

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
March 25, 2014 – 8:00 PM. –Bethpage High School – Little Theatre

Mr. Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:00pm and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Michael J. Kelly, President; Sandra Watson, Vice-President; Anna Israelton; John Lonardo, James A. McGlynn, Kurt Spears, and Marie Swierkowski

Also Present: Terrence Clark, Superintendent; Caroline E. Lavelle, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; David Schneider, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Technology; Patricia Hantzidiamantis, Executive Director of Pupil Personnel and Laura Granelli, Esq. Jaspan, Schlesinger, LLP.

There were approximately 62 members of the community present.

PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Clark welcomed all and gave a synopsis on Bully Prevention Week. He thanked Mr. Kenny and had wanted to highlight a building and Mr. Fullerton, Principal of JFK Middle School volunteered. Mr. Fullerton spoke about bully prevention week and character education. Mr. Fullerton stated that this is something that we practice all year long, not just during bully prevention week. Mr. Zenville, Ms. Hayes, Mr. Hennen all co-chaired the anti-bullying events along with Mr. Scarola. Students spoke about what was done during that week. Mr. Scarola explained how a video was created to celebrate people who are unique and to show that you should not stand back but be an upstander. It was explained how Mr. Fullerton started a flash mob and how the teachers joined in as well as students. The students were wonderful. Students then came up to sing a song entitled "Brave" by the singer Sara Berrellis. The students were Victoria Nardulli, Madison Buttice, Marco Cuhna, Tashfia Ahmed, Smity Shah, Sydney Leary and Emma Immediato. It was wonderful to watch. Ms. Hayes spoke about the guidance office and how many teachers wanted to be on the anti-bullying committee. The guidance department has a new website where students/parents/teachers can go for resources regarding anti-bullying. Mr. Clark congratulated JFK and the committee on a job well done.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the Agenda Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2014

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2014

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending January 31, 2014.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

ACCEPTANCE OF WARRANT

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education accept the Warrant for the period ending February, 2014.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: One audience member inquired about Mr. Dan Cristoffel and the project he would be working on with the students.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel actions:

1. Creation of Positions

Title	Effective Date
None	-

2. Abolishment of Position

Title	Effective Date
None	-

3. Resignations/Retirements

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Note	Effective Date
Angelita Cintado	Elementary Principal	Retirement	7/1/14
CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			

Evelyn Grim	LOTE	Retirement	6/30/14
** Ann Pomeranz	Special Education	Resignation	6/30/14
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Jackson Cereoli	Cleaner Full Time	Retirement	Ratify 3/10/14
Mario D'Erasmio	Groundskeeper	Resignation	Ratify 2/28/14
Charles Marmorale	Teacher Aide PT	Resignation	Ratify 3/5/14
*Nick Viscio	Director of School Facilities and Operations	Resignation	3/28/14 End of Day

4. Terminations

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Note	Effective Date
None	-	-	-
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Charles McDermott	Cleaner PT Sub	-	3/25/14

5. Appointments

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	Tenure Area	Salary	Probationary Period Dates	Certification Status	
None	-	-	-	-	-	
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	10 or 12 Months	Salary	Probationary Period	Benefits	Effective Date
None	-	-	-	-	-	-
CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	Tenure Area	Salary	Effect. Date	Certification Status	
Thomas J. Madigan IV	Per Diem Sub	-	As per Board Policy	3/26/14	-	

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Not To Exceed 12 Weeks
Erika Lemaire	Elementary	Ratify 9/8/14	Yes
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
*Ferne Robilotta	Reg. School Nurse FT	Ratify 2/28/14	Yes

6. Family Medical Leave of Absence

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Notes
None	-	-	-
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
None	-	-	-

7. Child Rearing Leave of Absence

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Notes
None	-	-	-
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
None	-	-	-

8. Corrections

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Correction	Effective Date of Correction
Jennifer Labriola	Special Ed	Correction to Board Action of 10/29/13 Effective Date of FMLA Inclusive of CRL is 2/25/14 for remainder of 13/14 SY	10/29/13
*Suzanne Vera	Psychologist	Correction to Board Action of 1/28/14, Effective Date of FMLA Inclusive of CRL is 3/24/14 for the remainder of 13/14 SY	1/28/14
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
None	-	-	-

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

EXTRACURRICULAR/CO-CURRICULAR

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the extracurricular/co-curricular appointments, as submitted, for the 2013-2014 school year.

