

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 9, 2006—Captree Elementary School
President George Smith, Presiding

PRESENT: Mr. G. Smith, Mrs. McAteer, Mr. Gellar, Mrs. Heine, Mr. Micucci,
Mr. W. Smith
ABSENT: Mrs. Biesel
Administrators: Dr. Blau, Mrs. Duffy, Mr. Stern, Mr. Zocchia
Attorney: Mr. Volz

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., followed by the Pledge. No one wished to speak during "An Invitation to the Public".

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 12, 2006, and the minutes of the Special Meeting on October 30, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Christine Caracciola, Elementary Teacher, effective November 20, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Micucci and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Kristine Hagens, Science Teacher, effective October 5, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid) (Pursuant to Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993—12 weeks continuous medical coverage): Dawn Morgan, Business Education Teacher, effective November 6, 2006 to January 26, 2007.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid) (Pursuant to Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993—12 weeks continuous medical coverage): Mary Berger, Elementary Teacher, effective October 23, 2006 to November 22, 2006.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid) (Pursuant to Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993—12 weeks continuous medical coverage): Robin Traina, Reading Teacher, effective October 23, 2006 to December 15, 2006.

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Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Micucci and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid): Elizabeth Walsh-Bulger, effective January 29, 2007 (Alternative School Coordinator – two nights).

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: REGULAR SUBSTITUTE: Jessi Smith, Speech Teacher, effective September 5, 2006 to June 30, 2007 (Manetuck, Step 14, replacing J. Dowling reassigned to D.O.).

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Micucci and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: *Cheryl Ferrante, Custodial Worker I, effective November 13, 2006 (Step 1; High School; replacing A. Spero, resigned).

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: Randy Koeper, Maintenance Mechanic III, effective October 23, 2006 (Step 9; maintenance department; returning to former position).

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: Joseph Troiano, Groundskeeper, effective October 23, 2006 (Step 5; maintenance department; replacing R. Koeper who returned to former position).

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: RECALL: Tara Miller, Teacher Aide, effective September 21, 2006 (Step 1; Bayview; new position; grant funded).

Motion was made by Mr. Micucci, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: CHANGE IN STATUS: Brian Malone, Night Lead Custodian, effective October 23, 2006 (Step 4; Udall; replacing J. Troiano, now groundskeeper).

Motion was made by Mr. Micucci, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CLERICAL (\$11.00/HR): *Debbie Murphy, effective October 30, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN (\$8.30/HR): *Thomas Finnegan, effective October 9, 2006; *Thomas McTigue, effective September 19, 2006.

*Conditional Pending Fingerprint clearance

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER (\$9.75/HR): *Suzanne Eccher-Lombardo, effective October 16, 2006; *Kristin Kelly, effective October 13, 2006; *Debbie Murphy, effective October 30, 2006; *Terry Nocera, effective October 23, 2006; *Diane Vargas, effective October 16, 2006.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE NURSE (\$105/per diem): *Darlene Caputo, effective October 25, 2006; *Vivian Naja, effective October 26, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve CLASSIFIED CIVIL SERVICE: SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE/CAFETERIA AIDE (\$9.75/HR): *Suzanne Eccher-Lombardo, effective October 16, 2006; *Kristin Kelly, effective October 13, 2006; *Debbie Murphy, effective October 30, 2006; *Terry Nocera, effective October 23, 2006; *Diane Vargas, effective October 16, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS (\$105/per diem): Christine Benvengo, effective October 24, 2006; *Bryan Boily, effective November 1, 2006; Theresa Brown, effective October 24, 2006; Carla Cacia, effective October 26, 2006; Tara Coppola, effective October 20, 2006; *Joy Fleischer, effective October 26, 2006; Gabrielle Guadio, effective October 24, 2006; Laura Matera, effective October 13, 2006; Stephanie Murphy, effective October 26, 2006; *Vivian Naja, effective October 26, 2006; Jennifer Verdolino, effective October 27, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: SUBSTITUTE TEACHING ASSISTANTS (\$85 per diem): Jennifer Verdolino, effective October 27, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ADVISORS/CLUBS 2006-07 SCHOOL YEAR: High School – Charles Mascaro, Federal Reserve Challenge.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL: Dawn Morrison, Leave Replacement coordinator (two nights), effective January 29, 2007 (replacing E. Walsh-Bulger, Child-Rearing Leave).

