#### **MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: February 25, 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 Maureen Vrona

Members Absent: Board Member Darlene E. Tangney

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, PLLC

Vice President Mininsky called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:47 PM to discuss specific personnel and legal matters.

Motion to Go into Executive Session

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky

Approved: 4-0

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

Adjournment

Motion by: Board Member Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by

Carole Butler, District Clerk

March 10, 2016

**MINUTES** 

Date of Meeting: February 25, 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

Others Present: Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent

Mr. Michael I. DeVito, Chief Operating Officer Dr. Kenneth Graham, Asst. Superintendent, C & I

Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk

Mr. Steven Kamlet, Director, Food and Nutrition Services

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 7:42 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. Report of the Superintendent

Report of the Superintendent

- Mr. Weiss thanked the staff, administrators, and teachers for the Assessment Forum Tuesday night acquainting parents with the different kinds of assessments and we do with the data. There were about 40-50 participants. This was not a forum on opting-out.
- Mr. Weiss acknowledged the large number of athletes participating in state tournaments in the next 10 days. Saturday the Wrestling Team will be named #1 in the state.

Presentations: <u>Budget: Inter-Fund Transfers</u>- Michael DeVito, COO Highlights include: Transfer to Capital for: General, Transportation, Facilities, School Lunch Fund, and Special Aid Fund <u>Food and Nutrition Services Update</u>- Michael DeVito, COO and Steven Kamlet, Director of Food Services and Nutrition Highlights include: Profit & Loss 2014-15, Historical View and 2015-16 Forecast, Review of 2014-15 Program and 2015-16 Program Status Update

Mr. DeVito touched upon the topic of facilities briefly.

Both presentations are 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 Vrona asked why expenditures increased when consumption decreased (cost/ratio); if the increased revenue was due to the \$400,000 subsidy (yes); why there is a bigger deficit this year; asked if the price of a meal should be raised from \$3 since it costs us more to serve each year; how is the faculty meal delivery a la carte working out (less than 10 participants); status of the relocation of the pizza oven (next year); is the National School Lunch Program sustainable; thanked Mr. Kamlet and Mr. DeVito for the presentation.
- Board Member Ryan asked for the history of the lunch rate; asked to vote on increase in lunch price; asked if automated lunch card is more efficient (yes); do we make any money off of the vending machines (\$8,200); asked about waste (more batched food, less waste); thanked Mr. DeVito for presentation, and Mr. Weiss, Mr. Kamlet and the Food Services Advisory Committee. Three (3) dollars is too low.
- Vice President Mininsky thanked Mr. DeVito for the report which seems to be the same every year; we cannot continue to lose so much on food services; asked the consequences of removing ourselves from the government program (district would have to absorb costs; students would have to subsidize poor students).
- Board Member Tangney thanked Mr. Kamlet and Mr. DeVito; serving on the FSAC gave a greater understanding of the hard work in running the department; Mr. DeVito and Sonia Brown provide lots of information at every meeting; would like to hear about other options; this may be the only hot meal some of the day for some (referring to cold meal option); outreach by Ms. Brown and Ms. Rea was amazing; if transportation is a problem with faculty meals expand on that focus; in favor of raising meal cost; surprised at serving at a loss; what would help the most; need to see the numbers.
- President Lester asked what the expectations were for the a la carte to the reimbursable meals (thought enticement would work); asked what the problem was; why offer non-reimbursable (students won't eat at all); student pays \$3, cost is \$3.14, reimbursed \$3.13, 5 cent cost, 45 cents cost on reduced, 17 cents on paid profit; profit on mozzarella sticks (yes); does not support cooked food; what would the difference be in hot and cold food (less costly, less labor, closer to sustainability); we cannot continue to lose all this money; want to see data.
- Mr. Mininsky asked if every building has to participate in the federal program (no) and suggested eliminating the program at the HS.
- Mr. Lester asked about the HS students and lunch periods (200 have no lunch period). (Mr. DeVito and the Food Services Advisory Committee will look at options).

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# 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

- Matthew Adler 410 East Broadway was confused because when he was on the Budget Advisory Committee he thought we made money on subsidized (free) lunches (no – only with volume); increased lunches raise profit; increase a la carte prices.
- Joanne Rea 90 Connecticut St Food Service Advisory Committee Member –
  agrees with Mr. Mininsky regarding the HS; service food is excellent; hearing facts
  and figures is new to me; it is a crime that students don't take lunch; happy that
  number of HS students not having lunch period is down to 200; committee can do
  more with this information.
- Dale Greenstein 522 W. Olive St has no problem subsidizing lunch for students; on FSAC, which works with what they have; wonderful experience; supports looking into new ideas; unrealistic to think of a new idea in two (2) months; need more time.
- Jennifer Albergo 318 Harbor Drive asked how free lunch and subsidized lunch are determined; her son does not have time to eat lunch after waiting on line for food.
- Michael Abneri 94 Regent Drive assessment forum felt informative but 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade parents still have anxiety; only 50 parents attending is disappointing; materials should be pushed out to parents; thanked Mr. Lester for speaking at IDA hearing; hard a s a taxpayer to listen about lack of control of food service; move faster; raise food prices; cannot expect to do the same thing and expect a different result; applaud efficiencies but more needs to be done. Son eats at 10:30 AM when he is not hungry; 25% of students purchase lunch.

## V. Student Organization Announcements

**Student Announcements** 

None

VI. Approval of Minutes of Executive Sessions and Regular Meeting February 11, 2016.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

Approved: 5-0

Approval of Minutes for Exec Sessions and Regular Meeting – February 11, 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 Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Tangney

Approved: 5-0

Approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated Page 6 VII.2 Superintendent Weiss recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

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.

