

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 11, 2010

7:30 p.m. – Special/Agenda Meeting – Administration Building Boardroom
8:00 p.m. Budget Hearing – BHS Little Theater

Mr. Frost called the meeting to order at approximately 7:33 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

One member of the public was present.

ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. DeTommaso to serve as District Clerk Pro Tem.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

MARC SACHS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a one-time category "B" scholarship to be known as the "Marc Sachs Memorial Scholarship." In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarship will be established as a one-time \$5,000 scholarship, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Rolf Sachs in memory of their son, Marc, and will be awarded to five graduating seniors (\$1,000 each) who are known, not for their academic success, but rather for their ability to make others in the Bethpage community feel genuinely welcomed and included and are known for their friendliness, caring and kindness.

Note: Monies for this scholarship will be funded through donations and not District funds.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL ICE HOCKEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a category “B” scholarship to be known as the “Bethpage High School Ice Hockey Club Scholarship.” In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarship will be established in the amount of \$100, donated by the Bethpage High School Ice Hockey Club, which will be held in trust by the District. The amount of the scholarship for each succeeding year will be determined by the funds available and provided by the Bethpage High School Ice Hockey Club. It will be awarded to a graduating senior who has played varsity hockey for at least three years and has shown outstanding leadership, dedication to the sport of hockey and sportsmanship toward his teammates. If the scholarship 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: Monies for this scholarship will be funded through fundraising by the Bethpage High School Ice Hockey Club and not District funds.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS AWARDS

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a category “B” scholarship to be known as the “21st Century Scholars Award.” In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarships will be for a minimum of \$100 and will be awarded to those graduating seniors who have successfully completed the 21st Century Scholars’ Portfolio. The funds will be provided to the District by the Bethpage Educational Foundation. For 2010, approximately 18 scholarships will be awarded. If the scholarship 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 the scholarships does not utilize District monies.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

MARRELL FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a category “B” scholarship to be known as the “Marrell Family Scholarship.” In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the scholarship will be established in the amount of \$250 in honor of Andrew Marrell, valedictorian of the Class of 2010, donated by Mr. & Mrs. Marrell, which will be held in trust by the District. The amount of the scholarship for each succeeding year will be determined by the funds available as provided by Mr. and Mrs. Marrell. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who is an “unsung” student, a

student of admirable character and a high GPA, who is deserving of recognition but, who otherwise, would not be the recipient of any other departmental awards. If the scholarship 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).

STRENGTH OF HEART SCHOLARSHIP IN LOVING MEMORY OF BRIAN HICKEY

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve a modification of scholarship category “A” scholarship known as the “Strength of Heart Scholarship in Loving Memory of Brian Hickey” in accordance with District Policy No. 7421, to allow for the one-time addition of a third \$2,500 award for the 2009-2010 school.

Note: Monies for this scholarship will be entirely funded by donations and not comprised of District monies.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BUDGET TRANSFER

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the request for the appropriation budget transfer, as submitted, in order to reallocate and realign budget to reflect actual staffing and expenditures among the various programs, schools and grades. Additionally, it encompasses contractual increases such as lane changes, as well as salary increases and new staffing approved by the Board of Education.

Note: Budget appropriation transfers over \$50,000 are required to be approved by the Board of Education. The Board directed that an attachment of all the budget transfers should be included with these minutes.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

BUDGET HEARING

The Budget Hearing was called to order at 8:03 p.m. in the Bethpage High School Little Theater. Mr. Marchesiello reviewed the rationale for the proposed budget. Copies of this evening’s PowerPoint presentation were available for the public. There were no questions or comments from the public.

At the conclusion of the Budget Hearing, the Board continued with the Special/Agenda Meeting in the Administration Building Boardroom.

BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a particular corporation (via contract) and a particular member of personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:17 p.m.

BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board exited Executive Session at 9:06 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board adjourn the Special-Agenda Meeting/Budget Hearing.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Special-Agenda Meeting/Budget Hearing adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John DeTommaso
District Clerk Pro Tem