

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: May 25, 2021

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Long Beach Middle School Library Multipurpose Room

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

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance & Operations
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. For Personnel & Administration
Dr. Paul Romanelli, Asst. Supt. For Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Joseph Lilly, Attorney, Frazer & Feldman
Mr. Tom Volz, Attorney (5:00-6:40)

President Posterli called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:09 PM to discuss pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go
Into
Executive
Session

Motion by: Board Member Conway
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 5-0

President Posterli called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:51 PM.

Adjournment

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

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: May 25, 2021

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place of Meeting: LBMS Auditorium

Members Present:
President Tina Posterli
Vice President Dennis Ryan
Board Member Maureen Vrona
Board Member Sam Pinto
Board Member Anne Conway

Others Present:
Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and
Dr. Paul Romanelli, Asst. Supt. For Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Joseph Lilly, Attorney, Frazer & Feldman
Ms. Lori Dolan, District Clerk
Members of the Public

Pledge/ Opening Remarks

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

President Posterli called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance. She thanked the community for passing the budget and congratulated the Girls Varsity Track team for their undefeated season and the Boys Golf team on becoming Conference champs. She also congratulated

Superintendent's Report

II. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gallagher

Dr. Gallagher introduced the Director of Science, Ms. Cristie Tursi, who presented the Science K-12 presentation. Highlights include NYS Learning Standards, including the Next Generation Science Standards timeline, emphasis on science and engineering practices, critical thinking and explanation of phenomena; shift from simply learning about a topic to understanding and articulating the how and why. Pre-K science standards include weather cycles, plant and animal needs; all Kindergarten – grade 2 will receive OHM science kits, STEM teacher works as a special area teacher and collaborates with classroom teachers; Elementary – grades 3-5, STEM teacher pushes in with classroom teacher twice per cycle, STEM teacher meets with classroom teacher to facilitate collaborative team-teaching, STEM teachers will be revising curriculum this summer to design more district-wide projects and bring more consistency to all K-5 students; Middle School Curricular changes for 2021-2022 grade 6 remains Physical Science, grade 7 will be Earth Science, grade 8 will be Life Science, grade 8

Accelerated Regents will be Living Environment. All Middle School students will experience the greenhouse in their lessons. Ms. Tursi outlined the High School grades 9-12 Regents "pathway" – grade 9 Living Environment, grade 10 Earth Science, grades 11 and 12 have a number of choices, including chemistry, physics AP Chemistry, IB Biology, Physics, Environmental Systems, Sports Exercise Health Sciences, Computer Science and numerous electives.

Full PowerPoint presentation is available on the District Board of Education website and in the office of the District Clerk.

III. President Posterli called for Board of Education Comments

BOE Comments

- Vice President Ryan thanked Ms. Tursi for the energy she has brought to the department; nice to see students participating in the highest science competitions (Science Research Symposium); happy she is in the elementary schools.
- Board Member Pinto thanked Ms. Tursi for the presentation; Science STEM and Technology go hand in hand.
- Board Member Conway overjoyed to see hands on science at the elementary level, thanks to Mr. Pross for his passion and seeing the Greenhouse to its fruition.

IV. President Posterli called for Student Organization Announcements
None

SO Announcements

V. President Posterli called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Today’s Regular Meeting Agenda Only

Questions/Comments from Public –Tonight’s Agenda Only

- None

VI. Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Minutes for Executive Session and Regular Meeting of April 13, 2021 and Annual Meeting of May 18, 2021.

President Posterli called for a motion.

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

Approval of Minutes

VII.1

Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated Item 1(k) – Award of Tenure

Approval of:
Personnel Matters: Certificated
Item 1(k) – Award of Tenure

President Posterli called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Conway

Discussion: Dr. Ryan congratulated all those awarded tenure – serious charge – lifetime appointment. People putting their trust in you. Thanks to all of the people

who work with you. Board Member Conway also offered congratulations and thanks for dedication.

Approved: 5-0

Dr. Gallagher requested a 15 minute break in the meeting from 7:35 – 7:50 for refreshments and photos.

