

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: September 12, 2022
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 (absent)
Mr. Ari McKenzie
Mr. Dominick Montalto (absent)
Mrs. Donna Noesi
Mrs. Theresa Patiri
Mr. David Sonkin

APPROVED

Interim Superintendent

Mr. Brian L. Conboy

Central Office Administration

Ms. Deirdre Lunetta, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ms. Carisa Manza, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

District Clerk

Linda McGarvey

School Attorney

Doug Spencer
Nicole Murphy

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by C. Dell'Erba, President. A motion to enter executive session by T. Patiri and seconded by D. Noesi, for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular individuals and advice from counsel was made. (5-0) Public session resumed at 7:30 p.m. at which time C. Dell'Erba, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 22, 2022 were approved on motion by D. Noesi and seconded by A. McKenzie. (5-0)

TREASURER'S AND BUSINESS OFFICE FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Treasurer's Report and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Reports for August 2022 were approved on motion by T. Patiri and seconded by D. Sonkin. (5-0)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Education committee chairs had no news to report at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Good evening, everybody and thank you, Mrs. Dell'Erba. So, our last meeting was August 22nd and that night, if you were here, you heard me say "Ready or not, the students our going to come on the first day of school" and, of course, they did. It was a pretty rainy day unfortunately, but spirits were very high in the district that day. There was a lot happening this summer to get the schools ready to go. Our buildings and grounds folks did an excellent job.

As you know, we have a lot of new people here in the district, not only myself as the Interim Superintendent, my colleague, Ms. Manza just started today as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, and I am so happy to have her here. We have two new principals in three buildings. Miss Callahan assumed her position as Assistant Principal. Ms. Lunetta is only in her second year. Mr. Lorefice is in his second year. So, the point I made to the teachers and staff when we brought everybody back for our meeting, our little family meeting, before the school year began, is that through all this newness, the kids don't care and parents don't care, and you shouldn't have to. So, we needed to make sure we were ready to go on day one and we were.

There are no inconsequential years in the business of education, so whether you have an interim superintendent or not, the kindergarten parent doesn't care that there is an interim superintendent. The kindergarten parent cares whether their kid is being cared for and valued. And the senior doesn't care who

is leading the district at any time, the senior wants to know that the school year is going to be great. And all those kids in between feel the same way.

So, I think that will be our theme. The theme that I discussed with the teachers is "Preserve, Restore and Advance" here in Babylon. There are a lot of great things to be preserve, there are some things that need to be restored, things like trust and confidence, and that is the only way that we can do it. So that is the message we gave everybody, and they really responded well to it. I can't really say enough about the cooperation and spirit amongst the staff and so I am very enthusiastic about what we can do this school year.

We all wore red, white, and blue today. Obviously, 9/11 was yesterday, but it should always be properly remembered, that day must not be forgotten.

Our Open Houses are this week at the Elementary School and Grade School. Tuesday is the Grade School and Wednesday is the Elementary School. And then, later in the month, on the 29th of September, is the Open House for the Jr./Sr. High School. Those are important nights. You get to meet your child's teacher and you get to ask some questions about what will be going on in the school year.

And, again, another reminder that we have an early home coming this year. A week from this coming Saturday, September 24th, so we look forward to seeing everybody out on that day.

Thank you very much for your attention.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/
QUESTIONS**

Darcy Bennet, Thomas Cleary, Eileen Berry, Katchlin Janawsky, Desiree Harkins, Danielle Skarulis, Tom Kenny, Angela Campagna, Fumi Otomo and Crystal Miller approached the Board with questions/comments.

NEW BUSINESS

OMNIBUS MOTION

C. Dell'Erba requested a motion to omnibus Items 1-23. This was approved on motion by A. McKenzie and seconded by D. Noesi. (5-0)

C. Dell'Erba requested a motion to approve Items 1-31. This was approved on motion by D. Noesi and seconded by D. Sonkin. (5-0)

