

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: April 7, 2016

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Long Beach Middle School Main Office Conference Room

Members Present: President Roy Lester
Vice President Stewart Mininsky
Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Darlene E. Tangney
Board Member Maureen Vrona arrived late

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent
Dr. Kenneth Graham, Asst. Superintendent, C & I
Mr. Michael DeVito, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Michele Natali, Executive Director, HR
Ms. Sue Fine, Attorney, Harris Beach, LLP
Mr. Thomas Volz, Attorney

President Lester called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:54 PM to discuss specific personnel and legal matters.

Motion to Go into Executive Session

Motion by: President Lester
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 5-0

President Lester called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 7:29 PM.

Adjournment

Motion by: President Lester
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by _____
Carole Butler, District Clerk
May 5, 2016

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: April 7, 2016

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place of Meeting: Long Beach Middle School Auditorium

Members Present: President Roy J. Lester
Vice President Stewart Mininsky
Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Maureen Vrona
Board Member Darlene E. Tangney

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent
Mr. Michael I. DeVito, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Kenneth Graham, Asst. Superintendent, C & I
Mr. Arnold Epstein, Dir. Athletics, Phys Ed and Health
Carole Butler, District Clerk
Members of the Community

I. Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order/Opening Remarks

Pledge/Call to Order

President Lester called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Report of the Superintendent

Report of the Superintendent

- *Presentation* Presentation of Certificates – Arnold Epstein, Director, Athletics, Physical Education and Health

- *Dakota Ejnes: All American Gymnast (11th grade)*
- *Meghan Maquet: All American Gymnast (12th grade)*

Head Coach: Bill Muirhead , Asst. Coach: Alyssa Mazurak

- *Ryan Aroesty: State Qualifier Swimming (9th Grade)*
- *Michael McCarthy: State Qualifier Swimming (12th grade)*
- *Matthew Cannon: County Champion/All Long Island/State Qualifier (11th Grade)*
- *Shane Morris: County Champion/All Long Island/State Qualifier (11th Grade)*

- Troy Morris: County Champion/All Long Island/State Qualifier (10th Grade)
- Thomas Ryan: County Champion/All Long Island/State Qualifier (12th grade)

Head Coach: John Skudin, Asst. Coach: Lynn Volosevich

- Scott Powers State Qualifier Pole Vault (11th grade)

Head Coach: Ian Butler, Asst. Coach: Dan Quinn

- Jacori Teemer: NY State Champion Wrestler (11th grade)
- Matt Maquet: All-State Wrestler (11th grade)
- Tyreek Bromley: County Champ/All-State Wrestler (11th grade)
- Tyrese Byron: County Champ/State Qualifier Wrestling (11th grade)
- Charlie Spada: State Qualifier Wrestling (11th grade)
- Josh Bourne: County Champ/State Qualifier Wrestling (12th grade)

Coach: Ray Adams, Asst. Coach Leo Palacio, Bernard Valentin, Miguel Rodriguez, John Anfossi, Juan Piedrahita

Wrestling Team

Alvarez	Jeffrey	11
Bourne	Joshua	12
Bromley	Tyreek	11
Byron	Tyrese	11
Colletti	John	11
DeVivio	Brandon	11
Dingle	Bryant	11
Enamorado Amaya	Ever Ivan	11
Garcia	Andrew	12
Giorlando	Joseph	11
Johnson	Kipling	12
Lozano	Dennis	11
Lucich	Marianna	12
Maquet	Matthew	11
Maquet	Max	8
Martinez	Pablo	11
Martinsen	Dylan	9
Melgar Calles	Bryan	8
Michelman	Alexander	10
Miranda	Eduardo	10
Negron	Jon	12
Paez	Marc	12
Reid	Gregory	11
Rivera	Mark	11
Rodriguez	Elijah	10
Rutherig	Thomas	11

<i>Sandmeier</i>	<i>Brian</i>	11
<i>Sofield</i>	<i>Thomas</i>	8
<i>Spada</i>	<i>Charles</i>	11
<i>Teemer</i>	<i>Jacori</i>	10
<i>Wildstein</i>	<i>Gregg</i>	11

- *Presentation – Review of Entire Budget and Budget Adoption-Michael DeVito*
Highlights include: Rollover Projections, Proposed Budget, Final Draft Budget.

This presentation is available on the district web site and in the office of the District Clerk.

