

Minutes of Special School Board Meeting – April 21, 2009

Board Room – Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

Present: Mrs. Weinstein, Mrs. Rothman, Mr. Mosenson, Mrs. Bernstein,
Mr. Cepeda

Also Present: Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Jonas, Dr. Bruno, Mr. Ruf, Mr. Gregory Guercio,
Ms. Aloe, Mrs. Fischer.

Absent: Mrs. Lieberman, Mr. Bettan.

Mrs. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 12:01 a.m.

New Business

Approval of BOCES Proposed Administrative Operations Budget – 2008/2009

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education approve the proposed BOCES Administrative Operations Budget for the 2009/2010 school year.

Election of BOCES Board Members

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education approve voting for the following candidates to serve on the BOCES Board of Education:

Susan Bergtraum
Douglas Pascaella
Iris Wolfson

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President

Minutes of School Board Meeting – April 20, 2009

Board Room – Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

Present: Mrs. Weinstein, Mrs. Rothman, Mr. Mosenson, Mrs. Bernstein,
Mr. Cepeda

Also Present: Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Jonas, Dr. Bruno, Mr. Ruf,
Mr. Christopher Guercio, Ms. Aloe, Mrs. Fischer.

Absent: Mrs. Lieberman, Mr. Bettan.

Acting District Clerk

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Mosenson, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Jonas Acting District Clerk.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Cepeda, that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters.

The meeting was recessed at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Jonas
Acting District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President

There were approximately 30 district residents and staff members present.

Mrs. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Announcements

Mr. Dempsey announced that the District's Report Cards were supposed to be released today. They were not. When they are released later this week, the information will be available. They are last year's test results.

Mr. Dempsey also stated that today was the last day for candidates to submit petitions to serve as a trustee on the Board of Education. The following four people have submitted petitions for the two open seats:

Holly Ash
Yan Gao
Amy Pierno
Evy Rothman

Mr. Dempsey noted there will be a "Meet the Candidates Night" on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at Plainview-Old Bethpage Middle School.

Mr. Dempsey also noted that the College Fair will be held tomorrow evening.

High School Report

■■■■ updated the Board of Education on events at the high school.

Mr. Dempsey stated that the next Board of Education meeting will be Tuesday, May 5. He explained that the Budget Hearing must be Tuesday and we will have our Board Meeting the same night. This will be a busy meeting. There will be a short rendition from the musical Rent. We will also have teacher tenure recommendations that evening.

The following Board Meeting will be May 18, the night before the budget vote and we will have a large number of student awards that evening. Administrators will be receiving tenure that evening. It will be held in the LIG at Mattlin Middle School.

Mr. Dempsey spoke of the reports that he would like to give to the Board of Education at the June meetings. He stated that he would like the English Language Arts, and IB to be given at the June 8th meeting. He suggested that Mathematics and RTI be presented at the June 20th meeting.

Discussion:

Mr. Bernstein would like to hear a report on things that were newly initiated when we began the school year such as Enrichment for All and Science Research. She would like to know how they were implemented, what was good in the program and any changes we would want to see.

Mr. Mosenson would like to hear about our various reading programs.

Mr. Cepeda asked what reports are we prepared to present. We have a lot on our plate. Perhaps we should give Administration more time to prepare.

Dr. Bruno stated that the report on Enrichment for All is in good shape.

Public Participation

Mr. Jacque Wolfner asked for a detailed explanation of items under Finance on the agenda.

Ms. Guarneri, a parent and a bilingual teacher in another district discussed handouts that her son received and a workbook he received. Her son was not allowed to bring his textbook home. She asked if the textbooks could be brought home. She asked if students in the middle school taking French have a textbook at home. Do we follow the same procedures at Mattlin Middle School.

Mr. Dempsey suggested that the appropriate administrator talk to her.

Ms. Jill Pfeiffer expressed her concern about textbooks and workbooks next year. She asked why materials were not being purchased for all our fourth graders not just fourth graders in a few schools. She expressed her views that some children in our district are being left behind with regard to textbooks.

