

**BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 2, 2013  
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 4, 2013 and Work/Study Meeting of November 18, 2013.
- V. Approval of Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for October 2013.
- VI. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Student Delegate Report - Ronnie Pashen, Giovanna Domingo, Max O'Handley
  - b. School Highlights
  - c. Facilities Review Committee Recognition
  - d. Presentation on Proposed Bond Referendum
- VII. Committee Reports
  - a. Audit Committee
  - b. Finance Committee
  - c. Buildings & Grounds
  - d. Technology Committee
  - e. Policy Committee

**FIRST READING OF POLICY 1800-GIFTS FROM THE PUBLIC: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education conduct a first reading of policy 1800-Gifts From The Public and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education waive the formal first reading of policy 1800-Gifts from the Public, as attached.
- VIII. Board Agenda Items
  - a. Discussion
  - b. Questions from Visitors on Agenda Items - Please approach the podium and state your name.
- IX. New Business
  1. **TAX ASSESSMENT RELIEF: WHEREAS**, Chapter 424 of the Laws of New York, 2013, ("the Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act"), allows the District to provide tax assessment relief to certain of its property owners affected by Superstorm Sandy, and **WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the community to provide such relief to the victims of Superstorm Sandy, it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education elects to participate in the Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act, provided that the refunds are paid by Suffolk County. **AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED**, that those whose buildings and other property improvements in the District that are found to have lost 10% or more of their value due to Superstorm Sandy will be eligible for relief pursuant to the Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act.
  2. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the request from Sarah Ryczek, elementary teacher, for an unpaid childcare leave of absence commencing January 27, 2014 to June 30, 2014, be approved.
  3. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Keri Rossano as a leave replacement elementary teacher, assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, effective January 27, 2014 to June 30, 2014. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the MA column of the 2013-2014 teachers salary schedule.

4. **APPOINTMENT AFTERSCHOOL AIDE: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Catrina Christensen as an afterschool aide for the 2013-2014 girls basketball season. Compensation for this assignment to be in accordance with the 2013-2014 aides and monitors association contract.
  
5. **RESCIND CASUAL APPOINTMENT/APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education rescind the casual appointment of Steve Vaccaro as the parent coordinator for the 2013-2014 school year and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Suzanne Murphy as the parent coordinator for the 2013-2014 school year. Compensation for this position to be in accordance with the 2013-2014 Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.
  
6. **CASUAL APPOINTMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2013-2014 school year effective November 18, 2013 to June 30, 2014. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the 2013-2014 Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.  
High School  
JH Foreign Language Club - Laura Jayne  
SH Foreign Language Club - Marianne Shaw
  
7. **SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAL WORKERS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Anthony Cruz and Dora Ulloa as substitute custodial workers effective December 3, 2013 to June 30, 2014.. Compensation for these assignments to be \$11.00/hour.
  
8. **STUDENT INTERNSHIP: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the placement of Siobhan Healy as a school counseling student intern assigned to the Babylon Memorial Grade School for the 2013-2014 Spring semesters.
  
9. **APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the following appropriation transfers for the 2013-2014 school year:
  1. From: A 2020.1503-01-000 Supv-Principals Sal Jr/Sr (10,569)  
To: A 2020.1503-02-000 Supv-Principals Sal GS 10,569
  
  2. From: A 2020.1503-01-000 Supv-Principals Sal Jr/Sr (14,986)  
To: A 2020.1505-01-000 Supv-Admin Asst Jr/Sr. HS 14,986

These transfers are required as a result of the salary shortfall and additional stipends resulting from the reassignment of High School Assistant Principal to Grade School Principal.

  3. From: A 9061.8008-00-000 Employ Bene/Medical Ins (23,952)  
To: A 2020.1600-01-000 Supv-Non Instr Sal 23,952

This transfer is required to cover salary difference between aide salary (hourly) and contractual salary.

  4. From: A 9061.8008-00-000 Employ Bene/Medical Ins (62,210)  
To: A 2612.1507-01-000 Library-Instr Sal 62,210
  
  5. From: A 2612.1507-03-000 Library-Instr Sal (42,675)  
To: A 2612.1507-02-000 Library-Instr Sal 42,675

The 2013-14 budget included Library Media Specialist salaries at the Grade School and the Elementary School only. The transfers are required to cover the salary of the High School Library Media Specialist and to reflect actual salaries of the Grade School and the Elementary School Library Media Specialists.

10. **LOCAL ASSISTANCE PLAN: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the Local Assistance Plan for the Babylon Memorial Grade School.
  11. **LAND SURVEY CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the contract between Babylon UFSD and L.K. McLean Associates, P.C. to perform the land survey, tone-out and GPR Services as recommended by BBS Architects.
  12. **CONSULTANT SERVICE AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the consultant service agreement for professional development in the 2013-2014 school year between the Babylon UFSD and Sail Consulting.
  13. **SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the special education services contract between the Babylon UFSD and Deer Park School District (SE#23) for the 2013-2014 school year.
  14. **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 October 2013 to November 2013 be approved.
- X. Other Business
- XI. Representatives of Organizations
- XII. Questions from Visitors - Please approach the podium and state your name.
- XIII. Future Board Meetings:
- Bond Referendum Vote  
Monday, December 10, 2013  
Babylon Memorial Grade School  
6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
  - Work/Study Meeting  
Monday, December 16, 2013  
BHS Library - 7:30 p.m.
- XIV. Adjournment

**GIFTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Only the Board of Education may accept for the school district any bequest or gift or money, property or goods, except that the Superintendent of Schools may accept on behalf of the Board any such gift.

The Board reserves the right to refuse to accept any gift which does not contribute towards the achievement of the district's goals or the ownership of which would tend to deplete the resources of the district.

Any gift accepted by the Board or the Superintendent shall become the property of the district, may not be returned without the approval of the Board, and is subject to the same controls and regulations as are other properties of the district.

It shall be the policy of the district to accept a gift, provided it is made within the statutory authority granted to school districts and has received the approval of the Board of Education.

In granting or withholding its consent, the Board will review the following factors:

1. The terms of the gift identify:
  - a. the subject of the gift
  - b. the purpose of the gift
  - c. the beneficiary or beneficiaries
  - d. the donor or donors
  - e. all conditions or restrictions that may apply.
2. The gift must not benefit a particular or named individual or individuals.
3. If the purpose of the gift is an award to a single student, the determination of the recipient of such award shall be made on the basis that all students shall have an equal opportunity to qualify for it in conformance with federal and state law.
4. If the gift is in trust, the obligation of the investment and reinvestment of the principal shall be clearly specified and the application of the income or investment proceeds shall be clearly set forth.
5. No gift or trust will be accepted by the Board unless:
  - a. it is in support of and a benefit to all or to a particular public school in the district, or
  - b. it is for a purpose for which the school district could legally expend its own funds, or
  - c. it is for the purpose of awarding scholarships to students graduating from the district.

Any gift rejected by the Board shall be returned to the donor or his/her estate within 60 days together with a statement indicating the reasons for the rejection of such gift.

Cross-ref: 2160, School Board Officer and Employee Ethics

Ref: Education Law §1709 (12)

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