

MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

DATE OF MEETING: April 18, 2016

PLACE: Babylon Junior-Senior High School, 50 Railroad Avenue, Babylon, NY 11702

Members Present

Mrs. Ann Donaldson, President
Mr. Dominick Montalto, Vice President
Ms. Elizabeth Altbacker
Mr. Dominic P. Bencivenga
Mrs. Carol Ann Dell'Erba
Mrs. Linda Jurs
Ms. Tricia Pané

District Superintendent

Mrs. Linda J. Rozzi

Central Office Administration

Dr. Peter Daly, Deputy Superintendent
Mr. Daniel D'Amico, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

District Clerk

Linda Pesce

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mrs. Donaldson, President. A motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing specific labor negotiations, the employment history of particular individuals and advice from counsel was made by L. Jurs, seconded by E. Altbacker and approved. (7-0) Public session resumed at 7:40 p.m. at which time Mrs. Donaldson, President, led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of March 7, 2016 and Work/Study Meeting of March 21, 2016 were approved on motion by C. Dell'Erba and seconded T. Pané. (7-0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for February 2016 were approved on motion by D. Bencivenga and seconded by E. Altbacker. (7-0)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board of Education recognized Mrs. Theresa Santmann for her very generous gift of \$200,000.00. The Board also recognized music students who participated in SCMEA All County Festival, the Varsity Cheerleading Team for winning the inaugural Suffolk County Cheer Championship and earning a bid to the first ever NYS Cheer Championships in Syracuse. The team also earned an 8th place finish at the New York State Championships. Two wrestlers were recognized for winning the Suffolk County Division 2 Wrestling Championships and earning a bid to the New York State Wrestling Championships in Albany. Student delegates reported on senior high student council events. Senior high student council members will be facilitating an awareness night on April 21 for the junior high students from 6-9 pm. The annual Powder Puff game will be held on May 20th. There will be a movie projected on the new turf field on June 2nd. They also reported on highlights in the science, art, and world languages departments. They reported that Babylon Buddies had another successful year. Babylon Buddies hosted West Islip, Lindenhurst and East Islip student at our socials, dances and our annual talent show.

Mrs. Rozzi, Superintendent of Schools reported the following News and Updates around the District:

- Mrs. Rozzi congratulated all of our recognized students who were able to attend this evening's meeting and that we are proud to celebrate their many accomplishments.
- Last month the PTA hosted the Harlem Wizards. What an amazing unity builder for our school community. Mrs. Rozzi thanked all PTA members and the PTA leadership who organized this wonderful event. It was a terrific, fun-filled evening and special thanks to our amazing staff that turned out to help or even play in the game representing the Babylon team.
- The proposed Smart Schools Bond application has been posted on the district's website where the public has a 30-day opportunity to comment. Once the Board of Education has approved officially the plan, it can then be submitted to the State for final approval. To date, SCDNET and Mason Technologies have completed walk-throughs of all three buildings to determine wireless needs. Quotes have been submitted for projects which provide wireless coverage throughout the district with room to grow. The proposal includes hardware and equipment needed for the wireless project such as access points and switches. It is the goal to begin wireless work early this summer.

Dr. Daly, Deputy Superintendent, presented the proposed 2016-2017 school budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- T. Pané, audit committee chair, reported that the last audit committee meeting was held on March 7th at which time the findings of the Comptrollers audit was discussed. The next meeting will be held on May 9th at 5:30 p.m. for a status report from our internal auditors followed by a pre-audit conference from our external auditors in anticipation of the June 30, 2016 independent audit. Tonight the Board is approving the June 30, 2015 federal single audit which is an audit of our federal funds by our external auditors. The report will be placed on the website.
- L. Jurs, finance committee chair, reported that a budget presentation will be held this evening. The finance committee meeting scheduled for April is cancelled and a meeting will be scheduled for late May/early June.
- D. Bencivenga, buildings and grounds committee chair, reported that the fields are being used. We strongly encourage no bikes and dogs on the field and we are working on border issues. Casework colors were picked and the work is scheduled to start in mid-June. A few items on the agenda for approval is the casework cabinetry and food service equipment.
- D. Montalto, technology committee chair, reported that the Smart Schools Bond Plan has been placed on the district's website and a public hearing will be held and the Board will approve the plan to be sent to the State for approval.
- C. Dell'Erba, curriculum committee chair, reported that the committee will be meeting on April 27th at 3:30 p.m. to continue work on the mini grant program.
- E. Altbacker, policy committee chair, reported that the committee will be meeting in June.
- Committee meetings will be posted to the District website.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS/DISCUSSION

The Board of Education addressed questions from a visitor regarding Resolution 16 and a question regarding the Capital Reserve Fund. A Board member inquired if the new course, Contemporary Issues in America, is a social studies course which it is. As there was no further discussion from the Board, the Board moved on to New Business.

