

**MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** March 26, 2024  
**Type of Meeting:** Executive Session  
**Place of Meeting:** East Elementary School Faculty Room  
**Members Present:** Board President Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.  
Board Vice President Sam Pinto  
Board Member Anne Conway  
Board Member Alexis Pace  
Board Member Nora Bellsey

**Others Present:** Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools  
Michael I. DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations  
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration  
Dr. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction (arr. 5:10p.m.)  
Mr. Tom Volz, Atty., Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC (arr. 5:30p.m.)

Board President Ryan called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:01 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Bellsey  
**Approved:** 5-0

Board President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:52 PM.

Adjournment

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Vice President Pinto  
**Approved:** 5-0

## MINUTES

**Date of Meeting:** March 26, 2024

**Type of Meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Place of Meeting:** East Elementary School Gymnasium

**Members Present:** Board President Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.  
Board Vice President Sam Pinto  
Board Member Anne Conway  
Board Member Alexis Pace  
Board Member Nora Bellsey

**Others Present:** Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools  
Michael I. DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations  
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Mr. Tom Volz, Atty., Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC  
Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
Members of the Public

### I. Superintendent's Opening Remarks/Call to Order

Board President Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Dr. Ryan welcomed all and stated that the High School production of "Chicago" was wonderful. He then turned the meeting over to the Superintendent.

### II. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gallagher

Superintendent's Report
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Dr. Gallagher congratulated the Robotics Team for their recent competition and turned the meeting over to Dr. Ostroff, who introduced Mr. Heck, the Woodworking teacher. Mr. Heck showed a short video, and then two Woodworking students described what the class means to them and the impact it has had on them. Dr. Ryan asked about internships, and Mr. Heck stated that it is a requirement of the CTE Certification program that they obtain internships, adding that there are many local alumni that work in the field and are happy to provide these opportunities for Long Beach students. Dr. Ryan asked if this was something students would have gone out to BOCES for in the past and Mr. Heck said yes. Dr. Ryan applauded Dr. Ostroff and the Superintendent for encouraging the program. Dr. Ryan then asked if there is anything the wood shop can use, and Mr. Heck replied mor space, and the student, Blake, replied a saw stop, which is a very technologically advanced piece of equipment. Mrs. Conway asked what the students have built so far (cutting boards, Adirondack chairs). Ms. Bellsey added she was happy to see a number of girls involved. Ms. Pace inquired about

purchasing a cutting board, and Dr. Ostroff stated that the Adirondack chairs will be on sale as part of the Morning Madness fundraiser.

Dr. Gallagher then turned the meeting over to Mr. DeVito to present the “Elementary Program Budget” presentation, stating that there will be one additional elementary special education teacher at Lido but the number of districtwide elementary special Ed teachers will remain the same due to staff shifts; there will be two new ICT classes at West; there will two fewer special Ed teachers the high school based on annual review projections; the projected number of students who will attend BOCES special education programs is 39, which is three more than the current year. Mr. DeVito then presented a first draft of the total budget in light of the news that the State will not be looking to reduce foundation aid. Mr. DeVito stated that there is a \$1.1 million of additional interest income and a one-time FEMA payment of \$414,908 for Covid-19 expenses. Based on the 2024-25 revenue projection, Mr. DeVito is anticipating a 1.9% tax levy.

*The complete presentation, “Elementary Program Budget Presentation” can be found on the District website and in the office of the District Clerk.*

**BOE Comments**

**III. President Ryan called for Board of Education Comments**

- Ms. Pace said it was important to acknowledge the hard work of the entire administration – thank you – has been reading about some of the districts that didn’t do the right thing during the pandemic and now are in bad fiscal shape, so thank you. She asked about the FEMA reimbursement, and Mr. DeVito replied that it is a payment for expenses incurred during Covid, and will go back into the general fund.
- Mrs. Conway asked if Mr. DeVito feels comfortable putting all of the programs back in the budget and he said yes, based on what he is hearing from the State. She noted that it is missing elementary enrichment, and Mr. DeVito replied that if that is a request from the Board, he can put it back in, but the tax levy would go up.
- Mr. Pinto thanked Mr. DeVito for all of his work in integrating programs back into the budget.
- Ms. Bellsey also thanked Mr. DeVito, adding he did a good job listening to the Board and the public.
- Dr. Ryan asked Dr. Brancaccio asked if there has been a decline in Special Ed enrollment, and Mr. DeVito said no, and Dr. Brancaccio added that there has been an increase both in Special Ed students and the number of students being serviced out of district. Dr. Ryan asked what the department needs, and Dr. Brancaccio replied that it would be great if we could service all or the students in-house that would be great. Dr. Ryan asked about Summer School and whether cost is considered, and Dr. Gallagher replied yed, and one of the reasons the district’s graduation rates are so high is the availability to make up credits in summer school and with the addition of the Twilight Program. Dr. Ryan stated that we need to look at ways to fund enrichment terms of the mental health aspect as well; surprised that the social worker was put back in.
- Ms. Pace added she has a deep appreciation for all who work in the district, but a special place in her heart for Special Ed having a special needs child.

