'Amato
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**CASUAL
APPOINTMENTS**

- 13. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following casual appointments for the 2015-2016 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

Grade School

FLL Robotics Advisors (2)	Jennifer Brown	(\$1,405)
	Pat Stork	(\$1,405)
Babylon Broadcast Club	Danielle Weis	(\$1,405)

**LEAVE OF
ABSENCE**

- 14. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the request from Joan Hughes for an unpaid family medical leave of absence effective January 20, 2016 to April 13, 2016.

**WEEKEND
DIFFERENTIAL**

- 15. **WEEKEND DIFFERENTIAL: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approved the weekend differential for Joseph Loudon, Maintenance Mechanic II, for the 2015-2016 school year.

**WORK/STUDY
DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Daly, Deputy Superintendent, presented the 2016-2017 proposed school budget. The Board of Education discussed the recommendations and options from Mr. John Robertson, Transportation Consultant, relating to transportation. Recommendations/options presented were to add additional bus stops this year and coordinating the start and end times at the elementary and grade schools for next school year. Ms. Polney, Coordinator of Assessment Data, Learning & Technology, reported that the Smart Schools Bond Application will be placed on the website for 30 days and after 30 days a public hearing will be held and after approval by the Board of Education the application will be sent to the State for approval.

**FUTURE BOARD
MEETINGS**

The Board of Education will hold a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School. Topic: Budget Presentation and Adoption of Property Tax Report Card. A Special Meeting will be held on April 19, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the high school library for the purpose of voting on the BOCES Annual Budget Vote and Trustee Election. The Board of Education rescheduled the April 25, 2016 Work/Study meeting to April 11, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:02 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by C. Dell'Erba, seconded by D. Bencivenga and approved. (7-0)