

**MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**DATE OF MEETING:** September 14, 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  
Mrs. Donna Noesi  
Mrs. Tricia Pané

Members Absent

Mr. Dominick Montalto

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 individuals and advice from counsel was made by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Noesi and approved. (6-0) 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 August 10, 2020, Special Meeting of August 25, 2020 and Regular Business Meeting of August 31, 2020 were approved on motion by T. Pané and seconded by A. Donaldson. (6-0)

**APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S AND BUSINESS OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for July 2020 and August 2020 were approved on motion by D. Noesi, seconded by A. Donaldson. (6-0)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools, thanked everyone involved in this year's school opening. Schools opened on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and despite the flooding during morning arrivals, the broken transformer that was in the village, the students and the staff were very happy to be back on our campuses. The day was spent welcoming students back to some new routines and the buildings were in great physical shape thanks to our amazing custodial, grounds and maintenance crews. Earlier last week buildings held grade three and incoming kindergarten orientations which were staggered, yet smooth. Overall, our incoming classes and their parents were happy to join us as newcomers to their respective buildings. Again, thank you, principals and staff, for that job well done. On tonight's agenda you will notice a resolution to partner with Suffolk County government and opt into the Stop Arm Camera partnership program. The program is designed to be of no burden to the school districts, all the district has to do is opt-in by school board resolution and the camera vendor coordinates with the school bus company to install and maintain the cameras that will catch and fine motorists who pass an idle school bus with the stop arm down, indicating children are either boarding or disembarking a school bus. This program costs absolutely nothing for a school district to participate. Numerous Suffolk County districts are opting into this program. The elementary and grade school open house events are being rescheduled and parents are being notified of this change. Thank you to buildings and grounds and maintenance crews who did an amazing job prepping the schools for students and staff safe return. A special thanks to our elementary and grade school parents who beautified both the elementary and grade school playgrounds with asphalt games for the students to enjoy. Welcome back everyone!

**COMMITTEE  
REPORTS**

Mrs. Donaldson, audit committee chair, reported that we are currently waiting the reports from the auditors and when we have them we will share them out to you. Mrs. Jurs, finance committee chair, reported that the first meeting of the year will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup>. On behalf of Mr. Montalto, buildings and grounds committee chair, Mrs. Rozzi reported that the two new bathrooms in the high school look great. Rowe Hall entrance steps and handicapped entrance are complete. Mrs. Noesi, technology committee chair, reported that the first meeting will be September 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. Dell’Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported that they will be meeting on September 22, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Mrs. Pané, policy committee chair, reported that the committee met today and reviewed policy 5500 student records and regulation this policy is being modified to reflect the recent state regulations implementing Education Law 2-d regarding data privacy and security. This policy will be up for its first reading in October and second reading in November. Committee meetings are posted on the district website.

New Business

**OMNIBUS MOTION**

On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by A. Donaldson, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-16 were approved (6-0).

On omnibus motion by L. Jurs, seconded by T. Pané an omnibus motion to approve Resolutions 1-16 were approved (6-0)

**RESIGNATION**

1. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignation of Kevin Kavanagh, maintenance crew leader, effective September 4, 2020, with best wishes on his retirement.

**RESIGNATION**

2. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignation of Kathy Fitzgerald, aide, effective September 1, 2020, with best wishes on her retirement.

**RESIGNATION**

3. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignation of Karen Brodman, aide, effective September 1, 2020, with best wishes in her future endeavors.

**PART-TIME AIDE  
APPOINTMENT**

4. **PART-TIME AIDE APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the part-time aide appointment of Lisa Harvey from September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for this position 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)

**PART-TIME  
MONITOR  
APPOINTMENTS**

5. **PART-TIME MONITOR APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following part-time monitor appointments from September 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for these positions 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)

Doreen Pacini    Robyn Gricka

**RESCIND  
SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHER  
APPOINTMENT**

6. **RESCIND SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the appointment of Luke Merz as a per diem substitute teacher for the 2020-2021 school year.

**PERMANENT  
SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHER  
APPOINTMENTS**

7. **PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following candidates to serve as permanent substitute teachers on assignment effective September 1, 2020 to June 25, 2021. Compensation for these assignments to be \$156.00/per day.

Luke Merz                      Cassandra Johnson                      Brittany Burke

**PER DIEM  
SUBSTITUTE  
TEACHER**

8. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Kaitlyn Fitzgerald as a per diem substitute teacher effective September 15, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for this assignment 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.

**SUBSTITUTE  
CUSTODIAL  
APPOINTMENT**

9. **SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Joseph Rizzuto as a substitute custodian effective September 9, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Compensation for this assignment to be at the substitute custodial rate of pay of \$13.00/hour.

