

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 9, 2021 – Beach Street Middle School

PRESENT: Mr. Tussie, Mr. Antonello, Mrs. Brown (arrived 7:35 p.m.), Mr. Compitello,
Mrs. LaRosa, Mr. Maginniss, Mr. McCann

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATORS: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Pellati, Mr. Taylor

ABSENT: None

ATTORNEY: Mr. Volz

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge.

DISCUSSION

2021-2022 District Emergency Response Plan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2021 Planning Session.

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve ADMINISTRATIVE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT (AMENDED): David Rubano, Assistant Principal, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (High School; change in date from September 27, 2021 to September 26, 2025).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kasey Connelly, Special Education, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (Bayview; Step 1A⁴; replacing Bridget Reilly {resigned}).

In order to be granted tenure a classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law § 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three of the four preceding years and if a classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT (AMENDED): Anna Domingo, World Languages, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2024 (High School; change in date from August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: REGULAR SUBSTITUTE: Monica Mangogna, World Languages, effective September 13, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (Beach; Step 1A¹; Replacing Elizabeth Daddi {LoA}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Thomas Larsen, Technology, effective March 1, 2022 (19.5 years).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RETIREMENT: Linda Schmid, Speech, effective January 7, 2022 (29.5 years).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: RESIGNATION: Nicholas Accovelli, World Languages, effective August 31, 2021 (Beach).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Jennifer Dolan, Pre-K, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (Oquenock; Step 5; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kimberly Creitz, Pre-K, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (PJB; Step 5; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kierstin Ryder, Pre-K, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (Bayview; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kimberly Cooney, Pre-K, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (PJB; Step 5; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Jordan Gauvain, Pre-K, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (Manetuck; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Pamela Gaffney, Technology, effective August 31, 2021 to August 30, 2025 (PJB; Step 5; replacing S. Romaka {retired}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING ASSISTANT: RESIGNATION: Megan Regan, Computer, effective August 31, 2021 (Beach).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: RESIGNATIONS: Freshta Akley, Special Education Aide, effective September 10, 2021 (Manetuck); Tracey Allen, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective September 4, 2021 (Beach Street); Kimberly Creitz, Cafeteria Aide, effective August 26, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew); Rita Grasso, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective August 30, 2021 (Manetuck); Michele Jackala, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective August 30, 2021 (High School); Ken Jay, Network & Systems Technician, effective September 25, 2021 (District Wide); Kevin Kazda, Special Education Aide, effective August 30, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew); Linda Kennedy, Cafeteria Aide, effective August 30, 2021 (Bayview); Danielle Kilroy-Laino, Health Office Aide, effective August 30, 2021 (Manetuck); Natalie Lorey, Permanent Substitute Teacher, effective August 31, 2021 (Bayview); Lisa MacInness, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective August 30, 2021 (Manetuck); Karina McCormack, Special Education Aide, effective August 30, 2021 (Beach Street); Kierstin Ryder, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew); Jacqueline Weber, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (High School); Richard Westcott, Biotechnology Aide, effective August 30, 2021 (High School).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Carolyn Barbarito, Senior Office Assistant, effective September 13, 2021 (High School; Step 1; replacing T. Patti {retired}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kimberly Degere, Special Education Aide, effective September 10, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Taylor Dundon, Special Education Aide, effective September 15, 2021 (High School Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Theresa Gabriele, Special Education Aide, effective September 20, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kiersten Girardi, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Beach Street; Step 1; replacing K. McCormack {resigned}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Jennifer Held, Special Education Aide, effective September 10, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Michele Hopkins, Special Education Aide, effective September 1, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing K. Kazda {resigned}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Amy Ingrassia, Cafeteria Aide, effective September 9, 2021 (High School; Step 1; replacing K. Librizzi {Security/Receptionist Aide}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Michele Jackala, Cafeteria Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing A. Bello {Special Ed Aide}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Lisa Kziasek, Part Time Food Service Worker, effective September 10, 2021 (Udall; \$15.13/hr.; replacing L. MacInness {Special Education Aide}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Lisa MacInness, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Oquenock; Step 1; replacing D. McKeon {Teacher Aide}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Kristin Miller, Special Education Aide, effective September 10, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing K. Ryder {Teaching Assistant}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Maureen Pike, Special Education Aide, effective September 9, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing J. Bosch {Teacher Aide}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Christie Rendino, Special Education Aide, effective September 9, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Carmella Rugnetta, Special Education Aide, effective September 17, 2021 (High School; Step 1; replacing J. Weber {resigned}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Veronica Rosado, Cafeteria Aide, effective September 13, 2021 (Bayview; Step 1; replacing L. Kennedy {resigned}).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Nicole Young, Special Education Aide, effective September 2, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: CHANGE IN TITLE: Anne Marie Bello, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 6; new position; change from Cafeteria Aide); Jennifer Bosch, Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 7; new position; change from Special Education Aide); Kimberly Librizzi, Security/Receptionist Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (High School; Step 3; replacing L. Butler {resigned}; change from Cafeteria Aide); Diane McKeon, Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Oquenock; Step 8; new position; change from Special Education Aide); Jennifer Pelletier, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Oquenock; Step 3; replacing J. Schwartz {Teacher Aide}; change from Cafeteria Aide); Sergio Perdomo, Acting Head Custodian, effective August 23, 2021 through September 8, 2021 (Beach Street; Step 10; change from Custodial Worker I; replacing A. Machowicz {sick leave}); Sergio Perdomo, Custodial Worker I, effective September 9, 2021 (Beach Street; Step 10; change from Acting Head Custodian); Annette Rossi, Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Manetuck; Step 8; new position; change from Special Education Aide); Jodi Schwartz, Teacher Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Bayview; Step 8; new position; change from Special Education Aide); Kristine White, Special Education Aide, effective August 31, 2021 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 6; new position; change from Cafeteria Aide).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER (\$15.00/hr.): Tracey Allen, effective September 10, 2021.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE MAINTENANCE MECHANIC II (\$30/hr.): *Vincent Baltrusitis, effective September 10, 2021.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL (\$15/hr.): Linda Kennedy, effective August 31, 2021.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS 2021-2022:

Jill Culver, Art	1 section/full year
Evelyn Hanlon, Counseling	1 section/full year
Ryan Vollmuth, Counseling	1 section/full year
Dina Barone, English	1 section/full year
Linda Gifford, English	1 section/full year
Anthony Yuli, Health	1 section/full year
Christina Bivona, Math	1 section/full year
Lawrence Sciarrino, Math	1 section/full year
Brian Cameron, Physical Education	.50 section/full year
Joseph Nicolosi, Physical Education	.50 section/full year
John Guerriero, Psychology	1 section/full year
Rebecca Silva, Psychology	1 section/full year

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS (continued)

Kristie Ferruzzi, Science	1 section/full year
Ashley Smar, Science	1 section/full year
Aron Chizik, Social Studies	1 section/full year
Michael Hazelton, Social Studies	1 section/full year
Eric Rao, Social Studies	1 section/full year
Dennis Montalto, Special Education	1 section/full year

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: AUDITORIUM TECHNICIANS 2021-2022:

Bruce Bockstruck	David Kaufman	John Simeone
Justin DeMaio	James Kraus	Michael Taranto
Jesse Fawess	Arthur Machowicz	Ronald Weber
Frank Franzone	Melissa Senatore	
Ryan Jensen	Joseph Senatore	

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: CONCERT HALL MANAGERS 2021-2022: James Kraus, High School; Arthur Machowicz, Beach Street Middle School; Michael Taranto, Udall Road Middle School.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$150 per diem): Paige Gillespie, effective August 31, 2021 through June 24, 2022; Holly Gozinsky, effective August 31, 2021 through June 24, 2022.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ADULT EDUCATION FALL 2021:

Alexandra Bergin (Zumba) \$35/hr.
Lenny Butler (Community CPR) \$30/hr.
Jake Caramico (How Money Works) no cost to West Islip
Drake Castonguay (Lifeguard) \$20/hr.
Kim Crichton (Yoga, Stretch, Body Sculpt) \$35/hr.
James Grover (Basketball) \$35/hr.
Matthew Haszinger (Volleyball) \$35/hr.
Phyllis Hintze (Ballroom Dancing) \$30/hr.
Evan Levy (Social Security Planning) no cost to West Islip
Bruce Lieberman (Defensive Driving) no cost to West Islip
Jane Loehle (Aquacise) \$35/hr.
Nizza Tasaayco (Volleyball) \$35/hr.
Richard Tesoro (About Boat Safety) no cost to West Islip
Robert Watts (Introduction to Guitar/Piano) \$30/hr.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$130 per diem):