Note: A copy of the Extracurricular/Co-Curricular Activities Schedule is available in the Office of Human Resources.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

VOTING MACHINE CONTRACT

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve a release, disclaimer and indemnity agreement dated March 25, 2014 with Nassau County in connection with the Board of Election's provision and District's use of lever voting machines for the District's May 20, 2014 Annual Meeting. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute the agreement on its behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

**REVIEW PURSUANT TO STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT
AND DETERMINATION OF TYPE II ACTION
INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERAS:**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, WHEREAS, the District intends to undertake a project to design, procure and install security cameras at athletic fields in the District (the "Proposed Action"); and

WHEREAS, Article 8 of the New York and 6 NYCRR Part 617 sets forth the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) which governs the environmental review of the Proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Proposed Action pursuant to SEQRA; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby determines that the Proposed Action is a Type II action pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(8); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, the Board determines no further environmental review is required in order to proceed with the Proposed Action pursuant to SEQRA.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

FLOW-THROUGH AGREEMENTS

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the IDEA flow-through agreements with the following schools for the 2013-2014 school year.

➤ The 2013-2014 Section 611A per student sub-allocation for the ASEP is:	
1. Preschool students (ages 3-4) provided related services only	\$ 489.00
2. Preschool students (ages 3-4) provided preschool special education program	\$1,467.00
3. School age students (ages 4-5) attending programs for school age children	\$1,467.00
➤ The 2013-2014 Section 619A per student sub-allocation for the ASEP is:	
1. Preschool students (ages 3-4) provided related services only	\$ 238.00
2. Preschool students (ages 3-4) provided preschool special education program	\$ 714.00

3. School age students (ages 4-5) attending program for school age children	\$ 714.00
➤ The 2013-2014 Section 611B per student sub-allocation for the ASEP is:	\$1,467.00

Name of School	Section 611A Related Services	Section 611A Special Ed.	Section 611A School Age	Section 619A Related Services	Section 619A Special Ed.	Section 619A School Age	Section 611B
Alternatives for Children	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
ACDS, Inc.	1	3	0	1	3	0	0
Brookville Center for Children's Services Inc.	0	3	0	0	3	0	1
The Hagedorn Little Village School	2	2	0	2	2	0	2
Harmony Heights School	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kidz Therapy Services, LLC	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
Summit School	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Variety Child Learning Center	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	6	12	0	6	12	0	5

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreements on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

FIELD TRIP BUS AGREEMENTS

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the Bus Service Agreements for the following student field trips for the 2013-2014 school year:

Bus Company	Est. Date of Trip	Est. Cost	Building/Dept./Class
L & G Leasing, Inc. dba Paradise Travel	3/15/14	\$1,350	Marine Fitness
Alert Coach Lines, Inc.	4/12/14	\$1,425	Marine Fitness

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreements on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District (District of Residence) and the following school (District of Location) for the purpose of providing specialized educational and related services for Bethpage students attending private/parochial schools within the District of Location school district:

School	Period Covered	# Students	Total Est. Cost
Hicksville UFSD	July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014	2	\$12,000

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SPECIAL EDUCATION AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District (District of Location) and the following school (District of Residence) for the purpose of providing specialized educational and related services, as well as transportation:

School	Period Covered	# Students	Total Est. Cost
Freeport UFSD	September 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014	1	\$80,210

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

HEALTH SERVICES AGREEMENTS

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the following Health Services Agreements for the 2013-2014 school year:

School District	# of Students	Cost per Student	Total Cost
Plainedge UFSD	2.03	\$663.31	\$1,346.52
South Huntington UFSD	21	\$807.41	\$16,955.61

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreements on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MARC KAHN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR BOYS VARSITY ICE HOCKEY

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a Category “B” annual scholarship in the amount of \$250, to be known as the “Marc Kahn Memorial Scholarship for Boys Varsity Ice Hockey.” In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarship will be established and the District will award this scholarship to the successful candidate selected by the Boys’ Varsity Ice Hockey Coach, in accordance with the criteria submitted by the Donor. If the donor fails to provide the District with the monies to be held in trust and awarded in a particular year, the District will not hold the funds and the scholarship, as established, will not be given.