#### VII.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

## (a) Amended Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Christina Dillard

Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/LBMS Effective Dates: January 5, 2016-June 30, 2016 Original Dates: February 1, 2016-June 30, 2016

Reason: Maternity

2. Name: Melissa Zimmerman

Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/East School
Effective Dates: December 24, 2015-June 30, 2016
Original Dates: December 24, 2015-April 3, 2016

Reason: Maternity

3. Name: Giulia Simone

Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/West School
Effective Dates: October 26, 2015-April 3, 2016
Original Dates: October 26, 2015-February 28, 2016

Reason: Maternity

#### (b) Leave of Absence

Name: Gina Calabrese

Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lindell School

Effective Dates: January 19, 2016-May 1, 2016

Reason: Educational

(c) Appointment Part Time Temporary Teacher Assistants 17.5 hours per week February 26, 2016 through June 24, 2016 (or earlier at the district's discretion) According to CSE recommendation or 504 plan. Rate according to contract. \*Subject to negotiations

Name		Location	Certification	Grade II/Step	Hourly Rate*
1.	Beverly Hasberry	Lindell	Continuing TA	II/Step 1	\$17.24
2.	Poullette Molina	Lido	LevelTTA	II/Step 1	\$17.24
3.	Michelle Griz	West	LevelTTA	II/Step 1	\$17.24
4.	Joyce Lacombe	East	LevelITA	II/Step 1	\$17.24

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

NAME
1. Hanna Larsen
2. Amanda Stallone
CERTIFICATION AREA
Initial Mathematics 7-12
Initial Physical Education

### VII.2 NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

## (a) Termination

Name: Claudia Hardes

Assign./Loc: Supervisor of Transportation/Districtwide

Effective Date: February 29, 2016

## (b) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: Melinda McLaughlin

Assign./Loc: Senior Keyboard Specialist/LBMS

Effective Date: June 30, 2016 close of day

### (c) Resignations

1. Name: Maureen Dugan

Assign./Loc: Part Time Lunch Aide/Lindell School

Effective Date: February 22, 2016

2. Name: Heather Ward

Assign./Loc: Part Time Food Service Worker/LBHS

Effective Date: February 15, 2016

## (d) Leave of Absence

Name: Carmel Dornevil

Assign./Loc: Bus Driver/Transportation

Effective Dates: February 26, 2016-March 11, 2016

## (e) Amended Leave of Absence

Name: Yolanda Franklin

Assign./Loc: Part Time Special Education Aide/East School

Effective Dates: November 4, 2015-March 4, 2016
Original Dates: November 4, 2015-February 4, 2016

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

Name Position
1. Dina Cummings Nurse

2. Lacey Glassberg Teacher Assistant

Superintendent Weiss recommended in a combined vote Items VII.3 and VII.4.

# VII.3 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AGREEMENTS.

Approval of Special Education Agreements

### A) THE CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Agreement with the Center for Developmental Disabilities for tuition and dormitory authority in the amount of approximately \$21,300 per student pro-rated (\$18,049 for tuition and \$3,210 for dormitory) plus the cost of related services for the period of February 22, 2016 through June 26, 2016; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement with the Center for Developmental Disabilities for special education services and authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute the Agreement on its behalf.

## B) UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION OF SUFFOLK COUNTY

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Agreement with United Cerebral Palsy Association of Suffolk County for tuition in the amount of approximately \$27,270 per student pro-rated plus the cost of related services for the period of February 5, 2016 through June 24, 2016; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement with United Cerebral Palsy Association of Suffolk County for special education services and authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to execute the Agreement on its behalf.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona Seconded by: Board Member Tangney

Approved: 5-0

VII.4 Superintendent Weiss 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/rescheduled based on building construction schedules.

### APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Organization	Purpose	Facility Requested	<u>Date Requested</u>
Long Beach Beach	Basketball	Lindell School	Feb. 24 – June 24, 2016
Recreation		Gymnasium	Wednesdays
			7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

President Lester called for a motion on Items VII.3 and VII.4.

Motion by: Board Member Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

Approved: 5-0

BOE - Additional New/Old Business

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

• Board Member Vrona asked about bed bugs in school (no); thanked presenters at assessment forum; asked if we are teaching grammar (yes); asked about HS auditorium ceiling (new roof problem going out to bid using reserve funds; there was no damage to new seats).

Questions and Comments from the Public

#### IX. Questions and Comments from the Public

- Janice Donaghy 122 Greenway Road, Jennifer Albergo -318 Harbor Drive, Erica Reidel – 860 East Broadway and Diane Harran – 546 E. Olive Street - discussed recess; supervised free choice; only had two (2) scheduled phys ed classes last month and at one the teacher was out; curriculum committee supports more recess; asked if an advisory committee would be formed (no); are substitutes normally certified for phys ed (yes).
- Matthew Adler 410 E. Broadway asked for an update on the administration building (waiting on new architects); how untimed tests are handled (no second day)
- Margaret Trela 370 W. Broadway asked if the petition supporting the Transportation Supervisor had been received.
- Jamie Lynn 25 Harmon St noted that children are not allowed to choose who they sit with at lunch (talk to Principal).

## X. Announcements

Announcements

- 1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association President Harvey asked for an itemized list of presentations; good luck and congratulations to Mrs. McLaughlin.
- 2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group None
- 3. LBSEA Long Beach Employees' Association Group C Joanne Rea congratulated wrestling team; asked that they be invited to a meeting; BOE deals with making tough decisions.
- 4. Parent/Teacher Association None

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XI. President Lester called for a motion to adjourn at 10:02 PM.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky

Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by:

Carole Butler, District Clerk

March 10, 2016

Adjournment