

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**January 12, 2017– Beach Street Middle School**

PRESENT: Mr. Gellar, Mrs. LaRosa, Mr. Maginniss, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Ulrich, Mr. Zotto  
(8:04 p.m.)

ABSENT: Mr. Brady

ADMINISTRATORS: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy, Dr. Rullan

ATTORNEY: Mr. Volz

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Meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m., followed by the Pledge.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2016 Regular Meeting.

**RECOGNITION**

Music

*Neil Bellinger, Grace Bolin, Patrick Bolin, Carol Chen, Natalie Cosentino, Nicholas Del Orfano, Joseph DelliGatti, Jake Dieli, Lisa Esposito, Madison Esposito, Marc Frazier, Natalie Frazier, Adriana Garcia, Christina Gesele, Joseph Gusmano, Robert Hoyler, Joseph Hudson, Joseph Imburgia, Thomas Interrante, Melissa Khoury, Erik Kier, Shaelyn Krucher, George Lee, David Mahany, Robert Matin, Ryan McSweeney, Matthew Molaro, Matthew Oldaker, Ryan O'Shea, Molly Perrone, Isabella Scrivani, Vanessa Scrivani, Sophia Steblik, Shannon Sullivan, Sean Swenson, Evan Trommer, Alec Vogel, Jack Walsh*

Athletic

Girls Varsity Gymnastics – *Kimberly Arena, Hanna Battaglini, Caitlyn Leibman, Emily McGrade*  
Girls Varsity Tennis – *Kristin Hazelton, Rosa Lettieri*  
Boys Varsity Soccer – *Vincent Raccuglia*  
Girls Varsity Cross Country – *Krista O'Connor, Klaire Klemens*  
Girls Varsity Volleyball – *Julie Kohlhoff*  
Varsity Football – *Drew Cestaro, Jake Guercio, Patrick Mulcahy, Timothy Mullane, Robert Skibinski, Joseph Valentino*  
Varsity Field Hockey – *Samantha D'Antonio*  
Varsity Boys Golf – *Joseph Tammaro*  
NYS Athletic Administrator Award – *Timothy Horan*

**PERSONNEL**

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Kim Hujik, Senior Clerk Typist, effective January 30, 2017 (District Office; Step 1; {change from Contingent Senior Clerk Typist}).

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Mike Zotto and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Barbara Tricoukes, Cafeteria Aide, effective January 13, 2017 (Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing M. Vizzini {resigned}).

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Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: CONTINGENT APPOINTMENT: Monica Perry, Senior Clerk Typist, effective January 30, 2017 (High School; Step 1; {new position}).

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN (\$10.75 hour): Michele Gosline, effective January 13, 2017; Louis Serpico, effective January 13, 2017.

Motion was made by Mike Zotto, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER (\$10.75 hour): Francine Spinelli, effective January 13, 2017.

Motion was made by Mike Zotto, seconded by Bob Ulrich and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SPECIAL EDUCATION AIDE: Barbara Tricoukes, effective January 13, 2017.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: REGULAR SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENT: Michelle Edgley, Special Education Aide, effective January 13, 2017 through June 23, 2017 (High School; Step 1; replacing D. Greene {LoA}).

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Mike Zotto and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: CLUBS/ADVISORS 2016-2017:

UDALL ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL: Costume Director, Shane O'Neill; Current Events, Deborah Pulitano; Drama Director, Musical Production, Justin DeMaio; Drama Director, Musical Production, Shane O'Neill; Musical Director, Justin DeMaio; Yearbook, Alyssa Urbach.

MANETUCK ELEMENTARY: Math Club, Christine Chocko (replacing C. LaPrarie {approved at the 10/25/16 BoE meeting}).

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$115 per diem): Abigail Casale, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Toniann Cintorino, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Katherine Clyne, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Jessica Mazza, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Meghan McNicholas, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Joseph Pidel, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Taylor Raimo, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Samantha Schick, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Victoria Sidorski, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher; Shay Voor, effective January 13, 2017, student teacher.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ASSISTANT (\$85 per diem): Abigail Casale, effective January 13, 2017; Toniann Cintorino, effective January 13, 2017; Katherine Clyne, effective January 13, 2017; Jessica DiToro, effective January 13, 2017; Jessica Mazza, effective January 13, 2017; Meghan McNicholas, effective January 13, 2017; Joseph Pidel, effective January 13, 2017; Taylor Raimo, effective January 13, 2017; Samantha Schick, effective January 13, 2017; Victoria Sidorski, effective January 13, 2017; Gina Vogler, effective January 13, 2017; Shay Voor, effective January 13, 2017.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2016-2017 SPRING HIGH SCHOOL COACHES:

