

# **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET WORKSESSION**

April 5, 2011 – High School  
President Steven Gellar, Presiding

PRESENT: MRS. BIESELIN, MR. BRADY, MR. GELLAR, MRS. LAROSA, MR. SMITH,  
MR. ULRICH, MR. ZOTTO

ABSENT: NONE

Administrators: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy, Dr. Parvey, Mr. Simon, Mr. Zocchia

Meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m., followed by the Pledge.

A moment of silence for Salvatore Fiore.

The following agenda item was discussed: Contingency Budget.

Seven residents wished to speak during the Public Input Session. Subjects of concern have been recorded in the public participation log.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m. on motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Bieselin, and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by

Nicole M. Schiano  
District Clerk

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# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION LOG**

Budget Worksession – April 5, 2011

Don Marmo: Discussed costs associated with the study group, the tax rate, and employee contracts.

Robert Maresca: Discussed insurance contributions for active teachers and retirees.

Peter Quinn: Discussed lobbying for additional funding and administrative cuts.

Glenn Sloat: Discussed use of the pool by other districts and health insurance.

Cathy McConnell: Discussed the music program and teacher cuts.

Kristina Delaney: Discussed teacher cuts, furlough days, and the contingency budget.

Chris Doyle: Discussed furlough days and the contingency budget.

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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MR. ZOTTO

ABSENT: MR. ULRICH

Administrators: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy, Dr. Parvey, Mr. Simon, Mr. Zocchia

Attorney: Mr. Volz

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. LaRosa, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 8:00 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m., followed by the Pledge.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mr. Gellar stated that the Board will not comment in response to community members who speak about individual staff members. The Board of Education and WITA came to an agreement on terms of a contract extension.

No one wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public."

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the Planning Session of February 28, 2011, the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 1, 2011, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2011, the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 17, 2011, the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 24, 2011, and the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 28, 2011.

**RECOGNITION – Staff:** Mrs. Burns presented the Richard Gazzola Teacher Fellowship Award (PTA) to Dina Barone. Mr. Simon presented the Ride for Life – Education Award to Virginia Scudder.

**RECOGNITION – Student:** Girls' Varsity Winter Track: All County and All County Academic – Ali F. and Megan O'R.; All County – Annie O'C., Jessica B. and Julie L.. Boys' Varsity Winter Track: All County Academic – Ryan T..

Boys' Varsity Basketball: All County Academic – Kyle T.; Suffolk County's 2011 Leading 3 Point Shooter – James T.. Beach Street MS – Science Olympiads: Siobhan K., Taylor W., John S., Jordan V., Evan S., Zack S., Morgan R., Joe B., Charles H., Gavin McG., Connor M., Joe R., Emily B., Kristyn DeC., Ben D., Brendan E., Gillian G., Maria H., Neslihan K., Hannah K., Mike L., Chris L., Eric M., Sara M., Nicos P., Anna R., Jake R., Jack S. and Dan W.. Robotics Team: Lindsay C., Glenn M., D.J. H., Izzy G., Greg S., Jon S., Adam M., Jason C., John W., Salar A., Clayton S., Sean H., Tom G., Ray G. and Alex V..

Motion was made by Mrs. LaRosa, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Jeannine Conaghan, Mathematics; effective April 11, 2011 (Beach).

Motion was made by Mrs. Bieselin, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Beth Fiorini, Social Studies; effective March 21, 2011 (High School).

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Catherine Olson, Elementary; effective April 7, 2011 (Manetuck).

Motion was made by Mrs. Bieselin, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Beth Schmitz, Speech; effective April 25, 2011 (Bayview).

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid): Amy DeJoseph, Special Education; effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 (Kirdahy).

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid): Jennifer Dellafranca, Elementary; effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 (Manetuck).

Motion was made by Mr. Zotto, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD-REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid): Lori Nurkin, Counseling; effective September 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 (Udall).

Motion was made by Mrs. Bieselin, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RESIGNATION: AnnMarie Pecorella, Part-Time Food Service Worker; effective April 15, 2011 (High School).

Motion was made by Mr. Zotto, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: CHANGE IN TITLE: Brian Malone, Acting Head Custodian; effective March 8, 2011 (Udall; replacing M. Hawkins {sick}).

