

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 11, 2017 – Beach Street Middle School

PRESENT: Mr. Gellar, Mrs. LaRosa, Mr. Maginniss, Mr. O'Connor

ABSENT: Mr. Brady, Mr. Ulrich, Mr. Zotto

ADMINISTRATORS: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy, Dr. Rullan

ATTORNEY: Mr. Vigliotta

Meeting was called to order at 8:01p.m., followed by the pledge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2017 Planning Session.

RECOGNITION

Science Olympiads

Beach Street Middle School: Kristie Ferruzzi, Advisor

Jianna Brewer, Ryan Cafferty, Ryan Gaffney, Bruce Konopa, Cameron Lewandowski, Cole Mariano, Gianna Pillitteri, Paul Pillitteri, David Hunter Seda

Udall Road Middle School: Brenda Mayo, Advisor; Melanie Regan, Student Coach

Angelina Amatulli-Griffith, Mary Attallah, Valerie Beltrami, Jake Brickman, Skylar Brown, James Burns, Jamie Carlson, Drake Castonguay, Rachel Crumlich, Charlotte Gee, Nicholas Gee, Timothy Hantzschel, Joseph Keane, Jagger Langhorn, Sarantos Mantagas, Alec Miller, John O'Neill, Vincent Prevete, Roscoe Schafer

Science Research ~ Mary Kroll, Advisor

High School ~ *Sean Cafferty, Samantha Jenks, Devin Miller, Nicos Prokopiou*

Beach Street Middle School ~ *Arianna Alladio-Zacpal, Jianna Brewer, Aidan Ciesluk, Christopher Dunne, Jason Gaiardelli*

Udall Road Middle School ~ *Dean Festa, Alyssa Grasso, Timothy Hantzschel, Dorian Scourtos*

Teachers' Appreciation Week - May 7-13 ~ *Joseph Dixon, Shawn Wallace*

Senator Phil Boyle Teacher of Excellence Award ~ *Anne-Marie Dunn*

National School Nurse Day - May 3 ~ *Laurie Luquer, Suzanne O'Connor*

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: RETIREMENT: Marcelin Pechin, effective May 1, 2017 (17 years).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RESIGNATION: Edward Bell, Guard, effective April 26, 2017 (District Wide).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RESIGNATION: Francine Spinelli, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective April 19, 2017 (Udall).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RETIREMENT: Jean Schilling, Special Education Aide, effective May 5, 2017 (22 years).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: TERMINATION: Monica Perry, Senior Clerk Typist, effective April 24, 2017 (High School).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: CHANGE IN STATUS: Susan Pontillo, Senior Clerk Typist, effective April 24, 2017 (District Office; change from Contingent Senior Clerk Typist).

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL (\$10.75 hour): Karen Santangelo, effective May 12, 2017.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$115 per diem): Donnamarie Belford, effective April 28, 2017; Phyllis Benenati, effective April 28, 2017; Stephanie Fodera, effective April 28, 2017; Gayle Haines, effective April 28, 2017; Deborah Harris, effective April 28, 2017; Judith Hayes, effective April 28, 2017; Vivian Hollinger, effective April 28, 2017; Melissa Kennedy, effective April 28, 2017; Angela LaGiglia, effective April 28, 2017; Janet Loehr, effective April 28, 2017; Barbara Lozier, effective April 28, 2017; Michael McDonald, effective April 28, 2017; Irene Munno, effective April 28, 2017; Madeline Nelson, effective April 28, 2017; Robert Pitagno, effective April 28, 2017; GERALYN Wilkens, effective April 28, 2017; Jacqueline Wilson, effective April 28, 2017.

CURRICULUM UPDATE

Dr. Rullan informed the audience that the NYS Math Assessments for Grades 3-8 took place last week. The percentage of parents who refused the assessment on behalf of their child or children was 73%. Three Board policies (Policy 7212 - Academic Achievement, Policy 7218 - Class Ranking/Weighting of Grades, and Policy 7362 - Academic Integrity) are submitted to the Board for a second reading and approval later in the agenda. Dr. Rullan informed the audience that the district has offered the newly available Seal of Biliteracy to students, who must complete all requirements for graduating with a NYS Regents Diploma and demonstrate proficiency in English and a world language based on a set of criteria.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES

Finance Committee: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting held on 5/9/17. Items reviewed included the March treasurer's report; March extra-curricular report; March payroll summary; March financial statements; claims audit report and April system manager audit trail report. Also reviewed were warrants, payroll certification forms, surplus of high school and middle school English language arts items and middle school science equipment, 2017-2018 bid extensions, contracts and a Property Access Agreement for Cablevision Lightpath, Inc.

Policy Committee: Annmarie LaRosa presented a Second Reading on policies presented for approval and explained the rescission of two policies that are not relative to district practice.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve policies: No. 7212 Academic Achievement; No. 7218 Class Ranking/Weighting of Grades; and No. 7362 Academic Integrity.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to rescind policies: No. 5580 Use of Credit Cards; No. 5740 Use of Buses by Community Groups.