BASEBALL

Shawn Rush, Varsity Coach  
Richard Zeitler, Assistant Varsity Coach  
Michael LaCova, J.V. Coach  
Joseph LaCova, J.V./Varsity Volunteer Coach

SOFTBALL

Courtney Wilson, Varsity Coach  
Colleen Reilly, J.V. Coach  
Kim Raimondi-Rinyu, J.V. Volunteer Coach

BOYS TRACK

Jeremy Robertson, Varsity Coach  
John Lavery, Assistant Varsity Coach

GIRLS TRACK

Michelle Studley-Broderick, Varsity Coach  
Michael Distefano, Assistant Varsity Coach

BOYS LACROSSE

Scott Craig, Varsity Coach  
William Turri, Assistant Varsity Coach  
Thomas Corcoran, Varsity Volunteer Coach  
Anthony Pellati, Varsity Volunteer Coach  
Michael Hazelton, J.V. Coach  
Michael Delgado, Assistant J.V. Coach

GIRLS LACROSSE

Joseph Nicolosi, Varsity Coach  
Brian Cameron, Assistant Varsity Coach  
James Dooley, J.V. Coach  
Stacy Piropto, Assistant J.V. Coach

BOYS TENNIS

George Botsch, Varsity Coach  
Norman Wingert, J.V. Coach

GIRLS GOLF

Thomas Loudon, Varsity Coach

CURRICULUM UPDATE

Dr. Rullan informed the audience that students from each of the elementary schools have been selected to have their art work displayed in the 19<sup>th</sup> annual "Colors of Long Island" student art exhibit taking place at the Long Island Museum in Stony Brook. The West Islip High School was one of the recipients of Senator Boyle's Budget Aid to send six high school students to attend the STEM High School Composite Technology Program at the Composite Prototyping Center in Plainview. Students in International Baccalaureate science courses are making their oral presentations, the district continues to make strides with the implementation of Response to Intervention, and reading specialists have been trained in the administration of the Woodcock

Reading Mastery Test. Approximately 20 music students from grades 5-12 will be performing at the Long Island String Festival Association, 20 high school music students will be participating in the Mid-Island Band Festival and high school student Luke Harris will be conducting research through Sea World and the Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. As part of the review process of policies and regulations, advisory committees were formed to review and make recommendations to grading practices and academic integrity. West Islip's plan for implementing the New York State Education Seal of Biliteracy has been accepted by New York State.

## REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES

Finance Committee: Bob Ulrich reported on the meeting held on 1/10/17. Items reviewed included the November treasurer's report; November extra-curricular report; November payroll summary; November financial statements; claims audit report and December system manager audit trail report. Also reviewed were warrants, payroll certification forms, surplus items, and Special Education Contract for Commack UFSD/fall. Mrs. Duffy reviewed a draft engagement letter from Cullen & Danowski outlining the next area of review, which will be Buildings & Grounds, and asked the committee for suggestions as to what additional areas should be addressed.

Policy Committee: Kevin O'Connor reported on the meeting held on 1/10/17. The committee reviewed the Non-Instructional/Business Operation sections of the Policy Manual and policies related to Academic Achievement and Class Ranking Sections and have now completed the policy manual review process. Once all the required readings take place, the policy manual update will be complete.

*Editor's Note:* The committee must still review the balance of the 8000s before the policy manual update is complete.

The committee had a First Reading on the following policies:

### First Reading:

No. 6130	Evaluation of Personnel: Purposes
No. 8110	Curriculum Development, Resources and Evaluation
No. 8120	Request for Part 100 Variance or Part 200 Innovative Program Waiver From Commissioner's Regulations
No. 8130	Religious Expression in Public Schools
No. 8212	Fire Drills, Bomb Threats and Bus Emergency Drills
No. 8213	Student Use of Hand Held Laser Pointers
No. 8220	Career (Occupational) Education
No. 8230	Counseling Program
No. 8240	Instructional Programs: Driver Education, Gifted and Talented Education and Physical Education
No. 8242	Honors Program
No. 8250	Evaluation of the Instructional Program
No. 8270	Instructional Technology
No. 8280	Instruction for Students with Limited English Proficiency
No. 8320	Selection of Library and Audiovisual Materials
No. 8321	Computer Resources and Data Management
No. 8323	World Wide Web: District Websites
No. 8330	Public Complaints About Curricula or Instructional Material
No. 8331	Controversial Issues
No. 8340	Textbooks/Workbooks/Equipment
No. 8410	School Calendar and School Day
No. 8411	School Year
No. 8440	Homework
No. 8450	Homebound Instruction (Temporary Instruction)
No. 8460	Field Trips and Excursions
No. 8470	Home Schooling (Permanent Instruction)
No. 8480	Organization of Instruction
No. 8481	Grouping for Instruction