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Micucci and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: CONCERT MANAGERS 2006-07 SCHOOL YEAR: Salvatore Fiore, High School (\$2,825 stipend); Arthur Machowicz, Beach Street Middle School (\$650 stipend); William Eidenback, Udall Road Middle School (\$650 stipend).

*Conditional Pending Fingerprint Clearance

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: AUDITORIUM TECHNICIANS 2006-07 SCHOOL YEAR (school functions \$75 per event; rental functions \$50 per hour): Judy Hayes, High School; David Kaufman, High School; James Krais, High School; Jerry Mangone, High School; Arthur Machowicz, Beach Street Middle School; John Simeone, Beach Street Middle School; William Eidenback, Udall Road Middle School; Michael Gural, Udall Road Middle School.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2006-07 MIDDLE SCHOOL LATE WINTER COACHES: Girls Basketball: Brian Dieumegard, 7-8 Udall Coach; Timothy Bauernfeind, 7-8 Beach Coach.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve OTHER: 2006-07 MIDDLE SCHOOL LATE WINTER COACHES: Wrestling: Thomas Powers, 7-8 Udall Coach; James Wood, 7-8 Udall Assistant Coach; James Beuther, 7-8 Beach Coach; Vincent Luvera, 7-8 Beach Assistant Coach.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to accept completed curriculum development projects: Introduction to Science Research (Science), Natural Disasters (Science), Grade 6 Science Labs (Science), College Business Communications (Business), Grammar Curriculum Map for Grades 6, 7 and 8 (English), Grade 1 Curriculum Map (English).

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve new secondary course proposals for 2007: SUPA History 101-102 (American History), Theory of Relativity (Science), Studio Dance I – Grades 9-12 (Dance Education), Studio Dance II – Grades 10-12 (Dance Education), West Islip Dance Company – Blue (Dance Education), West Islip Dance Company – Gold (Dance Education), Fashion Marketing (Business and Marketing Education), American Sign Language 2R and 3R (World Languages), Journalism (English), Creative Writing (English), Nutrition, Health and Fitness (Family and Consumer Sciences), Interior Design (Family and Consumer Sciences).

The Finance Committee met on 11/8, as reported on by Mrs. Heine. The Policy Committee did not meet. However, a first reading was held tonight for File 7218: Class Ranking/Weighting of Grades. Copies were available to the public. Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mr. W. Smith and carried when all board members present voted in favor to waive policy that requires a second reading of a policy before adoption of said policy. Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adopt policy File 7218, after first reading.

Mrs. McAteer reported on School Board/Student Liaison Committee meetings of 11/8 and 9. The Public Relations committee did not meet. The Buildings and Grounds Committee met on 11/8, as reported on by Mr. Gellar. Mrs. McAteer reported on Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education recommendations re: classification/placement/I.E.P. modifications of students as delineated: CSE #: 5134, 4533, 6309, 6248, 6302, 4488, 3964, 5257, 6265, 6313, 5918, 6312, 6301, 4384; CPSE ID #: 6295, 6286, 6297, 6298, 5953, 6119, 6091, 22617, 6281, 6314, 6296, 6315, 6294, 6299. Mrs. Bieselin will give a report on the Health and Wellness Alliance meeting of 10/26 next month.