Mrs. Weinstein stated that textbooks were extensively discussed this year during the budget process. The teachers and principals have choices. They decide what materials will be best to compliment the core curriculum which is the same throughout the district

Dr. Bruno stated that every third and fourth grade student will have a textbook next year.

Ms. Suzal discussed the diversity among the four elementary schools and how they are achieving these levels. She stated we are all playing the same taxes. They should all receive the same work.

Mr. Dempsey stated the core program should be the same. Teachers and administrators should be able to choose what is good in their classroom.

Mrs. Weinstein stated that we have high expectations for all our students in all our schools. In the last two years, we have done a lot to get everything equal. We give the teachers the core material and core curriculum. The teacher chooses how to implement this material.

Ms. Suzal was told that the 4th grade in Pasadena is still taking their graduation trip. She asked if this information is correct.

Mr. Dempsey stated there has been a change in the trip and the trip will now be more in line with the curriculum.

Ms. Stefanie Nelkens thanked the Board of Education for sharing the textbook information she requested. She expressed her views that there is disparity in textbooks among the elementary schools. She asked if there is some way to demonstrate that the education is equal among the four schools. She discussed the Copyright Act of 1976. She would not like our teachers to violate this act.

Ms. Nelkens discussed the Barron review workbook that she bought for her son. She also stated that parents are paying for a certain material in one building that is being provided by the district in another building.

Mr. Dempsey stated it would not be appropriate for us to provide material in one building and for parents to pay for the same material in another building. He stated we will look into this.

Ms. Nelkens asked if we purchase textbooks through a consortium.

Mr. Dempsey stated we were able to obtain extremely good prices for our math textbooks last year. He noted we get state aid for textbooks.

Ms. Nelkens asked about a supply code in Parkway School in the sum of \$8,000.

Ms. Emily Schulman, Co-President of SEPTA asked for equality with regard to placements. She expressed her views that next year more planning should go into self contained classes. She wants all children to receive adequate support. Ms. Schulman is concerned about availability versus structure.

Routine Business

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education approve the following routine business items plus the pink sheet:

1. Students

Student Placements

That the Board of Education approve the student placements as recommended by Pupil Personnel Services.

2. Personnel

Non-Teaching Personnel – Permanent Employee Recommendation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>
Eleanor Cinque	Principal Personnel Clerk Personnel Office	April 20, 2009

The work of the above employee has been evaluated as satisfactory by her supervisor and it is recommended that she be appointed to a permanent position as indicated.

Non-Teaching Personnel – Probationary Employee Recommendation

Tina Koulouris	Senior Personnel Clerk Personnel Office Eligible for Tenure 10/19/2009 (Probationary Appointment replacing Eleanor Cinque)	April 20, 2009
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Permanent Employee Recommendation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
George Argyrou	Special Ed. ABA Aide – 6 ½ hours – POBJFK High School	April 28, 2009	
Danielle Turan	Special Ed. Aide - 6 ½ hours – Stratford Road	April 28, 2009	
Denise McKenna	Special Ed. Collaborative Aide – 6 hours – Old Bethpage	April 28, 2009	

The work of the above employees has been evaluated as satisfactory by their supervisor and it is recommended that they be appointed to a permanent position as indicated.

Personnel Recommendations – In District Tutor for Homebound Student

Lauren Barlow	Home Tutor	School Year 2008/2009	\$50.29/hour
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Substitute Appointment

Robbie Lynch	Part time Substitute Cleaner	4/21/09	\$12.25 p.h.
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Personnel Recommendations – Chaperones

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Steven Kunz	Chaperone	School Year 2008/2009	\$86.22/sess.
Richard Shapp	“	“	\$86.22/sess.

Discussion:

Mrs. Bernstein asked what criteria we use to determine whether individuals receive advisor/coaches’ pay or chaperone pay.

Mr. Jonas outlined the differences. If an overnight trip is involved, they receive chaperone pay.

