

**MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** August 27, 2024  
**Type of Meeting:** Executive Session  
**Place of Meeting:** Administration Building Conference Room

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

Board President Pinto called for a motion to go into executive session at 4:05 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session

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

Board President Pinto called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 5:22 PM.

Adjournment

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

## MINUTES

**Date of Meeting:** August 27, 2024

**Type of Meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Place of Meeting:** Lido Elementary School Multipurpose Room

**Members Present:**  
Board President Sam Pinto  
Board Vice President Alexis Pace  
Board Member Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.  
Board Member Anne Conway  
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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Dr. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction  
Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
Members of the Public

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

Board President Pinto called the meeting to order at 5:34pm and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. He welcomed all, and turned the meeting over to the Superintendent.

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

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Gallagher stated that we recently received the New York State Audit, which looked at a very narrow scope of district finances, spanning from 2018 – 2022. The district has some concerns about how the audit's findings ; the State has a different perspective on certain things, so we thought it would be a good idea to go over the points of criticism, as well as the district's response. She then introduced Michael DeVito, who presented the "NYS Comptroller Audit Recap, Tuesday, August 27, 2024".

Mr. DeVito started by outlining the State's key findings: Management of Fund Balance, Transfer of Surplus Fund Balance, Annual Expenditure Variance, Annual Revenue Variance, and Appropriated Fund Balance. He added that the district exceeded the 4% limit for funds in the unassigned fund balance for several years after Superstorm Sandy in order to protect the district against the possible loss of not receiving reimbursement of funds from FEMA and NYS. He pointed out that the district's external auditor was aware and agreed that the district should temporarily maintain this extra amount. He continued, the district closed March 2020 due to the pandemic, so there were 3 ½ months without standard expenditures, so it is no surprise that the district ended the year with an operating surplus. He pointed out that there was a public

presentation explaining this in October 2020. Mr. DeVito explained further that, at the close of 2020-2021, the district ended the year with an operating surplus because, although the budget was increased by \$4 million to support covid-related expenditures, the district did not spend as much as planned, and decided to use that money for much needed capital projects. He added again that the district discussed the planned transfer of funds to support needed capital work to the capital projects fund many times in public presentations. He stated that the district planned to do exactly what the audit report recommended during the summer 2021, adding that it is unclear why the audit team did not acknowledge this fact in their report. The audit report also highlights the variances between the benefits budgeted and expenditures during 2018 through 2021, and states that the district should have based its budget on historical data; if the district had done this, we would have been significantly insufficient for five to six years of the last ten years. Lastly, Mr. DeVito addressed the State's audit report criticizing the district for ending the year with an operating surplus, not spending into approximately 0.25% or 0.68% budget surplus, putting it instead into the appropriated fund balance. He pointed out that, contrary to the assertion in the audit report, appropriating an extremely small amount of fund balance to offset the tax levy and support the following year's expenditures does not give taxpayers a false impression if the district does not spend that small amount of fund balance, and should have been applauded as careful spending whereby district staff only spent what they need and did not need to spend every dollar that was allocated.

*The complete presentation, "NYS Comptroller Audit Recap, Tuesday, August 27, 2024" can be found on the District website and in the office of the District Clerk.*

### III. President Pinto called for Board of Education Comments

BOE Comments

- Board President Pinto stated that the Board has faith in your efforts over these years; we know that you presented this openly, funds were used for educational purposes; I wish to reiterate my confidence in you.
- Board Vice President Pace reiterated that our own district internal and external auditors had just been to our last meeting; we follow their recommendations; she asked Mr. DeVito to review how we conveyed to our auditor what we wanted to do in terms of protecting the district by maintaining an excess fund balance during the years cited in the report, and Mr. DeVito explained that the auditors were in agreement that maintaining an excess fund balance would not lead to any penalties or fines, and would be advisable in this limited circumstance. Mrs. Pace stated that she has the utmost confidence in Mr. DeVito and thanked him for always being extremely transparent.
- Dr. Ryan asked how often the district is audited by the State, and Mr. DeVito that they say every eight years but it's more like 10. Although Dr. Ryan stated that he agrees with the State with regard to the fund balance, he reiterated his confidence in Mr. DeVito and the fact that this was addressed at numerous public meetings.
- Board Member Bellsey stated that this was not her "wheelhouse" but she has confidence in Mr. DeVito.
- Board Member Conway asked why the Audit Team wouldn't "listen" to what you were telling them and Mr. DeVito said he doesn't have a good answer for that, adding that he lost confidence in the integrity of the process. Mrs. Conway

reiterated the necessity of the capital projects the district was able to complete using the excess fund balance, and stated that she has complete confidence in him.