Dr. Gallagher then recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated

Approval of: Personnel Matters: Certificated

President Posterli called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Conway
Discussion:
Approved: 5-0

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

Approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated
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President Posterli called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Pinto
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) Leave of Absence

Name: Elizabeth Connors
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Assistant/LBHS
Effective Dates: May 26, 2021-June 17, 2021
Reason: Medical

(b) Appointment: Deans – 2021-2022 School Year-Stipend: \$4,127* per annum-*subject to negotiations

Name	Assignment	Location
1. Laurence Lopez	Part Time Dean	LBMS
2. Sean Miller	Part Time Dean	LBMS
3. Christopher Brown	Full Time Dean	LBHS
4. Philip Bruno	Full Time Dean	LBHS

(c) Appointment: 9th grade Team Leaders for the LBHS – 2021-2022 School Year-Stipend: \$1,942 per annum (per team)-*subject to negotiations

1. Team A: Heather Yeager

2. Team B: Anna Pace
3. Team C: Howard Fuchs/Ashley Castanio

(d) Appointment: Team Leaders for the LBMS– 2021-2022 School Year-Stipend: \$1,942* per annum (per team)-*subject to negotiations

Name	Team
1. Melanie Scott	6-1
2. Kate Coners/Elizabeth Chimienti	6-2
3. Grace Parisi	6-3
4. Joseph Hoffman/Lauren Behan	7-1
5. Jennifer McWilliams/Walter Kramme	7-2
6. Steve Bialick/Michael Glasstein	7-3
7. Tara Mele/Dena Hopper	8-1
8. Nancy Connor/William Papetti	8-2
9. Gregory Cody/Diana Mazzitelli	8-3

(e) Appointment: Coordinator of Mentors for the 2021-2022 School Year-rate of pay-\$5,152 stipend-*subject to negotiations

Lauren Kaufman

(f) Appointment: Regents Exam Preparation for the LBMS 2020-2021 school year-rate of pay \$76.76* per hour-*subject to negotiations

Teachers	Course	Hours
Megan Kalner	Living Environment	4 hours each
Cristina Bryan		
Jenny Ouro		
William Papetti	Algebra I	4 hours each
Diana Mazzitelli		
Tara Mele		

(g) Amended Appointments: Amend the appointments for the following Permanent Substitutes to end June 25, 2021.

Kaitlyn McCormack	Edwina Bryant
Collyn Possidel	Julie Braddish
Zoe Irwin	Charles O’Dowd
Catherine Karp	Cliff Skudin
Hannah Gallo	Jenna Ciuzio
Michael Vasikaukas	Maria Egidio
Xenia Rivera	Julia Kolanovic
Abigail Ross	

(h) Re-Appointment: Part Time Pre Kindergarten Teachers (18.25 hours per week) Subject to enrollment-2021-2022 School Year – Rate: \$57.24 per hour-subject to negotiations

Megan Lyons	Beth Ann Snow
Molly Drake	April Andrews
Jean Kushel	Lindsay Kupferman Schade
Janette Lee	Mary O’Brien

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(i) **Appointment: Summer Curriculum Writers-Rate of Pay \$41.28 per hour-subject to negotiations**

Course Name / Project Title	Teacher(s)	Total Number of Hours
Pre-K Mathematics Literacy ENL	Beth Ann Snow April Andrews-Kosolapov Janette Lee Molly Drake Lindsay Kupferman-Schade Mary O'Brien Megan Lyons Priscilla Edwards (ENL) Jean Kushel	30 10 hours each unit
Special Education English Courses (Self Contained Classrooms: Grades 9-12)	Paige Ankudovych - English 9 Megan Cullinan - English 10 Ashley Monastero - English 11 Elena Frishman - English 12	40
Life Skills Health Program	MS: Dayna Obidienzo HS: Tom Gaynor	20
Life Skills Vocational Program (Middle School)	Andrea Hinke	10
Elementary Reading and Writing Units of Study	Kindergarten Michelle Spreckels Marisa Lorenzo Janine Riomao Grade 1 Nicolette Samardich Joanna Clancy Grade 2 Debra Cupani Grade 3 Danielle Lopez Jacqueline Nyman Stephanie Zimmerman Grade 4 Edward Courtney Grade 5 Susan Garcia Eileen Bauer	60 10 hours each grade
English 7	Lauren Behan Steven Bialick Walter Kramme	10
English 10	Samantha Silverman Samara Rynecki	20
English 12	Maria Hartman	20

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(i) Appointment: Summer Curriculum Writers-Rate of Pay \$41.28 per hour-subject to negotiations-continued

Journalism	Samantha Silverman	40
Public Speaking	Matthew Hartman	40
Psychology 1	Lisa Casey	20
Psychology 2	Lisa Casey	20
IB History of the Americas 2	Claire Stanek Robin Gonzalez	20
IB Global Politics	Claire Stanek	20
Spanish Grade 3-5	Doris Castro Stacie Seaman	10
Social Studies 6	Melanie Scott	20
Social Studies 7	John Marr	20
Social Studies 8	John Marr	20
Erin's Law (K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8)	Erin Veltre Kirstyn Golden	40
Intro to Sports Medicine	Davis Tobia	10
Applied Chemistry	Loren Wolfen	20
Ornithology	Tim Cabasino	20
STEM K-2	Lisa Rundo Matt Jones Kylee Nicholls Samantha Gropper	40
STEM 3-5	Lisa Rundo Matt Jones Kylee Nicholls Samantha Gropper	40
Jones Beach ENC Curriculum	Karen Bloom Robyn Tornabene Cody Onufrok Maggie Todaro Ashley Garry Rachel Spitz	60
Science 7/8	Megan Kalner Christina Bryan	20
Greenhouse Program	Brian Pross Christina Bryan	40
IB Applications & Interpretations SL	Jenna Berto Jim Fiola Jennifer Papetti	40
IB Analysis & Approaches SL	Michelle D'Andrea	40

