

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 14, 2013 – High School

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

ABSENT: Mr. Smith and Mr. Zotto

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

ABSENT: None

ATTORNEY: Mr. Volz

Meeting was called to order at 8:02 PM, followed by the Pledge.

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

Mr. Gellar informed the audience that the software has been purchased to post videos of future board meetings on the school website. Videos of October, November and December's board meetings can now be viewed at the District Office. January's meeting will be available soon.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 10, 2013 and the Planning Session of January 29, 2013.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Athena Born, World Languages; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Patricia Durso, English; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Patricia Fauvell, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Josephine Franco, World Languages; effective July 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: RETIREMENT: Gerald Joyce, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Melissa Kennedy, Mathematics; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Robert Kollar, Physical Education; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Arlene Lace, Special Education; effective July 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: RETIREMENT: Marian Metzник, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Katherine Passamenti, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: William Raffloer, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Claudia Ramey, Guidance; effective July 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: RETIREMENT: Pearl Remily, Mathematics; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Mary Robertson, Elementary; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Linda Smith, Elementary; effective July 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: RETIREMENT: Judith Warren, Special Education; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Geralyn Wilkens, Special Education; effective July 1, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: REGULAR SUBSTITUTE: Yianna Petroutsas, World Languages; effective August 29, 2012; Karen Tomlinson, Elementary; effective August 29, 2012.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Beth Fiorini, Social Studies, effective September 1, 2013-June 30, 2014.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RETIREMENT: Raymond Baldwin, Bus Driver, effective February 15, 2013.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CLERK TYPIST: Claire Bodner, effective February 15, 2013; Michelle DelPietro, effective February 15, 2013.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER: Lily-Ann Youngelman, effective February 15, 2013.

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: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE: Helen Akley, effective February 15, 2013; Amanda Casey, effective February 15, 2013; Linda Daniels, effective February 15, 2013; Michelle Guadalupe, effective February 15, 2013; Kristen Hawkins, effective February 15, 2013; Linda Kennedy, effective February 15, 2013; Arleen Kurtz, effective February 15, 2013; Patricia O'Hare, effective February 15, 2013; Ellen Rubino, effective February 15, 2013; Terrie Stork, effective February 15, 2013; Kristine White, effective February 15, 2013; Tara Wolf, effective February 15, 2013;

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2013 SPRING HIGH SCHOOL COACHES: BASEBALL: Shawn Rush, Varsity Coach; Richard Zeitler, Assistant Varsity Coach; Michael LaCova, J.V. Coach. SOFTBALL: Michelle Jantzen, Varsity Coach; Beth Crimi, Assistant Varsity Coach; Colleen Reilly, J.V. Coach. BOYS TRACK: Jeremy Robertson, Varsity Coach; John Lavery, Assistant Varsity Coach. GIRLS TRACK: Nick Grieco, Varsity Coach; Chris Kaigh, Assistant Varsity Coach. BOYS LACROSSE: Scott Craig, Varsity Coach; William Turri, Assistant Varsity Coach; Jon Reese, Varsity Volunteer Coach; Peter Murray, Varsity Volunteer Coach; Mike Hazelton, J.V. Coach; Dave Rubano, Asst. J.V. Coach; James DeVivo, J.V. Volunteer Coach. GIRLS LACROSSE: Joseph Nicolosi, Varsity Coach; Thomas Powers, Asst. Varsity Coach; Cathy Lang, J.V. Coach; Chelsea Donaldson, Asst. J.V. Coach; Lauren Spagnoletta, Volunteer Coach. BOYS TENNIS: George Botsch, Varsity Coach; Norman Wingert, J.V. Coach. GIRLS GOLF: Thomas Loudon, Varsity Coach.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2013 SPRING MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES: BASEBALL: Brian Dieumegard, 7-8 Udall Coach; James Farnworth, 7-8 Beach Coach; SOFTBALL: Shanan Mauro, 7-8 Udall Coach; Frank Franzone, 7-8 Beach Coach. BOYS TRACK: Michael DiStefano, 7-8 Udall Coach; Vincent Luvera, 7-8 Beach Coach. GIRLS TRACK: Steve DiPaola, 7-8 Udall Coach; John Denninger, 7-8 Beach Coach. BOYS LACROSSE: Mike Ferrugiari, 7-8 Udall