The Treasurer's Report for September was presented. Beginning book balance \$8,056,886.70; ending book balance \$6,578,531.77.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve budget transfers, as recommended by Finance Committee.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve change orders. Change order #1: ARA Plumbing Corp. (\$5,000.) , and #2: West Islip Public Library change order - Lougene Inc. \$29,839.80.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve Leasehold Space Agreement with BOCES (rental of rooms at Paul J. Bellew Elementary School).

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following tuition bills: Sachem Central School District – Summer Special Education 1 student @ \$3,732.; Longwood Central School District – Foster Care Student 1 student @ \$38,049.40.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following health services with the West Islip School District: Babylon UFSD (Babylon Christian School) 1 student @ \$531.65.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve bid for Lease of Musical Instruments. Bid was awarded to Interstate Music.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve the following donations, with thanks: Bayview PTA – Arts In Education \$1,050; Paul J. Bellew PTA – Arts in Education \$845.; Soccer Booster Club – JV Portable Scoreboard \$3,650.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve providing health care coverage for domestic partners, pending approval of Memorandum of Agreement with employee unions.

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"An Invitation to the Public" was held, with three residents speaking. Subjects of concern have been recorded in log.

Motion was made by Mr. Micucci, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiations and/or litigation.

Meeting reconvened at 9:50 p.m. on motion made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve salary increase for substitute custodians to \$9.75/HR.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve Memorandum of Agreement with WITA, re: Connie Allen.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: PART TIME APPOINTMENT: Monica Sanford, Foreign Language Teacher, Step 1¹, prorated at .6, effective November 13, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

Motion was made by Mrs. McAteer, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve resolution to place employee "A" named in Executive Session on involuntary sick leave, effective November 10, 2006.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. on motion made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. McAteer and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn J. Cross
District Clerk

All correspondence, reports or related materials referred to in these minutes are on file in the District Office.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 30, 2006—District Office
President George Smith, Presiding

PRESENT: Mr. G. Smith, Mrs. Biesel, Mr. Gellar, Mrs. Heine, Mr. W. Smith
ABSENT: Mr. Micucci, Mrs. McAteer
Administrators: Dr. Blau, Mrs. Duffy, Mr. Stern

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM, followed by the Pledge. Announcements: Mr. W. Smith discussed the role of Santa Claus at PAWS Barnes & Noble fund-raiser.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD BEARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (paid): Kelly Farrell, Elementary Teacher, effective November 7, 2006.

Motion was made by Mr. Gellar, seconded by Mrs. Biesel and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid) (Pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993—12 weeks continuous medical coverage): Andrea Miller, Elementary Teacher, effective November 13, 2006 to December 15, 2006.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve TEACHING: CHILD REARING LEAVE OF ABSENCE (unpaid): Jennifer Hirdt, Science Teacher, effective November 27, 2006 to June 30, 2007 (currently on FMLA).

Discussion items: Alternative Assessments, Grades 3-8, Capital Improvements Review, and Legislative Task Force.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mrs. Heine and carried when all board members present voted in favor to approve Memorandum of Agreement – Math Administrative Assistant Apprentice.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to resolution to rescind computer bid: WHEREAS, the Board of Education, at a special meeting on August 31, 2006, awarded a bid for personal computers to Vicom Computer Services, Inc.; and WHEREAS, the District and Vicom Computer Services, Inc. have not achieved a final written agreement; and WHEREAS, the District has determined it is in the District's best interest to reject all bids and re-advertise. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education annuls its bid award to Vicom Computer Services, Inc. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education rejects all bids and authorizes the re-advertisement for new bids regarding personal computers.

Motion was made by Mrs. Biesel, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:05 PM, for the purpose of discussing personnel, negotiation and/or litigation.

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Meeting reconvened at 9:25 PM on motion made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mrs. Bieselin and carried when all board members present voted in favor.

A brief discussion was held with regard to capital improvements.

Motion was made by Mrs. Heine, seconded by Mr. Gellar and carried when all board members present voted in favor to adjourn at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Carolyn J. Cross
District Clerk