Rescinded Policies:

No. 8211	Prevention Instruction (incorporated as Regulation to Policy 8210)
No. 8211.1	Comprehensive Substance Abuse Policy (incorporated as Regulation to Policy 8210)
No. 08431	High School Independent Study (incorporated as Regulation to Policy 8430)

Education Committee: Annmarie LaRosa reported on the meeting held on 1/12/17. Items discussed included the district's ability to sponsor courses that will fulfill CTLE requirements, Google training for staff, and a G-Suite pilot opportunity for teachers in the middle schools.

Buildings and Grounds: Kevin O'Connor reported on the meeting held on 1/10/17. Items discussed included a bond update from Mr. Robertson of BBS. The use of district property by various organizations was discussed as well as the associated cost to the district. Mr. Bosse provided information to the committee regarding a \$53,000 insurance settlement recovered by the district.

Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education: Ron Maginniss reported on the meeting held on 1/10/2017. Items discussed included CSE and CPSE recommendations and student placements Mr. Maginniss and Mrs. LaRosa will be touring the classes over the next couple of weeks.

Health and Wellness Committee: Mike Zotto reported on the meeting held 1/12/17. Items discussed included the 5K Glow Run/Walk for Sunday, October 15, 2017, the upcoming newsletter, a presentation of *The Ugly Truth*, a heroin and prescription drug education and awareness program, that will take place at the West Islip Library on January 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. The committee is exploring a "Shed the Meds" event for late spring as well as recognition of the Suffolk County Police Department for providing educational programs to the district. The committee is exploring strategies to expand the Mindfulness Education Program and making CPR/AED professional development available to district staff. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. in the Paul J. Bellew cafeteria.

DASA Committee: Dan Marquardt reported on the meeting held on 1/10/17. Items discussed included the results of an administered survey, an upcoming Suffolk County Police Department Parent Workshop on 1/23/17, Social Media Boot Camp and *The Ugly Truth* event.

## FINANCIAL MATTERS

The treasurer's report for November was presented. Beginning balance as of 10/31/2016: \$27,672,385.88; ending balance of 11/30/2016: \$20,047,238.46.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Bob Ulrich, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Budget Transfers 3339 – 3350.

Motion was made by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Kevin O'Connor, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following Special Education 2016-2017 Contract: Commack UFSD {Fall}.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve the following surplus items: America's Story textbooks {200}.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Service Agreement – Security Coordinator.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Burns informed the audience that the DEC cleanup at the Willets Creek footbridges (related to Dzus Fastener Company) will begin January 16, 2017. The cleanup should take less than a week and should not impede school business or access. Security will be posted at the footbridges during entry and dismissal times.

Mrs. Burns reminded the audience that the Twelfth Annual PAWS Gala will take place on Friday, March 3, 2017 at Captains Bill's. The honorees will be Kevin Murphy, Education Award and Joseph DeCarlo, Community Award.

NOTICES/REMINDERS: None

The following residents wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public":

Mrs. Cindy Conste, 64 Gladstone Avenue, West Islip - Mrs. Conste spoke on behalf of the Girls Volleyball Program and asked for consideration that assistant coaches be added at the high school level. Mrs. Burns advised Mrs. Conste that her request will be considered as part of the budgeting process for the 2017-2018 school year.

Mr. Michael Hazelton, 17 Sequams Lane, West Islip – Mr. Hazelton thanked George Botch for his leadership as Varsity Tennis Coach and also thanked Jim Farnworth for his years of coaching for the district.

Motion was made by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Annmarie LaRosa and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:58 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 9:20 p.m. on motion by Kevin O'Connor, seconded by Ron Maginniss and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Bob Ulrich, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve BCBA Settlement Agreement.

Meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m. on motion by Ron Maginniss, seconded by Kevin O'Connor and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,



Mary Hock  
District Clerk