Mrs. Weinstein stated if it is a competition but not a competition involving overnight, they will not receive chaperones’ pay.

Mrs. Weinstein spoke of DECA.

Appointments – Per Diem Substitute Teachers

Stacey Grasso	Per Diem Substitute Tchr. Teacher	4/09	\$130.58
Julia Watson	“	“	\$130.58

Appointment – Coordinator – School Year 2009/2010

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Gloria Bennardo, Ed.D	District Calendar Coordinator	4/21/09- 6/30/09	\$5,000

Adult Education – New Course Offering and Instructor Spring 2009

<u>Instructor Name</u>	<u>Class:</u>	
Elyce Neuhauser	Pilates	\$60/session; 8 sessions

3. Finance

a. Contract – Health & Welfare – 2008/2009

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign a contract for the 2008/2009 school year with Manhasset U.F.S.D. to provide three students with health & welfare services as listed in the contract.

b. Cooper Kids Therapy Associates – Federal Part B 611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the Cooper Kids Therapy Associate Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

- c. Contract – Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center – Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations for the 2008/2009 School Year

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the Just Kids Early Childhood Learning Center Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

- d. Contract – Hillcrest Educational Centers, Inc. – Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the Hillcrest Education Centers, Inc. Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

- e. Contract – Health & Welfare Services – 2008/2009

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign a contract for the 2008/2009 school year with Westbury U.F.S.D. to provide two students with health and welfare services as listed in the contract.

- f. Disposal of Obsolete Vehicles

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the following vehicles:

1988 Station Wagon	VIN#1G1BN81Y2JR203927
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1989 Chevy step van	VIN#1GCCM15Z1KB227610
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g. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – Kindergarten Center

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the computer equipment listed on the Ms. Leiboff's memo of March 26, 2009.

h. Establishment of the Jordan Abramowitz Memorial Scholarship Fund

That the Board of Education establish a scholarship fund in the memory of Jordan Abramowitz.

i. Donation – Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School

That the Board of Education accept donations for the following organizations:

\$2,000	Intel and Society for Science & the Public
\$2,000	Siemens Foundation

j. Licensing and Maintenance Agreement with Ed Data for the 2009/2010 School Year

That the Board of Education authorize the Board President to sign the licensing and maintenance agreement with Ed Data for the 2009/2010 school year at a cost of \$12,250.

k. Adoption of Resolution to Approve the Contract for the HVAC Reconstruction Project at POBJFK High School

That the Board of Education adopt the following resolution to approve the contract with Thermo Tech Combustion for the HVAC Reconstruction project at the Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School:

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Thermo Tech Combustion was the lowest responsible bidder in connection with the bid or the HVAC Restoration project at the Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School; and

WHEREAS Thermo Tech Combustion was awarded the bid to perform such work;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement with Thermo Tech Combustion to perform such work and authorizes the Board President to execute same.

l. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – POBJFK High School

That the Board of education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the following item:

HP Laserjet 4 Plus printer.

m. Budge Reports

That the Board of Education approve the following:

Informational transfers as of April 20, 2009
Revenue Status Report as of Mach 31, 2009
Budget Status Report as of March 31, 2009
Quarterly Vendor Report as of March 31, 2009

n. Treasurer's Monthly Report

That the Board of Education approve the Extra Class Treasurer's Monthly Report for December 2008, January 2009 and February 2009.

o. Payment of Bills

April 2009

General Fund A	1,013,064.10
Trust & Agency	1,319,587.24
Federal	15,081.24
School Lunch	651.18
Child Care	189.39
Net Payroll	1,831,703.54

4. Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Board of Education meetings of April 3, and April 6, 2009

Mr. Ruf responded to Mr. Wolfner's questions.

New Business

1. Approval of Field Trips

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the field trips outlined in the memo of April 20, 2009.

