

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: November 12, 2019

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Administration Building Conference Room

Members Present: President Maureen Vrona, Esq.
Vice President Tina Posterli
Board Member Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.
Board Member Sam Pinto arrived at 4:41 PM
Board Member Anne Conway

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration
Dr. Paul Romanelli, Asst. Supt. For Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Joseph Lilly Atty., Frazer & Feldman, LLP

President Vrona called for a motion to go into executive session at 4:35 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into
Executive Session

Motion by: Board Member Conway
Seconded by: Vice President Posterli
Approved: 4-0

President Vrona called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:55 PM.

Adjournment

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

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: November 12, 2019

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place of Meeting: Lido Elementary School Multipurpose Room B

Members Present: President Maureen Vrona, Esq.
Vice President Tina Posterli
Board Member Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.
Board Member Sam Pinto
Board Member Anne Conway

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration
Dr. Paul Romanelli, Asst. Supt. For Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Joseph Lilly, Attorney, Frazer & Feldman
Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk
Members of the Public

Pledge/
Opening Remarks

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

President Vrona opened the meeting at 7:03 PM, led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance and thanked people for their recognition during Board Member Appreciation Week. Dr. Ryan thanked everyone for the homecoming/carnival. Mr. Pinto concurred and mentioned the heart screening that took place on that day which had 300 participants. Mrs. Conway praised the MS/HS orientation and noted that one of our students, Evan Michaels, had his work published.

Audit Committee

II. Audit Committee

Jill Sanders of Cullen & Danowski, Independent Auditors, presented the Financial Statements and Supplementary Information with Independent Auditor's Reports and Extra-classroom Activity Funds Financial Statement with Independent Auditor's Report for the School Year July 1, 2018 -June 30, 2019

- Board Member Ryan asked if there was concern over the \$400k in food service transfers (food services doing better); questioned fund balance (still no final determination from Sandy; no improper practices).

- Mr. DeVito noted that there were no comments this year which is fantastic and is a testament to the hard work of the business office.
- Report will be accepted at the next Board of Education meeting.

III. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gallagher

Superintendent's Report

- **Presentation – High School Electives – TV Production, Automotive & Science Research – Dr. Romanelli – Colby Lewis, TV Production Student**

Highlights include: TV Studio Production 1-4, School Film and Professional Film Festival Accolades, Successful LBHS Grads in TV/Film, Automotive Program, Fundamentals, Systems, and Mechanics, Science Research Program, Competitions and Awards, Future Ready Skills

This presentation can be located on the district website or in the office of the District Clerk.

IV. President Vrona called for Board of Education Comments

BOE Comments

- Vice President Posterli asked if guidance counselors were involved in shaping student curriculums (meetings between directors and counselors).
- Board Member Pinto thanked the presenters and commented that the DNA found in the pond at the HS is the kind of education he supports; expansion of working with water/bayfront restoration.
- Board Member Conway thanked the presenters; kids were very excited at the Auto Show at the HS; these classes make them want to come to school; they built a car from scratch; wish more people knew about it (working on newer vehicles like hybrid cars); so much opportunity with science research; how can we encourage younger students; promote the program (science research club at MS; OM Science kids); peers learn from peers.
- Board Member Ryan supports the robotics movement which is vital and vibrant.
- President Vrona praised these are phenomenal programs; what other programs are we exploring (CTE is what education is all about; culinary, financial, model).

V. President Vrona called for Student Organization Announcements

SO Announcements

None

VI. President Vrona called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Today's Agenda Only

Questions/Comments from Public –Tonight's Agenda Only

- Alexis Pace – 660 E. Olive St – talked about cross over projects like using art for ads; blending automotive and engineering.

VII. President Vrona called for the Presentation of the Treasurer's Report for September 2019 and Extra Classroom Bank Reconciliation

Treasurer's Report for Sept. 2019 and Extra Classroom

No action required.

**VIII. President Vrona recommended the Approval of Minutes for Executive Sessions, Regular Meeting and Work Session of October 10, October 22, and October 30, 2019
President Vrona called for a motion.**

Approval of Minutes for Exec Sessions & Regular Meeting of October 10, 22 and 30, 2019

Motion by: Board Member Ryan
Seconded by: Board Member Pinto
Approved: 5-0

IX. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

There were two walk-on resolutions.

A1 – DENIAL OF RESIDENCY APPEAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby denies the student residency appeal dated October 29, 2019 regarding the students named in confidential attachment A.