1. **PROBATIONARY .6 FTE ELEMENTARY TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Kim DeRosa as a .6 Probationary Elementary Teacher assigned to the Library at the Babylon Elementary School, effective September 1, 2022 to September 1, 2025*. Compensation for this assignment to be .6 of Step 2/MA of the 2022-2023 Babylon Teachers' Association contract. (\$39,655)
2. **RESCIND SUBSTITUTE MONITOR/AIDE APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the appointments of Joan Crowley as substitute monitors/aides for the 2022-2023 school year.
3. **RESCIND PART-TIME MONITOR APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the appointments of Tracey Bellone, Alexa Tenety, and Christine Rosenberg as a part-time monitor for the 2022-2023 school year.
4. **RESCIND PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the appointment of Kaitlyn Fitzgerald and Alyssa Intreglia as a per diem substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year.
5. **PART-TIME AIDE APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following part-time aide appointments from September 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the 2022-2023 Aides and Monitors Association contract. (Step 1-\$18.62, Step 2-\$18.94, Step 3-\$19.30)

Elementary School

Christine Rosenberg

Grade School

Tracey Bellone

6. **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, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the 2022-2023 Aides and Monitors Association contract. (Step 1-\$17.32, Step 2-\$17.63, Step 3-\$18.00)

Elementary School

Joan Crowley Mersia Daci Maria Cecilia Kleisler
 Cynthia Noeth Michelle Moschorak

Grade School

Gabrielle Freeman Yuko Doll

7. **SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITOR APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following substitute aide and monitor appointments effective September 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Compensation for this assignment to be in accordance with the substitute monitor/aide pay. (\$15.00/hour)

Elementary School

Alexa Tenety

High School

Debbie Cannetti

8. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of following per diem substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. Compensation for these assignments 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.

9. **SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Leslie S. Witthohn as a substitute custodian for the 2022-2023 school year. Compensation to be at the substitute rate of \$15.00/hour.

10. **FOOD SERVICE WORKER STIPEND: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a one-time stipend of \$600 for Maggie Kelland for summer work performed in the absence of a food service director.

11. **CASUAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Chris Morra as Driver Education Instructor for the 2022-2023 school year. Compensation for this appointment to be \$100 per student participating in the program. Mr. Morra holds a Driver Education Teacher Certificate (MV-283) which allows him to teach the DMV approved pre-licensing course at a high school or college.

12. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following casual appointments for the 2022-2023 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract for the 2022-2023 school year:

JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL		
PUBLICATIONS		
Senior Yearbook Advisor	Cheryl Schweider & (co-advisors) Patricia Stork	(\$6,944 Split two ways)
School Paper Advisor (Panther Tales)	Keith Fasano, (co-advisors) Kaitlin Loos & Patricia Stork	(\$3,916 Split three ways)
Literary Magazine Advisor (Visions)	Keith Fasano, (co-advisors) Kaitlin Loos & Patricia Stork	(\$2,741 Split three ways)
COMPETITION/PERFORMANCE		

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All School Musical		
Production Director	Rebecca Olivieri	(\$5,893)
Producer/Technical Director	Edward Storey	(\$4,125)
Musical Director	Charles Leech	(\$4,125)
Pit Band Director	Ashley Tomei	(\$3,504)
Choreographer	Rebecca Olivieri	(\$784)
Drama Production		
Production Director	Rebecca Olivieri	(\$5,893)
Producer/Technical Director	Edward Storey	(\$4,125)
Extra-Curricular Music		
Band (SHS)	Charles Leech	(\$1,566)
Band (JHS)	Angela Turk	(\$1,566)
Choral (SHS)	Edward Storey	(\$1,566)
Choral (JHS)	Edward Storey	(\$1,566)
Select Chorus	Edward Storey	(\$1,566)
Orchestra	Ashley Tomei	(\$1,566)
Chamber Orchestra Ensemble	Ashley Tomei	(\$1,566)
Jazz Band (SHS)	Charles Leech	(\$2,741)
Jazz Lab Band	Angela Turk	(\$1,566)
Marching Band	Angela Turk	(\$1,762)
Marching Band	Charles Leech	(\$1,762)
Debate Team		
Advisor	Jessica Kahn	(\$4,698)
DECA Club		
Head Advisor	Claire Reilly	(\$3,916)
Assistant Advisor	Edward Storey	(\$2,741)
Math Team		
Advisor (JHS)	Christian Murphy	(\$1,762)
Mock Trial		
Advisor	Marissa Scholl	(\$3,134)
Advisor	Alyssa Brunson	(\$3,134)
Robotics Club		
Advisor (SHS)	Brian Katz	(\$4,698)
Advisor (JHS)	Peter Mankes	(\$4,698)
Science Fair		
Liaison	Patrick Donaldson	(\$1,566)
Secretary/Treasurer Athletics	John Greaney	(\$3,276)
ACADEMIC		
Class Advisors		
Senior Class	Linda Fama	(\$3,134)
Senior Class	Jaime Harrison	(\$3,134)
Junior Class	Madeline Lee	(\$2,740)
Junior Class	Barbara O'Halloran	(\$2,740)
Sophomore Class	Ashley Jones	(\$1,762)
Sophomore Class	Christopher Ryan	(\$1,762)
Freshman Class	Barbara Small	(\$1,566)
Freshman Class	Stephanie Greaney	(\$1,566)
Student Council		
Senior High School	Linda Fama	(\$3,916)
Senior High School	Brooke Carey	(\$3,916)
Junior High School	Keith Fasano	(\$3,134)
Honor Societies		
National Honor Society (SHS)	Marissa Scholl	(\$1,566)
National Honor Society (SHS)	Kaitlyn Loos	(\$1,566)
National Honor Society (JHS)	Barbara Small	(\$1,566)
National Honor Society (JHS)	Stephanie Greaney	(\$1,566)

