

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
September 23, 2008 – 8:00 p.m. – Bethpage High School Little Theatre

Mr. Kelly called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. He stated that this would be a brief meeting because Dr. Marsh was not in attendance due to illness and, therefore, Mr. Clark would read the resolutions. The Board would also try to answer any questions after voting on the agenda items.

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

Also Present: Terrence Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & Technology; Caroline Lavelle, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; and Laura Granelli, Esq., of Jaspan Schlesinger Hoffman LLP.

Approximately 12 members of the public were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special/Agenda Meeting held on August 12, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 26, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Walker, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 11, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board approve the minutes of the Special/Agenda Meeting held on September 16, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

ACCEPTANCE OF WARRANT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JULY 31, 2008

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board accept the Warrant for the period ending July 31, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Walker, that the Board accept the Warrant for the period ending August 31, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**PERSONNEL**

(Please see page 69 for additional resolutions pertaining to "Personnel.")

Resignations

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education accept/ratify the following irrevocable resignations with effective dates noted:

Janice Altilio	Part-Time School Monitor	September 12, 2008
Kevin Conway	Assistant Stores Clerk	September 26, 2008
Judy Neuman	Teacher Assistant	August 29, 2008
William Sawicz	LOTE (Spanish) Teacher	September 14, 2008

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Abolish Position

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board of Education abolish one full-time LOTE (Spanish) teaching position with benefits, effective September 14, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Rescind Extracurricular/Cocurricular Appointments

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education rescind the following extracurricular/cocurricular appointments effective August 29, 2008:

Monica Klein

BHS Assistant Director for Production

Jennie Hauschild

JFK Homework Club

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Rescind Instructional Appointments

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education rescind the following instructional appointments effective August 29, 2008:

Jamie Bellini	Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Mallary Blask	Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Anastasia Caputo	Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Daniel Gidicsin	Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Jaime Harris	Per Diem Substitute Teacher
Timothy Regan	Per Diem Substitute Teacher

Note: The above individuals were appointed at the Regular Meeting held on August 26, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Rescind Non-Instructional Appointment

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education rescind the appointment of Stefanie Singer as Per Diem Substitute Teacher Aide, effective September 23, 2008.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Create Position

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education create one (1) part-time Teacher Assistant position, effective September 24, 2008, without benefits.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Appointments

Extracurricular/Cocurricular

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the Extracurricular/Cocurricular Activities Schedule, as submitted, for the 2008-2009 school year.

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Probationary – Teacher Assistant

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education ratify the full-time Teacher Assistant probationary appointment of Michelle Bavaro in the special subject tenure area of Teaching Assistant, effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011, at an annual salary of \$22,000 with benefits.

Note: This is not a new position.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teachers

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education ratify the following appointments of .4 Permanent Per Diem Substitute teachers each, effective September 1, 2008 through June 1, 2009, and thereafter at the Board’s discretion on a per diem basis, as necessary. Salary is in accordance with the Permanent Substitute Teacher salary schedule.

Denise Bertolotti
Gary Maerz

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Lifeguard I/Grade I Part Time

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the hourly appointment of Briana Meehan as Lifeguard I/Grade I, Part Time, during the 2008-2009 school year (CPR and Lifeguard Certificates), effective upon fingerprint clearance.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Per Diem Substitute Teachers

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve the following appointments of per diem substitute teachers for the 2008-2009 school year. Salary is in accordance with the substitute teachers’ compensation policy.

Claire Butler	Erin Duignan ⁽¹⁾
Alex Goldberg	Michael Kolnberger
Joanne Marino	Annemarie Martello
Jill Schwartz	Daniela Witt ⁽¹⁾
John Ferguson ⁽¹⁾	

The above appointments denoted with ⁽¹⁾ are emergency conditional appointments and are conditioned upon and subject to criminal clearance from the Commissioner pursuant to the requirements of Project SAVE. If the District receives notice of denial of clearance by the Commissioner regarding one or more of the appointments, the appointment(s) shall immediately terminate.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Cleaner, Part-Time Substitute

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Kevin Conway as Cleaner, Part-Time Substitute, effective September 29, 2008, at a rate of \$14.35 per hour, without benefits.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Home Instructor

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded BY Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Rose Vezzi as Home Instructor, effective September 24, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$43, without benefits.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Summer Reading Teachers

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education ratify the following appointments of Summer Reading Teachers, effective July 29, 2008, at an hourly rate of \$33.34:

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| Nancy Bertrand-Loesch | Michelle Brady | Barbara Cataldi |
| Phyllis Curran | Lois Gehrman | Elisabeth Heck |
| Suanne Keller | Melissa Kirschenheiter | Eric Kay |
| Scott Lynch | Daniel Malossi | Jennie Murphy |
| Maura Olson | Gina Rufrano | Carolyn Saur |
| Patricia Tierney | Maria Whalen | |

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Academic Coaches

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Walker, that the Board of Education approve the following Academic Coaches for the 2008-2009 school year at a stipend of \$4,941 per teacher, except where noted otherwise:

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| Jill Bennardo | Rob Fisher | Pat Gorman | Laura Hald |
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Jon LaRochester	Carol Leonardi ⁽¹⁾	Arati Marathe	Meghan Murphy
Jill Noreman	Gerry O'Sullivan	Kerry Pillittier ⁽¹⁾	Nicole Ramaglia
Emily Russo	Carolyn Saur	Susan Sciglibaglio	Terri Shutkind
Jody Smith	John Titolo	Susan Yansick	

⁽¹⁾ For the first semester of the 2008-2009 school year, to be prorated.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Academic Intervention Services Teachers

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the following Academic Intervention Services teachers for the 2008-2009 school year. The hourly rate of pay is \$61 per weekday and \$69 per Saturday.

