

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special/Agenda Meeting
August 12, 2014 – 7:30 PM –Administration Building, District Conference Room

Mr. Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:33PM 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; Patricia Hantzidiamantis, Executive Director of Pupil Personnel and Laura Granelli, Esq. Jaspan, Schlesinger, LLP.

Absent: David Schneider, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & Technology

There were approximately 2 members of the community present.

Mr. Clark asked Ms. Granelli to explain to the Board the new “Parents’ Bill of Rights” that the State is recommending. Ms. Granelli read the Bill of Rights to all and explained how we are still awaiting certain regulations that will come from the State Education Department that school districts must comply with.

SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS:

PERSONNEL:

District-wide Administration Report - The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel actions:

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Swierkowski, that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

1. Creation of Positions

Title	Effective Date
NYS Director of School Facilities III	8/13/14
.3 Teaching Assistant	9/1/14
1 Teaching Assistant	9/1/14
1.5 Teaching Assistants	9/1/14

2. Abolishment of Positions

Title	Effective Date
Director of School Facilities and Operations	8/12/14

3. Resignations/Retirements

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

4. Terminations

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

5. Appointments

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	Tenure Area	Salary	Probationary Period Dates	Certification Status	
Kristin E. Jaklitsch	.4 LOTE	LOTE	\$59,360 MA (1) Pro-rated which is 10% less than 14/15 Sal. Schedule per BCT Contract	9/1/14-8/31/17	Initial: Spanish 7-12 Spanish 5-6 Extension Annotation	
Kristin E. Jaklitsch	.6 Teaching Assistant PT	Teaching Assistant	\$25,019 Step 1 14/15 Sal. Schedule Pro-rated	9/1/14-8/31/17	Initial: Spanish 7-12 Spanish 5-6 Extension Annotation	
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	10 or 12 Months	Salary	Probationary Period	Benefits	Effective Date
Kelly Carlino	Clerk Typist I/ Typist Clerk	12 Months	\$48,881 Step 7 14/15 Sal. Schedule	No	Yes	Ratify 7/14/14
Robbie Lynch	NYS Director of Facilities III (Provisional Appointment)	12 Months	\$125,000 Step 1 14/15 Sal. Schedule	9 Months Provisional	Yes	8/13/14
ADDITIONAL CERTIFIED PERSONNEL						
Name	Position	Tenure Area	Salary	Effective Date	Certification Status	
Catherine Califano	.6 Speech	-	\$63,143 MA (3) Pro-rated, which is 10% less than 14/15 Sal. Sch. Per BCT Contract	9/1/14	Permanent: NYS TSHH NYS License-Speech & Language Pathology	

Name	Position	Tenure Area	Salary	Effective Date	Certification Status
Danielle Eschmann	.5 Reading	-	\$63,143 MA (3) Pro-rated, which is 10%less than 14/15 Sal. Sch. Per BCT Contract	9/1/14	Permanent: Pre K, K, 1-6 Professional: Literacy B-6

6. Family Medical Leave of Absence

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
Name	Position	Effective Date	Not To Exceed 12 Weeks
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
None	-	-	-
NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL			
None	-	-	-

All aye. Motion carried (7-0)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF NYS DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES III

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve, the Terms and Conditions of Employment for the NYS Director of Facilities III, effective August 13, 2014, as set forth in the referenced memoranda from Superintendent Clark dated August 13, 2014.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICES FOR STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR REDUCED PRICE MEALS

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve reducing the cost of a lunch meal for students eligible for a **reduced** price meal from a charge of 25 cents to a charge of zero (0), effective the date of Board approval.

Note: The District's cost of these meals will be funded through the non-profit food service account. The District will continue to receive Federal reimbursement based on meals claimed by students in the reduced price category.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

POINT OF SALE SYSTEM EXTENSION

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education exercise the option to extend the agreement with Nutrikids (Heartland Payment Systems, Inc.), awarded under RFP #003R-0910, to provide software license, maintenance and extended warranty for the fifth and final year (2014-2015 school year) for the point of sale system for the District's food service program, at an estimated cost of \$1,790, based on contract pricing.

Note: This is a renewal agreement. There is a decrease in cost because 16 touchscreens are not included for the 2014-2015 school year. Last year the District purchased new registers because of the Windows upgrade and the touchscreens are no longer being used.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BOCES FINAL AS-7 AGREEMENT FOR 2013-2014

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the Final AS-7 Agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Nassau BOCES for the purpose of reporting the final costs of services provided our District, in the amount of \$5,009,289.74, for the period July 1, 2013 through 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).

BOCES INITIAL AS-7 AGREEMENT FOR 2014-2015

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the AS-7 Agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Nassau BOCES for the purpose of providing services to our District, in the estimated amount of \$4,408,589.83, for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

VARSITY MEDIA SERVICE AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Swierkowski, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education approve the contract for the 2014-2015 school year between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Varsity Media to provide Videotaping Services for educational use by the coaches and coaching staff at a cost of \$1,750; and should the District's Football Team reach the Playoffs, the rate will be \$175 per playoff game, as requested by the District, up to a maximum of five (5) playoff games. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board's behalf.

