

## MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

**DATE OF MEETING:** August 13, 2007  
**PLACE:** Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY

### Members Present

Mr. Darrell Conway, President  
Mrs. Judy Anderson, Vice President  
Mr. Roger Katz  
Mrs. AnneMarie Martino  
Mr. Thomas Melito  
Mrs. Catherine Vukovich

### Members Absent

Mr. Henry Brunjes

### District Superintendent

Dr. Ellen Best-Laimit

### Central Office Administration

Mr. Peter Daly, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Mr. Daniel D'Amico, Administrator for Curriculum and Instruction

### District Clerk

Linda Pesce

**CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Conway, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss confidential personnel matters and advice from counsel was made by Mrs. Martino, seconded by Mrs. Anderson and unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** At 7:30 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Martino, the Board unanimously agreed to conclude Executive Session and enter into public session whereupon President D. Conway led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Brunjes was present for this portion of the meeting and excused himself for the remainder of the meeting.

**MINUTES** The Minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Meeting of July 2, 2007, Special Meeting of July 16, 2007 and Special Meeting of July 19, 2007 was approved on motion by Mrs. Martino and seconded by Mr. Melito. (6-0)

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for June 2007 and July 2007 were unanimously approved on motion by Mr. Melito and seconded by Mrs. Vukovich. (6-0)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Dr. Best-Laimit discussed the preliminary Board of Education Goals for the 2007-2008 school year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** Mr. Katz, technology committee chair, reported a busy summer with technology equipment. The Board of Education will be setting up committee meetings to be held during the school year. As there were no other committee reports, the Board moved on to the next item.

## NEW BUSINESS

**OMNIBUS MOTION** On motion by Mrs. Martino, seconded by Mr. Katz, an omnibus motion to move ITEMS 1-22 was unanimously approved. (6-0)

**On omnibus motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. Anderson an omnibus motion to move resolutions 1-22 was unanimously approved.**

**PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TEACHER K-6**

- PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TEACHER K-6: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Stacy Aprea as a probationary elementary education teacher K-6 assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, effective September 1, 2007. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 3 of the MA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

**PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT CUSTODIAL WORKER I**

2. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT CUSTODIAL WORKER I: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint David Marcopoulos as a probationary custodial worker I assigned to the Babylon Memorial Grade School effective September 1, 2007. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of Column A of the Custodial Association Contract.

**PART-TIME ELEMENTARY TEACHER K-6/PART-TIME PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE**

3. **PART-TIME ELEMENTARY TEACHER K-6/PART-TIME PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE: RESOLVED**, that the employment of Kerry McDougal, as a part-time (.5 F.T.E.) elementary teacher K-6 and a part-time (.5 F.T.E.) permanent substitute teacher assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, be approved effective September 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Compensation for this assignment to be .5 F.T.E. of Step 1 of the BA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule and .5 F.T.E. of the permanent substitute per diem rate.

**APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ART TEACHER**

4. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME ART TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Amanda Cereola as a part-time art teacher K-12 (.8 FTE) effective September 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Compensation for this assignment to be .8 FTE of Step 1 of the MA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

**LEAVE REPLACEMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER**

5. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Katy-Ann Clarke as a leave replacement special education teacher, assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, replacing a staff member who is on an unpaid leave of absence, be approved effective September 1, 2007 to December 21, 2007. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the BA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

**LEAVE REPLACEMENT ELEMENTARY TEACHER**

6. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT ELEMENTARY TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Jennifer Brown as a leave replacement elementary education teacher, assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, replacing a staff member who is on an unpaid leave of absence, be approved effective September 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the MA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

**RESIGNATION**

7. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Richard Kidwell as a part-time custodian effective June 30, 2007.

**PART-TIME APPOINTMENTS**

8. **PART-TIME APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following part-time aide, monitor and clerical appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the aides and monitors association contract.

