

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: May 12, 2014
PLACE: Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

Members Present

Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga, President
Mrs. Lisa McKeown, Vice President
Mr. Gregory Antolini
Ms. Alena Berenblatt
Mrs. Ann Donaldson
Mr. Dominick Montalto

District Superintendent

Mr. Richard S. Rozakis

Central Office Administration

Dr. Peter Daly, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Daniel D'Amico, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

District Clerk

Linda Pesce

- CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Bencivenga, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular individuals, negotiations and advice from counsel was made by A. Berenblatt, seconded by A. Donaldson and approved. (5-0). Mrs. McKeown arrived at 6:35 p.m. Public Session resumed at 7:30 p.m. at which time Mr. Bencivenga, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.
A motion to recess the Regular Meeting to conduct the Public Hearing on the proposed 2014-2015 school budget was made by A. Donaldson, seconded by L. McKeown and approved. (6-0)
- PUBLIC HEARING** A Public Hearing on the proposed 2014-2015 school budget was held.
A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing and resume the Regular meeting was made by L. McKeown and seconded by A. Berenblatt was approved. (6-0)
- MINUTES** The minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 7, 2014, Special Meeting of April 24, 2014 and Work/Study Meeting of April 28, 2014 was approved on motion by D. Montalto and seconded by G. Antolini. (6-0)
- TREASURER'S REPORT** The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for March 2014 was approved on motion by A. Donaldson and seconded by L. McKeown. (6-0)
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Student Delegates, Giovanna Domingo and Max O'Handley, reported that students have begun their preparations to run for various elected official positions for the 2014-2015 school year. The interviews will be aired in front of the school in September, when voting will take place. They also reported on activities in the Art, Science and World Languages Departments. Students Against Destructive Decisions, along with support from faculty and students, raised \$400 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Pennies for Patients Drive. The building principals reported on events in their respective buildings.
- COMMITTEE REPORTS** Mrs. Donaldson, audit committee chair, reported that the audit committee will meet on June 16th at 6:45 p.m. with the Independent Auditors. Mr. Antolini, buildings and grounds committee chair, reported that Mr. Wedig from BBS is here this evening with an update on the bond referendum schedule. The elementary school roof and masonry are scheduled to go out to bid. BBS is actively scheduling meetings with administrators and staff. Mrs. Berenblatt, policy committee chair, reported that a first reading of policies will be conducted this evening. As there were no reports from other committees, the Board moved to the next item.

FIRST READING OF POLICIES 4770-GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, 4773-DIPLOMA AND CREDENTIAL OPTION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, 5140-ENTRANCE AGE

1. **FIRST READING OF POLICIES 4770-GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, 4773-DIPLOMA AND CREDENTIAL OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, 5140-ENTRANCE AGE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a first reading of policies 4770-Graduation Requirements, 4773-Diploma and Credential Options For Students With Disabilities, 5140-Entrance Age and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal first reading of policies 4770-Graduation Requirements, 4773-Diploma and Credential Options For Students With Disabilities, 5140-Entrance Age, as attached.

On motion by A. Berenblatt, seconded by L. McKeown, the Board of Education conducted a first reading of policies 4770-Graduation Requirements, 4773-Diploma and Credential Options For Students With Disabilities, 5140-Entrance Age and waived the formal second reading of policy 4770-Graduation Requirements, 4773-Diploma and Credential Options For Students With Disabilities, 5140-Entrance Age, as attached.

BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

There were no questions from visitors on agenda items.

New Business

APPOINTMENT PROBATIONARY DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

1. **APPOINTMENT PROBATIONARY DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Lisa Consolo as a probationary District Director of Special Education effective July 1, 2014. Compensation for this assignment to be \$130,000.
On motion by A. Donaldson, seconded by G. Antolini, Resolution 1 was approved. (6-0)

RESIGNATION

2. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Patricia Fiorenza, Account Clerk, effective August 31, 2014 with regret and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement.
On motion by A. Berenblatt, seconded by L. McKeown, Resolution 2 was approved. (6-0)

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by L. McKeown, seconded by G. Antolini a motion to omnibus Items 3-6 and 8-12 was approved (6-0).
On omnibus motion by D. Montalto, seconded by A. Donaldson a motion to omnibus Items 3-6 and 8-12 was approved (6-0).

PART-TIME AIDE

3. **PART-TIME AIDE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Gina O'Hara as a part-time aide, effective May 13, 2014. Compensation for this assignment to be in accordance with the 2013-2014 aides and monitors association contract.

PART-TIME CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENT

4. **PART-TIME CUSTODIAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the part-time custodial appointment of Dora Ulloa effective May 13, 2014. Compensation for this position to be at the part-time custodial \$11.00 hourly rate of pay.

SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER APPOINTMENT

5. **SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Gloria Gavin as a substitute food service worker effective May 13, 2014. Compensation for this appointment to be \$10.00/hour.

PLAN FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

6. **PLAN FOR THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the Plan for the Education of Students with Disabilities for the Babylon UFSD dated May 3, 2014.

- DONATION** 7. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept a donation of a portable home run fence valued at approximately \$1,200 from the Babylon Booster Club with appreciation for this generous gift.
On motion by A. Donaldson, seconded by D. Montalto, Resolution 7 was approved. (6-0)
- WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES MULTI-YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT** 8. **WESTERN SUFFOLK BOCES MULTI-YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve a multi-year service agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and the Babylon Union Free School District in the amount of \$138,612.49.
- HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES AGREEMENTS** 9. **HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES AGREEMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the health and welfare service agreements between Babylon UFSD and the Hicksville School District and Sachem CSD for the 2013-2014 school year.
- SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT AND SERVICES AGREEMENTS** 10. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT AND SERVICES AGREEMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education consultant and services agreements between the Babylon UFSD and Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center (SE#30), East Islip UFSD (SE#31).
- SPECIAL EDUCATION RECEIPT OF FEDERAL PART B FLOW-THROUGH ALLOCATIONS** 11. **SPECIAL EDUCATION RECEIPT OF FEDERAL PART B FLOW-THROUGH ALLOCATIONS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations for the 2013-2014 school year between the Babylon UFSD and the County of Suffolk (Suffolk County Department of Health Services) for the 2013-2014 school year.
- COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION** 12. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases from January 2014 to May 2014, be accepted.
- OTHER BUSINESS** As there was no other business, the Board moved to the next item.
- REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS** As there was no report from representatives of organizations the Board moved to the next item.
- QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS** The Board addressed questions and/or listened to concerns from visitors regarding the elementary school special education program, Read 180, spending per pupil, and fund balance.
- FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS** The Budget Vote and Trustee Election will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Babylon Memorial Grade School and a Regular Meeting will be held on Monday, June 2, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Babylon Junior-Senior High School library.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION** At 8:52 p.m., a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations was made by G. Antolini, seconded by A. Donaldson and approved. (6-0)
- ADJOURNMENT** Public Session resumed at 9:15 p.m. There being no other items of business, the meeting was adjourned on motion by A. Berenblatt, seconded by G. Antolini and approved. (6-0)