Note: Funding of this scholarship does not utilize District monies.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CONTRACT FOR ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the contract between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Daniel Christoffel, to provide services as an artist in residence, at a rate of \$50 per hour, for a total not to exceed \$5,000, for the period March 25, 2014 to June 30, 2014. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board’s behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the contract between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County for the period March 25, 2014 to June 30, 2014, on an as requested basis, as follows:

- Nutrition Classroom Presentation for Grades 2-6 at a fee of \$200 per presentation (45 minutes). A maximum of two classes per presentation can be scheduled.
- On a consultation basis regarding the District’s Wellness Policy at a fee of \$125 per hour.
- Attending the District’s Wellness Committee meetings – there is no fee for attending these meetings.
- Other educational programs as requested by the District.

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board’s behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

RESCIND RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION OF 2014-2015 SCHOOL BUDGET AND REAL PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education rescind the resolution adopted at the Board's Meeting of February 25, 2014 which provided that on March 25, 2014 the Board would consider adopting the 2014-2015 School Budget and Real Property Tax Report Card, and recommends that the Board of Education set Tuesday, April 8, 2014 as the date on which it will consider the adoption of the 2014-2015 School Budget for submission to the District's voters and the Real Property Tax Report Card.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND EXPENDITURE

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the following proposition to be placed on the ballot and submitted to the voters at the District's Annual Meeting to be held on May 20, 2014:

Shall the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District be authorized to expend one million nine hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,950,000) out of the District's Capital Reserve Fund, which was established on May 20, 2008 which monies shall be for the purpose of HVAC at Central Boulevard School, Charles Campagne School, Kramer Lane School, JFK Middle School and Bethpage High School; replacement of public address system at JFK Middle School; replacement of mechanical wall in Bethpage High School gym with curtain; resurfacing of the Bethpage High School track; fixing a drainage issue at Bethpage High School; renovation, lighting and landscaping for Bethpage High School senior courtyard; installing electric window openers in gyms at Central Boulevard School, Charles Campagne School, Kramer Lane School and JFK Middle School; installing window tinting in the gyms of Central Boulevard School, Charles Campagne School, Kramer Lane School and JFK Middle School; replacing critical information technology network components including storage devices, servers and switches; including all materials, equipment, labor and incidental costs thereof? If this proposition is approved, the monies will be drawn from the District's existing funds in the Capital Reserve Fund and, thus, will not result in an increase to the tax levy.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

**STATE ENVIRONMENT QUALITY REVIEW
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Israelton,

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the BETHPAGE UFSD is the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Process for the purpose of required determinations respecting the proposed Capital Improvement Projects as follows:

- a. Bethpage High School
 - HVAC Reconstruction
 - Replacement of Curtain Wall @ Gym
 - Resurfacing of Field Track
 - Drainage Reconstruction
 - Courtyard Reconstruction
- b. John F. Kennedy Middle School
 - HVAC Reconstruction
 - Replacement of PA System
 - Electrical Gym Windows Installation
 - Gym Window Tinting Installation
- c. Central Boulevard Elementary School
 - HVAC Reconstruction
 - Electrical Gym Windows Installation
 - Gym Window Tinting Installation
- d. Kramer Lane Elementary School
 - HVAC Reconstruction
 - Electrical Gym Windows Installation
 - Gym Window Tinting Installation
- e. Charles Campagne Elementary School
 - HVAC Reconstruction
 - Electrical Gym Windows Installation
 - Gym Window Tinting Installation
- f. District Wide
 - Replacement of critical information technology network components, including storage devices, servers, backup power supplies and switches.

WHEREAS, in 1995, amendments were made to the SEQRA Regulation (Part 617) to classify projects, which will be excluded from the requirements for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (Type II Actions). The projects mentioned above are (is) now classified as Type II Actions as determined by 6NYCRR§617.5 and

WHEREAS, these projects fall under the following categories:

- A. Routine Maintenance and Repair 6NYCRR§617.5 (c)(1): Maintenance or repair involving no substantial ***change in an existing facility***.
- B. Replace or Rehabilitation 6NYCRR§617.5 (c)(2): replacement or rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure of facility, in kind, on the same site, unless the work excess a threshold for a Type I action in 6NYCRR§617.4.