I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

- (j) Approval of Applications for Participation in Study Programs-Summer 2021-The following staff members have applied for funding for coursework as indicated under the appropriate provision of their contract. Recommend approval of the tuition/fees.**

Name	Allocation	Name	Allocation
Daniel Bailey	449	Brianna Carnevale	271
Jennifer McWilliams	1150	Rebecca Wesselhoft	575
Eileen Bauer	918	Megan Grahfs	505
Kerry McNichols	1150	Dina Callahan	750
Julie DeBruin	826	Jasmin Salazar	750
Sara Hagen	575	Melanie Scott	459
Jason Pearl	398	Anthony LaPenna	575
Jeannine Simpson	718	Stephanie Mena	979
Thomas Gaynor	575	Tamara Sommers	1150
Gina Patronaggio	575	Heather Yeager	794
Elizabeth O'Brien	174	Christopher Kozak (B)	3000

- (k) Recommendation for Appointment on Tenure** the staff members listed below are eligible for appointment on tenure in the area and on the date indicated. They have been found to be competent, efficient and satisfactory in their total professional performance.

Name	Tenure Area	Date
Melissa Canner	Elementary	9/1/2021
Desmond Dingle	Teacher Assistant	9/1/2021
Sophia Fogarazzo	Teacher Assistant	9/1/2021
Thomas Gaynor	Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions-General Special Education	9/1/2021
Jennifer Healey	Remedial Reading	9/1/2021
Jordan Hue	English/Theatre	9/1/2021
Rose Ann Malizia	Elementary	9/1/2021
Michelle Root	Elementary	9/1/2021
Michael Santoro	Technology Education	9/1/2021
Travis Van Nostrand	Elementary	9/1/2021
Darlene Ventre	Teacher Assistant	9/1/2021

II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

- (a) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement**

Name: Joan Sattler
Assign./Loc: Bookkeeper/Business Office
Effective Date: June 30, 2021

- (b) Resignation**

Name: Jaclyn Imrek
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Aide/LBHS
Effective Date: May 21, 2021

(c) Leave of Absence

Name: Oscar Melendez
Assign./Loc. Bus Aide/Transportation Department
Effective Dates: May 12, 2021-June 30, 2021 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: Medical

Name: Jillian Seiden
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Aide/Lindell School
Effective Dates: May 11, 2021-June 30, 2021 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: Medical

Name: Steven Peppe
Assign./Loc. Cleaner/West School
Effective Dates: July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: To take another position in the district

Name: Steven Cason
Assign./Loc. Cleaner/LBHS
Effective Dates: July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Reason: To take another position in the district

(d) Completion of Probationary Appointments

The staff members listed below have completed their probationary appointment and have received a satisfactory evaluation and is hereby recommended for permanent appointment.

Name: Nicole Rosenberg
Assign./Loc.: Account Clerk/Business Office
Effective Date: June 30, 2021

Name: Charlotte McColgan
Assign./Loc.: Bookkeeper/Business Office
Effective Date: June 30, 2021

(e) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE LONG BEACH SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Long Beach Public Schools and the Long Beach School Employees Association, dated May 13, 2021.

Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Items 3-7 together.

President Posterli called for a motion.

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

VII.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT – NASSAU BOCES REGIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM

**Approval of Agreement –
Nassau BOCES Summer
School Program**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach School District hereby approves the agreement with Nassau BOCES for the provision of Regional Summer School services through the Department of Regional Schools and Instructional Programs, for the period July 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021, at the applicable rates and management fee as set forth therein; and hereby authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board.

VII.4 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT – BARRY TECH SATELLITE MEDICAL ASSISTING PROGRAM

**Approval of Agreement –
Barry Tech Medical Assisting
Program**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach School District hereby approves the agreement with Nassau BOCES for the operation of a Joseph M. Barry Career and Technical Education Center program (“Barry Tech”), Medical Assisting (“Program”), in its NIKE Center through the Department of Regional Schools and Instructional Programs, for the period September 1, 2020 to June 4, 2021, at the applicable rates and fees as set forth therein; and hereby authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and operations to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board.