- Dr. Ryan asked if Mr. DeVito saw any truth at all to any of the Auditor's claims, and Mr. DeVito replied that yes, we did go over the 4% limit. He added that certain districts are lobbying the State to be able to go over the 4% to protect themselves in case of extraordinary circumstances.

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

Student Organization  
Announcements

- None

**V. President Pinto called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Today's Agenda Only**

Questions/Comments from  
Public – Items on Tonight's  
Agenda Only

- A member of the public read a prepared statement raising the findings in the Audit Report. She reviewed 2019 budget mailer that went out to the public asking Mr. DeVito to identify savings mentioned due to refinancing. She raised a number of concerns cited in the report. When her time limit was reached, Mr. DeVito asked her to please email him all of her questions and he will address each point.
- A member of the public asked about the Corrective Action Plan and Mr. DeVito said that will be on the district website; she asked if multiple districts felt that the 4% fund balance was inadequate, what steps is the district taking to advocate for that. Dr. Gallagher stated that more than 40% of districts were found to have excess fund balances.

**VI. Dr. Gallagher recommended the Approval of Minutes for the Executive Session of August 20, 2024 and Executive Session and Regular Meeting of August 27, 2024.**

Approval of Minutes for Exec  
Session of August 20, 2024 and  
Exec Session and Regular  
Meeting of August 27, 2024.

Board President Pinto called for a motion.

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

**VIII. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:**

Presentations of the Superintendent

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

Approval of: Personnel Matters:  
Certificated

Board President Pinto called for a motion as amended.

Motion by: Board Member Conway  
Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey

Discussion: Dr. Ryan asked how it was amended, and Dr. Natali replied that there were some minor date and location changes for several new hires.

Approved: 5-0

Approval of Personnel  
Matters: Non-Certificated

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

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

**Motion by: Board Member Ryan**

**Seconded by: Board Vice President 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) WHEREAS**, the District is desirous of restructuring and consolidating certain supervisory positions in the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the intended restructured positions are “similar” to the positions that are being abolished in accordance with relevant provisions of the New York State Education Law;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby abolishes the following position effective June 30, 2024: Coordinator of ENL & Student Internships.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** IT that the Board of Education hereby approves the creation of the following position effective July 1, 2024: Director of ENL, World Languages, & Student Internships.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the incumbent Coordinator of ENL & Student Internships, Dr. Evelyn Daza, is hereby appointed to the newly created position of Director of ENL, World Languages, & Student Internships, with her probationary term in such previous position being carried over to the newly created position.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the salary, effective 7/1/2024 shall be \$160,000.

**(b) Resignations**

Name: Amanda Betz  
Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/Lindell School  
Effective Date: August 23, 2024, close of day

Name: Nicolette Samardich  
Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/West School  
Effective Date: August 21, 2024, close of day

Name: Michelle Dodd-Gould  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teaching Assistant/Long Beach Middle School  
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Elizabeth Connors  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teaching Assistant/Long Beach High School  
Effective Date: August 15, 2024, close of day

**(c) Recission**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Timothy Donohue	Full Time Teaching Assistant	
Brianna Gasparre	Part Time Teaching Assistant	
Maureen Parisa	Part Time Teaching Assistant	Keeps ALC position

**(d) Leaves of Absence**

Name:	Robin Tobin
Assign./Loc:	Part Time Teaching Assistant/Lido School
Effective Dates:	September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025, or earlier at the district's discretion
Reason:	Medical
Name:	Bonnie Scholfield
Assign./Loc:	Social Worker/West School
Effective Dates:	September 12, 2024 – December 5, 2024 on or about at the district's discretion
Reason:	Medical

**(e) Appointment: Probationary English Teacher**

Name:	Ryan Smith*
Assign./Loc:	Probationary English Teacher/Long Beach High School
Certification:	Initial English Language Arts, 7-12
Effective Date:	September 1, 2024
End Date:	August 31, 2028
Tenure Date:	September 1, 2028
Tenure Area:	English
Salary Classification:	BA/Step 1 (\$67,033 per annum)
Comment:	To fill a vacancy

\*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: Probationary Elementary Teacher**

Name:	Lauren Gentils*
Assign./Loc:	Probationary Elementary Teacher/West School
Certification:	Professional Childhood Education, 1-6 Professional Early Childhood Education, B-2
Effective Date:	September 1, 2024
End Date:	August 31, 2028
Tenure Date:	September 1, 2028
Tenure Area:	Elementary
Salary Classification:	MA/Step 2 (\$76,043 per annum)
Comment:	To fill a vacancy

\*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.