III. President Lester called for Board of Education Comments

Board of Education Comments

- Board Member Ryan lamented about the HS paper being solely available on line, recommended fewer hard copies of Connections, Saturday morning program may no longer be necessary due to duplication of city and library programs unless it offers programs like robotics; voiced concerns about inequity of special ed population at Lindell/Lido, security; thanks for adjustment to 2nd grade swim, legal funding, and permanent subs.
- Board Member Vrona thanks for all of the presentations; asked why BOCES gets a 2% increase and we don't (they are fully funded by districts); increase in LIPA Pilot (told to put in same amount); commented on use of reserves which were combined to simplify the presentation; good job on budget; worried about food service subsidy with deficit of \$300k; we need to do something bigger; need to talk action; need money for programs.
- Vice President Mininsky thanked Mr. DeVito for presentation and meetings with BOE members; asked about monies from lawsuit regarding bulkhead; cost to re-do bulkhead; agree with D. Ryan about teaching robotics, amazing program (already at MS); appreciates trimming, inventories can be cut down, inefficiencies in departments, look at things, consultants.
- Board Member Tangney thanked Mr. DeVito and staff for all of the presentations, concerned about special ed at Lido/Lindell; food service is being addressed through the committee, thanked Mr. Kaminsky for getting aid for district.
- President Lester thanked Mr. DeVito; concerned about lunch program; should be put on front burner this year; bulkhead may be entitled to Sandy monies; lower levy then planned but spending \$2 million more on Special Ed that went up 44% in four years; cannot afford that; there is no waste.
- Dr. Ryan requested IB in budget and asked about status with FEMA (\$14 million outstanding - \$3 million from NYS); cost of special ed – lack of federal subsidies, unfunded mandates, 15% IDEA funded.

IV. President Lester called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Tonight's Agenda Only

Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Tonight's Agenda

- Michael Abneri – 94 Regent Drive – thanks for clearer presentations and lower levy; continuing deficit of \$2 million and no progress; asked about cost per pupil (\$33-34K - \$18K for regular ed - \$45K for special ed).

- Kathleen Casey – 650 W. Chester St –commented that the largest variance was under legal fees (anticipated additional costs).
- Jackie Miller – 79 Buffalo Ave – asked about bulkhead project for 2016 – 17 school year (under review).
- Joy McCarthy – 28 Wyoming Ave – asked how the \$9 million is broken out between LB and IP (\$3.2 million from IP); need to support special education, then income (study cost effectiveness)I how many students come from IP and get evaluated (80% from IP – not many referrals off-setting revenue); 8th graders self-select into honors programs then drop out; big mix and effects scheduling.
- Jill Butensky – 38 Fairway Road – suggested that two tracks are not enough for self-select into HS with the diversity of learners.
- Bari Klirfeld – 26 Carousel Lane – commented on leaky pipes dripping on uniforms in HS; cut of one music position (lack of theater enrollment); thanks for supporting program.

V. Student Organization Announcements

None

Student Announcements

VI. Presentation of the Treasurer's Report for February 2016

Treasurer's Report –
February 2016

VII. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

VII.1 Superintendent Weiss recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

Approval of Personnel
Matters: Certificated
Pages:

VII.2 Superintendent Weiss recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated as amended.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

Approval of Personnel
Matters: Non-Certificated
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RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions.

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Resignations:

1. Name: Gina Braddish
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/East School
Effective Date: April 11, 2016
2. Name: Angela Schweers
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/West School
Effective Date: March 11, 2016 close of day

(b) Leave of Absence

1. Name: Kelly Mooney
Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/Lindell School
Effective Date: May 16, 2016-June 30, 2016
Reason: Maternity
2. Name: Jacqueline Kupferman
Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/East School
Effective Date: September 1, 2016-January 31, 2017
Reason: Maternity
3. Name: Jessica Chmurzynski
Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/LBMS
Effective Date: May 27, 2016-June 30, 2016
Reason: Maternity

(c) Appointment: Probationary Guidance Coordinator (6-12)

Name: Kerry Fallon
Assign./Loc: Guidance Coordinator, 6-12 /LBHS/LBMS
Certification: Permanent School Counselor
School Building Leader
School District Leader (pending)
Effective Date: July 1, 2016
End Date: June 30, 2019
Tenure Date: July 1, 2019
Tenure Area: Guidance Coordinator, 6-12
Salary Classification: \$135,000 per annum
Reason: To replace Joy-Ann D'Anca
*Subject to negotiations

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(d) Appointment: Probationary Science Teacher

Name: Lorin Wolfin**
Assign./Loc: Probationary Science Teacher/LBHS
Certification: Initial Chemistry 7-12
Initial General Science 7-12
Effective Date: September 1, 2016
End Date: August 31, 2020
Tenure Date: September 1, 2020
Tenure Area: Science
Salary Classification: BA/Step 1 (\$61,447* per annum)
Reason: To replace Perry Bodnar
*Subject to negotiations

