

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 10, 2013 – High School

PRESENT: Mr. Brady, Mr. Gellar, Mrs. LaRosa, Mr. Maginniss, Mr. Smith, Mr. Ulrich and Mr. Zotto

ABSENT: NONE

ADMINISTRATORS: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy and Mr. Simon

ABSENT: None

ATTORNEY: Mr. Volz

Meeting was called to order at 8:01 PM, followed by the Pledge.

No one wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public."

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2012 Regular Meeting.

The following students were recognized for Sports accomplishments:

Girls Varsity Gymnastic - All County: Courtney Von Braunsberg, Paula Pecorella, Lauren Coll, Sydney Matone; Girls Varsity Soccer - All County: Nicole Crofton, Shannon Walter; Boys Varsity Soccer - All County: Sean McAllister, Dan Madden, All County Academic: Dan Madden; Girls Varsity Cross Country - All County: Jessica Ball, Brooke Catalano; Boys Varsity Cross Country – All County: Scott Nelson, Craig Nelson; Girls Varsity Tennis - All County: Madeline Ulrich, Chelsea Verron; Girls Varsity Swimming - All County: Sierra Koehler, Andie Cuiffo, Devon Berdolt, Bridget Whalen; Varsity Football - All County: Nick Aponte, Sam Ilario, Lou LaDonna, Joe Barcia, Dan Johnson; and Varsity Field Hockey - All County: Kate Beier.

The following coaches and teams were recognized for Fall Sportsmanship Awards: Coach Michelle Studley – Varsity Girls Cross Country; Coach James Wood – Udall Boys and Girls Cross Country; Coach Debra Mock-Dorman – JV Field Hockey; Coach Shanan Mauro – Udall Football; Coach Nick Grieco – Varsity Girls Soccer; Coach Brian Dieumegard – Udall Girls Soccer; Coach Mac Loudon – Beach /Udall Girls Tennis; and Coach Cathy Lang – JV Girls Volleyball.

The following students were recognized for Music accomplishments: David Anholzer, Joseph Becker, Anna Byington, Tristan Cadiz, Alexander Carlin, Alexandra Del Orfano, Marissa Del Orfano, Nicole Deligatti, Robert Esposito, Julia Fetter, Caitlin Flemming, Lindsey Gellar, Olivia Gusmano, Samuel Hudson, James Khoury, Mitchell Marg, Matthew Mastroianni, Edward Matin, Joseph Melia, Sara Mercurio, Alexander Moy, Nicole Moy, Kelly Murphy, Robert Tyler Read, Edward Ryan, Alyssa Shipman, Kyle Small and Daniel Welborn.

Motion was made by George Smith, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: TENURE APPOINTMENT: Monica Krawczyk, English as a Second Language, effective February 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Ryan Foley, Special Education, effective January 1, 2013 to August 31, 2015.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: REGULAR SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT: Gregory Iorio, Special Education, effective January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013.

Motion was made by George Smith, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER: Kathleen Culkin, effective January 11, 2013.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ADVISORS/CLUBS 2012-2013: Udall Road Middle School: Justin DeMaio, Udall Musical Director.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ADVISORS/CLUBS 2012-2013: High School: Noreen Matthews, Academic Decathlon.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: Nicole Cochrane, effective January 23, 2013; Sharon Cohen, effective January 28, 2013; Eric Feingold, effective January 23, 2013; Christal Garry, effective January 23, 2013; Brian Kaplan, effective January 23, 2013; Lindsay Lyons, effective January 23, 2013; Heather Mandelbaum, effective January 23, 2013; Lindsay Morgan, effective January 23, 2013; Elizabeth Moreira, effective January 23, 2013; Kasey Papa, effective January 23, 2013; Jennifer Reichenback, effective January 23, 2013; Jennifer Rice, effective January 23, 2013; Dian Torres, effective January 28, 2013; Taylor Troyano, effective January 22, 2013 and Christopher Wallace, effective 1/20/13.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by George Smith, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve: OTHER: ADULT EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS SPRING 2013: Susan Bazar, Excel; Lenny Butler, Community CPR, First Aide; David Conroy, Circuit Training; Steve Cottral, About Boating Safety; Kim Crichton, Pilates, Qigong, Iyengar Yoga, Fitness Mix; Marie Cuttonaro, French; Mike Dalia, Tai Chi for You; Jennifer Friaglia, Zumba; Phyllis Hintze, Ballroom Dancing; Vera Kavanaugh, Drawing/Watercolor; Bruce Lieberman, Defensive Driving; Frank Olish, Volleyball; Robert Watts, Introduction to Guitar/Piano and Robert Woolsey, Aquacise.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve: OTHER: WINTER 2013 ENRICHMENT INSTRUCTORS: Denise Campasano; Lorraine Clifford; Ed Ermanovics and Lila Schmidt.