**(g) Appointment: Probationary Theater Arts Teacher**

Name: Leslie Kohn\*  
Assign./Loc: Probationary English/Theatre Arts Teacher/(.8) Long Beach High School/(.2) Long Beach Middle School  
Certification: Professional English Language Arts, 7-12, 5-6 Extension  
Professional Theatre, Professional Music  
Professional Students w/Disabilities, 7-12  
Professional School District Leader  
Initial School Building Leader  
Effective Date: September 1, 2024  
End Date: August 31, 2027  
Tenure Date: September 1, 2027  
Tenure Area: English/Theatre  
Salary Classification: MA+60/Step 5 (\$94,240 per annum)  
Comment: To fill a vacancy

\*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.

**(h) Appointment: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher**

Name: Gabrielle Saugar  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher/(.9)Long Beach Middle School/(.1)Lido School  
Certification: Initial Early Childhood Education, B-2  
Initial Childhood Education, 1-6  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Tenure Area: Elementary  
Salary Classification: MA/Step 2 (\$76,043 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

Name: Erin O'Driscoll  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher/West School  
Certification: Initial Childhood Education, 1-6  
Initial Literacy, B-6  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Tenure Area: Elementary  
Salary Classification: MA/Step 1 (\$73,260 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

**(i) Appointment: Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher**

Name: Taylor Pollock  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher/West School  
Certification: Professional Students w/Disabilities B-2  
Initial Students w/Disabilities, 1-6  
Professional Early Childhood, B-2  
Initial Childhood Education, 1-6

Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Tenure Area: Special Education  
Salary Classification: MA/Step 2 (\$76,043 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

**(j) Appointment: Regular Substitute Spanish Teacher**

Name: Maybeliz Araujo  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Spanish Teacher/Long Beach Middle School  
Certification: Initial Spanish in process  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Tenure Area: Foreign Language  
Salary Classification: BA/Step 1 (\$67,033 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

**(k) Appointment: Regular Substitute FACS Teacher**

Name: Julie Braddish  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute FACS Teacher/Long Beach High School  
Certification: Permanent Special Education w/ ELA and Social Studies Extensions  
Family and Consumer Sciences, Supplementary in process  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Tenure Area: FACS  
Salary Classification: MA/Step 3 (\$78,816 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

**I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(l) Appointment: Regular Substitute Physical Education/Health Teacher**

Name: Michele Aulenti  
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Physical Education/Health Teacher/Lindell School  
Certification: Professional Physical Education, Professional Health  
Effective Dates: September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025  
Tenure Area: Physical Education/Health  
Salary Classification: MA+30/Step 2 (\$80,313 per annum)  
Reason: To fill a Leave

**(m) The following Short Term Substitute Teacher is recommended for approval for the dates below. \$245.84 per day**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Anthony Schiliro	September 3, 2024 – October 11, 2024

**(n) Appointment: Permanent Substitute Special Education Teacher**



Name: Anthony Schiliro  
 Assign./Loc: Permanent Substitute Special Education Teacher/Long Beach High School  
 Certification: Professional Students w/Disabilities, Social Studies 7-12  
 Permanent Social Studies 7-12  
 Effective Dates: September 10, 2024 – June 16, 2025 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)  
 Salary Classification: \$245.84 per day  
 Reason: Annual Appointment

**(o) Appointment: Permanent Substitute Special Education Teacher**

Name: Krista Piarulli  
 Assign./Loc: Permanent Substitute Special Education Teacher/Lido School  
 Certification: Initial Students w/Disabilities, B-2, 1-6  
 Initial Early/Childhood Ed, B-2, 1-6  
 Effective Dates: September 18, 2024 – June 25, 2025 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)  
 Salary Classification: \$245.84 per day  
 Reason: Annual Appointment

**(p) Appointment: Amended Annual Appointments for the 2024/2025 School Year**

Name	Position	Stipend/Rate
<b>Amend Christine LaMarca Nancy Connor rescind Natasha Nurse</b>	Coordinators of Mentors	\$5,247.82 split
<b>Amend Kerri Sinatra Cathy Palmer</b>	Best Pals/LBHS	\$3,346 split