Grace Bedney	Jamie Bellini	Jean Cano	Christa D'Ercole
Maria Falabella	Elisa Kane	Mitza Lazaridis	Shannon Maloney
Susan McGarvey	Caitriona Mitchell	Andrea Morelli	Stephanie Peace
Kristen Pietrantonio	Colette Rogers	Maria Schelhorn	Pat Tierney
Valerie Tina	Amanda Yansick	Michelle Zizzo	

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Correction to Agenda

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the resolution from the August 26, 2008 Regular Meeting appointing John Webster II as a .8 Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher shall be deemed ratified August 26, 2008 to indicate that it is a .6 Permanent Per Diem Substitute appointment.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Correction to Agenda

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the resolution from the September 11, 2008 Special Meeting appointing Heather Buonaiuto as a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher shall be deemed ratified September 11, 2008 to indicate the appointment is effective through June 1, 2009 and thereafter at the Board's discretion on a per diem basis, as necessary.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

Correction to Agenda

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the resolution from the May 27, 2008 Regular Meeting appointing Joyce Siegler as a .5 Speech Pathologist shall

be deemed ratified May 27, 2008 to indicate that it is a .8 Speech Pathologist position.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education acknowledge that it has performed its first reading of Policy No. 5621 Accounting of Fixed Assets, as submitted, and approves its adoption.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

REMOVAL OF OBSOLETE BOOKS FROM DISTRICT INVENTORY

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

75 copies "Elements of Literature" Copyright 1989 Holt, Rinehart and Winston, Inc.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

DONATION OF FUNDS

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education accept the donation of \$2,000 from Bethpage Baseball Association Inc. and allow this donation to be deposited into the General Fund to be used to purchase clay which will be utilized on the Bethpage School District's baseball and softball fields.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education be and is authorized by law to increase the voter-approved 2008-2009 school year budget appropriation to allow for the expenditure of \$2,000 toward the purchase of clay.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CPSE AND CSE DOCUMENTS

CSE: June 19, 2008	June 20, 2008	June 24, 2008	
August 11, 2008	August 12, 2008	August 25, 2008	August 27, 2008

CSPE: August 11, 2008

2008-09 Placements/Annual Review Recommendations:

February 11, 2008	February 27, 2008	March 3, 2008	March 5, 2008
March 6, 2008	March 10, 2008	March 13, 2008	March 17, 2008
March 25, 2008	March 28, 2008	March 31, 2008	April 1, 2008
April 2, 2008	April 3, 2008	April 4, 2008	April 8, 2008
April 9, 2008	April 10, 2008	April 11, 2008	April 14, 2008
April 15, 2008	April 16, 2008	April 17, 2008	April 18, 2008
April 28, 2008	April 29, 2008	April 30, 2008	May 2, 2008
May 5, 2008	May 6, 2008	May 8, 2008	May 12, 2008
May 13, 2008	May 14, 2008	May 15, 2008	May 19, 2008
May 20, 2008	May 21, 2008	May 22, 2008	May 27, 2008
May 28, 2008	May 29, 2008	May 30, 2008	June 2, 2008
June 3, 2008	June 4, 2008	June 10, 2008	June 17, 2008
June 19, 2008	June 20, 2008	June 24, 2008	
August 11, 2008	August 12, 2008	August 19, 2008	
August 27, 2008			

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the recommendations of the CPSE/CSE for the above dates have been reviewed by the Board of Education, and arrangements will be made for the special educational programs and services and parent notification.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CONSULTANT AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board of Education approve the agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and HMB Consulting for the purpose of evaluating the efficiency and overall operation of the District's food service program, as delineated and agreed upon. HMB site evaluation will be for six days during October, 2008 through July, 2009 at the rate of \$900/day as delineated in the agreement which would include in-district attendance and participation, as appropriate. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on their behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

RESIGNATION

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson: **RESOLVED**, that the stipulation regarding the employee named in Confidential Attachment "A" is hereby approved, and the Board President is authorized to execute same; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the resignation submitted by the aforesaid employee is hereby accepted.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

EXTRACURRICULAR APPOINTMENT

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Marc N. Siegel as Driver Education instructor for the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 semesters at a stipend of \$4,000 per semester, without benefits. There is no accrual toward seniority or probationary status associated with this position.

Note: This is a non-district extracurricular appointment.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

CO-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the following Academic Intervention Services (AIS) appointments for the 2008-2009 school year:

Agnes Alcivedes	Mallary Blask	Barbara Cataldi
Erika Lemaire	Callan Lonergan	John Ogilvie
Kristen Pietrantonni	Joanna Sieben	Melissa Sokolowski

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

EVALUATION AND THERAPY SERVICES AGREEMENT

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education approve the Agreement between the Bethpage Union Free School District and GWJ Consultants as Consultant Staff Developers for Differentiated Instruction for the purpose of providing professional development to Inclusion Teams and that the agreement is to be effective September 23, 2008 to June 30, 2009 at the following rates:

Staff Developers for Differentiated Instruction at \$1,000 per day
not to exceed eight (8) days.

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

Note: These Professional Services are to be paid from a grant.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PRESENTATION OF ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Kelly noted that temporary repairs have been made to the high school track and it should be opened to residents this weekend.

In addition, Mr. Kelly announced that Mr. Clark will be the recipient of the Golden Apple Award from the March of Dimes on November 13, 2008.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

Two parents inquired about the status of the bus situation. Mr. Kelly replied that the District is awaiting a report from the consultant.

FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES

Tuesday	October 21, 2008	7:30 p.m.	Special/Agenda Meeting Administration Building Boardroom
Tuesday	October 28, 2008	8:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting JFK Middle School

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board adjourn the Regular Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marléne Jannotta
District Clerk