**MENTOR  
APPOINTMENTS**

10. **MENTOR APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following teachers as mentors for the 2020-2021 school year. Compensation for these positions to be as specified in the 2020-2021 Babylon Teachers’ Association Contract (\$1103 for the 2020-2021 school year or three (3) in-service credits per semester)

| <u>New Teacher</u> | <u>Mentor</u> |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Caroline Figoski   | Kelly Arcoleo |
| Nicole Gamble      | Kim Gentile   |
| Briana Mullady     | Eileen Ratto  |

**OBSOLETE ITEMS**

11. **OBSOLETE ITEMS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following obsolete items: Minolta Printer (Model MC2200GDI-1 and Overhead Projector (S/N #480255)

**APPROPRIATION  
TRANSFERS**

12. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following appropriation transfers for the 2020-2021 school year:

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|----|-------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | From: | A 2010.1504-01-000 | Curr Develop/Supv-Directors | (14,000.00) |
|    | From: | A 2110.1383-01-000 | Tch/Reg Sch-Career Incr     | (2,548.00)  |
|    | To:   | A 2020.1505-01-000 | Supv-Admin Asst Jr/Sr HS    | 16,548.00   |

This transfer is necessary due to additional stipends added.

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|----|-------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------|
| 2. | From: | A 2110.1200-02-000 | Tch/Reg Sch Inst 3-6 | (10,200.00) |
|    | To:   | A 2020.1582-02-000 | Supv-Instr Long      | 10,200.00   |

This transfer is necessary due to contract settlement.

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|----|-------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 3. | From: | A 2320.1517-00-000 | Summer School      | (14,081.00) |
|    | To:   | A 2251.1582-00-000 | Spec Ed-Instr Long | 14,081.00   |

This transfer is necessary due to contract settlement.

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| 4. | From: | A 2110.4900-00-000 | Tch/Reg Sch-BOCES       | (36,114.00) |
|    | To:   | A 2630.5100-00-000 | Computer Instr-Gen Supp | 36,114.00   |

This transfer is necessary to purchase computers for COVID replacement teachers.

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| 5. | From: | A 2810.1507-01-000 | Guidance-Instr Sal | (25,662.00) |
|    | To:   | A 2810.1507-02-000 | Guidance-Instr Sal | 25,662.00   |

This transfer is necessary to realign salary costs with budget code.

**OPT-IN  
AGREEMENT**

13. **OPT-IN AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Babylon UFSD intends to participate in the County of Suffolk School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program (hereinafter the “Stop Arm Program”). WHEREAS, the Stop Arm Program is authorized under New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law §1174-a; WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS VTL §1174-a, in order to participate in the Program, the School District must enter into an agreement with the County. WHEREAS, the Babylon UFSD intends to execute the School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-In Agreement, and enter into the Stop Arm Program. RESOLVED, the Babylon UFSD Board of Education hereby acknowledges and approves the Suffolk County School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-in Agreement made between the County of Suffolk, Babylon UFSD, Bus Patrol America LLC, and John Bosch Bus, Inc., and agrees to be bound by its terms.

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

14. **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 following providers: Adults and Children with Learning and Developmental Disabilities, Inc. (SEDCAR 2020-2021-#1), Developmental Disabilities Institute (SEDCAR 2020-2021 #3), Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center (SEDCAR 2020-2021-#5), Green Chimneys School (SEDCAR 2020-2021 #6), Nassau Suffolk Services for the Autistic, Inc. (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#7), NYSARC-Suffolk (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#8), Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy Center, Inc. (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#9), Metro Therapy, Inc (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#12), Kidz Therapy Services, PLLC (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#13), County of Suffolk acting through its duly constituted Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SEDCAR 2020.2021-#14).

**SPECIAL  
EDUCATION  
SERVICES  
CONTRACT**

15. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education services contract for the 2019-2020 school between the Babylon UFSD and Massapequa School District.

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

16. **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 May 14, 2020-September 3, 2020.

**TEN YEAR TAX  
ANTICIPATION  
NOTE RESOLUTION**

17. **TEN YEAR TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION: BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Education of Babylon Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, as follows: Section 1. The power to authorize, from time to time and year to year, the issuance and sale of tax anticipation notes of Babylon Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, including renewals thereof, in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes levied or to be levied for any fiscal year, is hereby delegated to the President of the board of Education, the chief fiscal officer, it being hereby determined that such power shall also include the issuance and sale of tax anticipation notes of said School District within ten days prior to the commencement of a fiscal year in anticipation of the collection of taxes levied for such fiscal year. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be determined by said President of the Board of Education, pursuant to the Local Finance Law. Section 2. It is the intent of this Board of Education that this resolution shall be of ten years duration until otherwise modified, amended, revoked, rescinded or repealed. Section 3. This resolution shall supersede any tax anticipation note resolutions previously adopted by the Board of Education of said School District. Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately. (Roll call required)

On motion by A. Donaldson, seconded by L. Jurs, Resolution 17 was put to a roll call vote:  
Voting Yes: Mrs. Dell’Erba, Mrs. Pané, Mrs. Donaldson, Mrs. Jurs, Mrs. Noesi, Ms. O’Brien  
Absent: Mr. Montalto  
Resolution 17 passed 6-0.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mrs. Rozzi addressed questions emailed regarding: use of sports organizations using district fields, how mask breaks are conducted, public attendance at Board of Education meetings, AP sections, virtual schedule, Section XI decision cancelling sports programs until January.

**REPRESENTATIVES  
OF ORGANIZATIONS**

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

**QUESTIONS FROM  
VISITORS**

Mrs. Rozzi addressed questions emailed under Other Business.

**FUTURE BOARD  
MEETINGS**

The Board of Education will hold a Regular Business Meeting on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:55 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by L. Jurs seconded by D. Noesi and approved (6-0)