Joseph Becker, effective September 10, 2021
Kristen Bergin, effective September 10, 2021
Caroline Blair, effective September 10, 2021
Sarah Campbell, effective August 31, 2021
Daniella Castellanos, effective August 31, 2021
Erin Gorey-Gonzales, effective September 10, 2021
Kristin Kelly, effective September 10, 2021
Sean Kelly, effective September 10, 2021

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (continued)

Jordan Rucks, effective September 10, 2021, student teacher
Marissa Scudlo, effective September 10, 2021
Kate Snyder, effective September 10, 2021
Kaitlyn Spence, effective September 10, 2021

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: FALL 2021 MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES: BOYS SOCCER: Sean Kelly, 7-8 Beach Coach; FIELD HOCKEY (AMENDED): Annelise Muscietta, 7-8 Beach Coach (replacing Daniel Sliwowski approved at BOE meeting June 10, 2021).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: INSTRUCTIONAL SWIM & FAMILY SWIM PROGRAMS 2021-2022: Supervisor \$50 per hour: Colleen Reilly; Jeremy Robertson; John T. Denninger; Megan LaRocca; Tanya Carbone; Thomas Loudon; Edward Jablonski; Thomas Bruder; John (Jack) Luquer. Lifeguard \$15 per hour: Angelina Amatulli-Griffith; Andrew Bishop; Ryan Carlson; Joe Cusumano; Braedon Dedcovich; Alyssa DiPietro; Justin Dumond; Collin Ferraro; Alex Gagliardi; Madison Horan; Jacquelyn McDonough; Gabby Nicolosi; Gianna Pilitteri; Joseph Vitellaro; Tobias Wefering.

CURRICULUM UPDATE

Mrs. Morrison thanked the administrators, teachers, staff, students and parents for a great opening of school. Students were happy to be back and the district welcomed two full day Pre-K classes to each elementary school on September 1, 2021.

Mrs. Morrison advised that a reference letter was sent home on September 8 regarding Continuity of Instruction for quarantined or isolated students. Students quarantined or isolated more than three days with medical documentation will receive homebound instruction.

Elementary and middle school fall benchmarking will take place throughout the month of September; teachers will assess current ELA and math skills of K-8 students.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Education Committee: Richard Antonello reported on the meeting that took place 8/31/2021. Items reviewed included 2021-2022 elementary literacy program, fall literacy training, computational skills, literacy and math kits, and homebound instruction.

Finance Committee: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting held on 8/31/2021. Items reviewed included the June extra-curricular report, August payroll summary, August internal claims audit report, August system manager audit report, payroll certification form, and contracts. Mrs. Pellati advised that the external auditors, R.S. Abrams, will discuss the year-end audit at the beginning of the October Planning Session.

Buildings and Grounds: Peter McCann reported on the meeting that took place on 8/31/2021. Items reviewed included facility improvement projects, capital improvements projects, installation of solar panels on roofs, and an upcoming mailer regarding the Masera Community Advisory Board.

Special Education Committee: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting that took place on 9/9/2021. Items discussed included special education recommendations and student placements.

FINANCIAL MATTERS:

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following 2021-2022 contracts: East Moriches UFSD Special Education Contract 7/1/21-8/31/21; East Moriches UFSD Special Education Contract 9/1/2021-6/30/2022; Fontanetta Neuropsychology Consultant Services Contract 7/1/2021-6/30/2022; Herricks UFSD Agreement 7/1/2019-6/30/2022.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the 2021-2022 District Emergency Response Plan.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve a revised 2021-2022 Resolution for the Certification of Lead Evaluators (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve ASK US Lease Amendment.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve WITA Memorandum of Agreement re: attendance recording.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve WITA Nurses' Chapter Memorandum of Agreement re: attendance recording.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve WITA Teaching Assistants' Chapter Memorandum of Agreement re: attendance recording.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Teamsters Local 237 Operations Memorandum of Agreement re: vacation carryover.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mrs. Burns informed the audience that staff returned to school on Tuesday, August 31 for Superintendent's Day and students returned on Wednesday, September 1. Mrs. Burns expressed her appreciation to the entire instructional and support staff for ensuring a smooth opening of school, and especially the clerical, custodial, IT and administrators for their summer work preparing for the students.