(e) Appointment: Probationary Elementary Teacher

Name: Rebecca Carroll**
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher/East School
Certification: Professional Early Childhood Education B-2
Professional Childhood Education 1-6
Initial Students with Disabilities 1-6
Effective Date: September 1, 2016
End Date: August 31, 2019
Tenure Date: September 1, 2019
Tenure Area: Elementary
Salary Classification: MA/Step 3 (\$72,248* per annum)
Reason: To replace Carol Bitetto
Comment: Credit for time served as a regular substitute
*Subject to negotiations

(f) Appointment: Probationary Speech and Hearing Handicapped Teacher

Name: Panagiota Doukas**
Assign./Loc: Probationary Speech and Hearing Handicapped
Teacher/Long Beach Catholic School/West School
Certification: Initial Students with Disabilities-Speech and
Language
Effective Date: April 8, 2016
End Date: April 7, 2020
Tenure Date: April 8, 2020
Salary Classification: MA/Step 1 (\$67,154* per annum) prorated
Reason: To replace agency staffing
Comment: Currently (.8)/Grant Funded
*Subject to negotiations

**These individuals must receive three (3) annual APPR composite ratings of Effective or Highly Effective, in at least three (3) of the preceding four (4) years and cannot have an APPR composite rating of Ineffective in the last year of his or her probationary appointment to be granted or considered for tenure.

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(g) **Appointment: IB/AP Test Preparation for the LBHS 2015-2016 school year-rate of pay\$74.50* per hour-*Subject to negotiations**

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1. Matthew Hartmann	English HL	10 hours
2. Gail Davis	English HL	
3. Anna Carfagno	Italian SL & Ab Intio	12 hours
4. Arlys Digena	French SL	
5. Elizabeth Rodriguez	Spanish SL	
6. Nelly Jimenez	Spanish HL	
7. Jennifer Quinn	History of the Americas HL	
8. Robin Gonzalez	History of the Americas HL	24 hours
9. Diane Maier	Anthropology SL/HL	
10. Brian Petschauer	Anthropology SL/HL	
11. Lisa Casey	Psychology SL	
12. Elizabeth Levin	AP World History	
13. Christine Graham	AP World History	
14. Denise Menelao	Business SL	4 hours
15. James Fiola	Math Studies SL	26 hours
16. Jenna Berto	Math Studies SL	
17. Patricia Fallon	AP Calculus AB/BC	
18. David Prince	Math Studies SL/AP Statistics	
19. Karen Bloom	Biology HL	16 hours
20. Dan Vaeth	Physics SL	
21. Cody Onufrock	Environmental SL	

(h) **The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2015-2016 school year**

NAME	CERTIFICATION AREA
1. Bonnie Miller	Permanent Special Education
2. Alyssa D'Amato	Initial Music
3. Jeannie Curtin	Initial Childhood Education 1-6
4. Peter Marcus	Permanent Mathematics 7-12
5. John Leddy	Permanent Music

2. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

Corrected page

(a) Amended Catastrophic Leave of Absence

Name: Carmel Dornevil
Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation
Effective Dates: March 31, 2016-June 30, 2016 (or earlier with medical documentation)
Original Dates: February 26, 2016-March 31, 2016

(b) Appointment: Probationary Head Custodian

Name: Brendan Scully
Assign./Loc.: Head Custodian/Lido/Middle School Complex
Effective Date: June 1, 2016
Probationary End Date: June 1, 2017
Salary Classification: \$61,254* per annum
Grade/Step: Grade VII/Step 2
Reason: To replace Wayne Hoffman

*Subject to negotiations

(c) Appointment: Probationary Head Custodian

Name: John Mule
Assign./Loc.: Head Custodian/West School
Effective Date: September 1, 2016
Probationary End Date: September 1, 2017
Salary Classification: \$55,521* per annum
Grade/Step: Grade V/Step 1
Reason: To replace Richard Behr

*Subject to negotiations

(d) Appointment: Provisional Senior Data Specialist (12 months)

Name: Raquel Lopez
Assign./Loc.: Provisional Senior Data Specialist/LBMS
Effective Date: July 1, 2016
Salary Classification: \$36,552* per annum
Grade/Step: Grade III/Step 3
Reason: To replace Melinda McLoughlin

(e) Appointment: Per Diem Substitute

Name: Meghan Buckley
Assign./Loc.: Per Diem Clerical (Data Specialist)/Curriculum Office
Effective Date: April 8, 2016-June 30, 2016 (not to exceed 220 hours)
Salary Classification: \$18.40 per hour
Reason: Completion of School Tool data