President Vrona called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Ryan
Seconded by: Board Member Pinto
Approved: 5-0

A2 - FIELD HOUSE BATHROOMS

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District solicited bids for field house bathrooms, and received the following bids in response thereto:

- SIBA - \$577,000 - AWARDED BID
- Total Construction - \$747,000
- Irwin Contracting - \$988,000
- Benchmark Construction - \$1,011,000
- Renu Contracting - \$1,096,000
- Patriot Organization - \$757,000
- Stalco Construction - \$883,422

WHEREAS, upon review and consideration of each of the foregoing bids, and based on the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, the Board has determined that SIBA is the lowest responsible bidder meeting the bid specifications; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby awards said contract to SIBA as the lowest responsible bidders meeting the bid specifications pursuant to Section 103 of the General Municipal Law, and hereby authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to execute said contract on behalf of the Board, in accordance with the bid specifications. (*costs offset by grant)

President Vrona called for a motion.
Motion by: Vice President Posterli
Seconded by: Board Member Conway
Approved: 5-0

IX.1 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated

<p>Presentations of the Superintendent</p> <p>Approval of:</p> <p>1. Personnel Matters: Certificated</p>

President Vrona called for a motion.

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

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

President Vrona called for a motion.

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

<p>Approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated Pages: 10-12</p>
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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.

IX.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

1. Name: Linda Weiss
Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/LBMS
Effective Date: December 31, 2019
2. Name: Richard Bogart
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/LBMS
Effective Date: December 31, 2019

(b) Resignation

Name: Catherine Dara
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/West School
Effective Date: November 1, 2019

(c) Rescission: Resignation

Name: Jeanne Larson
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/West School
Effective Date: October 18, 2019

(d) Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Christina Siraco
Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/East School
Effective Dates: March 2, 2020-January 21, 2022
Reason: Maternity/FMLA
2. Name: Gary Ribis
Assign./Loc: Science Teacher/LBHS/NIKE
Effective Dates: October 28, 2019-January 29, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: FMLA
3. Name: Jeanne Larson
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/West School
Effective Dates: October 18, 2019-June 30, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: Personal

IX.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(e) Appointment: Probationary Art Teacher

Name: Hudson Georges*
 Assign./Loc: Probationary Art Teacher/Elementary (.6)/NIKE (.4)
 Certification: Initial Visual Arts
 Effective Date: December 2, 2019
 End Date: December 1, 2023
 Tenure Date: December 2, 2023
 Tenure Area: Visual Arts
 Salary Classification: MA/Step 2 (\$71,464 per annum) prorated
 Reason: To replace Stephanie Kornacki

*This individual 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.

(f) Appointment: Regular Substitute Foreign Language Teacher

Name: Andrea Rivera
 Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Spanish Teacher/LBHS
 Certification: Initial Spanish 7-12
 Effective Dates: November 13, 2019-June 30, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
 Tenure Area: Foreign Language
 Salary Classification: MA/Step 1 (\$68,849 per annum) prorated
 Reason: To replace Elizabeth Vargas

(g) Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Name: Ann Hanglely
 Assign./Loc.: Permanent Substitute Teacher/West School
 Certification: Initial Early Childhood Education B-2
 Effective Dates: October 21, 2019-June 25, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
 Rate of Pay: \$206.86 per day (individual medical insurance coverage)
 Reason: Annual appointment

(h) Appointment Part Time Teacher Assistant 17.5 hours per week September 3, 2019 through June 26, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion) Rate according to contract.

Name	Building	Step	Hourly Rate	Reason
Lori Angst <i>*rescind teacher aide appointment</i>	LBMS	3	19.35	IEP

IX.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(i) Appointment: Regents Preparation for the January 2020 school year-rate of pay \$76.00 per hour

Teacher	Subject	Maximum Hours
Ashley Garry	ENL English/ Social Studies/Science	5
Brianna Carnevale	ENL English/ Social Studies	
Tamara Filloramo	English	5
Ashley Monastero	English	
Robin Gonzalez	Social Studies	5
Howard Fuchs	Social Studies	
Lisa Casey	Social Studies	
Ashley Monastero	English SPED	2
Kristin Susko	Social Studies SPED	
Ashley Castanio	Algebra CC/Geometry CC/Algebra 2 CC	15
Laina Beale	Algebra CC/Geometry CC/Algebra 2 CC	
Heather Yaeger	Algebra CC/Geometry CC/Algebra 2 CC	
Arkadiy Simonovsky	Algebra CC/Geometry CC/Algebra 2 CC	
Michelle D'Andrea	Algebra CC/Geometry CC/Algebra 2 CC	
Michael Glasstein	Earth Science	5
Megan Grahlfs	Living Environment	
Timothy Cabasino	Living Environment	
Christos Koutsoumbis	Checkpoint B- Spanish	1