**IV. President Ryan called for Student Organization Announcements**

**Student Organization  
Announcements**

- None

<b>Questions/Comments from Public – Items on Tonight’s Agenda Only</b>
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**V. President Ryan called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Today’s Agenda Only**

- A member of the public stated that she would like to see the district use the woodworking and art students to help build sets for theatre that could be stored and re-used.
- A member of the public thought the woodworking presentation was great and suggested items be sold in the school store; Robotics needs a banner; elementary enrichment should be a priority over field trips.
- A member of the public spoke in support of the Crew program and coach.
- A member of the public spoke about a disciplinary action involving a student and Dr. Ryan asked him to speak to the Superintendent after the meeting.
- A member of the public expressed concern about the ICT classes moving to West, and the effect of transitioning students who may not be able to adjust.
- A member of the public asked where the FEMA/Covid reimbursement money will go and Mr. DeVito replied into the general fund.
- A member of the public asked about closing East and if students will be permitted to enroll at East. Dr. Gallagher stated she is in the process of putting together an Advisory Committee and will make the decision by the end of this year, adding that the district has requested an updated demographics study.
- A member of the public spoke in support of keeping East School open.
- A member of the public asked about Mindfulness not in the budget. Dr. Gallagher replied that the teaching position is not in the budget, but mindfulness practices will be ongoing in the classrooms.
- A member of the public expressed concern about ICT at West. Dr. Gallagher stated that the district has never had ICT in all four elementary schools, so students have been transitioning all along.
- A member of the public expressed concern about ICT at West.
- A member of the public expressed concern about ICT at West, adding that it was communicated poorly.
- A member of the public expressed concern about ICT at West.
- A member of the public said she is new to the community and expressed concern over the potential closing of East School.
- A member of the public spoke against closing East School, and encouraged the inclusion of minority family participation at Board meetings.
- A member of the public spoke against ICT classes at West, and Dr. Gallagher stated that she hears the concern of all of those that share those concerns and asked for time to correct the situation, and apologized for the lack of communication.
- A member of the public spoke against closing East School and against moving ICT classes to West School.
- A member of the public stated that he was impressed that Dr. Ryan wanted to find a way to keep enrichment in the budget; spoke against closing East School.
- A member of the public asked about adding a social worker and cutting mindfulness; spoke in support of mental health supports for our students. Dr. Ryan reminded everyone that the final budget will not be adopted until April 16<sup>th</sup>.

- A member of the public asked how the number of ICT classes is decided before all the CSE meetings have been completed, and also asked where can people see what has been removed from the budget? Mr. DeVito replied that it is difficult to have a list because they go through every line by line item, and tonight's presentation is just a highlight. Dr. Ryan stated that it would not be reliable, because it is not going to be final until April 16<sup>th</sup>, when the budget is adopted. This member of the public also expressed concern about cutting mindfulness and Ms. Pace reminded the public that the district is not cutting the mindfulness program, just the teacher.
- A member of the public spoke against closing East School and asked about ICT at the secondary level.
- A member of the public spoke in support of elementary enrichment.
- A member of the public expressed concern about some additions to the budget at a time when the financial future was uncertain. Mr. DeVito made a note of some of her specific concerns and will get back to her. She spoke against cutting East School.
- A member of the public expressed concern over cutting the Mindfulness position.
- A member of the public asked what research the district has to reach the decision that students will be OK if East closes. Dr. Gallagher stated that if she were to send that out she would be accused of having already made the decision to close East. If the decision is made to close East in the future, the research will be shared and student supports will be put in place.
- A member of the public asked where he can find information regarding bid awards and Dr. Gallagher stated that they are published in the Board of Ed agendas.
- A member of the public expressed concern that she didn't hear enough information on the Special Ed budget and also concerned on how those funds are allocated.
- A member of the public thanked all of the members of the community who assisted in the letter writing campaign that she feels helped the Governor in reaching her decision not to reduce foundation aid this year. She also expressed concern over the potential of closing East next year, and the impact of a vacant building on property values, no playground, etc.
- A member of the public spoke against closing East School.
- A member of the public asked if we are getting interest on our operating funds and how that might offset our rates on outstanding debts; asked about a future bond and how it would be utilized. Mr. DeVito stated that he hopes that next year the Board considers another bond.
- A member of the public expressed concern over putting together an advisory board in enough time prior to budget decisions that will need to be made.
- A member of the public thanked Mr. DeVito for upgrading the sound and lighting at the high school and middle school.
- A member of the public asked about the title of President of the Board, and Dr. Ryan stated that each member has an equal vote, but has no more authority than any other member. She asked if there is anything that will change Dr. Ryan's mind, and Dr. Ryan replied that he doesn't just represent the people in this room, he also represents those in the community, whether they are senior citizens, those that can't afford their taxes, and aren't here tonight; she asked when each of the buildings were built.
- A member of the public spoke in support of the Special Ed department, and added that there was information that went out in January regarding the ICT classes moving to West School.
- A member of the public spoke against closing East School.