2. Resolution to Approve External Auditors

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve the following resolution to approve the firm of RS Abrams, LLP as the external auditors for the 2008/2009 school year:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the recommendation from the Audit Committee to approve the proposal from RS Abrams, LLP, to perform the district's external audit for the 2008/2009 school year.

Discussion:

Mr. Mosenson stated that RS Abrams was appointed at the Re-Organization meeting.

Mr. Ruf stated that under the Controller's Five Point Plan, school districts are required to issue an RFP for external auditing services every five years.

3. Cooperative Bid Resolution

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education approve the resolution to participate in a Cooperative Bidding Program conducted by the Board of Cooperative Education Services of Nassau County (Nassau BOCES) and authorize the Interim Superintendent of Schools to sign the general resolution.

4. Property Tax Report Card for the Plainview-Old Bethpage School District

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Cepeda seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education approve the Property Tax Report Card for the 2009/2010 school year.

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President

Minutes of School Board Meeting – April 6, 2009

Board Room – Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

Present: Mrs. Weinstein, Mrs. Rothman, Mr. Mosenson, Mrs. Bernstein,
Mr. Bettan, Mr. Cepeda.

Also Present: Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Jonas, Dr. Bruno, Mr. Ruf, Mr. Gregory Guercio,
Ms. Aloe, Mrs. Fischer.

Absent: Mrs. Lieberman.

Acting District Clerk

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Jonas Acting District Clerk.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters.

The meeting was recessed at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Jonas
Acting District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President

There were also present approximately 100 district residents and staff members.

Mrs. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mrs. Weinstein welcomed everyone to this evening's Board of Education meeting. She stated that Mrs. Lieberman had surgery last week. She is doing very well. Mrs. Weinstein extended her best wishes for a speeding recovery on behalf of the Board of Education and the community. Mrs. Lieberman should be back at the next Board meeting.

Announcements

Mrs. Bernstein announced that she and other members of the Board had the pleasure of attending the LOTE Annual Honor Society Induction. It was a truly combined inter-district effort. There were 80 students from the Kindergarten Centers, under the direction of their American Sign Language Teacher, who led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance and sang songs in Languages Other Than English.

A high school harpist performed. Another song was sung that was written by a high school student. Our high school Acapella group, Chock Full of Notes, performed a musical medley in Languages Other Than English.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that we inducted 172 students into the LOTE Honor Society.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that we are very proud of our students' accomplishments and she thanked Betsy Salemsen, our Interim Chairperson, the LOTE teachers, the Kindergarten Center and our high school administration.

Mrs. Weinstein announced that she attended the National Art Honor Society Induction last week. It was amazing to see the outstanding work of all the artists. She was also pleased that the keynote speaker discussed opportunities in art.

Mrs. Weinstein stated that she and Mrs. Lieberman attended the Long Island Toshiba ExploraVision Regional Ceremony. The President of the Toshiba Corporation honored the winners from Plainview-Old Bethpage as well as the winners from the other two schools. They presented their projects. Mrs. Weinstein expressed her views that our students' projects were the best.

Mrs. Weinstein also attended Moot Court. It was a great event. A number of our students who went on to become lawyers came back and judged the competition.

Mr. Dempsey stated that one of our robotic teams did very well and will continue on and compete in Atlanta.

Mr. Guercio introduced Cathy Ahearn who will be a partner in his law firm as of July 1, 2009. Ms. Ahearn was Counsel and Deputy Commissioner for Legal Affairs for the New York State Board of Regents and the State Education Department. Mrs. Weinstein wished her good luck.

Dr. Bruno is bringing to the District the Princeton Review Prep SAT course at a substantial discount.

High School Report

■■■■ updated the Board of Education on events at the high school.

Presentations

Teachers Recognition – Chinese Publication

Mr. Dempsey introduced Marisa Fang, Rosemary Firestein and Helen Jung on the occasion of their new publications. He stated he was delighted to have them here tonight to honor them and to have them give a presentation about these publications.