Note: There is no increase in cost from the 2013-2014 school year contract.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and Chester Investigative Agency, Inc., for the period August 12, 2014 through June 30, 2015, for the purpose of providing investigative services on an as-needed basis as requested by the School District, at an hourly rate of \$50 (minimum of 2.5 hours), mileage rate of \$0.56 per mile, and other fees as stipulated in the agreement for services which the District may require. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on the Board's behalf.

Note: There is no increase in cost from the 2013-2014 school year contract, however, there is a mileage rate decrease; the previous rate was \$0.585 per mile.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

FIELD TRIP AGREEMENTS

MOTION by Mr. Lonardo, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the following Field Trip Agreements for various student field trips for the 2014-2015 school year:

Vendor	Est. Date of Trip	Est. Cost	Building/Dept./Class
Holiday Inn	5/29 & 5/30/2015	\$3,914.38	BHS Orchestra

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

FIELD TRIP BUS AGREEMENTS

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education ratify the Bus Service Agreements for the following student field trips for the 2014-2015 school year:

Bus Company	Est. Date of Trip	Est. Cost	Building/Dept./Class
Hampton Jitney	8/6/14	\$1,995	HS College Prep Summer Visit

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

REMOVAL OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT FROM DISTRICT INVENTORY

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education declare the equipment obsolete and of no value and no use to the School District, and authorizes that they be removed from the District inventory:

Description	Brand Name & Model #	Serial #
Typewriter	IBM Wholewriter 35	N/A
Typewriter	IBM Selectric III	N/A

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SPECIAL EDUCATION AGREEMENT

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

<i>School</i>	<i>Period Covered</i>	<i># Students</i>	<i>Total Est. Cost</i>
Melmark, Inc.	July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015	1	\$153,000

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

VISION INSURANCE:

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve to extend the BAO Vision Insurance with Solstice Benefits, Inc., underwritten by HM Life Insurance Company of New York, (through the agent Brown & Brown of New York, Inc. d/b/a Fitzharris & Company), for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015, at an estimated cost of \$3,000. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement letter on the Board's behalf.

Note: The BAO Vision policy is being renewed at no increase in rates from the 2013-2014 school year.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CAREER AND TECHNICAL TUITION CONTRACT

MOTION by Mr. McGlynn, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the contract between the Bethpage Union Free School District (Sending District) and the Levittown Union Free School District (Receiving District) for the purpose of providing specialized educational services to approximately fifteen (15) Bethpage students during the 2014-2015 school year at an estimated NRT rate of \$13,694 per student, for a total estimated cost of \$205,410. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said contract on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

DISTRICT CONTRACTED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, that the Board of Education extend the agreements for the 2014-2015 school year with the bus companies listed below. Pursuant to the Agreements with the contractors, the rates for regular transportation, Special Education transportation, late bus transportation and other bus transportation requirements have increased from the 2013-2014 school year, based on the May CPI adjustment rate of 1.9%.

ACME BUS CORP:	Year Rate per Pupil	Attendant Rate
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Barry Tech	\$ 2,138.27	N/A
Career Prep (Full Day)	\$ 8,142.12	N/A
Crescent School	\$ 9,424.50	N/A
Division Ave HS	\$ 9,180.40	\$15,805.70
Grace Christian School	\$ 6,308.50	N/A
Harmony Heights	\$16,213.90	N/A
Iris Wolfson HS	\$ 8,751.80	N/A
James E Allen	\$15,638.50	\$16,995.00
LI School Gifted	\$ 6,439.00	N/A
Progressive School of LI.	\$ 7,057.40	N/A
St. John Baptist HS	\$ 4,003.50	N/A
TRI	\$22,089.20	\$ 8,258.00
Waldorf School	\$ 8,613.80	N/A

	Year Rate per Van	
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Chaminade HS Late Bus	\$ 9,061.90	N/A
Holy Trinity Late Bus	\$ 9,774.00	N/A
Kellenberg Late Bus	\$ 9774.00	N/A
OLMA Late Bus	\$10,149.50	N/A

St. Dominic Late Bus	\$ 9,411.50	N/A
Work/Study Van	\$26,204.20	N/A

ANY TIME BUS	Year Rate Per Pupil	Attendant Rate
Eden II Genesis	\$ 5,828.70	\$16,304.00
Little Village	\$ 5,483.60	\$21,399.50

FIRST STUDENT

PATHS	\$ 1,925.90	N/A
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WE TRANSPORT INC.

Ctr Dev Disabilities	\$11,456.10	\$21,027.00
St. Edward	\$ 8,890.90	N/A
RMK-CCA	\$ 5,771.60	N/A
Solomon Schechter	\$ 8,046.80	N/A

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn, WHEREAS, the Board of Education has since determined the discrete amount of funds available after the closure of the District's fiscal books for the 2013-2014 school year, the Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education authorize the transfer of \$1,843,239 from the existing 2013-2014 Fund Balance to the existing Capital Reserve Fund, which was approved by public referendum on May 20, 2008.