Coach; William Sasso, Assistant Udall Coach; Chris Scharf, 7-8 Beach Coach; Greg Schmalenberger, Assistant Beach Coach. GIRLS LACROSSE: Debra Mock-Dorfman, 7-8 Udall Coach; Jamie Rizzo, Assistant Udall Coach; Taylor Troyano, 7-8 Beach Coach; Thomas Gargiulo, Assistant Beach Coach. BOYS AND GIRLS SWIMMING: Kerri Whalen, 7-8 Udall/Beach Coach; Andrew Culmo, Assistant Udall/Beach Coach; KristieLee Schubert/Hender, Volunteer Coach; BOYS TENNIS: Gregory Iorio, 7-8 Udall/Beach.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER: Mary Alotta, effective February 15, 2013; Tara Annuziata, effective February 15, 2013.

CURRICULUM UPDATE: Bernadette Burns spoke about the National Geography Bee for grades 4 through 8. She also informed the audience that in January, 40 High School DECA students competed in the Suffolk County Regional Competition. January Regents exams were administered to 157 students. Sixty percent passed with a 65 or above and are on track to graduate on time. On March 19, 2013 there will be a Parent Academy on Common Core and Go Math. Additional information will go home in the students' backpacks in a couple of weeks.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES:

Finance: Bob Ulrich discussed the topics addressed at the meeting that was held of 2/14/13 where the treasurer's report, payroll summary report, financial statements for the month of December, internal claims audit report, warrants, system manager audit trail, budget transfers, donations, surplus equipment, bids, health service contracts and one change order for Web Construction were all discussed.

Policy Committee: Annmarie LaRosa discussed the topics addressed at the meeting that was held on 1/24/13.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following policies: Policy #4212 -Table of Organization; Policy #5683-District-Wide Safety Committee; Policy #7516 – Wellness; Policy #8240 – Instructional Programs: Driver Education, Gifted and Talented Education and Physical Education; Policy #8321 – Internet Usage.

Buildings and Grounds: Scott Brady reported on the meeting that was held on 2/14/13. Some of the topics discussed and reviewed were bond construction projects, athletic storage buildings, and interior fencing still to be done. Building usage and leases were discussed as well.

Committee on Special Education/Preschool: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting that was held 2/17/13. Student placements and recommendations were discussed and a review of details for the budget. The staff is preparing IEP's and scheduling annual CSE meetings.

Health and Wellness/COMPASS Coalition: Annmarie LaRosa reported on the meeting that was held on 2/13/13. The topics discussed were the Wellness Weekend at the High School. There will be a 6th grade Volleyball Tournament on 3/1/13; a 5th grade Volleyball Tournament on 3/2/13 and on 3/3/13 there is a Kids' Dash, 5K Run and Health Fair. Community members can register for Kids' Dash and 5K Run between 9:00 and 10:45 on Sunday, March 3rd. Parent Awareness Night will take place March

5th at Beach St. Middle School. The Presentation is on "No, Not My Kid: What You Need to Know About the Prescription Drug Epidemic on Long Island." The next Health and Wellness meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Bayview Elementary School.

Anti-Bullying Awareness Committee: Dan Marquardt reported on the meeting that was held on 1/14/13. Mr. Marquardt informed the audience that the district recently had a P.S. I Love You Day. He also spoke about CBS News sharing information on Bullying and referred to a You Tube video worth viewing regarding Violence in our Culture. There will be a Boot Out Bullying event in the spring. Paper boots will be sold for a dollar and the committee will be collecting gently used sneakers. All of the proceeds will go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The Treasurer's Report for December 2012 was presented. Beginning balance as of November 30, 2012 \$11,143,272.39, ending balance as of December 31, 2012 \$3,265,304.79.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve budget transfers numbered 3056 to 3057 for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Change Order No. 1 for Web Construction Corp. in the amount of \$2,041.00.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following donations: Box Tops for Education/Beach St. Middle School in the amount of \$811.70 and Motorola Solution Foundation/West Islip Robotics Team in the amount of \$6,500.00.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following Health Service Contracts for the 2012-13 school year with the Bay Shore UFSD in the amount of \$9,458.67, Deer Park UFSD in the amount of \$3,632.04 and the Plainedge UFSD in the amount of \$606.97.

