

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Annual Meeting – May 19, 2009
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. – Bethpage High School Gymnasium
Followed by Special Meeting – Administration Building Boardroom

The Annual Meeting of the Bethpage Board of Education was held on May 19, 2009, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium, 10 Cherry Avenue, Bethpage, New York.

Mr. David Bardsley, Chairperson, declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. Voting proceeded all day. At 9:00 p.m., Mr. Bardsley declared the polls closed. The machines were locked and sealed and the inspectors proceeded to tally the 48 valid absentee ballots. (Two absentee ballots were disqualified, due to no signature on the oath envelope.) There were no affidavit ballots.

The results are as follows:

Proposition No. 1: 2009-2010 School Budget – Shall the following resolution be adopted: RESOLVED, that the expenditures for school purposes required for the ensuing year (2009-2010) commencing July 1, 2009 in the total amount of \$71,539,276 set forth in the budget prepared pursuant to Section 1716 of the Education Law, and the levy and collection of necessary taxes therefor, be approved?

1,263 Yes (includes 21 absentee ballots)
519 No (includes 27 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 1 passed.

Proposition No. 2: Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure – Shall the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District be authorized to expend One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000) out of the District's Capital Reserve Fund, which was established on May 20, 2008, which monies shall be for the purpose of asbestos abatement at Bethpage High School, John F. Kennedy Middle School, Charles Campagne School, and Kramer Lane School and installation and ventilation to the chemical storage facilities at Bethpage High School and John F. Kennedy Middle School; 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. (Proposition 2)

1,258 Yes (includes 37 absentee ballots)
424 No (includes 11 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 2 passed.

Proposition No. 3: To Reduce Transportation Eligibility Requirements for Certain Grades – Shall the Board of Education, effective with the 2009-2010 school year, modify its public school transportation eligibility requirement for students in grades 3 to 5 from the existing 3/4 mile limit to a new 1/2 mile limit? The cost of this modification shall be in the approximate amount of One Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$184,000), and the Board of Education shall be authorized to levy the necessary tax therefore. All other current District public school transportation eligibility mileage requirements shall remain the same, namely 1/2 mile for grades K to 2; 3/4 mile for grades 6 to 8; and 1 1/2 miles for grades 9 to 12.

968 Yes (includes 23 absentee ballots)
656 No (includes 25 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 3 passed.

Candidates for Election as Follows:

Three (3) Year Term to Succeed **1,095 votes for Sandra Watson**
Sandra Watson; term expires June 30, 2012 (includes 32 absentee ballots)

Three (3) Year Term to Succeed **1,106 votes for James McGlynn**
Hugh Walker; term expires June 30, 2012 (includes 36 absentee ballots)

There was one write-in vote for Ron Paul on an absentee ballot.

Mrs. Watson was elected to a three-year term effective July 1, 2009.

Mr. McGlynn was elected to a three-year term effective July 1, 2009.

At 10:10 p.m., the Annual Meeting relocated to the Boardroom at the Administration Building for the purpose of recording the voting results.

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

Absent: Kurt Spears.

Also Present: Dr. Richard Marsh, Superintendent; Terrence Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & Technology; Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; and Blake Furman, Esq., of Jaspan Schlesinger Hoffman LLP.

Two members of the public were present, which included Mr. McGlynn.

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education accept all of the above results of the Annual Meeting of May 19, 2009.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that said Propositions were approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon and HEREBY DELCARED to be official. As evidence of the several determinations hereinabove made pursuant to Section 2034 of the Education Law of the State of New York, this Board of Education has caused two copies of this Resolution to be signed by all Members of this Board of Education. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Michael J. Kelly, President

Tom Frost, Vice President

After accepting the results of the Annual Meeting, the Board voted upon the following resolutions:

PROPOSED ATHLETIC FIELD IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL – NEGATIVE DECLARATION

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Walker: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District (“Board of Education”) is considering athletic field improvements within a 5.26±-acre project area at the overall 22.9±-acre Bethpage High School property located at 10 Cherry Avenue in the hamlet of Bethpage, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County (hereinafter the “proposed action”); and

WHEREAS, the proposed action specifically includes the replacement of an existing grass-surfaced athletic field with synthetic turf, the replacement of the surrounding running track, associated drainage improvements, removal of an existing storage shed, removal and replacement of fencing, installation of new fencing, and the creation of long-jump and high-jump event areas within the synthetic turf field area; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is also considering the installation of field lighting and the refurbishment or replacement of existing bleachers at the aforementioned athletic field; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education declared itself lead agency for the proposed action, pursuant to the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, specifically 6 NYCRR §617.6(b)(2) and (3); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as lead agency, has caused to be prepared Parts 1 and 2 of an Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”) to evaluate potential significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the proposed action, and has reviewed the aforesaid EAF and agrees with the contents thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, as lead agency for the action contemplated herein, after review of the proposed action, 6 NYCRR Part 617, and the EAF, hereby determines that the above-described project is an Unlisted Action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, based upon the information contained in the EAF and other relevant information before the Board of Education, the Board of Education, as lead agency for the action contemplated herein, and after due deliberation, review and analysis, hereby determines that the proposed action will not result in significant adverse impacts to the environment and hereby adopts the annexed Negative Declaration.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

PROPOSED ATHLETIC FIELD IMPROVEMENTS AT THE BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL – LEAD AGENCY DESIGNATION

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Dauman: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District (“Board of Education”) is considering athletic field improvements within a 5.26±-acre project area at the overall 22.9±-acre Bethpage High School property located at 10 Cherry Avenue in the hamlet of Bethpage, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County (hereinafter the “proposed action”); and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Education is also considering the installation of field lighting and the refurbishment or replacement of existing bleachers at the aforementioned athletic field; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.4 and §617.5, the Board of Education reviewed the proposed action and has preliminarily determined that same is an Unlisted Action; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617, coordinated review was undertaken by the Board of Education, and no objections were received from involved agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby designates itself as lead agency pursuant to the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, specifically 6 NYCRR §617.6(b)(2) and (3), with respect to the above-described proposed action.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing particular personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 10:17 p.m.

ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Clark to serve as District Clerk Pro Tem.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:39 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 10:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence Clark
District Clerk Pro Tem

Marléne Jannotta
District Clerk