- (j) **Appointment: Staff member to provide Parent Training for 2019-2020 school year as needed-Rate of Pay-\$71.10 per hour-maximum 40 hours per school year per trainer.**

Lauren Andersen	Shelly Cepeda
Kristin Basso	Bonnie Scholfield
Denise Callahan	Christina Causi

IX.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

- (k) **Appointment: Interscholastic Coach for the Winter 2019/2020**

WINTER SEASON 2019-2020		
Position	Coach	Stipend
7 th Grade Boys Basketball	John Dunne <i>*rescind Jason Pearl</i>	5,805.00
8 th Grade Boys Basketball	Jason Pearl <i>*rescind Jason Zizza</i>	5,805.00

(l) The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2019-2020 school year

NAME	CERTIFICATION AREA
1. Jennifer Rett Wertovitch	Pre K-6
2. Julie Braddish	Permanent Special Education
3. Fatima Sosa	School Social Worker

(m) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to approve the substitute rate change as follows to be effective November 13, 2019

Position	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Substitute Teacher	\$105 per day	\$120 per day
Substitute Nurse	\$105 per day	\$180 per day
Long Term Substitute Teacher	\$105 per day	\$224.87 per day

(a) Amended Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: Vincent Jacobs
Assign./Loc.: Custodian/LBHS
Effective Date: January 2, 2020
Original Date: December 10, 2019

(b) Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

1. Name: Debra Gordon
Assign./Loc.: Payroll Clerk/Administration-Business Office
Effective Date: June 30, 2020 close of day
2. Name: Maureen Creagh
Assign./Loc.: Secretary II/Administration-Business Office
Effective Date: June 30, 2020 close of day

(c) Resignations

1. Name: Steven Kamlet
Assign./Loc.: Director of Nutrition Services/Districtwide
Effective Date: November 8, 2019 close of day
2. Name: Susan Reminick
Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation Department
Effective Date: November 4, 2019 close of day

(d) Catastrophic Leave of Absence

Name: Tyrone Perkins
Assign./Loc.: Cleaner/Lido/Middle School Complex
Effective Dates: November 5, 2019-January 31, 2020 (on or about)

(e) Leave of Absence

Name: Kyle Swan
Assign./Loc.: Positions at LBHS
Effective Dates: November 4, 2019-February 3, 2020

(f) Amended Leave of Absence

Name: Diana O'Farrell
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Lunch Aide/West School
Effective Dates: September 3, 2019-February 28, 2020 (on or about)
Original Dates: September 3, 2019-December 31, 2019

IX.2 NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(g) Appointment: Bus Driver (40 hours per week)

Name: Jose R. Garcia
Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver (40 hours per week)/ Transportation
Effective Date: October 16, 2019
Reason: To replace Jeffrey Trone
Comment: Change in work hours/holds permanent status

(h) Appointment: Part Time School Bus Driver (30 hours)

Name: Danielle Preza
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Bus Driver-30 hours/Transportation
Effective Date: October 23, 2019
Probationary End Date: October 22, 2023
Salary Classification: \$25,827 per annum
Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 1
Reason: To replace Nicole Sambo

(i) Appointment: Temporary Director of Nutrition Services

Name: Kyle Swan
Assign./Loc.: Temporary Director of Nutrition Services/Districtwide
Effective Date: November 4, 2019-February 3, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Salary Classification: \$312 per day
Reason: To fill a vacancy for Steven Kamlet

(j) Appointment Part Time Teacher Aide 17.5 hours per week Start date through June 26, 2020 (or earlier at the district's discretion) Rate according to contract.

Name	Building	Step	Hourly Rate	Reason	Start Date
Connor Kennedy	LBHS	1	\$16.67	IEP	11/13/19

(k) The following personnel are recommended to be employed in the New York State Education Department's funded Adult Education Programs and TASC Program dependent upon funding, funding requirements and satisfactory performance for 2019-2020. NON-CERTIFICATED

	NAME		RATE PER HOUR	HOURS	MAXIMUM
1.	Richard Aull		25.00	150	3,750.00
2.	Evelyn Van Bergen	Substitute	22.35	as needed	

(l) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to approve the substitute rate change as follows: effective November 13, 2019

Position	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Clerical	\$11.96	\$19.04
Cleaner	\$12.12	\$18.76
Bus Driver	\$14.27	\$20.02

(m) The following Per Diem Substitutes are recommended for approval for the 2019-2020 school year.