**VI. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:**

**Approval of Walk-on  
Resolution as Discussed  
in Executive Session**

**Dr. Gallagher asked the District Clerk to read a Walk-on Agenda Item.**

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to §913 of the Education Law, the employee named in executive session and referred to as Employee "A" is hereby directed to appear for a medical examination in the office of Dr. Randall Solomon,

and it is

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Dr. Randall Solomon is hereby appointed school medical inspector pursuant to §913 of the Education Law in order to evaluate said employee's ability to perform their duties as an employee of the District.

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board President Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Vice President Pinto  
**Abstention:** Anne Conway  
**Approved:** 4-0

**VI.1 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated as amended**

**Presentations of the Superintendent**

**Approval of: Personnel Matters:  
Certificated**

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board President Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Conway  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI.2 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated**

**Approval of Personnel  
Matters: Non-Certificated**

**Board President Ryan called for a motion as amended.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Pace  
**Approved:** 5-0

**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**

Name: Sarah Brennan  
Assign./Loc. Permanent Substitute/West School  
Effective Date: March 20, 2024, close of day

Name: Theresa Mazzeo  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teaching Assistant/Lido School  
Effective Date: March 19 2024, close of day

**(b) Leaves of Absence**

Name: Melissa Megias  
Assign./Loc. Special Education Teacher/Lido School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: Maternity

Name: Crysti Cardineau  
Assign./Loc. Special Education Teacher/Lido School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: Maternity

Name: Lauren Calabrese  
Assign./Loc. Reading Teacher/Long Beach Middle School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: Childcare

Name: Lauren Miller  
Assign./Loc. Special Education Teacher/Lindell School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: FMLA-Maternity

Name: Dana Runfola  
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Lindell School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: Childcare

Name: Hudson Georges  
Assign./Loc. Art Teacher/Long Beach High School  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Reason: Childcare

**I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(b) Leaves of Absence (continued)**

Name: Blake Malizia  
Assign./Loc. Business Teacher/Long Beach High School  
Effective Dates: March 25, 2024 – April 12, 2024, on or about  
Reason: FMLA

Name: Stephanie Kornacki  
Assign./Loc. Art Teacher/West-Lindell Schools  
Effective Dates: May 11, 2024 – June 26, 2024  
Reason: Maternity

Name: Lisa Ranneklev  
Assign./Loc. Special Education Teacher/Long Beach High School  
Effective Dates: March 25, 2024 – June 26, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Reason: FMLA

Name: Diane Maier  
Assign./Loc. Social Studies Teacher/Long Beach High School

Effective Dates: As Needed  
Reason: FMLA-Intermittent

(c) **Appointment: LBHS Academy-Rate of Pay \$79.67 per hour-June 3 6, 2024 – June 25, 2024, not to exceed 40 hours.**  
Jessica Baker Tull

(d) **Appointment: Homebound Instructor for the 2023/2024 school year-Rate of Pay: \$59.97 per hour-individual/\$79.67 per hour-group**  
Breanna Podmore

(e) **The following Per Diem Substitute is recommended for approval for the 2023-2024 school year. Rate of pay: \$150/day**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>CERTIFICATION AREA</b>
Catherine Maroney	Early Childhood B-2, Professional Students W/Disabilities B-2, Professional Childhood Education 1-6, Professional

## II. **NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

### (a) **Resignation**

Name: Michael DiMaggio  
Assign./Loc. Cleaner Night Time/Lindell School  
Effective Date: March 29, 2024, close of day