(f) The following Per Diem Substitutes are recommended for approval for the 2015-2016 school year

	Name	Position
1.	Maureen Canetti	Teacher Assistant
2.	Carleen Feerick	Teacher Assistant
3.	Steffi Thomas	Teacher Assistant

VII.3 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL OF WAIVER FOR ADOPTION OF REVISED INVESTMENT POLICY

Approval of Waiver for
Adoption of Revised
Investment Policy

WHEREAS, it is the customary practice of the Board of Education to have three readings of a policy prior to its adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to adopt a minor revision to the Investment Policy by the Policy Committee on an expedited basis so that such policy will be effective immediately;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby waives the Board's customary practice of three readings prior to the adoption of the revised policy and adopts the Investment Policy, incorporated by reference in the minutes of this meeting, after discussion and reading at one Board meeting.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Vice President Mininsky
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney
Approved: 5-0

Superintendent Weiss recommended in a combined vote Items VII.4 and VII.5.

VII.4 Superintendent Weiss recommended the ADOPTION OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR.

Adoption of Budget

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the budget for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$135,523,692.

VII.5 Superintendent Weiss recommended the ADOPTION OF SECTION 1716 OF EDUCATION LAW: 2016-2017 PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

Adoption of Section 1716 of Ed
Law: 2016-17 Property Tax
Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the 2016-2017 Property Tax Report Card, with a budget of \$135,523,692 and corresponding tax levy of \$97,145,689.

President Lester called for a motion on Items VII.4 and VII.5.

Motion by: Vice President Mininsky
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 5-0

VII.6 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL TO RESCIND VOTE TO REJECT CHANGE ORDER #1 WITH AXIS CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION -LONG BEACH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Approval of Rescind Vote
on Change Order

WHEREAS, the Board of Education voted to reject Change Order #21with Axis Construction Corporation by a 3(three) to 2 (two) vote on the March 31, 2016 agenda;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education rescinds its initial vote and asks that the motion by presented again on this, the April 7, 2016, agenda.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 4-1
Voted No: Vice President Mininsky

VII.7 Superintendent Weiss recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF CHANGE ORDER #1 WITH AXIS CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION - LONG BEACH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Acceptance of Change
Order #1 with Axis

WHEREAS, the Long Beach City School District ("District") has engaged Axis Construction Corporation ("AXIS") for general construction work at Long Beach Administration Building pursuant to an award on June 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the District's architect and construction manager recommend modification to the existing contract to include the pile foundation; and

WHEREAS, the District's architect and construction manager recommend moving forward with this work now considering the reasonable pricing the District received from Axis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts Change Order #1 to the contract with Axis for the additional cost of \$233,400; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute Change Order No.1 to the contract with Axis on its behalf

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Vice President Mininsky
Seconded by: President Lester
Approved: 4-1
Voted No: Vice President Mininsky

VII.8 Superintendent Weiss recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION

Acceptance of
Recommendations of
CSE/CPSE

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

BOE – Additional New/Old
Business

VIII. Board of Education – Additional New/Old Business, if any

- Board Member Vrona asked if the HS ceiling was completed (yes). Congratulated student athletes and NYSSMA participants.
- Vice President Mininsky complimented Coach Ray Adams, named Coach of the Year.

Questions and Comments from the Public

IX. Questions and Comments from the Public

- Lisa Feinberg Smith – 26 Matlock St – asked about the status of the Algebra 1 Regents grading.
- Jill Butensky – 38 Fairway Road – commented on the traffic at the HS with the buses exiting on Lagoon Drive West.
- Joanne Rea – 90 Connecticut Ave – commented on shortcomings of an incoming employee; bus caught on fire; need experienced leadership.

XI. Announcements

Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – President Harvey congratulated athletes, wished best of luck to retirees, appointees, thanked everyone for adopting a budget that maintains programs; looks forward to next negotiation.
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – President Epstein thanked members for adopting budget, administration building, thanks to Joyce Hanecek, welcome new people.
3. LBSEA Long Beach Employees' Association – Group C – President Joanne Rea welcomed new employees, thanked the wrestling team, and requested dates for negotiations.
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Co-President Gerri Maquet congratulated new hires, athletes, thanked BOE for recognizing them, loves Mr. Epstein who is an incredible leader, thanked Mr. DeVito for presentations, and Mr. Weiss for a thoughtful budget, BOE for passing it; fabulous programs, bulkhead project – think about the timing; parking, sound system is terrible; thanked legislators.

XII. President Lester called for a motion to adjourn at 10:00 PM.

Motion by: Board Member Tangney
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

Adjournment

Minutes submitted by:

Carole Butler, District Clerk
May 5, 2016