

**BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 3, 2012  
AGENDA**

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**Meeting protocol: Please state your name when addressing the Board of Education.**

- I. Call to Order - 6:30 p.m.
- II. Executive Session  
It is anticipated that upon a majority vote of the total membership of the Board, a motion to meet in Executive Session to discuss specific collective bargaining, personnel issues, and/or other specific matters appropriate for executive session in accordance with the Open Meeting Law will be considered. Following executive session the Board will reconvene in the Babylon Junior-Senior High School library at approximately 7:30 p.m.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance (7:30 p.m.)
- IV. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2012 and Work/Study Meeting of November 19, 2012.
- V. Approval of Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for October 2012.
- VI. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Student Delegate Report - Ronnie Pashen, Giovanna Domingo
  - b. School Highlights - Mr. Richard Rozakis
  - c. Board of Education Recognition - Mr. Richard Rozakis
  - d. Student Recognition - Mr. Richard Rozakis
- VII. Committee Reports
  - a. Audit Committee
  - b. Finance Committee
  - c. Buildings & Grounds Committee
  - d. Technology Committee
  - e. Policy Committee
    1. **SECOND READING OF POLICIES 5300.30 PROHIBITED STUDENT CONDUCT AND 5300.70 PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a second reading of policies 5300.30-Prohibited Student Conduct and 5300.70 Public Conduct on School Property and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal second reading of policies 5300.30-Prohibited Student Conduct and 5300.70 Public Conduct on School Property, as attached. (Note: these sections are revisions within the Code of Conduct)
- VIII. Questions from Visitors on Agenda Items - Please approach the podium and state your name.
- IX. New Business
  1. **REVISED SCHOOL CALENDAR: RESOLVED**, that the revised school calendar for the school year 2012-2013, as attached hereto, be approved.
  2. **RESCIND/APPOINTMENT SWIMMING SUPERVISOR: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education rescind the appointment of Kerri Whalen as the Individual Competitor Swimming supervisor effective December 1, 2012 and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Rich Villanueva as the Individual Competitor Swimming supervisor effective December 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013. Compensation for this assignment to be at the current supervision rate of pay for the 2012-2013 school year.
  3. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2012-2013 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.  
**Grade School AIS Morning Academy**

Heather Hosek	Jessica Kurtz	Robin LaBarbera	Pat Murphy
Lisa Necroto	Cathy O'Connor	Kim Ricchiuti	Shannon Saturno
Bill Singleton	Danielle Vedder	Rayna Zwerlein	

4. **ADOPTION OF POLICIES 5300.30 PROHIBITED STUDENT CONDUCT AND 5300.70 PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve and adopt policies 5300.30-Prohibited Student Conduct and 5300.70 Public Conduct on School Property, as attached.
  5. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education contract for the 2012-2013 school year between the Babylon UFSD and County of Suffolk-Receipt of Federal Part B Flow-Through Allocations (SE#45).
  6. **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 September 2012 to November 2012 be approved.
  7. **DONATION TO FUND SCIENCE RESEARCH CENTER: WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has the authority to accept donations and to apply the funds according to the instructions of the donor pursuant to Section 1709 of the Education Law; and **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has previously accepted a generous donation in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000) Dollars from the Theresa Patnode Santmann Foundation, Inc., for the renovation of an art classroom at the Babylon Junior Senior High School into a science research laboratory; and **WHEREAS**, Ms. Theresa Santmann, has graciously offered to fund, through the Theresa Patnode Santmann Foundation, Inc., additional expenses incurred in connection with the renovation of this classroom at the Babylon Junior Senior High School, in an additional amount of Ninety Thousand (\$90,000.00) Dollars, which amount is in addition to the Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000) Dollar donation previously accepted by the Board of Education on June 11, 2012, bringing the total donation by the Theresa Patnode Santmann Foundation for the project to Two Hundred Ninety Thousand (\$290,000) Dollars; **NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the donation of an additional Ninety Thousand (\$90,000.00) Dollars from Ms. Theresa Santmann on behalf of the Theresa Patnode Santmann Foundation, Inc., to fund the renovation of an existing art classroom at the Babylon Junior Senior High School into a science research laboratory ("the project"), subject to the following terms and conditions:
    1. These additional donated funds will be used by the District to fund costs and expenses related to the project and/or associated with the demolition of the existing art classroom cabinetry, floor tile, ceilings, and lighting, and the installation of new flooring, ceilings, lighting, painting, ventilation, data and electrical outlets, and new science classroom cabinetry, together with architectural, professional, and miscellaneous expenses associated therewith, in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Ninety Thousand (\$290,000.00) Dollars;
    2. The District shall utilize the architectural services of James M. Campbell Architects, P.C., for the project;
    3. The District shall maintain a log of the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the project. In the event the total cost and related expenses incurred by the District for the project are less than Two Hundred Ninety Thousand (\$290,000.00) Dollars, the Board hereby agrees that the District shall return that portion of the donated funds not utilized for the project to the Theresa Patnode Santmann Foundation, Inc., by subsequent Board of Education resolution; **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education acknowledges the generosity of the donor and accepts said gift with appreciation for the expression of care and concern for District youth and on behalf of the students who will directly benefit from this donation.
  8. **DONATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education accept the donation of \$1,000 from the Babylon Teachers' Association, with appreciation for this generous gift.
- X. Other Business
- XI. Representatives of Organizations
- XII. Questions from Visitors - Please approach the podium and state your name.
- XIII. Future Board Meetings:
- Work/Study Meeting  
Monday, December 17, 2012  
BHS Library - 7:30 p.m.
- Regular Meeting  
Monday, January 14, 2012  
BHS Library - 7:30 p.m.
- XIV. Adjournment