**(q) Appointment: Advisors for Club Activities for the 2024-2025 School Year**

Club Activity	Name	Rate	School
International Thespian Society/Drama Club	Leslie Kohn	\$1,674	LBHS
Drama Production	Leslie Kohn	\$3,346	LBHS
Musical Production Director	Leslie Kohn	\$4,185	LBHS
Drama Production Director	Leslie Kohn	\$3,346	LBMS
Musical Production Director	Scott Scheinson	\$4,185	LBMS

**(r) Appointment: Summer School July 8, 2024-August 20, 2024-compensation according to contract**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Aracely Guandique	Teacher Assistant	Rescind ESY appointment

- (s) **Appointment Part Time Pre K Teacher Assistants-Morning Shift 20 hours per week September 3, 2024-through June 25, 2024 (or earlier at the district’s discretion). Rate according to contract-subject to negotiations**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason	Comment
Diana Barksdale	17	\$29.15	West	General Ed	Resigns as a 17.5-hour TA
Sydney Caven	3	\$20.75	West	General Ed	

- (t) **Appointment Part Time Pre K Teacher Assistants-Afternoon Shift 25 hours per week September 3, 2024-through June 25, 2024 (or earlier at the district’s discretion). Rate according to contract-subject to negotiations**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason
Haley Shapiro	2	\$19.88	West	General Ed
Sara Heiss	1	\$19.09	West	General Ed

**I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

- (u) **Appointment Part Time Teacher Assistants 17.5 hours per week for School Year 2024-2025 (or earlier at the district’s discretion). Rate according to contract-subject to negotiations**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason	Comment
Rachel Geraghty	23	\$29.15	West	CSE	Resigns as PK-AM TA
Milkan Melo Olivera	12	\$28.30	East	CSE	Resigns as a PK-PM TA
Stacy Farruggio	11	\$27.48	West	General Ed	
Gabrielle Tomicick	8	\$24.95	West	General Ed	
Jeanne Larson	8	\$24.95	West	504	
Maximillian Grant	2	\$19.88	West	ICT	
Lorraine H. Radice	1	\$19.09	West	CSE	

- (v) **The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2024-2025 school year. \$150 per day**

NAME	CERTIFICATION
Krista Piarulli	Initial Students w/Disabilities, B-2, 1-6 Initial Early Childhood Ed. B-2 and Childhood Ed. 1-6
Maria Paradiso	Initial Childhood Education 1-6, in process
Shannon Culkin	Initial Early Childhood Ed. B-2 and Childhood Ed. 1-6
Owen Sculley	Initial Students w/Disabilities, 7-12
Anthony Schilliro	Professional Students w/Disabilities, Social Studies 7-12 Permanent Social Studies 7-12

- (w) **RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent or her designee to appoint individuals to staff vacancies that the Superintendent determines must be filled prior to the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting on September 10, 2024, which appointments shall be subject to review and approval of the Board of Education on September 10, 2024.

(x) **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE ASPPG**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Long Beach City School District and the Administrative, Supervisory and Pupil Personnel Group, dated, August 23, 2024.

(y) **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach Public Schools hereby approves an agreement reached by the School District for an employee discussed in executive session dated August 22, 2024.

(a) **Resignations**

Name: Catherine Rochford  
Assign./Loc: Teacher Aide/Long Beach Catholic School  
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Natalia Beltran  
Assign./Loc: Teacher Aide/Long Beach Middle School  
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Susan Bralower  
Assign./Loc: Teacher Aide/Long Beach High School  
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

(b) **Recission**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Matthew Torrisi	Teacher Aide
Emma Levin	Teacher Aide
Leah Durso	Teacher Aide

(c) **Leaves of Absence**

Name: Axavier Linster  
Assign./Loc: Part Time Building Aide/Long Beach Middle School  
Effective Dates: September 3, 2024 – December 20, 2024, or earlier at the district’s discretion  
Reason: Family Illness

(d) **Appointment: Probationary Bus Driver (30 hours per week)**

Name: Harry Gosden  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary School Bus Driver/Transportation Department  
Effective Date: September 3, 2024  
Probationary End Date: September 2, 2028  
Salary Classification: \$32,651  
Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 6  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
Comment: Resigns from 18.75 hr. Bus Aide position