Ms. Fang, Ms. Jung and Ms. Firestein thanked the Board for giving them the opportunity to teach the children about the Chinese language. They also thanked the Board of Education and their colleagues for the support they have received.

Mrs. Weinstein, on behalf of the Board of Education congratulated Ms. Fang, Ms. Firestein and Ms. Jung on their outstanding achievement.

Mentor Recognition

Ms. Ellie Becker introduced Ms. Sandy Steinberg and Ms. Kim Powers. She thanked the Board for their continued support for all our children. Ms. Becker stated that the Tag Program is a program where children volunteer to help other children with their social skills. They read the names of all the student mentors. She thanked these mentors and their parents for all the time and effort they put into this endeavor.

Eric Birkenhead, a student, read a statement thanking the Board of Education for their support of this program.

Mrs. Weinstein stated this was a truly outstanding program. She thanked the students and their parents.

LIPA Project Update

Mr. Dempsey discussed the Solar Energy program from LIPA. We received notice that we were number 3 out of 4 applicants. We are the first runner up in this project.

Mr. Ruf stated that we are looking at some of the federal stimulus funds for this purpose.

Tax Certiorari Law Suit

Mr. Dempsey stated that last week the Board of Education authorized the firm of Guercio & Guercio to act on behalf of our school district in the tax certiorari law suit. He is acting on behalf of all school districts pro bono.

Mr. Guercio explained the tax certiorari proceedings. The hold-harmless status of Nassau County school districts regarding back payments of settlements on tax certiorari cases is being challenged on two fronts. The County is seeking to shift the payment from the County to the school districts.

Discussion:

Mr. Cepeda asked if we have any figure on what the fall out will be.

Mr. Guercio stated that the County processes between \$70 and \$100 million in tax certiorari proceedings. If this stands, the school districts will be responsible for \$60 to \$70 million annually. There will also be tremendous legal fees.

Reports

Budget Review

Mr. Bettan asked about the MTA Tax.

Mr. Dempsey stated it has not been resolved.

Mr. Bettan stated that we are still not getting the state aid that was promised years ago. We are still not where we should be.

Mr. Bettan stated that we have to go back to 1994 to have a tax levy increase as low as we have this year. We have tried our best to come up with a budget this low while still maintaining programs.

Recommendation

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the following changes to the 2009/2010 school budget:

Code 2040.158.80	- \$2,500	Adult Education Coordinator
2280.494.35	+ \$19,933	1 additional student in career tech
2251.400.53	- \$554,524	15% of CPSE Costs

Public Participation

Ms. Michelle Sicignano stated that there seems to be a disparity between the amount of money in the budget that Stratford Road, Plainview Middle School and Mattlin Middle School is slated to receive.

Mr. Dempsey explained.

Dr. Bruno explained about the money for textbooks in all elementary schools. She explained how the figure is calculated. All textbooks are by pupil.

Mr. Sully Goldberg asked how much of an increase will be on a house valued at \$500,000.

Mr. Ruf stated that a house valued at \$560,000 would have an increase in the range of \$165 to \$350. He will have the accurate number shortly.

Mr. Goldberg expressed his views that the budget increase could have been held to zero.

Ms. Stefanie Nelkens asked for an explanation of codes that deal with textbooks. She stated that she has been requesting this information for some time.

Dr. Bruno responded.

Ms. Nelkens expressed her views that there seems to be a discrepancy among the schools.

Mr. Bettan stated that a lot of the elementary books are consumables. We give principals what they ask for.

Mr. Mosenson outlined what is included in the textbook code.

Mrs. Weinstein stated that Ms. Nelkens will receive the information she requested.

Mr. Wolfner stated that there will be people in the community that will be unhappy with the budget. He noted that this was a much better process than in years past. There is much more transparency. He commended the Board and Administration for a job well done

Ms. Guarneri asked if Dr. Bruno is responsible for ordering foreign language books. The students only have handouts in the 7th and 8th grades in Plainview Middle School. She asked if there is a similar process at Mattlin.