Note: The funding transfer related to additional revenues received from the State/County/Town/other, as well as budgetary appropriations that were not expended, is based upon the Board's understanding of the allowable use thereof.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The following resolution was added to Agenda

PAYMENT OF ESCO I BOND AND PLAYGROUND LEASE:

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

WHEREAS, the Bethpage School District is currently making payments on an ESCO I bond and playground lease; and

WHEREAS, payments on the ESCO I bond are scheduled to continue through December, 2022 and payments on the playground lease financing is scheduled to occur through June, 2016; and

WHEREAS, after financial review the Board has determined that the District is currently able to make full payment of the ESCO I and playground lease and that making such payment as soon as possible would result in substantial cost savings to the District and would serve the best fiscal interests of the community; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of the financing the first available time to make such payments without penalty is December, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education direct the Superintendent to take all necessary action to effectuate the full payment of the ESCO I and playground lease without penalty as soon as possible in the approximate total amount of \$1,805,268.12 (\$1,700,904.92 for the ESCO I) and (\$104,363.20 for the playground leave); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent and Board President be authorized to complete, sign and submit any and all necessary documentation to effectuate such payment on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

TAX LEVY RESOLUTION

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. McGlynn,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bethpage Union Free School District Board of Education hereby acknowledges receipt of the Certification of the Chairman and Chief Deputy Assessor of the Nassau County Department of Assessment for the Bethpage Union Free School District. Such certification indicates the updated tentative assessed valuation of the property appearing on the School District Assessment Rolls of the Town of Oyster Bay for the year 2014-2015 as of August 1, 2014 as follows:

Real Property Class Assessed Valuations

(Updated Tentative 2014-2015 Tax Assessed Values)

One	\$ 4,937,044
Two	\$ 70,450
Three	\$ 416,684
Four	\$ <u>3,223,897</u>
TOTAL	\$ 8,648,075*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education certifies that the budget gross amount of the necessary claims and expenditures for the 2014-2015 School Year amount to:

\$80,364,954	For School Purposes
\$ <u>2,770,100</u>	For Library Purposes
\$83,135,054	TOTAL

And, that the following sums are the amounts to be raised by taxation for the year 2014-2015 to be levied upon the taxable property of the School District as said property has been certified to by the Board of Assessors of Nassau County.

\$63,593,037	For School Purposes
\$ <u>2,479,185</u>	For Library Purposes
\$66,072,222	TOTAL

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, pursuant to Sections 6-18.0, 6-19.0 and 6-20.0, and amendments thereto of the Nassau County Administrative Code, to file those resolutions with the

Nassau County Legislature and the Board of Assessors, Mineola, New York, on or before August 15, 2014.

*Note: These values are updated tentative Assessed Values as of 4/1/2014 and will change. Final Certified Assessed Values by Tax Class will be sent later in August or in September.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

AWARD OF ELEVATOR & DUMBWAITER SERVICE & MAINTENANCE BID #14-15-32:

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

WHEREAS, the Bethpage Union Free School District has a need for elevator maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has awarded an Elevator & Dumbwaiter Maintenance contract to Barist Elevator, with a place of business at 113 Brook Ave, Deer Park, NY 11729 ; and

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has represented that they have complied with all procedures in New York General Municipal Law Section 103 and determined that Barist Elevator was the lowest responsible bidder for the Elevator & Dumbwaiter Maintenance contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract was made available for use by other governmental entities pursuant to Section 103; and

WHEREAS the District has reviewed the bid and by virtue of the District's polices and Section 103, the District may contract for elevator maintenance services through the Western Suffolk BOCES award to Barist Elevator;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent recommends the Board of Education award an elevator maintenance contract to Barist Elevator; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District further authorizes the Board President to execute an elevator maintenance contract with Barist Elevator on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Clark advised the Board that the Kiwanis Club would like to be part of the Key Club at the High School. It has always been past practice when other organizations asked to do the same that the clubs remained status quo.
- The High School Site Base Team asked the County to study the traffic flow at the high school during dismissal from 2:30PM to 2:45PM on Maple & Stewart Avenues. The County will be here the first few days of school.
- The Board Retreat will be held on October 23, 2014 at 7:30PM.
- Congressman Israel will be here on September 8th for a press conference.
- Legislator Schaeffer would like to use our facility for a Hurricane Preparedness training for the county.
- With regards to Fund Balance, Bethpage is in a great spot. We have \$3.5 million in excess funds due to several different factors, such as the District's win on the tax certs, several teachers retired after the budget was completed and we received more Medicaid and BOCES aid return from the State. Mr. Clark discussed with the Board two options, one of which would disburse the funds among the accounts. Option two is to pay off ESCO & Playground debt. The Board chose Option two.

ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education appoint Ms. Caroline E. Lavelle as acting District Clerk.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board enters into Executive Session to discuss matters of specific personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board enters Executive Session at 9:10PM

BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board exits Executive Session.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board exits Executive Session at 9:20PM.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board adjourn the Special/Agenda Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board adjourned the Special/Agenda Meeting at 9:21PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elena Becker
District Clerk

Caroline E. Lavelle
District Clerk Pro Tem