Name: Yudy Polanco  
Assign./Loc.: Probationary School Bus Driver/Transportation Department  
Effective Date: September 3, 2024  
Probationary End Date: September 2, 2028  
Salary Classification: \$32,651  
Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 6  
Reason: To fill a vacancy

(e) **Appointment: Part Time Lunch Aide**

Name: Laura Bavasso  
 Assign./Loc: Part Time Lunch Aide/East School  
 Effective Dates: September 4, 2024  
 Salary Classification: \$18.67 per hour  
 Grade/Step: Grade1/Step 2  
 Reason: To Fill a Vacancy  
 Comment: Resigns Teacher Aide position

Name: Jenna Waine  
 Assign./Loc: Part Time Lunch Aide/Lido School  
 Effective Dates: September 4, 2024  
 Salary Classification: \$17.84 per hour  
 Grade/Step: Grade1/Step 1  
 Reason: To Fill a Vacancy

(f) **Appointment Part Time Teacher Aides 17.5 hours per week for School Year 2024-2025 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract-subject to negotiations**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Comment
Crystal Castillo	6	\$22.09	West	CSE
Kettybella Fairless	6	\$22.09	Lindell	Annual re-appointment, Rescind as TA
Cheyenne Johnson	5	\$21.19	West	CSE
Michael Blackburn	2	\$18.68	Lindell	CSE
Stephan Hollis	1	\$17.84	Lido	CSE
Eleni Papathanasiou	1	\$17.84	West	
Rosemarie Porciello	1	\$17.84	West	Rescind as Lunch Aide

(g) **The following Per Diem Substitute is recommended for approval for the 2024-2025 school year.**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Kim Reilly	Nurse

(h) **Personnel for 2024 -2025 Adult Continuing Education Program**

Classes implemented only if there is sufficient enrollment. Each class is self-sustaining, subject to satisfactory performance.

Instructor	Course	Hours	Hourly Rate	Maximum
Derenze, Michael	Pickleball/Variou Levels	144	40.00	5,760.
Dugan, Cornelius	Men's Basketball	72	40.00	2,880.
Duignan, Anne Marie	What's Next for You	16	40.00	640.
Gerstman, Lawrence	1. How to Select Great Binoculars 2. Space Age Astronomy 3. Misinformation You Were Given	36	40.00	1,440.
Goeller, Rosa Maria	1. Shiatsu/Yoga	12	40.00	480.

Lane, Paula	Ecstatic Dance	18	40.00	720.
Mazzola, Daniel	1. Smarter Social Security	6	46.67	280.02
Nash, Christin (New Hire)	1. Fall/Thanksgiving Flower Arrangement/Centerpiece 2. Holiday/Winter Wreath 3. Bow Making Workshop	14	40.00	560.
Schilling, Julia	1. Sewing Basics 2. Sewing With Winter Knits	45	40.00	1,800.
Simao, Michael	Adult Swim	56	40.00	2,240.
Sukonik, Nathan	1. Computer Class 2. Biking Class	32	40.00	1,280.
Yang, Xuhua (New Hire)	Chinese Calligraphy	36	40.00	1,440.
Zarate, Cindy	Volleyball	32	40.00	1,280.
Goeller, Rosa Maria	Clerical- continuing education	48	16.50	792.
Woo, Ashley	Clerical - continuing education	48	16.50	792.
Tedesco, Gloria	Clerical - continuing education	400	20.00	8,000.

**Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.3 through Item VIII.9.**

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

**Motion by: Board Member Bellsey**

**Seconded by: Board Vice President Pace**

**Discussion:** Dr. Ryan asked if any of the budget transfers have to do with the fund balance, and Mr. DeVito replied no. Mrs. Conway stated that she was happy to see that we were going to do the Space Launch program again this year.

**Approved: 5-0**

**VII.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF EXTENSION AGREEMENT FOR COACH BUS SERVICES**

<b>Approval of Extension Agreement for Coach Bus Services</b>
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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education wishes to exercise the option under the Bethpage UFSD Coach Bus Transportation Cooperative RFP to extend with Hampton Jitney for coach bus services for the period of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 20245 at an annual cost not to exceed \$47,000.