New Business

OMNIBUS MOTION

On motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by C. Dell'Erba, a motion to omnibus Resolutions 1-2 and 5-22 were approved (7-0).
On omnibus motion by D. Montalto, seconded by T. Pané an omnibus motion to move Resolutions 1-2 and 5-22 were approved (7-0).

ANNUAL BUDGET

1. **ANNUAL BUDGET: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the proposed tax levy-cap compliant budget for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$50,172,183 and that such budget be submitted to the voters for approval. The proposed budget has been established at the allowable tax levy of 1.37%.

PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

2. **PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD: BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Property Tax Report Card as required by State Education Law Sections 1608, 1716(7) and 2601-a(3) for the 2016-2017 school year.

DONATION

3. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education acknowledges the generosity of Theresa Santmann and accepts the donation of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) with appreciation for the expression of care and concern for District youth and on behalf of the students who will benefit from this donation.
On motion by E. Altbacker, seconded by D. Bencivenga, Resolution 3 was approved. (7-0)

DONATION

4. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of uniforms for the Varsity Boys and Varsity Girls track teams from Mr. Green and Mrs. Corcoran valued at \$2300.00, with appreciation for this generous gift.
On motion by L. Jurs, seconded by C. Dell'Erba, Resolution 4 was approved. (7-0)

**OBSOLETE/
DONATION
EQUIPMENT**

5. **OBSOLETE/DONATION EQUIPMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education declares the emergency generator obsolete; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approves the donation of the obsolete emergency generator to The American Airpower Museum, located in the Town of Babylon at Republic Airport.

**PART-TIME
SECURITY GUARD
APPOINTMENT**

6. **PART-TIME SECURITY GUARD APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the part-time security guard appointment of Kenneth Meyerback effective April 19, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for this position to be at the security guard hourly rate of pay of \$18.00.

**PER DIEM
SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER
APPOINTMENT**

7. **PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Nicole Cassagnau as a per diem substitute teacher effective April 19, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for this assignment to be \$110.00/day.

**SUBSTITUTE
NURSE
APPOINTMENT**

8. **SUBSTITUTE NURSE APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Donna Antonelli, RN as a substitute nurse effective April 19, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for this assignment to be \$175.00/day.

**APPOINTMENTS
SUBSTITUTE
AIDE/MONITORS**

9. **APPOINTMENTS SUBSTITUTE AIDE/MONITORS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following substitute aide/monitor appointments effective April 19, 2016 to June 30, 2016. Compensation for this assignment to be \$13.60/hour.

Patricia Cresciullo Michele Belleau Sarah Montgomery

**CASUAL
APPOINTMENT**

10. **CASUAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of Jeff Kenney as the junior high baseball coach for the 2015-2016 school year. Compensation for this position to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract. (\$4,359)

**VOLUNTEER
APPOINTMENT**

11. **VOLUNTEER APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve Amanda McKay as a volunteer Varsity Softball Volunteer for the 2015-2016 school year in accordance with Board of Education Policy 4532-School Volunteers.

**NEW COURSE
APPROVAL**

12. **NEW COURSE APPROVAL: BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the District's partnership with the "Project Lead The Way" National STEM Organization, a not for profit entity, and further approves the new PLTW engineering pathway courses for the 2016-2017 school year titled:

- "Project Lead The Way - Design & Drawing for Production"
- "Project Lead The Way - Principles of Engineering"

Both courses lead to college credits earned and certified through the Rochester Institute of Technology.

**NEW COURSE
APPROVAL**

13. **NEW COURSE APPROVAL: BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following new courses for the 2016-2017 school year titled:

- AP Psychology
- AP Calculus
- AP Physics I

These courses lead to college credits earned through the College Board.

**NEW COURSE
APPROVAL**

14. **NEW COURSE APPROVAL: BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following new courses for the 2016-2017 school year titled:

- The Evolution of the Gothic Horror Story
- The Short Story
- Contemporary Issues in America

- Algebra 1 CC (Lab)
- Introduction to Computer Science, Gaming & Development
- STEAM 10

**FEDERAL SINGLE
AUDIT REPORT**

15. **FEDERAL SINGLE AUDIT REPORT: RESOLVED**, that on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Federal Single Audit Report conducted by Cullen & Danowski, LLP for the 2014-2015 school year.