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Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: CHANGE IN TITLE: Brian Malone, Custodial Worker I; effective March 21, 2011 (Udall).

Motion was made by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CLERICAL (\$11.00/hr): Debra Federico, effective June 27, 2011; Joann Niesen, effective June 27, 2011.

Motion was made by Mr. Zotto, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN (\$9.75/hr): John Moran, effective February 1, 2011.

Motion was made by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE NURSE (\$100 per diem): \*Eileen Stocker, effective April 26, 2011.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: CONCERT HALL MANAGER 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR: HIGH SCHOOL: James Kraus, \$3,372 stipend {pro-rated} {replacing Salvatore Fiore}.

Motion was made by Mr. Zotto, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2010-2011 HIGH SCHOOL SPRING COACHES: SOFTBALL: Frank Franzone, J.V.2 Coach {R. Zeitler listed on 2/10/2011 agenda}.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION (\$30 per hr): Steven DeGennaro (Math), Erica Menzer (English), Kristen Nasta (Math), Yianna Petroustas (Spanish), Karen Seylar (Math).

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$100 per diem): Jade Holdorf, effective April 15, 2011; Robert Timpson, effective March 21, 2011.

CURRICULUM UPDATE: Dr. Parvey discussed professional development, RTI plan, curriculum, and elementary highlights. Mrs. Burns announced that West Islip was named to the College Board's AP Achievement List.

REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES: Mr. Smith reported on the Finance Committee meeting of 4/12/11. Mr. Brady reported on the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting of 4/5/11. Mrs. LaRosa reported on the Education Committee meeting of 3/31/11. Mrs. LaRosa reported on the Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education meeting of 4/14/11 and recommendations re: classification/placement/I.E.P. modifications of students as delineated.

\*Conditional Pending Fingerprint Clearance

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Mrs. Biesel reported on the Health and Wellness/COMPASS Coalition meeting of 4/1/11. Udall Road Middle School principal Mr. Marquardt reported on the Bullying Awareness Committee meeting of 3/22/11. Mr. Smith reported on the Bond Advisory Committee meeting of 4/12/11.

The following committees did not meet: Policy Committee, School Board/Student Liaison Committee, Public Relations Committee, Audit Committee, Legislative Action Committee, and West Islip Summit Coalition.

The Treasurer's Report for February 2011 was presented. Beginning balance as of January 31, 2011 – \$41,339,998.67; ending balance as of February 28, 2011 – \$34,511,627.80.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following budget transfers, as recommended by the Finance Committee: General Fund Tran # 2876 – 2896; Capital Fund Tran # 2891, 2894.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following bond issue change orders: SMC Construction, Corp. (Beach) #1 = \$4,535.00; SMC Construction, Corp. (Beach) #2 = \$18,745.50; SMC Construction, Corp. (Beach) #3 = \$2,873.00; SMC Construction, Corp. (H.S.) #2 = \$12,994.00; SMC Construction, Corp. (H.S.) #1 = \$12,771.00; SMC Construction, Corp. (Udall) #2 = \$18,632.00; SMC Construction, Corp. (Udall) #1 = \$18,660.00.

Motion was made by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following bond issue change orders: Advanced Conservation Systems, Inc. (H.S.) #2 = (\$1,200.00); Advanced Conservation Systems, Inc. (H.S.) #3 = (\$8,333.33); Advanced Conservation Systems, Inc. (Beach) #1 = (\$6,863.33); Advanced Conservation Systems, Inc. (Udall) #1 = (\$2,048.81).

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following bond issue change orders: Cooper Power & Lighting (H.S.) #1 = (\$3,320.18); Cooper Power & Lighting (Paul J. Bellew) #1 = (\$5,000.00); Cooper Power & Lighting (Oquenock) #1 = (\$5,000.00); Cooper Power & Lighting (Westbrook) #1 = (\$5,000.00).

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve Resolution regarding the Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the 2011-2012 school year.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following health service contracts with West Islip UFSD: Hicksville UFSD (Holy Trinity) 1 student @ \$550.78; South Huntington UFSD (St. Anthony and LI School for the Gifted) 35 students @ \$732.84 = \$25,649.40; Babylon UFSD (Babylon Christian) 2 students @ \$846.00 = \$1,692.00; Smithtown CSD (Smithtown Christian) 1 student @ \$744.23.

