

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special/Agenda Meeting
April 16, 2008 – 7:30 p.m. – Administration Building Boardroom

Mr. Kelly called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Michael J. Kelly, President; Tom Frost, Vice President; Joel Dauman; Anna Israelton; Kurt Spears; and Sandra Watson.

Absent: Hugh Walker.

Also Present: Dr. Richard Marsh, Superintendent; Terrence Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & Technology; Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Anthony Fede, Director of School Facilities and Operations; Chryseis Corson, Director of English Language Arts; and Laura Granelli, Esq., of Jaspan Schlesinger Hoffman LLP.

Approximately one member of the public was present.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

PERSONNEL

Appointment

Director of School Facilities and Operations II

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Anthony Fede as Director of School Facilities and Operations II effective April 16, 2008, at an annual salary of \$125,000, to be prorated from date of commencement, with benefits, including a minimum of eight weeks' probation/maximum of 26 weeks' probation.

Note: This is not a new position.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Resignations

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education accept the following irrevocable resignations effective August 31, 2008:

Gina Cusenza-Calabrese
Jacqueline Gulli
Rebecca Stahlman

Special Education Teacher
Art Teacher
Special Education Teacher

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Stipulation of Agreement Between the Bethpage Union Free School District and the Bethpage Congress of Teachers (BCT)

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the Stipulation of Agreement dated April 16, 2008 amending Appendix “H” of the collective bargaining agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and the Bethpage Congress of Teachers (BCT) dated June 26, 2007, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute said agreement on behalf of the District.

Note: This stipulation creates the position of JV Girls’ Lacrosse Assistant Coach with an annual stipend of \$3,800.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

VOTE ON THE 2008-2009 NASSAU BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (BOCES) ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education vote on the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (hereinafter “BOCES”) has proposed and presented its Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2008-09 school year (July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau BOCES Administrative Operations budget for its 2008-2009 school year, in the amount of seventeen million six hundred eighty seven thousand ninety two dollars (\$17,687,092) be, and hereby is APPROVED by this Board as presented.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

VOTE TO FILL THREE (3) VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF NASSAU COUNTY (BOCES)

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education cast votes for three of the following candidates to be elected to serve on the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2008:

Deborah Ann Coates
Eric B. Schultz (incumbent)

William P. Stris (incumbent)

Stephen B. Witt (incumbent)

The Board was polled and votes were cast for Messrs. Schultz, Stris, and Witt.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

GRANT DISBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the following Grant Disbursement Agreement with the New York State Urban Development Corporation d/b/a/ Empire State Development Corporation:

Project: Bethpage Union Free School District – Smart Classes
Project Number: V506
Grant Amount \$50,000
Funding Source: Community Capital Assistance Program

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education be and is authorized by law to increase the voter approved 2007-2008 school year budget appropriation by \$50,000, as a result of this Grant Disbursement Agreement. These funds will be expended toward the purchase of high-tech equipment at Central Boulevard School, Charles Campagne School, and Kramer Lane School to create “smart classrooms.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent to execute the Agreement on the Board’s behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

At this point, Mrs. Jannotta left the meeting.

ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Clark to serve as District Clerk pro tem for the remainder of the meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

CONFIRMATION OF ADOPTION OF 2008-2009 PROPOSED BUDGET; ADOPTION OF REVISED 2008-2009 SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Frost: WHEREAS, on April 8, 2008, the Board of Education adopted a budget in the amount of \$69,803,268 for the 2008-2009 school year and a Property Tax Report Card for the 2008-2009 school year which included information regarding the estimated tax levy; and WHEREAS, on April 9, 2008 the District received new information from the State regarding increased State Aid the District is scheduled to receive for the 2008-2009 school year; and

WHEREAS, the Board has now had the opportunity to consider that new information and the effect of such State Aid on the estimated tax levy;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education confirms the adoption of the budget in the amount of \$69,803,268 for the 2008-2009 school year, to be presented to the community at the Annual Meeting which will be held on May 20, 2008 with voting to take place between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education adopts the School Property Tax Report Card, as revised and submitted, for the 2008-2009 school year and directs that the Property Tax Report Card be forwarded to the State Education Department in accordance with law.

Motion carried (5-0-1).

Ayes	5
Noes	0
Abstentions	1 (Mrs. Watson)

BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board enter Executive Session for a discussion concerning particular personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at approximately 10:07 p.m.

BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board exit Executive Session.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Special/Agenda Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence Clark
District Clerk Pro Tem

Marléne Jannotta
District Clerk