

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: April 16, 2018

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

Members Present

Mrs. Tricia Pané, President
Mr. Dominick Montalto, Vice President
Mrs. Carol Dell'Erba
Mrs. Ann Donaldson
Mrs. Linda Jurs (arrived at 7:21 p.m.)

Members Absent

Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga
Ms. Elizabeth O'Brien

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 Ms. Pané, President. A motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular individuals, a confidential student matter, clerical and custodial negotiations and advice from counsel was made by A. Donaldson, seconded by C. Dell'Erba and approved. (4-0) Mrs. Jurs arrived at 7:21 p.m. Public session resumed at 7:30 p.m. at which time Ms. Pané, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of March 12, 2018, Special Meeting of March 26, 2018 and Special Meeting of April 9, 2018 were approved on motion by C. Dell'Erba and seconded by L. Jurs. (5-0)

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S AND BUSINESS OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for February 2018 and Internal Claims Audit Report for January 2018 and February 2018 were approved on motion by A. Donaldson seconded by D. Montalto. (5-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A Student Council Delegate reported that student council members will be participating in the "Polar Plunge" next weekend at the Bay Shore Marina to benefit the Special Olympics. Plans are also in the works for a year-end field day that will generate funds for our final charitable contributions of the year. The 2018 spring musical was one for the record books. Legally Blonde had a completely sold out crowd for Friday night's performance. Well done to all who were involved. They also reported on activities in the Fine Arts and Science Departments.

Mrs. Rozzi reported the following:

- **All-School Musical:** A few weeks ago I had the pleasure of seeing the spring musical, *Legally Blonde*. The house was packed...both downstairs and up in the balcony. It was a terrific evening. Our students are so talented!
- **New York State 3 – 8 Assessments:** The ELA Assessments were administered last week at the GS and JSHS. Overall, the administration of the testing went smoothly. The NYS Mathematics Assessments are scheduled to be administered on May 1st and 2nd. Special thanks to all administrators who assisted in the distribution and collection process.
- **Advanced Placement News:** The AP exam review schedule is complete and Mr. D'Amico has posted all updates to the district website. Additionally, a supplemental AP newsletter will be mailed to all homes which highlights existing and new offerings, contains student quotes, etc. to champion the AP initiative in Babylon.
- **May Meeting to Discuss Wilson Tech Program Opportunities:** We have this as a presentation topic for the May meeting. As all of you may agree, the occupational education programs WS BOCES offers through their Wilson Tech campus are extraordinary! We can be happy to say we are a district that supports such work-based career planning programs.

- **Security Update:** The District ordered and received intruder lock sets which allow the classroom teacher to lock the classroom from the inside. Installation will begin within the next two weeks. This will complete all classrooms in the ES and GS. We will begin this process in the HS in July. I will be reinforcing this upgrade at Tuesday’s Safety Forum, which takes place tomorrow evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. at BES. Please join us if your time allows.
- **Meeting with the MTA/Village and 1st Precinct:** On Friday we organized a meeting with representatives from the MTA Police, the 1st Precinct and the Village to discuss safety concerns with the junior~senior high school being in close proximity to the Babylon Railway Station. I was pleasantly surprised to hear the MTA has two cars that are in the nearby area and often at the station, and that much has been accomplished through their partnership with the Village and the MTA to begin reducing the homeless and drug situation. Overall, it was an impressive meeting with people coming together as we made each other aware and continue to work towards a solution.
- **Recent Moody’s Report:** On April 5th, Moody’s Investor Service released their annual update/credit overview. Similar to last year, Moody’s opinions regarding the District’s credit worthiness and financial position is very positive.

BUILDING PRESENTATION

Mr. Davey, Principal, presented a power point on the learning progress of students beginning in kindergarten to second grade. Ms. Stacey Aprea and Ms. Alyssa Freeman, teachers, presented a video of a lesson plan from the book “Actual size” to incorporate in a mathematics lesson on measurements.

BUDGET PRESENTATION

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Peter Daly, Deputy Superintendent, presented Presentation #6 of the Proposed 2018-2019 School Budget to the Board of Education and Community. Please note new location for Budget Vote & Trustee Election to the East Gymnasium at the Babylon Junior-Senior High School.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Donaldson, audit committee chair, reported that the auditors are continuing work and will keep us posted as to when our year-end wrap up will be. Mrs. Jurs, finance committee chair, reported that the committee met on April 9th and went over the last budget detail. Mrs. Pané reported on behalf of Mr. Bencivenga, buildings and grounds committee chair, that the Board approved the contract awards at the last meeting for the remaining work to take place this summer. Next meeting will be held on April 30th. Mrs. Dell’Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported that the committee will be meeting on April 23rd to continue discussion on the mini-grant process. Mrs. Rozzi, on behalf of Ms. O’Brien, policy committee chair, reported that the next meeting will be held on May 3rd. There is one policy on the agenda tonight for a first reading policy 4772/4772R-Graduation Ceremonies/Regulation. All meetings will be posted on the district website.

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, made a statement regarding 2018-2019 school year business course offerings.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

New Business

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by C. Dell’Erba, seconded by L. Jurs, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-17 were approved (5-0).