**High School**

Monitors	Catherine Foca Kathy Kaczanowski Maria Koopman Christine Prokos
Aides	Lorraine Festa Joanne Mahr Karen Ballman Claire Joseph Barbara Tighe Linda McGarvey Deborah Catanzaro
Clerical	Denise Delaney Carolyn Palumbo Patricia Podesta

**Grade School**

Monitors	Diana Azzopardi Barbara Carlock Fiona Hoyt Cathleen Hunter Stephanie Marrone Susan Meyerson
Aides	Karen Altieri Marion Augello-Talbot Susan Borg Patricia Ciambriello Rosanne Corso Maria Cullen

Kathy Fitzgerald  
Maria Ricciardi  
Corinne Samon  
Deborah Shea  
Tammy Tillinghast  
Karen Witthohn

**Elementary School**

Aides

Annette Cariello  
Marie Connie Taffuri  
Gerry Proto  
Linda D'Amico  
Marlene Potak  
Donna Russo  
Patty Ryder  
Denise Szymanski  
Lisa Carmody  
Nancy Maloney  
Jill Horton  
Ellen Christenson  
Cindy Gerdjikian  
Barbara Mott  
Beth Ann Cullen  
Theresa Alteri  
Jeannine Parker  
Ellen Smith

**FOOD SERVICE  
APPOINTMENTS**

9. **FOOD SERVICE APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following food service appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Cafeteria Association Contract.

Cooks	-	Madeline Rivas
	-	Margaret Ryan
	-	Diane Smith
Part-time		
Food Service Workers	-	Justine Alaggio
	-	Maureen Armata
	-	Maureen Cosby
	-	Mary Curran
	-	Antonia Delledera
	-	Maria Diaz
	-	Laura Doherty
	-	Sumintra Duca
	-	Jane Helling
	-	Jean Marie Morrone
	-	Sophia Watson
	-	Karen Werner

**PART-TIME  
CUSTODIAL  
APPOINTMENTS**

10. **PART-TIME CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following part-time custodial appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with custodial association contract.

Robert Buck	Ciriaca Caledaro	Edward Aube	Michael Otte
Vincent Petrina	Linda Armour	Lonell Rogers	John Robinson
Charlie Jacob	Brian Ryan	Andrew Vita	Yolanda Gonzales
Patrick Glynn			

**CASUAL  
APPOINTMENTS**

11. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

Administrative Assistant Grade School	Kelly Arcoleo
Special Education Lead Teacher K-6	Joanne Fasano
Special Education Lead Teacher 7-12	Anne May

**CASUAL  
APPOINTMENTS**

12. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

**Junior-Senior High School**

Extra Curricular Music Activities and SH Band	Angela Turk
Extra-Curricular Music Activities and JH Band	Charles Leech
Flagline/Asst Band Director Co-Advisors	Elizabeth Foster
	Charles Leech
Chorus Co-Advisors	Brian Kroll
	Melissa Dell'Italia
Orchestra	Elizabeth Foster
Junior High Jazz Band	Charles Leech
Senior High Jazz Band	Charles Leech
Pep Band Advisor	Elizabeth Foster
Dramatics Club Production	Vacancy
All School Production Director	Vacancy
All School Production Assistant Director	Angela Turk
All School Production Music Coach	Brian Kroll
All School Production/Drama Technical Director	Colleen Winther
Set Construction	Vacancy
Babylon Express	Brian Kroll
Chordettes	Melissa Dell'Italia
Senior Class Advisors (2)	MaryJo McCaig
	Barbara Restivo
Junior Class Advisors (2)	Robert Neidig
	Paul Venezia
Sophomore Class Advisors (2)	Fran Spada
	Frank Procaccini
Senior High Student Council Advisor	Heather Cutrone
Junior High Student Council Advisor	Melissa Colapinto
Senior High Math Team Advisor	John Michele
Junior High Math Team Advisor	Christian Murphy
National Honor Society Co-Advisors	John Michele
	Linda Fama
National Junior Honor Society Co-Advisors	Vacancy
	Vacancy
National Art Honor Society Advisor	Cheryl Schweider
National French Honor Society Advisor	Elaine Katsikas
National Spanish Honor Society Advisor	Michelle Scharff
Tri-M Honor Society Co-Advisors	Brian Kroll
	Angela Turk
SH Art Club Advisor	Cheryl Schweider
JH Art Club Advisor	Vacancy
Chess Club Advisor	Richard Villanueva
Community Service Advisors (2)	Mary Jo McCaig
	Francine Spada
Culture Club Advisor	Barbara Small
DECA Club Advisor	Claire Reilly
Drama Club Advisor	Vacancy
Foreign Language Club (Senior High) Advisor	Elaine Katsikas
Foreign Language Club (Junior High) Advisor	Elizabeth Barry
Home Economics Club Co-Advisors	Cindy Theiss
	Sheila Vaswani
International Thespian Society Advisor	Jane Herbst
Leo Club Advisor	Vacancy
Literary Magazine Advisor (Visions)	Vacancy
Roots & Shoots	Paul Venezia
SADD Advisor	Joan Johanson
LI Science Fair Liaison	Steve Silipo
Computer/Support Technician	Eric Reisert
School Paper Advisor (Panther Tales)	Vacancy