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to declare the following surplus items – 240 Biology Lab textbooks from 1991; 1 Broken spectrophotometer; 5 broken microscopes; 26 Biology review textbooks; 24 Biology lab books from 1990; 11 Biology textbooks from 1984; Sequential 3 Math textbooks; Math A textbooks; 1992 Chevrolet Suburban #502; 1988 GMC Van #509; Olympia Master Type D typewriter, Olympia ES95 typewriter; Victor 1260-Z adding machine and Casio DL27QB adding machine.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following bids: Small kitchen equipment and Large kitchen equipment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Motion was made by Scott Brady, seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present, with the exception of Annmarie LaRosa who chose to abstain from voting, voted in favor to approve the lease with South Shore Children's Center of West Islip.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Scott Brady, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the creation of a Board of Education Safety and Security Advisory Committee (as per Policy #2211). This is a new committee will be comprised of administration and board members Scott Brady and Mike Zotto.

Mr. Gellar informed the audience that the lease with South Shore Children's Center of West Islip is positive for the district and the district will continue to rent additional space moving forward.

Mr. Gellar also spoke about a meeting he had with Mr. Simon and Senator Boyle on 1/7/13. The topics discussed were state aid for the district, ongoing security concerns, and possibly obtaining grant money to be used for security purposes. Mr. Simon gave Senator Boyle a letter listing the district's security needs.

The Legislative Action Committee will meet on 2/19/13 at 7:30 PM at the District Office. The committee will discuss ways to fight for more state aid for the district.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Simon wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day. He informed the audience about school messenger calls going out next week to parents of students that are not in school next week. He encouraged parents to call their child's school and inform them if their child will be out next week. Regular school instruction is definitely going on and the vast majority of staff will be in.

Mr. Simon also spoke about PAWS and how the funds they raise support many projects to benefit the students of West Islip. There will be a PAWS 2013 Annual Gala on Friday, March 15, 2013 honoring Scott Craig/Education Award, George Smith/Community Award and Jeanne Koeper/Friends of PAWS Award.

Mr. Simon also reminded the audience of the upcoming budget work session dates on February 27th, March 6th, March 20th, April 3rd and April 8th, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Beach Street Cafeteria.

Nominating Petitions for Board Trustee seats are due at the District Office by 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2013.

NOTICES/REMINDERS: NONE

The following residents wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public" - Catherine Artusa, Marcelle Crudele and Michelle Delaney.

Catherine Artusa, 574 Peter Paul Drive, West Islip, NY – Mrs. Artusa had several concerns regarding the lunch period at Bayview Elementary as well as questions regarding the GO Math link on the school website. Mr. Gellar assured Mrs. Artusa that Mr. Simon would speak with Mr. Mullins regarding all her concerns. Mrs. Burns informed Mrs. Artusa that the link did not upgrade correctly and that the whole system needs to reboot. This will be done over the next couple of weeks.

Marcelle Crudele, 758 Tanglewood Road, West Islip, NY - Mrs. Crudele had concerns regarding the elementary schools. She felt this school year has been a transition year for students, faculty, principals and the PTA's. This transition has caused much stress at every level and has greatly impacted the students. Mr. Gellar assured Mrs. Crudele that Mr. Simon will take a look at her concerns and will move forward from there. Mrs. LaRosa also let Mrs. Crudele know that she understands her concerns and that there are many layers to these issues. Mr. Gellar and Mrs. LaRosa felt a discussion outside of the board meeting should take place to address her concerns.

Michelle Delaney, 62 Udalia Road, West Islip, NY – Mrs. Delaney wanted more details regarding the lease for Divine Rhythms Dance and South Shore Children’s Center of West Islip. Mr. Gellar advised her that the district is renting out 6,800 square feet of space at Westbrook to Divine Rhythms Dance, the lease is for five years and the rent will be \$5,000.00 per month. The district is renting out 8,043 square feet of space for South Shore Children’s Center of West Islip, the lease will also be for five years and the rent will be \$6,500.00 per month. Both multi-year leases have a three percent per year rent increase built in.

Motion was made by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:05 PM for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 10:13 PM on motion by Annmarie LaRosa, seconded by Bob Ulrich and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 PM on a motion by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Scott Brady and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary Hock

Mary Hock
District Clerk

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