Ms. Ellen Lessman asked if the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendents received salary increases.

Mr. Dempsey stated that Dr. Bruno was originally paid a per diem salary. There is no salary increase proposed for any central administrator.

Mrs. Lessman asked about our bullying policy.

Mr. Dempsey stated all schools should follow the code of conduct.

Mr. Wolfner asked for an explanation of Cooperative Bids under Finance.

Mr. Ruf explained.

Routine Business

Resolved unanimously upon motion by seconded by that the Board of Education approve the following routine business items:

1. Students

Student Placements

That the Board of Education approve the student placements as recommended by Pupil Personnel Services.

2. Personnel

Professional Staff – Part-Time Position

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Maria Cerniello	English Teacher/English (.2) Position Assign: POBJFK H.S. Replacing: N. Bernor who resigned	Apr. 21, 2009 thru June 30, 2009 or earlier at the discretion of the Board of Education	\$14,104.00 Step 1MA60 to be prorated (represents 2/10 of \$70,520)

Non-Teaching Personnel – Appointment

Lori Ann Doremus	Account Clerk-Business Office/Guidance POB JFK High School	April 7, 2009	\$38,197 Step 3 Salary to be prorated
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Appointment

Michael Fabrizio	Cleaner Mattlin M.S.	April 7, 2009	\$34,912+750 Night Diff. Step 3
Richard Tesoriero	Cleaner POB M.S.	April 13, 2009	\$34,912+750 Night Diff. Step 3

Non-Teaching Personnel – Permanent Employee Recommendation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Audrey Young	Typist Clerk Kindergarten Center	April 7, 2009	

The work of the above employee has been evaluated as satisfactory by her principal/supervisor and it recommended that she be appointed to a permanent position as indicated.

Personnel Recommendations – Chaperones

Joseph Beck	Chaperone	School Year 2008/2009	\$86.22/sess.
Suzanne Benjamin	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Jack Canfora	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Mary Clinton	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Steven Duboff	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Jennifer Flaccomio	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Ali Glassman	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
David Goldberg	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Alan Rappaport	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Lorraine Spaterella	“	“	\$86.22/sess.
Donna Vangelatos	“	“	\$86.22/sess.

Appointments – Per Diem Substitute Teachers/Nurses

Christine Colon	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/09	\$130.58
Christine Ricca	Per Diem Substitute Nurse	4/09	\$135.00
Catherine Armitage	Per Diem Substitute Nurse	4/09	\$135.00

Appointment – Child Care – 2008/2009 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Deandra Nicole Vaglica	Child Care Worker	3/07/2009	\$9.75 p.h.

Personnel Recommendations – In District Tutor for Homebound Student

Colleen Schmidt	Home Tutor	School Year 2008/2009	\$50.29/hour
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Co-Curricular Activities – School Year 2008/2009 – Plainview-Old Bethpage Middle School

Dorothy Kalson	Piano Accompanist Grade 7/8 Spring Concerts	School Year 2008/2009 2 rehearsals @ \$50.00 per 2 Concerts @ \$50.00 per
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Co-Curricular Activities – School Year 2008/2009 –H.B. Mattlin Middle School

Kaitlin Schneekloth	Piano Accompanist Grade 7/8 Spring Concerts	School Year 2008/2009 2 rehearsals @ \$50 per 2 concerts @ \$50 per
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Adult Education – Additional Computer Excel Class Due to Technology Difficulties

<u>Instructor Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Previously Approved</u> 12/15/2008
George Manolakes	Computer Excel	\$24/hour plus \$19 prep fee 2 hour session; total six
George Manolakes	Computer Excel	24/hour plus \$19 Prep Fe 2 hour session - \$67 total