Name: Dora Salinas  
Assign./Loc. Assistant Bus Dispatcher/Transportation Department  
Effective Date: May 3, 2024, close of day  
Comment: Returns to 40-hour school bus driver position

### (b) **Leaves of Absence**

Name: Linda Wren  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teaching Assistant/Lindell School  
Effective Date: March 4, 2024 – June 30, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Reason: Medical

### (c) **Amended Appointment**

Name: Endry Garcia Fermin  
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Bus Aide/Transportation Department  
Original Effective Date: February 7, 2024  
Amended Effective Date: March 11, 2024  
Salary Classification: \$17.58 per hour  
Grade/Step: Grade I/Step 1  
Reason: To fill a vacancy

**(d) Appointment: Permanent Supervisor of Transportation (12 months)**

Name: John Toups  
Assign./Loc.: Permanent Supervisor of Transportation/Transportation  
Effective Date: March 5, 2024  
Reason: Promulgation of civil service list, was previously provisional

**(e) Appointment: Probationary Bus Dispatcher (12 months)**

Name: Cindy Algarin  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Bus Dispatcher/Transportation  
Effective Date: March 5, 2024  
Probationary End Date: July 1, 2024  
Reason: Promulgation of civil service list, was previously provisional

**II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(f) Appointment: Probationary Assistant Bus Dispatcher (12 months)**

Name: Yaneva Macedo  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Assistant Bus Dispatcher/Transportation  
Effective Date: April, 22, 2024  
Probationary End Date: April 21, 2025  
Salary Classification: \$59,343 prorated  
Step: Grade V/Step3  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
Comment: Takes a leave from 30 Hour Bus Driver Position

**VI.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended that the DISTRICT CLERK READ THE BOARD'S RESIDENCY APPEAL DECISION**

Residency Appeal  
Decision

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby denies the residency appeal of a student identified in Confidential Attachment "A" dated January 20, 2024 and authorizes the Board President to notify the parent/guardian of its decision in writing.

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Pinto  
**Approved:** 5-0

**Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.4 through Item VIII.7.**

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board President Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Pace  
**Discussion:** Mrs. Conway asked why the turf at the Middle School has to be replaced and Mr. DeVito replied that turf has a useful life of ten years.  
**Approved:** 5-0

**VI.4 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ADOPTION OF SEQRA – LEAD AGENCY**

Approval of SEQRA

## DESIGNATION AND TYPE II DETERMINATION

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach Public Schools (Board of Education) is considering building and site improvements at select properties, including Lido Elementary and Long Beach Middle School (Lido Complex), Lindell Elementary School, Transportation Department Offices, and Districtwide; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(a), "Actions or classes of actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section are not subject to review under this Part, except as otherwise provided in this section. These actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review under Environmental Conservation Law, article 8. The actions identified in subdivision (c) of this section apply to all agencies."; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed replacement of existing turf on Veterans Field at the Lido Complex would be classified as a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5 (c)(1); and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed repairs to the existing bulkhead and improvements to the acoustics in the existing gymnasium at the Lindell Elementary School would be classified as Type II Actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR §§617.5 (c)(1) and (2); and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed replacement of Windows, Interior Doors, Hardware and Fixed Sidelights at the Lido Complex would be classified as a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5 (c) (2);

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education, after review of the proposed action and 6 NYCRR §617.5, hereby determines that the proposed projects are Type II Actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR §§617.5 (c)(1) and (2) of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and will, therefore, by definition, have no significant adverse impact on the environment.

### VI.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL TO PLACE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND PROPOSITIONS ON THE BALLOT

Approval to Place Capital Reserve Fund Propositions on the Ballot

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that there is a need to undertake certain capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations in the District's buildings and facilities, to commence during the 2024-2025 school year ("Project") in an amount not to exceed \$1,360,610 as identified in the Building Conditions Survey of 2020, relating to Lido Elementary and Long Beach Middle School, Lindell Elementary School and the Transportation Building, on file and available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires that a proposition be presented to District voters authorizing the expenditure of available funds from the 2018 Capital Improvement Fund for that purpose; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education directs the District Clerk to include the following propositions in the legal notice of the upcoming election and to place it on the May 21, 2024 ballot:

**A) "SHALL THE BOARD OF EDUCATION** of the Long Beach City School District (the "School District") be authorized to appropriate and expend: a sum not to exceed \$1,360,610, representing monies from the 2018 Capital Improvement Fund for the following purposes: replace turf field, windows and interior doors at Long Beach Middle School; repair bulkhead and improve acoustics in gymnasium of Lindell Elementary School; and remove fuel oil tank at the Transportation Building, as well as preliminary and other costs incidental thereto? (Because the funds to be expended hereunder are from the referenced Capital Reserve Funds, approval of this proposition will not require a tax levy upon the real property of the district.)"