VII.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF STIPULATED SUM OWNER AND CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS SYNTHETIC TURF INSTALLATION

**Approval of Agreement -
MS Tennis Courts Synthetic
Turf Installation**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District is authorized to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, and the contracting of services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of those items, pursuant to General Municipal Law section 103(16); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Huntington General Requirements Contract #ES 2018-01/0-E has been awarded to The Landtek Group, Inc., for the procurement of contracts for the labor, materials, equipment and any other appurtenances necessary for the Installation, Maintenance & Repair of Synthetic Turf and associated work, under Bid # 18G11, which has been extended by its terms to other governmental entities and political subdivisions in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103(16); and

WHEREAS, the District has received and seeks to accept a pricing proposal from The Landtek Group, Inc. dated March 16, 2021 for tennis synthetic turf installation on 4 existing courts at the Long Beach Middle School pursuant to the foregoing requirements contract bid award (“Pricing Proposal”), contingent upon NYSED approval and permit issuance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves The Landtek Group’s Pricing Proposal pursuant to the Town of Huntington General Requirements Contract

#ES 2018-01/0-E at a total cost not to exceed \$191,800.00, and authorizes the District to enter into a Stipulated Sum Owner and Contractor Agreement in accordance with this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute the Stipulated Sum Owner and Contractor Agreement on behalf of the Board.

VII.6. Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Approval of Scholarships

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the distribution of funds for the announced Long Beach High School scholarships in the amount of \$119,541.20.

VII.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL RECORDS

Approval of Request for Personnel Records

RESOLVED, that at the request of a Board member, the Superintendent shall bring to the Board the personnel files of particular employees identified to the Board for inspection by the Board in the executive session of the June 8, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education.

President Posterli called for a motion.

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

VII.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the DETERMINATION OF RESIDENCY APPEALS

Determination of Residency Appeals

A) Student "A"

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education denies the student residency appeal for the student named in Confidential Attachment "A".

President Posterli called for a motion.

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

B) Student "B"

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education grants the student residency appeal for the student named in Confidential Attachment "B".

President Posterli called for a motion.

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

Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Items 9-10 together.

President Posterli called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Conway

Seconded by: Board Member Vrona

Approved: 5-0

VII.9 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS

Payment of Legal Bills - None

None.

VII.10 Dr, Gallagher recommends the APPROVAL OF USE OF SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS

Approval of Use of Schools

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Facility Requested</u>	<u>Date Requested</u>
Boy Scouts of America	Court of Honor	Lido – Admin Tent	Tuesday, June 15, 2021 7:00PM – 8:00 PM
Long Beach USA Wrestling Camp	Wrestling Camp	Middle School- Gym and Wrestling Room	Weekdays June 28, 29, 30, 2021 and July 1, 2, 2021 9:00AM – 3:00PM
City of Long Beach	Lifeguard Test	High School Pool	Tuesday July 6, 2021 8:00AM – 11:00AM

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

Board of Ed Additional New/Old Business

- Board Member Pinto asked if, now that Covid restrictions are easing up, will kids be able to play outside without masks, and Dr. Gallagher replied yes, believes it is within the guidelines and will be sending something home to families tomorrow. Gave “shoutout” to Ms.

Conway for her efforts in pushing the Board, Administration and staff to complete the greenhouse. Ms. Conway thanked Dr. Romanelli for implementing it.

- Board Member Conway asked how the district is monitoring neglect and abuse cases and Dr. Gallagher replied the district did a good job during the pandemic, kudos to the Deans and Homeless Liaisons for home visits. Ms. Conway asked about plans to help virtual students transition to in person classes and Dr. Gallagher replied that the elementary principals are reaching out to students, inviting them into classes over the summer to get them acclimated.
- Board Member Vrona said she is looking forward to the use of federal grant money at the next Board of Ed meeting presentation, inquired about food services deficit. Mr. DeVito stated they used \$250K to subsidize this year. Ms. Vrona also asked for an update on traffic reconfiguration plan and Mr. DeVito stated that it should move quickly as we don't have to go out to bid – piggybacking with Town of Huntington as per resolution passed at a previous meeting.

IX. Questions and Comments from the Public

Questions and Comments from the Public

- None

X. Announcements

Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – Keith Harvey congratulated tenure recipients, congratulated newly elected Board Members, Sam Pinto and Alexis Pace.
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – Keith Biesma also congratulated tenure recipients, Sam Pinto and Alexis Pace
3. LBSEA – None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – None

XI. Adjournment

Adjournment

Vice President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM.

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

Minutes submitted by:

Lori Dolan, District Clerk
May 25, 2021