Appointments – 4th R Program – Spring 2009 School Year

Penny Flakowitz	Dance	Spring 2009	\$25.00/class
Jonathan Chariton	Future All-Stars	“	“
Fran Schopen	Arts & Crafts (Old Bethpage, K-Center, Stratford Road	“	“
Barbara Bonnani	Computers (Old Bethpage)	“	“
Rachel Burkel	Computers (Parkway, Stratford Rd., Pasadena)	“	“
Allyson Genshaft	Arts & Crafts (Parkway)	“	“
Lauren Rubin	Bake & Taste (K-Center)	“	“
Brenda Iosefson	Arts & Crafts (Pasadena)	“	“

Appointment of Permanent 2008/2009 Membership to the CPSE

That the Board of Education approve the following 2008/2009 recommendation for membership to the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE):

Alicia Kabak – Regular Education Teacher for
CPSE meetings

Administrative Staff – Retirement

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Mosenson, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the following administrative retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>
Dr. Gloria Bennardo	Principal Old Bethpage ES	7/1/09

Discussion:

Mrs. Weinstein thanked Dr. Bennardo for everything she has done over the years. She expressed her views that there will be many more opportunities before July 1 for us to express our thanks.

Mr. Dempsey stated it has been a great pleasure to have worked with Dr. Bennardo over the past year and a half. He extended his best wishes.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that Dr. Bennardo was her first mentor and her first principal. She expressed her views that the district won't be the same without her.

Dr. Bruno also stated that it has been a pleasure to work with Dr. Bennardo. She spoke of the times their paths had crossed over the years.

Mr. Jonas stated that he considers Dr. Bennardo a mentor and a valued colleague.

Dr. Bennardo thanked everyone for their kind words.

3. Finance

a. Contract – Ascent: A School for Individuals with Autism – Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the contract with Ascent: A School for Individuals with Autism Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

b. Cooperative Bids – 2009/2010

That the Board of Education approve a resolution authorizing participation in cooperative bids for the 2009/2010 school year for a/c and refrigeration service, asphalt and concrete, boilers and burners, cafeteria/kitchen equipment repair, carpet tile and installation, custodial supplies, drag mops, electrical service and supplies, elevator maintenance, emergency generator service/repair, fencing & associated site work, field maintenance & supplies, fire extinguisher service, fuel tank alarm repairs, gym equipment inspection, hardware, irrigation-new/repair/service, lumber & masonry, PA intercom, master clock service, paint & painting supplies, painting, power sweeping of paved areas, plumbing service & supplies, pneumatic systems, roof repair, signs, smoke & fire alarm maintenance & repair, split a/c units, stage rigging, steam traps & parts, storm drain maintenance, suspended ceiling, tree cutting & pruning, uniforms, Venetian blinds and shades, wood floor sanding & refinishing.

c. Tuition Contract with Roslyn School District

That the Board of Education authorize the Board President to sign the contract for instructional services for the 2007/2008 school year.

d. Contract – New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. – Federal Part B 611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the contract with New York Therapy Placement services, Inc. Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

e. Contract – Brookville Center for Children’s Services Inc. – Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Allocations

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign the contract with Brookville Center for Children’s Services, Inc. Federal Part B611 and 619 Flow-Through Contract.

f. Contract – Health & Welfare Services – 2008/2009

That the Board of Education authorize the President of the Board to sign a contract for the 2008/2009 school year with Uniondale Union Free School District to provide sixty-one students with health & welfare services as listed in the contract.

g. Adoption of Resolution to Approve the Contract for the Sprots Lighting Project at POBJFK High School

That the Board of Education adopt the resolution to approve the contract with Cooper Power & Lighting Corporation for the sports lighting project at the Plainview-Old Bethpage J.F. Kennedy High School.

j. Adoption of Resolution to Approve the Contract for the Natatorium Project at POBJFK High School

That the Board of Education adopt the resolution to approve the contract with Phillip Ross Industries, Inc. for the natatorium project at the Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School.

k. Budget Reports

That the Board of Education approve the budget report, transfer as of April 6, 2009.

l. Treasurer's Monthly Report

That the Board of Education approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the period January 1, 2009 to January 31, 2009.

m. Payment of Bills

March 2009

General Fund A	1,671,448.16
Trust & Agency	1,463,882.65
Federal	50,318.81
Capital	6,9790.20
School Lunch	101,298.88
Child Care	3,332.96
Net Payroll	1,821,129.62

4. Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the March 9, March 16 and March 23, 2009 Board of Education meetings.

