

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Long Beach Public Schools
Board of Education – Special Meeting
Tuesday, January 6, 2009 – 6:30 P.M.
Long Beach Administration Building

AGENDA

- I. Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Remarks – Board President
- II. Presentations of the Superintendent:
 1. Resolution to Authorize Joint Application for Local Government Efficiency Grant
- III. Time for Public Comment on Tonight's Topic
- VI. Adjournment

1. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A JOINT APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT

WHEREAS, Nassau County, the Board of Cooperation Educational Services (BOCES) of Nassau County, the Long Beach City School District, and other school districts within the County desire to create and implement plans for consolidation of school district support services to improve operating efficiencies and save tax dollars, and to seek to implement such plans as may have great potential for saving tax dollars; and,

WHEREAS, it is understood that, notwithstanding the approval of this resolution in support of a grant application, the participation of any school district in any portion of this effort to consolidate support services will be strictly voluntary; and,

WHEREAS, the Long Beach City School District would like to join in submitting an application for a Twenty-First Century Demonstration Project Grant under the New York State Local Government Efficiency Grant Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District (the "Board")

1. Authorizes the lead applicant contact person to submit an application on behalf of the Board for financial assistance to the 2008-09 Local Government Efficiency Grant Program, and to execute all financial and administrative processes and instruments relating to the Grant Program.
2. Authorizes BOCES of Nassau County to act as the "Lead Applicant" for the grant application, and Tom Stokes, Deputy County Executive for Budget and Finance, to act as the "Lead Applicant Contact Person" on the grant application form.
3. Agrees to act as a "Co-Applicant" and hereby authorizes the Superintendent to Schools to execute all financial and administrative processes and instruments relating to the grant program. Other co-applicants will include Nassau County, Nassau BOCES and a majority of the school districts within Nassau County. A list of all participating school districts will be included in the grant application.
4. Joins in a grant application to be submitted for a Local Government Efficiency Grant award that would enable the applicant and co-applicants to identify and implement cooperative back office functions that allow school districts to save money while maintaining high quality educational programs. The project will provide for shared or consolidated back office functions in several areas, including information technology and telecommunications, cooperative purchasing, audit services, and non-public pupil transportation. The project name is the "Nassau School and Municipal Savings Initiative."

5. Agrees that the amount of the grant applied for shall not exceed \$1,000,000, with a maximum local match of up to \$111,111.
6. Understands that it is anticipated that the local match sum referenced in Item 5, above, will be funded via already existing grant funds and, if such funds should for any reason not become available, the maximum local match to be requested from the Board for participation in the grant activities, shall not exceed \$1,000 and such sum shall not be due and payable unless the Board shall pass an enabling resolution.
7. Will work with the lead applicant and other co-applicants to prepare and execute any necessary intermunicipal agreements setting forth individual responsibilities related to Nassau School and Municipal Support Services Partnership.