**VII.4 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF DISPOSITION OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT – TRANSPORTATION**

<b>Disposition of Obsolete Equipment - Transportation</b>
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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the disposition of three (3) Thomas CNG school buses and one (1) backhoe listed below which have become obsolete and will be sold to A. Auto Scrap & Recycling for a total of \$6000 as follows:

1. Bus #276 2005 Thomas Bus CNG VIN# 1T7YR4F2651147484 - \$1850
2. Bus #277 2005 Thomas Bus CNG CIN #1T7YR4F2851147485 - \$1850
3. Bus #279 2005 Thomas Bus CNG VIN# 1T7YR4F2151147487 - \$1850
4. Backhoe Asset ID 001799 - \$ 450

TOTAL - \$6000

**VII.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL CENTER FOR EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE EDUCATION/TIDES CENTER**

Approval of Agreement with NCESS/Tides Center

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program Agreement with the National Center for Earth and Space Science Education, dated August 20, 2024 in the amount of \$30,000.

**VII.6 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS**

Approval of Budget Transfers

TO BUDGET CODE	AMOUNT
A1310.160 – Business Admin: Non-instructional salaries	\$81,810
A1430.150 – Human Resources: Non-instructional salaries	\$92,673
A2070.150 – Inservice: Instructional Salaries	\$356,908
A2110.100 – Teaching: Teachers Salaries	\$126,328
A2110.160 – Teaching: Non-instructional salaries	\$133,102
A2250.472 – Special Ed: Tuition – Non-Public Schools	\$156,729
A2850.150 – Co-Curricular: Instructional salaries	\$95,232
A5510.16a – Transportation: Non instructional salaries (excl. Supervn Offic)	\$237,409
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,280,191</b>

Funds for these transfers will come from the following codes:

FROM BUDGET CODE	AMOUNT
A1420.400 – Legal: Contractual and Other	\$125,602
A2070.400 – Inservice: Contractual and Other	\$31,469
A2110.12b – Teaching: Teacher Salaries, 4-6	\$287,626
A2110.130 – Teaching: Teacher Salaries 7-12	\$140,895
A2110.450 – Teaching: Materials and Supplies	\$89,589
A2250.160 – Special Ed: Non-instructional salaries	\$302,116
A2259.150 – English Language Learners: Instructional Salaries	\$95,497
A2825.150 – Social Service: Instructional Salaries	\$120,635
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,280,191</b>

**VII.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION**

CPSE/CSE Recommendations

**VII.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES**

Approval of Payment of Legal Bills: Legal Services

**A) VOLZ & VIGLIOTTA, PLLC**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$7,675.00 for labor counsel legal services for the period July 1, 2024 through July 30, 2024.

**VII.9 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF USE OF SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS**

<b>Approval of Use of Schools Applications</b>
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**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 Football Club	Soccer Games	High School Alumni Field	Sundays Sept. 1 – Dec. 1, 2024 10:30am – 3:00pm
Long Beach Football Club	Soccer Practice/Training	Middle School Veterans Field	Tuesday through Friday Sept. 3 – Nov. 29, 2024 6:00pm – 9:00pm
Long Beach Football Club	Soccer Games	Middle School Soccer/Lacrosse Field	Saturdays Sept. 7 – Nov. 23, 2024 8:00am – 7:30pm

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

<b>Board of Ed – Additional Comments</b>
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- Ms. Conway asked about the college courses offered at the high school. Dr. Ostroff replied that in addition to the AP and IB courses, the district also has relationships with several colleges, such as Molloy, Nassau Community College, Syracuse University, Suffolk Community College and Farmingdale, and recently with Albany as well. Courses range from writing, to American History, Calculus, Math and Statistics, Art and Photography, among others. We also have CTE programs in automotive repair and TV and Film. Mrs. Conway added a good luck to all on the start of school next week.
- Dr. Ryan asked if we were OK in terms of staffing for the opening of school and Dr. Natali replied that yes, we are in good shape.

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

<b>Questions and Comments from the Public</b>
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- A member of the public asked if closing East was off the table and Dr. Gallagher replied that we did a presentation on that two weeks ago, still in a holding pattern, but not off the table.

**X. Announcements**

**Announcements**

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – Karen Bloom thanked Mr. DeVito for his presentation and always being transparent; welcomed and congratulated the new hires and looking forward to the start of the school year.
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – none
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – none
4. Parent/Teacher Association – none

**XI. Adjournment**

**Adjournment**

**President Pinto called for a motion to adjourn at 6:47 PM.**

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

**Minutes submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
August 27, 2024