

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: October 26, 2017

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: West Elementary School Faculty Room

Members Present: President Stewart Mininsky
Vice President Perry Bodnar, Jr.
Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Maureen Vrona

Members Absent: Board Member Darlene E. Tangney

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Interim Supt./Asst. Supt. C & I
Mr. Michael DeVito, COO
Dr. Michele Natali, Executive Director, HR
Mr. Thomas Volz, Attorney

President Mininsky called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:45 PM to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go into Executive Session

Motion by: Vice President Bodnar
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 4-0

President Mininsky called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:53 PM.

Adjournment

Motion by: Vice President Bodnar
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 4-0

Minutes submitted by _____
Carole Butler, District Clerk
November 16, 2017

**MINUTES – October 26, 2017
AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Committee Member Attendees: President Stewart Mininsky, Vice President Perry Bodnar, Jr., Board Member Maureen Vrona, Ms. Jill Sanders, Accountant, Cullen & Danowski

Others: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Mr. Michael DeVito, Dr. Michele Natali, Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk, Members of the Public

- President Mininsky opened the meeting at 7:03 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Ms. Sanders presented the details of her end of the school year financial statements.
- Meeting concluded at 7:39 PM

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Date of Meeting: October 26, 2017

Type of Meeting: Work Session

Place of Meeting: West Elementary School Gymnasium

**Members Present: President Stewart Mininsky
Vice President Perry Bodnar, Jr.
Board Member Maureen Vrona, Esq.**

**Members Absent: Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Darlene E. Tangney**

**Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Interim Supt./Asst. Supt. C & I
Mr. Michael I. DeVito, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Michele Natali, Exec. Director, HR
Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk**

- I. Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order/Opening Remarks**
President Mininsky opened the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Pledge/Opening Remarks

Report of the Interim Superintendent

II. Report of the Interim Superintendent

In recognition of School Board Appreciation Week, representatives from all PTAs thanked the school board members and presented their tokens of appreciation.

There was a 10 minute break for fruit and cake to celebrate the occasion.
Work Session resumed at 7:49 PM

Work Session Topic – Social and Emotional Learning

Presentation – Social and Emotional Learning – Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Ms. Kerry Fallon, and Ms. Cristine Zawatson

Highlights include: CASEL Competencies, SEL Committee Work, Curriculum Support, Self-Awareness, Self-Management, Social Awareness, Relationship Skills, Responsible Decision Making, Behavioral Interventions, Examples of Interventions, CPI, Crisis Response Plan Summary, and Committee Plans.

This presentation can be found on the district website and in the office of the District Clerk.

**BOE Comments on Work
Session Topic**

III. Board of Education Comments/Work Session Topic

- President Mininsky thanked the presenters and was delighted to learn what a “mood meter” was.
- Board Member Vrona enjoys being a member of the SEL committee; there are thinkers looking to make a difference. K-5 and MS are good but by HS it is too late for them. SPIRIT was too late for some HS students; worried about HS not getting enough benefits from programs. “Mindfulness” “Purposefulness”
- Vice President Bodnar noted that after thirty (30) years, this initiative is finally taking hold; commended committee and staff; students are already invested in it. Asked if we had enough resources (budget considerations) (no, but they are identifying the needs now- anticipating vs. refocus/redirect resources).
- Mrs. Vrona asked about more professional development (yes).

IV. President Mininsky called for Questions and Comments from the Public on Work Session Topic

- None

**Questions/Comments
from the Public**

V. Board of Education Comments

- Board Member Vrona complimented West School on how good it looked and commented on what a pleasure it was to come there. Asked about construction at HS (started Tuesday) and noted that the next meeting would be in the Lido Multi-Purpose Room instead of the LBMS Auditorium on November 16.

BOE Comments

VI. Announcements

Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers Association – President Harvey thanked the Board of Education members for their countless hours of work.

2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – Principal Young congratulated and thanked the Board of Education for their support and commitment which does not go unnoticed. Great presentation; we see the fruits of the efforts.
3. LBSEA – Long Beach Schools Employees’ Association- Group C – None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Thanked the presenters for the presentation and asked for times and dates for committee. Current 11th and 12th graders were the experiments, subjected to failed policies, and focus is on younger students. Older students, HS students, need different strategies

VII. President Mininsky called for a motion to adjourn at 8:19 PM.

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

Adjournment

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