

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DATE OF MEETING:

July 25, 2011

PLACE:

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

Members Present

Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga, President
Mr. Roger A. Katz, Vice President
Mr. Gregory Antolini
Ms. Alena Berenblatt
Mrs. Lisa McKeown
Mr. Thomas Melito
Mr. Dominick Montalto

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 6:00 p.m. by Mr. Bencivenga, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a proposed interim superintendent agreement, pending Notice of Claim against district, negotiations with teachers and administrators was made by Mrs. McKeown, seconded by Mr. Katz and approved. (7-0) Public Session resumed at 7:30 p.m. on motion by L. McKeown, seconded by T. Melito and approved (7-0). Mr. Bencivenga, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for May 2011 and June 2011 was approved on motion by Mr. Melito and seconded by Ms. Berenblatt. (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Daly reported that Board members and central office administrators attended a workshop on July 14th on APPR (Annual Professional Performance Review) requirements. APPR is a system of evaluating teachers and principal performance. He also reported that members of the Board of Education will be taking the mandated School Governance workshop on August 9th and board member educating and training on August 10th at the Sheraton Long Island in Hauppauge. Mr. Panno reported on summer maintenance projects in the district.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. McKeown, finance committee chair, scheduled a meeting for August 8, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School. Mr. Melito, buildings and grounds committee chair, would like to schedule a meeting to introduce new board members to the work of buildings condition survey. As there were no other committee reports, the Board moved to the next item.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board addressed questions from visitors on agenda items and summer maintenance projects as reported in the Superintendent's report.

NEW BUSINESS

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

1. **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Jessica Kurtz as a probationary special education teacher Birth-Grade 6, assigned to the Babylon Memorial Grade School, effective September 1, 2011. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the BA column of the 2011-2012 teachers' salary schedule.

On motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mr. Katz, Resolution 1 was unanimously approved. (7-0)

TABLED CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

TABLED TO AUGUST 22, 2011 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Melito, Resolution 2 was tabled to the August 22, 2011 meeting

2. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2011-2012 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

Curriculum Coordinators

English
Foreign Languages
Mathematics
Practical Arts
Science
Social Studies

Lisa Drance
Michelle Scharff
John Michele
Claire Reilly
Jeff Kenney
Mark Malaszczyk

Directors

Fine Arts K-12

Angela Turk

Guidance 7-12

Tracy Lesnick

Discipline 7-12

Michael Collins

Special Education 7-12

Lisa Consolo

Administrative Assistants Jr/Sr HS (4)

Philip Grande

Kristen Dixon

Richard Villaneuva

Christopher Ryan

Administrative Assistant Grade School(2)

Heather Hosek

Cathy O'Connor

Co-Administrative Assistants ES

Patricia Bocchimuzzo

Leah Weissinger

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Melito, a motion to omnibus Items 3-8, 10 and 13 was approved. (7-0)

On omnibus motion by Ms. Berenblatt, seconded by Mrs. McKeown an omnibus motion to move Items 3-8, 10 and 13 was approved. (7-0)

CASUAL APPOINTMENT

3. **CASUAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Eric Solnick as the Individual Competitor Swimming supervisor for Babylon students who practice with the West Islip, Half Hollow Hills West and Islip Aquatics swim team and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorize the West Islip appointed coach, Robert Kollar, Half Hollow Hills West appointed coach, Jason Wiedersum, and the Islip Aquatics coach, Edward Kropp, to coach Babylon Students. Compensation for Eric Solnick to be at the current supervision rate of pay for the 2011-2012 school year.

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

4. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2011-2012 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract for the 2011-2012 school year.

FOOTBALL	Varsity	Rick Punzone
	Assistant Varsity	William Singleton
	Assistant Varsity	Chris Morra
	Junior Varsity	Tim Halvorsen
	Junior Varsity	Steve Fasciani
	Junior High	OPEN
	Junior High	Anthony Sparacio
FIELD HOCKEY	Varsity	Catherine York
	Junior Varsity	Cecilia Galbraith
	Junior High	Shannon Parengkuan
GYMNASTICS	Varsity	Nancy O'Donnell
	Assistant Varsity	Gina Tonno
CROSS COUNTRY	Varsity	Edward Augustine
	Assistant Varsity	Danielle Erardy
	Junior High	Eric Solnick
TENNIS (GIRLS)	Varsity	Robert Andrews
	Junior Varsity	Peter Mankes
	Junior High	Scott Jankow
BOYS SOCCER	Varsity	Craig Washington
	Assistant Varsity	OPEN
	Junior Varsity	OPEN
	Junior High	Rich Villanueva
GIRLS SOCCER	Varsity	Tim Harrison
	Assistant Varsity	Frank Mancuso
	Junior Varsity	Jessie Lynch
	Junior High	Grace McMahon
VOLLEYBALL	Varsity	Patrick Donaldson
	Junior Varsity	Brenda Mayo
CHEERLEADING	Varsity	Meghan Tribby
	Junior Varsity	Victoria Tillinghast
FALL WEIGHT ROOM	Supervisor	Danny McHugh
ATHLETIC TRAINER		Darwin Tavarez
		(South Bay Physical Therapy)