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National Art Honor Society	Cheryl Schweider	(\$1,566)
National Business Honor Society	Claire Reilly	(\$1,566)
National English Honor Society	Joan Johanson & (co-advisors) Barbara Small	(\$1,566 split two ways)
National French Honor Society	Melissa Anderson	(\$1,566)
National Science Honor Society	Andrew Sheltz & (co-advisors) Kristin Yevoli	(\$1,566 Split two ways)
National Social Studies Honor Society (replaces Thoreau Honor Society)	Nicole Blair	(\$1,566)
National Spanish Honor Society	Michelle Scharff	(\$1,566)
National Thespian Honor Society	Rebecca Olivieri	(\$1,566)
CLUBS – TIER 1		
Art Club (SHS)	Cheryl Schweider	(\$3,134)
Art Club (JHS)	Patricia Stork	(\$2,351)
Best Buddies (Babylon Buddies)	Jaime Harrison	(\$2,351)
Best Buddies (Babylon Buddies)	Barbara O'Halloran	(\$2,351)
Leo Club	Lisa Brush	(\$2,351)
Leo Club	Michael Birnbaum	(\$2,351)
E Sports (replaces Student Store)	Michael Birnbaum	(\$2,351)
CLUBS – TIER 2		
Environmental Club	Ashley Jones	(\$1,566)
Family & Consumer Sciences	Lisa Brush (co-advisors) & Jenna Schwartz	(\$1,566 Split two ways)
Safe Space	Brooke Carey	(\$1,566)
Sign Language Club	Nicole O'Donnell	(\$1,566)
Surf Club (replaces SEA/Interact)	Kyle Cropsey	(\$1,566)
Technology Club	Pete Mankes	(\$1,566)
World Language Club (JHS)	Sarah Caldwell	(\$1,566)
World Language Club (SHS)	Melissa Anderson	(\$1,566)
Natural Helpers	Edward Storey	(\$1,566)
Natural Helpers	Melissa Anderson	(\$1,566)
Natural Helpers	Allison Lepore	(\$1,566)
Natural Helpers	Barbara Small	(\$1,566)
Mixed Media Club (replaces Writers' Club)	Keith Fasano, (co-advisors) Kaitlin Loos & Patricia Stork	(\$1,566 Split three ways)
Kickline Club	Cheryl Schweider	(\$1,566)
GRADE SCHOOL		
Extra-Curricular Music		
Swing Chorus	Colleen Angerami	(\$1,566)
ACADEMIC		
Student Council Grades 5 & 6	Nicole Cupo	(\$1,959)
Student Council Grades 3 & 4	Eric Kennedy	(\$1,959)
CLUBS – TIER 2		
Animal Club	Jessica Kurtz	(\$1,566)
Art Club	Laura Doherty	(\$1,566)
Babylon Buddies	Nicole Cupo & (co advisors) Ashley Belmonte	(\$1,566 Split two ways)
Bullet Journal	Amy Malone	(\$1,566)
Chess Club	Richard Punzone	(\$1,566)
Creative Writing	Lisa Necroto	(\$1,566)
Cross Country	Corinne Figoski	(\$1,566)
Intramurals	Olivia Stegner	(\$1,566)