THEREFORE, as the lead agency for the SEQRA determination, all the above referenced projects fall under Categories “A” or “B” above. The procedure for Type II Actions, with regard to the SEQRA Process for Capital Projects noted above is “No Additional Required Action under 6NYCRR§617.5(a)”.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

VINCENT RABBENE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP AMENDMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the amendment of a category “A” scholarship known as the “Vincent Rabbene Music Scholarship,” which was established via Board Resolution on May 28, 2013, from one (1) one-time scholarship in the amount of \$200 to two (2) one-time scholarships in the amount of \$200 each. In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarship will be established and, based on criteria submitted by the Donor, candidate names will be furnished by the District to the donor for selection and the monetary award will be given by the donor directly to the recipients.

Note: Funding of this scholarship does not utilize District monies.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education ratify the appointment of **Jody Smith** for Professional Development Academy for the 13/14 school year and compensation as per the BCT contract.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

AGREEMENT FOR BCBA-D PROVIDER

MOTION by Mrs. Isrealton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve an agreement commencing March 31, 2014 between the District and Dr. Zaur Isaakov for the provision of behavioral services by a doctoral-level Board Certified Behavior Analyst at the rate of \$90 per hour, and further recommends that the Board President be authorized to execute the Agreement on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The following resolution was tabled:

DONATION OF FUNDS: The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education accept a donation of \$2,500 from NYSIR, given through their reimbursement program for Athletes Helping Athletes, and allow this donation to be deposited into the General Fund.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Clark thanked JFK for a fabulous night. We are very fortunate and the middle school is a very warm, embracing school. Mr. Clark also thanked Ms. Lavelle for all her work in the Anti-Bullying program.
- Mr. Clark stated that he had a big announcement to make. The Bethpage High School Gymnastics Team had just been named New York State Scholar Athlete Team of the Year. It is a recognition for having the highest GPA in the state. We are all proud of them.
- Battle at Bethpage IV will be held on Saturday, April 26th. The tickets will go on sale on Saturday, April 5th and Saturday, April 12th in the Board Room of the Administration Building.
- The Challenger Team is now 6 and 2. Mr. Scarola is the announcer at the games.
- Mr. Kelly, Board President, attended the Italian Feast this year and was quite impressed. Thanks to all who made it such a success.
- Fit and Fun will kick off on April 8th with a one-hour walk around the track. Parents, students, staff, faculty and community residents are all welcomed to participate. Thanks to the Bethpage Educational Foundation who is underwriting this program.
- Thank you to Legislator Rose Walker for the \$7500 grant that will be used to install security cameras and thank you to BBAI for \$3000 toward a new batting cage. Mr. Clark also thanked Senator Hannon and Senator Levine for the \$75,000 grant which will be used to purchase Chromebooks.
- The school will now be open on Monday, April 21st, Tuesday, April 22nd and Friday, May 23rd due to the use of snow days.
- Mr. Clark thanked the Budget Advisory Committee for all their work with our 2014-2015 Budget. This year is the lowest increase in our budget in almost 25 years. Mr. Marchesiello and his staff have done a great job.
- We are hoping to adopt our Budget on April 8th. We are waiting on state aid numbers which we expect to have on April 3rd.

- Recognition of Excellence will be held on Wednesday, April 2nd, where ten high school students honor three teachers, one from elementary, one from middle school and one from high school who they admire.
- NYS Assessments will be administered April 1st through the 3rd. We have very few parents opting out. It is good practice for Regents and SAT's.
- *Anything Goes* is looking fantastic. The dates are March 27th, 28th and 29th. The dress rehearsal is on March 26th at 4:00PM
- The next Board meetings are April 8th and April 24th. All are welcomed to attend.

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS: None.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD: One member of the audience questioned the timing of Battle of Bethpage because Junior Prom is that evening. Mr. Clark assured her that there will be no issue.

FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES: April 8th and April 24th.

ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Swierkowski, that the Board of Education appoint David Schneider to serve as District Clerk Pro Tem.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board enters into Executive Session to discuss matters of negotiation.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:27 PM.

BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Swierkowski, that the Board exit Executive Session.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board exited Executive session at 10:25 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Swierkowski, that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board adjourned the Regular Meeting at 10:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elena Becker
District Clerk

David Schneider
District Clerk Pro Tem