CASUAL APPOINTMENT

5. **CASUAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoint Claire Joseph as a Special Education Parent Trainer for the 2011-2012 school year. Compensation for this assignment to be \$35.00 per hour.

APPOINTMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT TRAINING AND COUNSELING CONSULTANT

6. **APPOINTMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT TRAINING AND COUNSELING CONSULTANT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby appoint Christopher Vaccaro (SE#5) as a special education parent training and counseling consultant for the 2011-2012 school year. Compensation for this assignment to be \$50.00/hour.

HOME TUTORING TEACHING APPOINTMENT

7. **HOME TUTORING TEACHING APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the home tutoring appointment for Christina Repetto (SE#6) for the 2011-2012 school year. Compensation for this position to be \$37.00/hour.

AUDIT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

8. **AUDIT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Antolini, Mrs. Berenblatt and Mr. Bencivenga as members of the audit committee for the 2011-2012 school year.

SCHOOL LUNCH

9. **SCHOOL LUNCH: RESOLVED**, that based on the recommendation of the Food Service Director, the following prices be established for school lunch effective September 1, 2011:

Grades K-6 \$2.50 Grades 7-12 \$2.75

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Melito, Resolution 9 was defeated. (3-4)

For: R. Katz, T. Melito, D. Bencivenga

Opposed: A. Berenblatt, D. Montalto, G. Antolini, L. McKeown

LONG ISLAND SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BID COMMITTEE

10. **LONG ISLAND SCHOOL NUTRITION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION COOPERATIVE BID COMMITTEE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the bids for the purchase of food items & supplies (FS#1) as specified in the cooperative bid for the 2011-2012 school year.

**TABLED
SERVICE AGREEMENT**

TABLED on advise from counsel

11. **SERVICE AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the service agreement between Babylon UFSD and Horizon Healthcare Staffing providing nursing services for the 2011-2012 school year.

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Ms. Berenblatt the Board unanimously agreed to table Resolution 11. (7-0)

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS

12. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGREEMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the service agreements for special education services for the 2011-2012 school year provided by All About Kids (SE#7), Gayle E. Kligman Therapeutic Resources (SE#8), Just Kids (SE#9), Island Therapy (SE#10), Metro Therapy (SE#11), Maxim Staffing Solutions (SE#13), NY Eye & Ear Infirmary (SE#14).

Mr. Bencivenga presented the following amended resolution to exclude items: SE#7, SE#9, SE#13, SE#14

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the service agreements for special education services for the 2011-2012 school year provided by Gayle E. Kligman Therapeutic Resources (SE#8), Island Therapy (SE#10), Metro Therapy (SE#11).

On motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mr. Katz the Board unanimously approved to amend the resolution presented. (7-0)

On motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. McKeown the amended resolution was unanimously approved. (7-0)

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

13. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the recommendation from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for annual reviews for the 2011-2012 school year.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Bencivenga addressed a question from a visitor from the last meeting regarding the increase in legal retainer fees for the 2011-2012 school year. The increase in the retainer fee for the 2011-2012 school year is \$1,000; from \$34,500 (2010-2011) to \$35,500 (2011-2012). Mr. Katz and Ms. Berenblatt requested that the board include the following topics for future board meetings: a presentation from the school attorney on negotiations and APPR, and a report from the Special Education department.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

As there was no report from representatives, the Board moved to the next item.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The Board of Education addressed questions and/or comments from visitors regarding the school lunch program, facilities work and improvements.

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**FUTURE BOARD
MEETINGS**

A Work/Study Meeting will be held on Monday, August 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. and a Regular Meeting on August 22, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the library of the Babylon Junior-Senior High School.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:10 p.m. there being no items of business the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Melito, seconded by Mrs. McKeown and approved. (7-0)