**5300.30 PROHIBITED STUDENT CONDUCT**

The Board of Education expects all students to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, district personnel and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

The best discipline is self-imposed, and students must learn to assume and accept responsibility for their own behavior, as well as the consequences of their misbehavior. District personnel who interact with students are expected to use disciplinary action only when necessary and to place emphasis on educating students so that they may grow in self-discipline.

The Board recognizes the need to make its expectations for student conduct while on school property or engaged in a school function specific and clear. The rules of conduct listed below are intended to do that and focus on safety and respect for the rights and property of others. Students who will not accept responsibility for their own behavior and who violate these school rules will be required to accept the consequences for their conduct.

Students may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension from school, when they:

- A. Engage in conduct that is disorderly. Examples of disorderly conduct include, but are not limited to:
  - 1. Running in hallways.
  - 2. Making unreasonable noise.
  - 3. Using language or gestures that are profane, lewd, vulgar or abusive.
  - 4. Obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
  - 5. Engaging in any willful act which disrupts the normal operation of the school community.
  - 6. Trespassing. Students are not permitted in any school building, other than the one they regularly attend, without permission from the administrator in charge of the building.
  - 7. Computer/electronic communications misuse, including any unauthorized use of computers, software, or internet/intranet account; accessing inappropriate websites; or any other violation of the district's acceptable use policy.
  
- B. Engage in conduct that is insubordinate. Examples of insubordinate conduct include, but are not limited to:
  - 1. Failing to comply with the reasonable directions of teachers, school administrators or other school employees in charge of students or otherwise demonstrating disrespect.
  - 2. Lateness for, missing or leaving school without permission.
  - 3. Skipping detention.