New Business

1. Approval of Field Trips

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the field trips noted on the memo of April 6, 2009.

Discussion:

Mr. Mosenson asked what our kindergarten children do at Shoprite.

2. Settlement of Agreement and General Release

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Mosenson, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education authorize the Board President to sign a settlement agreement and general release between the Plainview-Old Bethpage School District and Edward and Sylvia Milch.

3. Stipulation of Settlement

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education approve the Stipulation of Settlement and General Release for student No. 960045.

4. Resolution Authorizing Vice-President's Signature on Documents

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Mosenson, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Board Policy 1322, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Vice-President to execute documents in place of the Board President during any period of absence or inability of the Board President.

5. Adoption of 2009-2010 Budget

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education adopt the 2009/2010 school budget in the sum of \$127,895,982.

Discussion:

Mrs. Weinstein thanked Mr. Ruf, his staff and central administration for putting together a fiscally sound budget that allows us to maintain our programs and staff.

Mrs. Bernstein also extended her thanks to the community members who asked questions and our Central Administrators for listening to community members and Board Members in formulating this budget.

Mrs. Bernstein also thanked the budget committee for their efforts.

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President

Minutes of Special School Board Meeting – April 3, 2009

Board Room – Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

Present: Mrs. Weinstein, Mr. Mosenson, Mrs. Rothman, Mrs. Bernstein, Mr. Bettan,
Mr. Cepeda.

Also Present: Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Jonas, Mr. Ruf, Dr. Bruno, Mrs. Fischer.

Absent: Mrs. Lieberman.

Mrs. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

New Business

Resolution – Corbin V. County of Nassau

Discussion:

Mr. Dempsey explained the resolution.

Mr. Dempsey stated that the resolution, if it is passed by the Plainview-Old Bethpage Board of Education will be submitted to the court today.

Mrs. Weinstein asked if there are any fees that we will be required to incur.

Mr. Dempsey does not believe so.

Mrs. Weinstein expressed her views that our people's time is money.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that our people making calls or writing letters costs us money.

Mrs. Rothman believes it makes an important message to the community that we are taking a stand particularly at budget time.

Mr. Ruf stated that Vanessa Sheehan asked if we could get the specific amount of reduction for our district as well as for every other district.

Mr. Ruf stated that he was informed that Nassau County doesn't have it broken down by district.

Mr. Dempsey stated that we do have the number of cases filed.

Mrs. Bernstein noted that the dollar amount in some cases could be small.

Recommendation:

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received reports of a lawsuit filed in the Supreme Court State of New York in the County of Suffolk entitled *Roger Corbin v. County of Nassau*; and

WHEREAS, the petitioner seeks a judgment against the County annulling Section 6-26.0(b)(3)(c) of the Nassau County Administrative Code referred to as the county guarantee" which operates to hold the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District (School District) as well as other school districts in Nassau County harmless from financial liability for property tax refunds; and

WHEREAS, annulment of this provision of the Nassau County Administrative Code by the Court would result in severe financial hardship to the Board of Education and the taxpayers of the School District.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes its general counsel, Guercio & Guercio, LLP, to intervene in the *Roger Corbin v. County of Nassau* lawsuit on the side of the respondent, County of Nassau and to advocate for the validity of and to uphold the relevant provisions of the Nassau County Administrative Code, provided, however, that said legal work shall be done pro bono and at no cost to the School District or its taxpayers.

Discussion:

Mrs. Bernstein asked if we get calls from the press regarding this matter who should these calls be referred to.

Mr. Dempsey stated that should be referred to Zimmerman and Edelson.

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Bettan, seconded by Mr. Mosenson that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Lori Weinstein, Vice President