The following policies had a First Reading:

- No. 5110 Budget Planning and Development
- No. 5120 School District Budget Hearing
- No. 5150 Contingency Budget
- No. 5220 District Investments
- No. 5230 Gifts, Grants and Bequests
- No. 5250 Sale and Disposal of School District Property
- No. 5310 Bonding of Employees and School Board Members
- No. 5321 Authorized Signatures
- No. 5322 Payment Procedures
- No. 5323 Expense Reimbursements
- No. 5330 Budget Transfers
- No. 5350 Meals and Reimbursements
- No. 5412 Purchasing Procedures
- No. 5422 Procedures for Contracts
- No. 5510 Accounting of Funds
- No. 5520 Extraclassroom Activities Fund
- No. 5623 Use of School-Owned Materials and Equipment
- No. 5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance
- No. 5640 Smoking/Tobacco Use
- No. 5671 Computer Resources and Data Management
- No. 5680 Safety and Security
- No. 5681 Emergency Response Plan
- No. 5690 Exposure Control Program
- No. 5711 Use of District-Owned Vehicle by Staff
- No. 5712 Use of Private Vehicles for School Business
- No. 5731 Student Transportation – Walkers and Riders
- No. 5750 School Bus Safety Program
- No. 5721 Idling of School Buses, Coach Buses and Commercial Vehicles on West Islip School Grounds
- No. 5760 Qualifications of Bus Drivers
- No. 5761 Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus Drivers and Other Safety-Sensitive Employees

Education Committee: Kevin O'Connor reported on the meeting held on 5/11/17. Items reviewed included middle school science sequence changes: 8th grade students will now take the Living Environment Regents effective 2017-2018, resulting in the ability for more high school students to take two years of AP or IB courses; a STEM Academy that will be offered in junior and senior year; and early childhood development courses that will lead to a diploma credential. Other items reviewed included a survey regarding the attendance policy, Method Test Prep for SAT preparation and Response to Intervention.

Buildings and Grounds: Kevin O'Connor reported on the meeting held on 5/9/17. School Construction Consultants presented a bond work update. Other items reviewed included the high school roof replacement this summer, expansion of the Maser parking lot, the Manetuck playground and Chromebook security.

Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting held on 5/10/2017. Items discussed included CSE and CPSE recommendations, student placements, and the completion of annual reviews.

Health and Wellness: Annmarie LaRosa reported on meeting held 4/27/17. Items discussed included the Suffolk County Police Department K-9 Sweep, Mindfulness instruction to students, and a presentation provided by Good Samaritan on increasing student activity and nutritional education. A Shed the Meds event will take place on Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the West Islip Fire Department; the 2017 Color Run will take place on Sunday, October 15, at West Islip High School.

DASA: Dr. Rullan reported on the meeting held 5/9/2017. Items reviewed included feedback from the Social Media Bootcamp, disbanding the district-level DASA committee and addressing issues at the building level, and the K-9 sweep conducted at the high school. Recommendations for revisions to the Code of Conduct will be presented to the Superintendent and the Board.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

The treasurer's report for March was presented. Beginning balance as of 2/28/2017: \$35,440,609.17 ending balance as of 3/31/2017: \$50,790,031.31.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Budget Transfers 3372-3382.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve 2016-2017 Daytop Preparatory School contract.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Kevin O'Connor, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve 2017-2018 Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Educational Services contract.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve contract for First Class Tutoring May 1 – June 30, 2017.

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Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following Property Access Agreement for Maser School: Cablevision Lightpath, Inc. 6/1/17 – 5/31/2018.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following surplus items: English Language Arts/Library curriculum - West Islip High School, Beach Street Middle School and Obsolete Science equipment - Beach Street Middle School.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following 2017-2018 Bid Extensions: #1601 Emerald Electric and Solar, Inc.; #1602 Stapleton Tree & Landscape Service; #1603 Associated Audio Service; #1604 Cardinal Control Systems, Inc.; #1605 World Wide Security Group; #1606 Long Island Geese Control; #1607 Schutt Reconditioning.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following 2016-2017 Heath Services Contract: South Huntington UFSD - \$21,029.84.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the Date for Re-organizational meeting - July 5, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at Beach Street Middle School.

Discussion of 2017-2018 Board Regular Meeting and Planning Session dates.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Stipulation of Settlement and Release – Student A.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

School Budget Vote - May 16, 2017 - West Islip High School from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Celebrate Education – May 16, 2017 – West Islip High School

Mrs. Burns spoke about a work session she attended in Albany with representatives throughout the state and Commissioner MaryEllen Elia. Topics discussed included the Next Generation English Language Arts and Mathematics Learning Standards and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) draft plan. Stakeholders from all over New York State, including West Islip, have been involved in its preparation. Commissioner MaryEllen Elia is soliciting feedback on the draft plan and the revised standards. Information is on the district website.

The following resident wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public":

Mrs. Catherine Artusa, 574 Peter Paul Drive, West Islip - Mrs. Artusa had concerns about the district's phone system, 9th grade orientation and the district's attendance policy. Mrs. Burns will look into the phone system issues. Dr. Rullan explained that a committee has convened to evaluate the attendance policy, but no changes have been finalized. Recommendations will be made to the Superintendent shortly.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:11 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 10:30 p.m. on motion by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Attendance Waiver for Student A.

Meeting adjourned at 10:31p.m. on motion by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,



Mary Hock
District Clerk

All correspondence, reports or related material referred to in these minutes are on file in the District Office.