- C. Engage in conduct that is disruptive. Examples of disruptive conduct include, but are not limited to:
1. Failing to comply with the reasonable directions of teachers, school administrators or other school personnel in charge of students.
  2. Inappropriate public sexual contact.
  3. Display or use of personal electronic devices, such as, but not limited to, cell phones, I-pods, digital cameras, in a manner that is in violation of district policy.
- D. Engage in conduct that is violent. Examples of violent conduct include, but are not limited to:
1. Committing an act of violence (such as hitting, kicking, punching, and scratching) upon a teacher, administrator or other school employee or attempting to do so.
  2. Committing an act of violence (such as hitting, kicking, punching, and scratching) upon another student or any other person lawfully on school property or attempting to do so.
  3. Possessing a weapon. Authorized law enforcement officials are the only persons permitted to have a weapon in their possession while on school property or at a school function.
  4. Displaying what appears to be a weapon.
  5. Threatening to use any weapon.
  6. Intentionally damaging or destroying the personal property of a student, teacher, administrator, other district employee or any person lawfully on school property, including graffiti or arson.
  7. Intentionally damaging or destroying school district property.
- E. Engage in any conduct that endangers the safety, physical or mental health or welfare of others. Examples of such conduct include, but are not limited to:
1. Subjecting other students, school personnel or any other person lawfully on school property or attending a school function to danger by recklessly engaging in conduct which creates a substantial risk of physical injury.
  2. Stealing or attempting to steal the property of other students, school personnel or any other person lawfully on school property or attending a school function.
  3. Defamation, which includes making false or unprivileged statements or representations about an individual or identifiable group of individuals that harm the reputation of the person or the identifiable group by demeaning them.
  4. Discrimination, which includes using race, color, creed, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, sex, gender (identity and expression), sexual orientation, weight or disability to deny rights, equitable treatment or access to facilities available to others.
  5. Harassment (or Bullying), is the creation of a hostile environment by conduct or threats, intimidation or abuse. (See policy, 0115, Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention for a more complete definition.)

6. Intimidation, which includes engaging in actions or statements that put an individual in fear of bodily harm.
  7. Hazing, which includes an induction, initiation or membership process involving harassment (see policy 0115 for a more complete definition).
  8. Selling, using, distributing or possessing obscene material.
  9. Using vulgar or abusive language, cursing or swearing.
  10. Smoking a cigarette, cigar, pipe or using chewing or smokeless tobacco.
  11. Possessing, consuming, selling, offering, manufacturing, distributing or exchanging alcoholic beverages or illegal substances, or being under the influence of either. "Illegal substances" include, but are not limited to, inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, LSD, PCP, amphetamines, heroin, steroids, look-alike drugs, and any synthetic version thereof, whether specifically illegal or not, commonly referred to as "designer drugs" which are substances designed and synthesized to mimic the intended effects and usages of, which are chemically substantially similar to, illegal drugs, which may or may not be labeled for human consumption.
  12. Inappropriately using or sharing prescription and over-the-counter drugs.
  13. Gambling.
  14. Indecent exposure, that is, exposure to sight of the private parts of the body in a lewd or indecent manner.
  15. Initiating a report warning of fire or other catastrophe without valid cause, misuse of 911, or discharging a fire extinguisher.
- F. Engage in misconduct while on a school bus. It is crucial for students to behave appropriately while riding on district buses, to ensure their safety and that of other passengers and to avoid distracting the bus driver. Students are required to conduct themselves on the bus in a manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior. Excessive noise, pushing, shoving and fighting will not be tolerated.
- G. Engage in any form of academic misconduct. Examples of academic misconduct include, but are not limited to:
1. Plagiarism.
  2. Cheating.
  3. Copying.
  4. Altering records.
  5. Assisting another student in any of the above actions.
- H. Engage in off-campus misconduct that interferes with, or can reasonably be expected to substantially disrupt the educational process in the school or at a school function. Such misconduct includes, but isn't limited to, threatening or harassing students or school personnel through any means off-campus, including cyberbullying (for a complete definition of harassment, bullying and cyberbullying refer to policy 0115, Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention).

Revised date:

## SECOND READING & ADOPTION

### **5300.70 PUBLIC CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PROPERTY**

The district is committed to providing an orderly, respectful environment that is conducive to learning. To create and maintain this kind of an environment, it is necessary to regulate public conduct on school property and at school functions. For purposes of this section of the code, "public" shall mean all persons when on school property or attending a school function including students, teachers and district personnel.

The restrictions on public conduct on school property and at school functions contained in this code are not intended to limit freedom of speech or peaceful assembly. The district recognizes that free inquiry and free expression are indispensable to the objectives of the district. The purpose of this code is to maintain public order and prevent abuse of the rights of others.

All persons on school property or attending a school function shall conduct themselves in a respectful and orderly manner. In addition, all persons on school property or attending a school function are expected to be properly attired for the purpose they are on school property.