Name	Position
1. Cassandra Stegman	Teacher Assistant
2. Kim Reilly	Nurse
3. Lisa Ferrara	Nurse
4. Christina Ward	Food Service Worker
5. Joshua Trone	Cleaner
6. Jennifer Jones	Cleaner

IX.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended the FIRST READING OF POLICY #7440 STUDENT VOTER REGISTRATION AND PRE-REGISTRATION
No action required.

**1st Reading - #7440
Student Voter
Registration**

IX.4 Dr. Gallagher recommended the SECOND READING OF POLICY #7316 BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE POLICY FOR STUDENTS
No action required.

**2nd Reading - #7316
BYOD for Students**

Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items IX.5 through IX.11.

IX.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

**Approval of Agreement
Amendment South Oaks
Hospital**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education amends the agreement between the Long Beach City School District and South Oaks Hospital to clarify language in the contract.

IX.6 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFER

**Approval of Budget
Transfer**

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a transfer in the amount of \$57,165 from the general fund unassigned fund balance to the school lunch fund to cover the deficit as of June 30, 2019.

IX.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT

Acceptance of CSE/CPSE
Recommendations

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following obsolete equipment from the Long Beach Middle School: a rolling science table with portable 6-gallon sink, 125 Physical Science textbooks (grade 6) Globe Pearson 2003, 140 Physical Science textbooks (grade 8) Prentice Hall 2002 and 70 Life Science textbooks (grade 7) Globe Pearson 1991.

IX.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

Acceptance of
Donation

A) LIFE VAC DEVICES

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the donation of Life Vac devices for each school from the Lion's Club.

B) SCIENCE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the following items for the Long Beach Science Department from Mr. John Donlon: small centrifuge, a vacuum pump and various size pipets.

IX.9 ACCEPTANCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION

Acceptance of CSE/CPSE
Recommendations

IX.10 Dr. Gallagher recommended the PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES

Approval of Payment of
Legal Bills: Legal Services

A) FRAZER & FELDMAN, LLP

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$3,033 to Frazer & Feldman, LLP for the monthly retainer for legal services for the period of October 1 through October 31, 2019 and \$21,275.90 for extraordinary legal services for the months of August and September 2019.

B) THOMAS VOLZ

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$3,333.33 to Thomas Volz, PLLC for the month retainer for the period of October 1 through October 31, 2019.

IX.11 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/rescheduled based on building schedules.

APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Organization	Purpose	Facility Requested	Date Requested
Cub Scouts	Meetings	East School Cafeteria	12/5/19-5/28/20 Thursday (1x mo) 6:30PM – 7:30PM
Seaside Soccer Club	Soccer Practice	West School Gym	12/7/19-3/28/20 Saturdays 9:30AM – 1:00PM
Rising Stars	Basketball Camp	LBHS Gymnasium	7/27/20-7/30/20 Monday-Thursday 9:00AM – 4:00PM
LB Aware	Meeting	LBMS Library/Media Center	Thurs, Nov 7, 2019 6:30PM-9:00PM

President Vrona called for a motion on Items IX.5 through IX.9.

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

Board of Ed – New/Old Business

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

- Board Member Conway asked about the status of the door locks (Lido, East, done, one key, upgraded locksets; how many students are taking Regents in January (130); LB vs. Oceanside hockey team exhibited excellent sportsmanship.
- Board Member Ryan asked if his ID was for Administration Building only (yes).
- Board Member Pinto wanted to follow-up on the transportation GPS issue; thanked the Lions Club for their donation of Life Vac School Kits; voiced concerns about a student being approached and getting the message out with vigilance; working with local organizations (student was pro-active); extra level of mindfulness
- President Vrona questioned the parent GPS information and asked if we are holding off on student tracking (concerns); LB board met with IP board; IP HS students now attend LBHS exclusively.
- Vice President Posterli asked about a work session.

XI. Questions and Comments from the Public

Questions and Comments from the Public

- Alexis Pace – 660 E. Olive St – brought up questions that may arise from parents regarding the GPS system; mentioned security at the HS and ID badges (Health & Safety Committee is on it).

XII. 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 –CCPTA Co-President McCarthy noted that the PTAs are all in full fund raising mode; bake sales on Election Day, thanks for your support; Scholastic well received; MS & HS prefer the earlier Parent/Teacher conference dates; would love if the TV production studio could form a partnership with the MS and HS concerts to record; MS parent/teacher book discussion, MS Matters, great book, author visited tonight.

XIII. President Vrona called for a motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM.

Motion by: Board Member Conway

Seconded by: Vice President Posterli

Approved: 5-0

Adjournment

Minutes submitted by:

Carole Butler, District Clerk
December 10, 2019