**APPROPRIATION
TRANSFERS**

16. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following appropriation transfers for the 2015-2016 school year:

Item #	From Account Code	To Account Code	Transfer Amount Requested	Explanation
1	A 2251.4102-00-000	A 2251.4700-00-000	50,000.00	This transfer is necessary to cover anticipated expenses
2	A 2251.4900-00-000	A 2251.4700-00-000	200,000.00	This transfer is necessary to cover anticipated expenses
3	A 1620.1610-00-000	A 1620.1620-00-000	20,000.00	Overtime costs related to Capital Construction off-hours work
4	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 1310.1682-05-000	1,558.00	Contract Settlement
5	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 1430.1600-05-000	577.00	Contract Settlement
6	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1503-01-000	5,191.00	Contract Settlement
7	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1503-02-000	2,735.00	Contract Settlement
8	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1503-03-000	2,538.00	Contract Settlement
9	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1600-01-000	5,195.00	Contract Settlement
10	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1600-02-000	1,060.00	Contract Settlement
11	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1600-03-000	1,100.00	Contract Settlement
12	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1682-01-000	2,845.00	Contract Settlement
13	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2020.1682-03-000	300.00	Contract Settlement
14	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2110.1282-02-000	6,655.00	Contract Settlement
15	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2110.1382-01-000	5,748.00	Contract Settlement
16	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2251.1500-00-000	2,600.00	Contract Settlement
17	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2251.1507-00-000	1,051.00	Contract Settlement
18	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2251.1600-00-000	1,738.00	Contract Settlement
19	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2612.1600-01-000	996.00	Contract Settlement
20	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2612.1682-01-000	300.00	Contract Settlement
21	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2630.1504-00-000	2,470.00	Contract Settlement
22	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2630.1600-00-000	1,121.00	Contract Settlement
23	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2630.1682-00-000	10.00	Contract Settlement
24	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2805.1600-00-000	834.00	Contract Settlement
25	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2810.1507-01-000	869.00	Contract Settlement
26	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2810.1582-02-000	28.00	Contract Settlement
27	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2810.1682-01-000	1,800.00	Contract Settlement
28	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2815.1600-01-000	1,384.00	Contract Settlement
29	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2815.1600-02-000	1,132.00	Contract Settlement
30	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2815.1600-03-000	1,132.00	Contract Settlement
31	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2815.1682-02-000	300.00	Contract Settlement
32	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2815.1682-03-000	1,200.00	Contract Settlement
33	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 2855.1500-00-000	2,929.00	Contract Settlement
34	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 5510.1600-00-000	566.00	Contract Settlement
35	A 9030.8003-00-000	A 5510.1682-00-000	150.00	Contract Settlement
36	A9061.8008-00-000	A1310.4190-05-000	12,500.00	ACA compliance requirements

CHANGE ORDER

17. **CHANGE ORDER: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves AIA Document G701/Change Order #1 for work completed at the Babylon Junior-Senior High School with Milcon Construction Corp., of West Babylon, New York, in the deduct amount of -\$47,299.54, as a result of a credit for labor and materials for work not performed by the contractor as part of Add Alt GC1-2.

**CASEWORK
CONTRACT
AWARD**

18. **CASEWORK CONTRACT AWARD: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards Nickerson as the lowest responsible bidder for Casework and Equipment Base Bid CC-1, Add Alternates CC1-1, CC1-7 and CC1-8 at a cost of \$336,376.

**FOOD SERVICE
EQUIPMENT
CONTRACT
AWARD**

19. **FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT CONTRACT AWARD: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards Bar Boy Products as the lowest responsible bidder for Food Service Equipment Contract FSE-1 at a cost of \$385,535.

**HEALTH AND
WELFARE
SERVICES
AGREEMENT**

20. **HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the health and welfare services agreement between the Babylon UFSD and the following districts: Bellmore UFSD, East Islip UFSD, Hicksville UFSD, Jericho UFSD, Massapequa UFSD, Sachem CSD, South Huntington UFSD, Syosset CSD, Uniondale UFSD for the 2015-2016 school year.

**SPECIAL
EDUCATION
SERVICES
CONTRACT**

21. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the special education services contract between the Babylon UFSD and the Green Chimney's School (SE-2015.16-F) for the 2015-2016 school year.

**COMMITTEE ON
SPECIAL
EDUCATION AND
CPSE**

22. **COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases dated February 2016-April 2016.

OTHER BUSINESS

As per the recommendation of the transportation consultant, Mr. Robertson, Mrs. Rozzi recommended coordinating the start times at the elementary and grade schools starting the 2016-2017 school year. She mentioned that this would require amending the language in policy 8411 and a Memorandum of Agreement with the Babylon Teachers Association regarding the contractual language of start times. A reminder that Superintendent's Coffee Hour will be held on April 19th in the library at 7:00 p.m.

**REPRESENTATIVES OF
ORGANIZATIONS**

As there was no report from Representatives of Organizations, the Board moved to the next item.

**QUESTIONS FROM
VISITORS**

The Board of Education addressed questions/comments from visitors regarding the recommendations from the transportation consultant and the proposed Capital Reserve II proposition.

**FUTURE BOARD
MEETINGS**

The Board of Education will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the administration office. Topic: WSBOCES Vote and Trustee Election. A Regular Business Meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school library. Topic: Public Hearing on Proposed 2016-2017 school budget and Public Hearing on Smart Schools Investment Plan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:12 p.m. a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person was made by D. Bencivenga, seconded by L. Jurs and approved. (7-0)

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:29 p.m., there being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by C. Dell'Erba, seconded by E. Altbacker and approved (7-0)