#### **A. Prohibited Conduct**

No person, either alone or with others, shall:

1. Intentionally injure any person or threaten to do so.
2. Intentionally damage or destroy school district property or the personal property of a teacher, administrator, other district employee or any person lawfully on school property, including graffiti or arson.
3. Disrupt the orderly conduct of classes, school programs or other school activities.
4. Distribute or wear materials on school grounds or at school functions that are obscene, advocate illegal action, appear libelous, obstruct the rights of others, or are disruptive to the school program.
5. Intimidate, harass or discriminate against any person on the basis of actual or perceived race, creed, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender (including gender identity and expression).
6. Enter any portion of the school premises without authorization or remain in any building or facility after it is normally closed.
7. Obstruct the free movement of any person in any place to which this code applies.
8. Violate the traffic laws, parking regulations or other restrictions on vehicles.

9. Possess, consume, sell, offer, manufacture, distribute or exchange alcoholic beverages, controlled or illegal substances, or any synthetic versions (whether or not specifically illegal or labeled for human consumption), or be under the influence of either on school property or at a school function
10. Possess or use weapons in or on school property or at a school function, except in the case of law enforcement officers or except as specifically authorized by the school district.
11. Loiter on or about school property.
12. Gamble on school property or at school functions.
13. Refuse to comply with any reasonable order of identifiable school district officials performing their duties.
14. Willfully incite others to commit any of the acts prohibited by this code.
15. Violate any federal or state statute, local ordinance or Board policy while on school property or while at a school function.

#### B. Penalties

Persons who violate this code shall be subject to the following penalties:

1. Visitors. Their authorization, if any, to remain on school grounds or at the school function shall be withdrawn and they shall be directed to leave the premises. If they refuse to leave, they shall be subject to ejection.
2. Students. They shall be subject to disciplinary action as the facts may warrant, in accordance with the due process requirements.
3. Tenured faculty members. They shall be subject to disciplinary action as the facts may warrant in accordance with Education Law § 3020-a or any other legal rights that they may have.
4. Staff members in the classified service of the civil service entitled to the protection of Civil Service Law § 75. They shall be subject to immediate ejection and to disciplinary action as the facts may warrant in accordance with Civil Service Law § 75 or any other legal rights that they may have.
5. Staff members other than those described in subdivisions 3 and 4. They shall be subject to warning, reprimand, suspension or dismissal as the facts may warrant in accordance with any legal rights they may have.

#### C. Enforcement

The Principal or his/her designee shall be responsible for enforcing the conduct required by this code.

When the Principal or his or her designee sees an individual engaged in prohibited conduct, which in his or her judgment does not pose any immediate

threat of injury to persons or property, the Principal or designee shall tell the individual that the conduct is prohibited and attempt to persuade the individual to stop. The Principal or designee shall also warn the individual of the consequences for failing to stop. If the person refuses to stop engaging in the prohibited conduct, or if the person's conduct poses an immediate threat of injury to persons or property, the Principal or designee shall have the individual removed immediately from school property or the school function. If necessary, local law enforcement authorities will be contacted to assist in removing the person.

The district shall initiate disciplinary action against any student or staff member, as appropriate, with the "Penalties" section above. In addition, the district reserves its right to pursue a civil or criminal legal action against any person violating the code.

Revision date:



**BABYLON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL CALENDAR  
2012-2013**

**SEPTEMBER**

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September 3 Labor Day  
4-5 Supt. Conf. Day  
6 First Day of School  
17-18 Rosh Hashanah  
26 Yom Kippur

**OCTOBER**

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October 8 Columbus Day

**NOVEMBER**

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November 12 Veterans Day  
22-23 Thanksgiving Recess

**DECEMBER**

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December 24-31 Winter Recess  
(Christmas/New Year's)

**JANUARY**

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January 1 Winter Recess  
21 M.L. King Jr. Day

**FEBRUARY**

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February 18 (Presidents' Day)

**MARCH**

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March 25-29 Spring Recess

**APRIL**

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May 27 Memorial Day

**JUNE**

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June 21 Last Day of School

[ ] Schools Closed  
{ } Conference Day

REVISED 12/3/12

TOTAL (180)

The Board of Education reserves the right to revise this calendar if emergency school closing during the school year requires additional teaching days.