On omnibus motion by L. Jurs, seconded by A. Donaldson an omnibus motion to approve Resolutions 1-17 were approved (5-0)

ANNUAL BUDGET

1. **ANNUAL BUDGET: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the proposed tax levy-cap compliant budget for the 2018-2019 school year in the amount of \$53,035,604 and that such budget be submitted to the voters for approval. The proposed budget has been established at the allowable tax levy of 3.20%.

PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

2. **PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD: BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Property Tax Report Card as required by State Education Law Sections 1608, 1716(7) and 2601-a(3) for the 2018-2019 school year.

**SCHOOL
CALENDAR**

3. **SCHOOL CALENDAR: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the proposed school calendar for the school year 2018-2019, as attached.

**PROBATIONARY
APPOINTMENT
ELEMENTARY
TEACHER**

4. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ELEMENTARY TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation from the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Brittany Mueller as an elementary teacher effective September 1, 2018 to September 1, 2021*. Compensation for this assignment is Step 1/BA of the 2018-2019 Babylon Teachers' Association salary schedule. (\$54,970) Ms. Mueller holds an initial certificate in Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) and Childhood Education Grades (1-6)

**SUBSTITUTE
AIDE/MONITOR
APPOINTMENT**

5. **SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITOR APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED:** that on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Dorota Bosenbeck as a substitute aide/monitor effective April 17, 2018 to June 30, 2018. Compensation for this assignment to be \$13.60/hour.

**SUBSTITUTE
CUSTODIAL
APPOINTMENT**

6. **SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED:** that on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Miguel Estevez as a substitute custodian effective April 17, 2018 to June 30, 2018. Compensation for this assignment to be \$11.00/hour.

**ABOLISHMENT OF
POSITION**

7. **ABOLISHMENT OF POSITION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby abolishes one position in the business teacher 7-12 tenure area, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the position abolished shall be discontinued effective July 1, 2018, to wit: Andrew Marulis

**INTERNSHIP/
STUDENT
TEACHER**

8. **INTERNSHIP/STUDENT TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following school counseling internship and student teacher placement for the 2018-2019 school year as follows:
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| <u>Intern</u> | | <u>Cooperating Supervisor</u> |
| Richard Seifert | School Counseling/LIU | Steve Vaccaro |
| <u>Student Teacher</u> | | |
| Danielle Villanueva | Spanish/SUNY Cortland | Michelle Scharff |

**FIRST READING
POLICY 4772/4772R
GRADUATION
CEREMONIES**

9. **FIRST READING POLICY 4772/4772R-GRADUATION CEREMONIES: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education conducts a first reading of policy 4772-Graduation Ceremonies/4772R Graduation Ceremonies Regulation and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waives the formal first reading of policy 4772-Graduation Ceremonies/4772R Graduation Ceremonies Regulation, as attached.

**SUMMER
TRANSPORTATION
EXTENSION
CONTRACT**

10. **SUMMER TRANSPORTATION EXTENSION CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the summer transportation extension contract between the Babylon UFSD and Suffolk Transportation Systems, Inc. From July 1, 2018 to August 31, 2018.

**LICENSE AND
OPERATING
AGREEMENT WITH
SCOPE EDUCATION
SERVICES**

11. **LICENSE AND OPERATING AGREEMENT WITH SCOPE EDUCATION SERVICES: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the license and operating agreement between the Board of Education and SCOPE Education Services for the 2018-2019 school year.

**JOINT MUNICIPAL
COOPERATIVE
BIDDING
PROGRAM**

12. **JOINT MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE BIDDING PROGRAM: WHEREAS**, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and **WHEREAS**, the Babylon UFSD, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the “Participant”) is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and **WHEREAS**, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the “Program”) in the areas mentioned above; and **WHEREAS**, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES’ standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and **WHEREAS**, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding the bids, and reporting the results to the Participant. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

**HEALTH &
WELFARE SERVICE
AGREEMENT**

13. **HEALTH & WELFARE SERVICE AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Service agreement between the Babylon UFSD and Hicksville School district for the 2017-2018 school year.

**EDUCATIONAL
SERVICES
AGREEMENT**

14. **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Educational Services Agreement between Babylon UFSD and Hope For Youth for the 2017-2018 school year.

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

15. **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 2017-2018 school year between the Babylon UFSD and Developmental Disabilities Institute -SED CAR 2017-18 #6).

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

16. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL 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 the Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases dated January 2018 to March 2018.

DONATION

17. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of a 2002 GEM car from Babylon Village, with appreciation for this generous gift.

Mrs. Rozzi congratulated Brittany Mueller and thanked the Village of Babylon for Gem car.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. D’Amico spoke about new guidance on the inclusion of mental health in the Health Curriculum. Dr. Daly spoke about the turf field usage permits.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

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

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The Board of Education addressed comments/questions from visitors regarding business course offerings and the school calendar.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education will hold a Special Meeting on April 24, 2018, Work/Study Meeting on Monday April 30, 2018 and Public Hearing on Proposed 2018-2019 School Budget/Regular Business Meeting on Monday, May 7, 2018 in the Babylon Junior-Senior High School Library.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:28 p.m., there being no other items, the meeting was adjourned on motion by D. Bencivenga, seconded by L. Jurs and approved (5-0)