Mrs. Burns encouraged parents to visit the school website and Facebook for pictures of school and districtwide events.

Mrs. Burns advised that student enrollment stands at 3,804, a decrease of 125 from the previous year (not including 159 Pre-K students).

Mrs. Burns informed the audience that Patriot Day this year marks the 20th Anniversary of 9/11. Schools will observe the occasion on September 10 with a moment of silence and other activities.

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

Mr. Tully, 835 Sandra Avenue, West Islip – Mr. Tully expressed concerns about Cultural Responsive Training.

Mrs. Christine Mencarelli, West Islip – Mrs. Mencarelli had concerns regarding homebound instruction and the delay in organizing for eligible students.

Mrs. Rosa Randazzo, West Islip – Mrs. Randazzo had concerns regarding vaccination mandates for children and requested that the Board work with the community for what is in the best interest of the children.

Mrs. Doreen Hantzschel, West Islip – Mrs. Hantzschel expressed concerns about the CRT curriculum and encourages a conservative perspective on how to handle topics in a unified way. Mrs. Hantzschel feels her comments were not reflected accurately in the August 12 minutes.

Mrs. Veronique Wallrapp, 11 Harvest Lane, West Islip - Mrs. Wallrapp spoke about parent choice and the metrics to be used to eliminate masks. She expressed disappointment about the lack of response to emails she sent to the Board and Superintendent.

Mr. George Deabold – Mr. Deabold advised that the district does not have to follow NYSED mandates as NYSED will not withhold funding. Mr. Deabold challenged of the district 504 protocols.

Mrs. Carmella Longo, West Islip – Mrs. Longo advised that she is against CRT and the DEI curriculum and that mask requirements is an abuse of power.

Mrs. Lisa Curley, West Islip – Mrs. Curley questioned whether the Board is vaccinating their own children and whether the district would serve as a vaccine PoD.

Mrs. Patty McCabe, 8 Altmar Avenue, West Islip – Mrs. McCabe had questions regarding quarantining and isolating students and the use of webcams in the classroom.

Mrs. Cassandra Sottile, West Islip – Mrs. Sottile would like masks to be optional and is concerned about the vaccine mandate. Mrs. Sottile encouraged the Board to write letters to the Governor.

Mrs. Lisa Stagner, West Islip – Mrs. Stagner expressed concern that her child came home with a “My Mask” book assignment which she feels is inappropriate.

Mrs. Ruth Mineo, West Islip – Mrs. Mineo asked why webcams were utilized last year in the classroom but not for quarantined students this year.

Mrs. Jennifer Lamirata, 31 Cotter Street, West Islip – Mrs. Lamirata stated there is a lack of leadership in the district. She expressed concern that the district does not quarantine vaccinated students if they are designated as close contacts and disagrees that the district is permitted to require testing since testing is a medical procedure.

Mr. John Mistico, West Islip – Mr. Mistico feels masks are violating the students’ constitutional rights.

Motion was made by Richard Antoniello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:22 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 10:46 p.m. on motion by Richard Antoniello, seconded by Debbie Brown and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Richard Antoniello seconded by Debbie Brown, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Attendance Waiver for Student “A”.

Motion was made by Richard Antoniello seconded by Ron Maginniss, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve resolution re: Personnel Action Education Law §913 Examination of Employee “A”.

A Motion to approve the following Resolution was unanimously approved by those present, on Motion by Richard Antoniello, seconded by Ron Maginniss.

RESOLUTION:

RESOLVED, that pursuant to §913 of the Education Law, the employee named in executive session and referred to as Employee “A” is hereby directed to appear for a medical examination in the office of Dr. Michael Schwartz, and it is

FIURTHER RESOLVED, that Dr. Michael Schwartz is hereby appointed school medical inspector pursuant to §913 of the Education Law in order to evaluate said employee’s ability to perform his teaching duties.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48 p.m. on motion by Richard Antonello, seconded by Tom Compitello and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Hock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "M".

Mary Hock
District Clerk

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