School Store Advisor	Claire Reilly
SEA/Interact Advisor	Joan Johanson
Sign Language Club Advisor	Vacancy
Technology Club Advisor	Vacancy
Yearbook Advisor (Trawler)	Paul Venezia
Writers' Club Advisor	Angela Schnepf
Secretary Treasurer Athletic Association	Robert Andrews
Computer Lab Advisor	Vacancy
PM Detention Supervisor	Stephen Vaccaro
Extracurricular Eligibility/Intervention Program	Dennis McGovern

**STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT NON-INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES AND MONITORS ASSOCIATION**

13. **STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT NON-INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES AND MONITORS ASSOCIATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education ratify the Stipulation of Agreement dated August 1, 2007 between the Babylon Non-Instructional Aides and Monitors Association and the Board of Education, as attached hereto.

**INTERNAL AUDITOR HOURLY RATE INCREASE**

14. **INTERNAL AUDITOR HOURLY RATE INCREASE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the increase in the hourly rate of pay to \$29.00 per hour for Maria Aleva, internal auditor.

**SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER HOURLY RATE INCREASE**

15. **SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER HOURLY RATE INCREASE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the increase in the hourly rate of pay for substitute food service workers to \$10.00 per hour.

**LONG ISLAND SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BIDS**

16. **LONG ISLAND SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BIDS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the bids for the purchase of food items specified in the cooperative bid for the 2007-2008 school year, as attached.

**CPSE FORMS**

17. **CPSE FORMS: RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Preschool Special Education is requesting that the Board of Education appoint the Administrator for Special Education as their designee for the 2007-2008 school year to sign all necessary and appropriate TAF forms and STAC forms concerning the placement of preschool students.

**HEATING BURNERS CONTRACT AWARD**

18. **HEATING BURNERS CONTRACT AWARD: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint HTP Mechanical Corp., as the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications for the service/PM contract for heating burners for the Babylon Union Free School District for the 2007-2008 school year in the amount of \$4445.00.

**OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT**

19. **OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education declare as obsolete a Hobart Mixer ID#000653 and 000735, two Fryers ID#360-Pitco.

**EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

20. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education extend the Emergency Conditional Appointments for the following staff as listed on Attachment A.

**EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS NON-PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

21. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS NON-PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: RESOLVED**, that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education make Emergency Conditional Appointments for the following personnel as non-permanent substitute teachers effective September 1, 2007. Compensation for these assignments to be at the non-permanent substitute teacher per diem rate.

Kathleen Lee	Lisa Bartenback	Tara Berkowitz
Gerald Egan	Kristine Fisher	Glenn Kennedy
Erin McQuade	Cassandra Mercurio	Elizabeth Medjuck
Angela O'Hara	Cathleen Pafundi	Robert Quinlan
Lauren Shanks	Steven Ulrich	

**COMMITTEE ON  
SPECIAL  
EDUCATION AND  
COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCHOOL  
SPECIAL  
EDUCATION  
OTHER BUSINESS**

22. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases, as attached hereto, be accepted.

As there was no other business, the Board moved on to the next item.

**REPRESENTATIVES OF  
ORGANIZATIONS**

Mr. Lasley, American Legion Post 94, introduced Mr. Horan as the representative for the American Legion Post 94.

**QUESTIONS FROM  
VISITORS**

The Board of Education addressed questions regarding the status of the donation of lights and the new district website: [www.babylonschools.org](http://www.babylonschools.org)

**FUTURE BOARD  
MEETING**

The Board of Education will hold a Work/Study Meeting on Monday, August 27, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:15 p.m. there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. Vukovich (6-0)