

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: August 29, 2016

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

Members Present

Mrs. Ann Donaldson, President

Ms. Tricia Pané, Vice President

Mrs. Elizabeth Altbacker

Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga

Mrs. Carol Ann Dell'Erba

Mrs. Linda Jurs

Mr. Dominick Montalto (arrived at 7:00 p.m.)

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 the employment history of particular individuals and advice from counsel was made by E. Altbacker, seconded by L. Jurs and approved. (6-0) Mr. Montalto arrived at 7:00 p.m. Public session resumed at 7:04 p.m. at which time Mrs. Donaldson, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of August 15, 2016 was approved on motion by C. Dell'Erba and seconded by D. Bencivenga. (7-0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for July 2016 were approved on motion by T. Pané and seconded D. Montalto. (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, reported that the District's annual orientation day welcoming back all faculty and staff is scheduled for Tuesday, September 6th. The first day of school for all students is Wednesday, September 7th. The district held our annual New Teacher Institute on August 29th. The day was planned by the BTA and filled with informative induction workshops that will help ease the transitions of our new teachers. The district also had our teacher eSchool Grade Book trainers in to work with the eSchool representative on aspects of the online Grade Book. Our 7-12 instructional staff will receive their first round of grade book training on Orientation Day, September 7th. The district received a letter from Suffolk Transportation thanking us for awarding them the summer transportation bid. The original bid was for \$113,000 for the summer program. They completed their invoicing and the actual total billing to Babylon Schools was \$98,440. We are pleased to report we came in under budget, we hit our 30% shared service target and the actual shared service credit to the District was \$34,744.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

T. Pané, committee chair, reported that the audit committee met this evening to discuss the responses from the State mandated RFP for external auditors. The committee will be meeting again on Monday September 19th at 5:30 p.m. to review the draft report of key control test areas and that will include extra-curricular activity funds, disaster recovery, home teaching, payroll disbursements and purchasing. Mr. Bencivenga, buildings and grounds committee chair, reported that the school construction managers and architects are here this evening to present an update at the buildings and grounds committee meeting this evening. Mr. Montalto, technology committee chair, reported that the technology committee meeting will be held immediately following the buildings and grounds committee meeting this evening. Mrs. Dell'Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported the committee will be meeting on September 19th at 3:00 p.m., followed by meetings on November 28th, January 23rd and March 27th. Ms. Altbacker, policy committee chair, reported that the policy committee will be meeting on September 8th at 3:15 p.m. As there were no other reports, the Board moved to the next item. All meetings will be posted on the website.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEM

The Board of Education addressed questions from visitors on agenda Item #'s 2, 3, 4. A board member asked how the new appointees will be welcomed. Mrs. Rozzi mentioned that after the consent agenda, we will acknowledge and welcome the new appointees sitting in the audience.

New Business

- OMNIBUS MOTION** On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by C. Dell’Erba, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-16 were approved (7-0).
On omnibus motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by T. Pané an omnibus motion to move Resolutions 1-16 were approved (7-0)
- LEAVE OF ABSENCE** 1. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the request from Jennifer Mangone, social studies teacher, for an unpaid leave of absence effective September 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.
- PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL** 2. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Jennifer Mangone as assistant principal, assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, effective September 1, 2016 through September 1, 2020*. Compensation for this assignment to be \$120,000 prorated for the 2016-2017 school year. Mrs. Mangone holds an initial certificate as a School Building Leader.
- PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHER** 3. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the probationary appointment of Rebecca Castilla as a foreign language teacher effective September 1, 2016 through September 1, 2020*. Compensation for this assignment is Step2/MA of the 2016/2017 Babylon Teachers’ Association salary schedule. (\$62,581) Ms. Castilla holds a professional certificate in Spanish 7-12 and Professional Extension in Spanish 5-6.
- APPOINTMENT PART-TIME MATHEMATICS TEACHER** 4. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME MATHEMATICS TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Danielle Fischer as a part-time (.6 FTE) mathematics teacher effective September 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Compensation for this assignment to be .6 FTE of Step 1/MA of the 2016-2017 Babylon Teachers Association salary schedule. (.6 FTE \$60,445) Ms. Fischer holds an initial certification in mathematics 7-12.
- LEAVE REPLACEMENT SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER** 5. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Alyssa Choinski as a social studies teacher effective September 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Compensation for this assignment to be Step1/BA+15 of the 2016-2017 Babylon Teachers’ Association salary schedule. (\$55,628) Ms. Choinski holds an initial certificate in Social Studies 7-12.
- LEAVE REPLACEMENT MUSIC TEACHER** 6. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT MUSIC TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Ashley Tomei as a leave replacement music teacher effective September 1, 2016 to January 27, 2017. Compensation for this assignment to be Step1/BA of the 2016-2017 Babylon Teachers’ Association salary schedule. (\$53,490) Ms. Tomei holds an initial certificate in Music.
- PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENT** 7. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Brittany Mueller as a per diem substitute teacher for the 2016-2017 school year. Compensation for this assignment to be \$110.00/day.
- SALARY AMENDMENT** 8. **SALARY AMENDMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby increases the salary of Linda Pesce, Secretary to the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent, to \$80,358.00, effective July 1, 2016.

Mrs. Rozzi congratulated Jennifer Mangone, Rebecca Castilla, Danielle Fischer, Ashley Tomei and Ms. Choinski on their appointments..

**REPRESENTATIVES
OF ORGANIZATIONS**

As there were no reports from representatives of organizations, the Board moved to the next item.

**QUESTIONS FROM
VISITORS**

As there were no questions/comments from visitors, the Board moved to the next item.

**FUTURE BOARD
MEETINGS**

The Board of Education will hold a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:43 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by D. Bencivenga and approved (7-0)

**In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three of the four preceding years and if the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. Classroom teacher and building principal means a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in sections 30-2.2 and 30-3.2 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education.*