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Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Zotto, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to accept the following donation, with thanks: Suffolk Transportation Scholarship for \$1,000.

Motion was made by Mr. Zotto, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve contract addendum with School Construction Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$86,400.

Motion was made by Mrs. LaRosa, seconded by Mrs. Biesel, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adopt the 2011-2012 West Islip UFSD Budget in the amount of \$107,143,770.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve change in polling hours to 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Simon gave an update on the budget.

NOTICES/REMINDERS: April 18 – Petitions due at District Office by 5:00 PM; May 3 – Budget Available for Residents; May 10 – Public Hearing on the Budget (7:30 PM) and Voter Registration (2:00 PM – 8:00 PM) High School.

OTHER ITEMS FOR BOARD MEMBERS INFORMATION: Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve naming the high school auditorium the Dr. Salvatore Fiore Performing Arts Center.

Eight residents wished to speak during an "Invitation to the Public." Subjects of concern have been recorded in the public participation log.

Motion was made by Mrs. LaRosa, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 10:02 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations, and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 11:10 p.m. on motion by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Biesel, and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Zotto, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve RESOLUTION: WHEREAS the tenured teacher named in Executive Session has been charged pursuant to 3020-a of the New York State Education Law; BE IT RESOLVED that the tenured teacher named in Executive Session be suspended with pay effective April 15, 2011, pending the outcome of disciplinary proceedings brought pursuant to the provisions of Section 3020-a of the Education Law of the State of New York.

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Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: TERMINATION: Lauralee Bennett, Cafeteria Aide; effective April 15, 2011 (Bayview).

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: TERMINATION: Michael Maresca, Custodial Worker I; effective April 15, 2011 (High School).

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by

Nicole M. Schiano  
District Clerk

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## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION LOG**

Regular Meeting – April 14, 2011

Juliet Fairbrother: Discussed the benefits of the dance program at the high school.

Justin Scheidling: Thanked the board for renaming the auditorium in honor of Dr. Salvatore Fiore. Discussed fundraising for a plaque to be placed outside the auditorium.

Zeynep Garofano: Spoke in support of Andrew Leonard.

Michael Garofano, West Islip: Spoke in support of Andrew Leonard.

Robert Maresca: Discussed the college-level class offerings in the high school.

Peter Quinn: Commended students receiving awards. Requested clarification on the administrative structure. Discussed furlough days, state education budget, and the economy.

Margaret Dixon: Discussed proposed changes to the integrated program.

Doreen Hantzschel: Discussed staff in the integrated classes.

# PLANNING SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 27, 2011 – District Office  
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MR. ULRICH

ABSENT: MR. ZOTTO

Administrators: Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Duffy, Dr. Parvey, Mr. Simon, Mr. Zocchia

Meeting was called to order at 7:36 p.m., followed by the Pledge.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Ulrich, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adopt a resolution casting a vote for the following candidates for the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Board: Stephen Gessner, Shelter Island School District; Susan Lipman, West Islip School District; Anne Mackesey, Sag Harbor School District; William Miller, Longwood School District; Katherine Heinlein, Bayport-Blue Point School District.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Biesel, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adopt a resolution to approve the Eastern Suffolk BOCES Administrative Budget for 2011-12.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mrs. LaRosa, and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve attendance zone waiver request for student previously discussed in Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Brady, and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by

Nicole M. Schiano  
District Clerk

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**Education Committee meeting**  
**April 27, 2011**

Members: S. Gellar, A. LaRosa, R. Simon, B. Burns, M. Parvey

The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

1. Annual Profession Performance Review

The Education Committee discussed the necessary revisions to the APPR. Dr. Parvey and Mrs. Burns met with the APPR Committee earlier in the day and discussed the Teaching Standards. Although there are constraints on implementing changes to the plan, there are elements as they relate to curriculum and best instructional practice that the members of the APPR Committee can address now. It was agreed, however, that until New York State shares promised rubrics, there is no sense in “reinventing the wheel”.

The APPR Committee will meet one more time before the end of the school year, and the assistant superintendents will keep the Education Committee informed as to its progress.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.