Motion was made by Mike Zotto, seconded by George Smith, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve: OTHER: SUBSTITUTE ADMINISTRATOR: Robert Kaufold, effective January, 11, 2013.

CURRICULUM UPDATE: Bernadette Burns spoke about the English Language Arts (ELA) testing that students will take in the spring. The testing for Grades 3 – 8 will address the common core standards. Speaking and listening will no longer be assessed, text passages will be more authentic, and the test will be shorter for grades 3 and 4. Mrs. Burns also informed the audience that the district is very proud of Trish Portnoy, a West Islip High School teacher, who wrote and published a book entitled College Apps: Selecting, Applying to, and Paying for the Right College for you.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES:

Finance: Ron Maginniss discussed the topics addressed at the meeting that was held on 1/8/13 where the treasurer's report, payroll summary report, financial statements for the month of November, internal claims audit report, warrants, system manager audit trail, budget transfers, donations and special education contracts were discussed.

Education Committee: Annmarie LaRosa reported on the meeting that was held on 1/10/13. State Assessments and review of curriculum needed to ensure students are ready for testing were discussed.

Buildings and Grounds: Scott Brady reported on the meeting that was held on 1/8/13. Some of the topics discussed and reviewed were bond construction items, Atlantic Project, insurance claims, field electric at Manetuck, PA Intercom Systems, vandalism, and inspections with Dept. of Labor, Dept. of Health and Suffolk County Water.

Special Education Committee: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting that was held on 1/10/13. Jeanne Dowling reviewed student placements and there was preliminary discussion on the budget process.

The Treasurer's Report for November 2012 was presented. Beginning balance as of October 31, 2012 \$19,577,978.80, ending balance as of November 30, 2012 \$11,143,272.39.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve budget transfers numbered 3054 to 3055 for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following donation: West Islip Dance Club, Inc. – High School - \$4,174.00.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Mike Zotto, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Special Education Contract for the 2012-2013 school year with South Huntington Union Free School District.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by George Smith, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to declare the following surplus items – Four TI-84 calculators.

WRESTLING ROOM DEDICATION:

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by George Smith, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve dedicating the Wrestling Room to Tony Mellino.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the Bridges Long Island Lease Agreement.

Mr. Gellar informed the audience that the district is entering into a lease with Bridges Long Island who will lease 15,000 square feet of space at Paul E. Kirdahy Elementary School for one year beginning September 2013 at \$13,500 per month. The district will also be entering into a lease with Community Boxing Center to lease 4,500 square feet at Westbrook Elementary School beginning April 2013 at \$3,000 per month rent. The district continues to negotiate with other potential renters and will keep the community informed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Simon discussed several topics. This first topic was Safety. Due to the tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, Mr. Simon wanted to assure the community that there will be a comprehensive review of the district's emergency and safety plans on Monday, 1/14/13, with the principals, administrators and the head of security for the district. The second topic was the budget process. There have been two Budget Advisory Committee meetings so far and there will be five Budget Workshops that will take place in the Beach Street Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. on the following dates and will address the following topics: 2/27/13 - Enrollment and Budget Reserves, 3/6/13 - Curriculum, Instruction and Technology, 3/20/13 - Comprehensive review of Buildings and Grounds, 4/3/13 - Special Education and 4/8/13 - Decisions in line with Tax Levy Cap. The final topic discussed by Mr. Simon was regarding the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. The first meeting is set for 1/24/13 at 7:00 PM in the High School Auditorium. Relay for Life will take place on June 15th and 16th, 2013. A School Messenger call will go out to remind the community. The event will raise funds and bring the community together.

NOTICES/REMINDERS: None

The following residents wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public" - Michelle Delaney and Molly Jette.

Michelle Delaney, 62 Udalia Road, West Islip, NY - Mrs. Delaney inquired about the Public Participation Log and felt it was not easy to access on the school website and also inquired as to when a video of the board meetings will be available on the school website. The Board decided to make the Participation Log part of the board minutes beginning immediately. Mr. Simon advised that there are still enhancements that must be made to the school website so that the video will have the functionality that is needed.

Molly Jette, 38 West Islip Road, West Islip, NY - Mrs. Jette represents Bridges Academy. Mrs. Jette was very appreciative to the board and the administration regarding the Bridges of Long Island Lease Agreement that was approved.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:00 PM for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 9:40 PM on motion by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve WITA – Memorandum of Agreement for February 19 - 22, 2013 vacation days.

Meeting adjourned at 9:41 PM on a motion by George Smith, seconded by Bob Ulrich and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Scott Brady and seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Super-Executive Session at 9:42 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM on a motion by George Smith, seconded by Bob Ulrich and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary Hock

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District Clerk

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