**B) "SHALL THE BOARD OF EDUCATION** of the Long Beach City School District (the "School District") be authorized and directed to transfer the unexpended balance of \$755,648 on deposit in the School District's Capital Fund, the purposes of which have been fulfilled, to the 2018 Capital Improvement Fund which was previously established pursuant to Education Law Section 3651? (Because the funds to be transferred hereunder are from the referenced Capital Fund, approval of this proposition will not require a tax levy upon the real property of the district.)"

**VI. 6 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ADOPTION OF LEGAL NOTICE**

**Adoption of Legal Notice**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2024 Legal Notice for the School Board Election and Budget Vote to be held on May 21, 2024 as it appears with the materials accompanying the agenda.

**VI.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE TO REPAIR STEAM PIPE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Approval of Emergency Expenditure to Repair Steam Pipe in Middle**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts a donation from Rapid Steel Supply Corp. of \$400 for the High School Robotics Club; and a donation of \$1000 from Optimum for the High School Robotics Club.

**VI.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATIVE BID – BOCES**

**Approval to Participate in Cooperative Bid – BOCES Transportation**

**WHEREAS**, a number of public school districts in Nassau County wish to jointly solicit proposals, together with the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services ("BOCES") for pupil transportation services for the 2024-25 school year (and any renewal period) in accordance with the applicable provisions of General Municipal Law;

**WHEREAS**, the public school districts and the BOCES have agreed to form a Cooperative (the "Cooperative") for this purpose;

**WHEREAS**, the Long Beach School District is desirous of participating in the Cooperative for joint solicitation of proposals for pupil transportation services as authorized by General Municipal

Law, Section 119-0 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement attached hereto;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorizes the School District to participate in the Cooperative; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement (Recitals) attached hereto and authorizes the Board President to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

**VI.9 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS**

Acceptance of Donations

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts a donation from Our Learning Environment of \$368 for the High School Robotics Club; a donation of \$100 from 5 Star Sports Academy for the High School Robotics Club; and a donation from Center Point Church of \$150 for the High School Robotics Club.

**VI.10 SECOND READING OF AMENDED POLICY #3280 PUBLIC USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

Second Reading of Policy #3280 Public Use of School Facilities

No action required.

Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VI.11 through Item VI.12.

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Vice President Pinto

Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey

Approved: 5-0

**VI.11 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

CPSE/CSE Recommendations

**VI.12 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF USE OF SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS**

Approval of Use of Schools Applications

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the use of schools as attached, not to conflict with District events. However, please note that events may have to be modified and/or rescheduled based on building schedule.

**APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOLS**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Facility Requested</b>	<b>Dates Requested</b>
Long Beach Rec Basketball	Basketball Practice	West School Gymnasium	Mondays March 25 – April 15, 2024 6:00pm – 9:00pm
Long Beach Civil Service Commission	Civil Service Examinations	Middle School Classroom(s)	Saturday May 4, 2024 8:00am – 2:00pm

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

**Board of Ed – Additional Comments**

- Board Member Conway asked about the attendance policy with regard to letters home that don't state whether absences are legal or not legal – is there a way to clarify that in terms of information that goes home to parents? Dr. Gallagher stated that they are just trying to stay on top of it, and just want to give parents notice when attendance reach numbers that could affect student performance; she added that the performance of "Chicago" was wonderful
- Ms. Bellsey also thought that the HS play was wonderful and encouraged all to attend the IB Visual Arts Show.

**VIII. Questions and Comments from the Public**

**Questions and Comments from the Public**

- A member of the public asked about the requirements to get recommended into the Twilight Program and Dr. Gallagher replied that Twilight will look next year very much like it looks this year, and the guidance counselors make recommendations and a committee reviews applications - for students that just are struggling in a traditional learning environment; asked about what math programs will be offered those students who have completed the required math curriculum; said to Mrs. Conway that there is a way to view the absence information in SchoolTool.
- A member of the public asked if East is closed will it be used for an Alternative Program and Dr. Gallagher said no, that the reason the NIKE Center was closed was that it was so separate from the high school program.

**IX. Announcements**

**Announcements**

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – none
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – none
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – none

**X. Adjournment**

**Adjournment**

President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn at 9:32 PM.

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Vice President Pinto  
**Approved:** 5-0

**Minutes submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
March 26, 2024