Mathketeers	Kerrin Brennan	(\$1,566)
Mock Trial	Briana Mullady	(\$1,566)
Safety Patrol	Donna Hendrickson	(\$1,566)
Technology	Steve Fasciani	(\$1,566)
Under the Sea	Caroline Figoski	(\$1,566)
CLUBS – TIER 3		
Culture	Briana Mullady	(\$783)
Jewelry Factory	Nicole Gamble	(\$783)

13. **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 2022-2023 school year. Compensation for these positions to be as specified in the 2022-2023 Babylon Teachers' Association Contract (\$1,137 for the 2022-2023 school year or three (3) in-service credits per semester).

<u>New Teacher</u>	<u>Mentor</u>
Jacqueline Ryan	Cheryl Schweider
Ashley Jones	Barbara O'Halloran
Nicole O'Donnell	Keith Fasano
Cassidy Treanor	Rob Richardelli
Gabrielle Cetta	Beth Marinelli
Kelsey Ferguson	Jennifer Bell
Sarah Lawrence	Holy McLynch
Gina LoCastro-Connolly	Stacey Aprea
Hannah McGarvey	Danielle Vedder
Jamie Preziosi	Alyssa Freeman
Nicole Campanaro	Kelly Arcoleo
Olivia Stegner	Lauren Heck

14. **CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the consultant services agreement between the Babylon Union Free School District and Dr. James Paci of Orlin & Cohen Medical Specialists Group, Northwell Health, Inc. to provide medical coverage for Babylon Schools 2022 Fall home football games in accordance with NYSPHSAA and Section XI rules and regulations in the amount of \$250.00 per game/scrimmage/practice for the 2022-2023 school year.
15. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education consultant service contract for the 2022-2023 school year between the Babylon Union Free School District and Diversity, Dignity & Choice (DDC, Inc.)
16. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education consultant service contract for the 2022-2023 school year between the Babylon Union Free School District and Pediatric Center for Speech Pathology.
17. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education consultant service contract for the 2022-2023 school year between the Babylon Union Free School District and Little Angels Center, Inc.
18. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education consultant service contract for the 2022-2023 school year between the Babylon Union Free School District and the West Babylon Union Free School District

19. **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 August 24, 2022 through September 7, 2022.
20. **FINANCIAL ADVISORY AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, The Board of Education approves the financial advisory agreement between Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP and the Babylon Union Free School District for the 2022-2023 school year, for bond and tax anticipation note services.
21. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of a window air conditioning unit for the UPK classroom at the Elementary School valued at between \$600 and \$700, from The Southshore Children's Center.
22. **RESERVE FUNDS, TRANSFER; RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes a transfer from unassigned fund as of June 30, 2022 balance to fund reserves as follows:

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve	\$ 866,254
Retirement Contribution Reserve	\$ 300,000
Retirement Contribution (TRS) Reserve Sub Fund	\$ 200,000
23. **APPROPRIATION CHANGES: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following appropriation changes for the 2022-2023 school year:

Account Code	Description	From	To
A2251.4900-00-000	Spec Ed – BOCES	100,000.00	
A2251.4700-00-000	Spec Ed – Tuition		100,000.00
Transfer is necessary for an increase in students attending private schools.			

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

Desiree Harkins, PTSA President, and Fumi Otomo, PTSA Vice President spoke together. Also, Angela Campagna, President of PTA spoke.

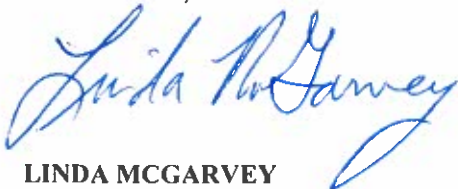
FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

C. Dell'Erba announced the following future Board of Education meetings:
 BOE Regular Business Meeting, Monday, October 3, 2022, 7:30 p.m. and
 BOE Work/Student Meeting, Monday, October 24, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by D. Noesi, seconded by T. Patiri, the Board adjourned the executive session at 8:58 p.m.
 Approved (5-0)

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



**LINDA MCGARVEY
 DISTRICT CLERK**