

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

DATE OF MEETING:

November 2, 2021

PLACE:

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

Members Present

Mrs. Carol Ann Dell'Erba, President

Mrs. Linda Jurs, Vice President

Mr. Dominick Montalto

Mrs. Donna Noesi

Mrs. Theresa Patiri

Mr. David Sonkin

District Superintendent

Mrs. Linda J. Rozzi

Central Office Administration

Mr. Travis Davey, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

District Clerk

Carol Feudi

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Dell'Erba, President. A motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular individual and advice from counsel was made by L. Jurs, seconded by D. Noesi and approved. (6-0) Public session resumed at 7:00 p.m. at which time Mrs. Dell'Erba, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mrs. Dell'Erba reported that based upon information provided to the Board by the Superintendent, a complaint was received by the District, which was fully investigated. She added that the Board is unable to share what specific personnel action was taken as a result of the investigation conducted.

RESOLUTION:

On motion by N. Montalto; seconded by D. Sonkin the following resolution was approved (6-0):
RESOLUTION: RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a Settlement Agreement and Release, as more fully discussed in executive session, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board of Education

SUPERINTENENT'S MESSAGE

Mr. Gary Steffanetta, counsel for the district, stated that the Board approved a settlement agreement with a certain staff member, who has resigned from his position the close of business November 8, 2021. No further comments on this case may be made as by law, this individual has seven days to revoke the agreement.

QUESTIONS COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Discussions were held with parents, the Board members and administration regarding the following:

- The appreciation for the Administration's and Board's expedited investigation into the allegation
- Culture of the district and addressing allegations
- Virtual instruction and continuation of educational program for students
- DASA and moral character complaint forms

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Education Regular Business Meeting will be held Monday, November 15, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:39 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).

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

At 7:43 p.m., on motion by T. Patiri; seconded by L. Jurs, the Board called the public session back to order to re-open the podium for visitors (6-0)

QUESTIONS COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Discussions were held with parents, the Board members and administration regarding the following:

- Trust among students and staff
- Accountability of all staff
- Coaching and extracurricular activities
- Survey for students, staff and parents

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- Teacher pension and tenure laws
- Process of investigations

**MOTION TO ENTER
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion by T. Patiri, Seconded by L. Jurs, the Board adjourned the business portion of the meeting to meet in executive session at 8:40 p.m. to discuss the personnel history of a particular individual. Mrs. Dell'Erba stated that the Board would not return to public session this evening and that the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting would take place on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 7:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



**CAROL FEUDI,
DISTRICT CLERK**