#### **MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: July 22, 2025

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Central Administration Conference Room

Members Present: Board President Alexis Pace

Board Vice President Nora Bellsey Board Member Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.

**Board Member Sam Pinto** 

Board Member Anne Conway (arrived 3:42)

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. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. For Curriculum & Instruction

Absent: Mr. Tom Volz, Atty.

Board President Pace called for a motion to go into executive session at 3:33 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session

Motion by: Board President Pace

Seconded by: Board Vice President Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

Board President Pace called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 5:27 PM.

Adjournment

Motion by: Board President Pace

Seconded by: Board Vice President Bellsey

Approved: 5-0

## **MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: July 22, 2025

Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place of Meeting: Long Beach High School Auditorium

Members Present: Board President Alexis Pace

Board Vice President Nora Bellsey Board Member Dennis Ryan, Ph.D. Board Member Anne Conway

Absent: Board Member Sam Pinto

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration

Mr. Michael DeVito, Asst. Supt. Finance and Operations Dr. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction

Susannah Familetti, District Clerk

Members of the Public

Absent: Mr.Tom Volz, Attorney

## I. Pledge of Allegiance / Call to Order / Opening Remarks - Board President

Board President Pace called the meeting to order at 5:39 pm and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Ms. Pace turned the meeting over to Jill Sander of Cullen and Danowski, LLP, via Zoom meet.

#### II. Audit Committee

• Report of Internal Auditor: Jill Sander of Cullen and Danowski, LLP presented the External Audit of Financial Statements for the year ending June 30, 2025. Ms. Sanders stated the objectives are the same as last year. The single audit will still be applicable for the school district because the district is aggressive in a good way and trying to secure whatever funding they can for an intermediate type of program that they are eligible to receive funding for. The auditors determine where the risk is with respect to the financial statement audit by reviewing the internal controls. Other audit work done against the budget is to see whether or not its trending with respect to the revenue and expenditure. The assessment looks at payroll, expenditures, purchasing, revenue recognition, capital project and any federal and state grant funding. Ms. Conway asked if the agency will help guide the District's Business office with all the changes coming after June 2026.

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- Ms. Sanders replied yes, they have started to have conversations about one of the changes coming up. Dr. Gallagher thanked Ms. Sanders for her time.
- Report of External Auditor: Dr. Gallagher introduced Shari Diamon of Cerini and Associates. Ms. Diamond stated the role of the internal auditors is a little different, they focus deeper on internal controls. They focus on the financial aspects of the health of the district and compliance with rules and regulations as well as operating efficiencies. They do a deep dive into the focused area of review, a risk assessment, follow up on any test they perform and then a focused area review. A five-year proposed test plan is developed and then follow up on any open recommendations. Ms. Diamond explained the risk assessment report and the extra classroom activity fund report. Ms. Diamond introduced her colleague Erin who spoke about what they are doing this year. They are doing another risk assessment on contractual payroll and circle back with benefits and the extra classroom fund. Ms. Pace asked if she meant financial responsibilities or liabilities or both. Erin replied both. One of the suggested areas of internal audit focus is going to be facilities usage and any other areas that Board of Education would like them to focus on.

III. Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent's Report

• **Bond Update**: Mr. DeVito spoke about the High School – one of the specifics of the upcoming bond proposal. The subtotal for the High School is about \$40 million which is about half of what they are proposing in terms of overall district-wide large scale capital plan. The building aide is still 42.4%. New spaces, renewed and enhanced programs are being proposed at the high school. Some student spaces will be reconstructed as well as upgrades to athletic facilities and some necessary building maintenance. Mr. DeVito discussed in detail the classroom spaces that would be new construction or interior alterations. There is a new entryway featured on the proposal.

## IV. Board President Pace called for Board of Education Comments

**BOE Comments** 

- Dr. Ryan asked about the decline in enrollment in relation to upgrading student and classroom spaces. Mr. DeVito replied that the district is still running the same number of Classes, but instead of having 23, there may be a class bank of 22. The decline in enrollment could be adding up one or two fewer students across the board. Dr. Gallagher stated high school enrollment has not declined as much as elementary schools because Long Beach is exclusive to Island Park high school students.
- Ms. Bellsey thanked Mr. Devito for the presentation and said its very exciting to see what is planned for the High School. The cafeteria looks fantastic, and she is excited to see what the new entrance looks like.
- Ms. Conway asked Mr. DeVito how he plans to get this information out to the community to see. Mr. DeVito replied that the night's presentation is the first step in reminding everyone why the timing is so important because the debt service in the prior bond issues are falling off and next year will be the last payment of the first bond issue 15 years ago. The new plans will have no tax impact on the community. He will continue talking about the bond proposal in the August, September and October meetings.
- Ms. Pace asked if the building aid ratio is a constant or is it subject to change over time?
   Mr. DeVIto answered that it has been 42.4% since the district had the last big bond issue.

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He said he would look into seeing if there is any risk of the ratio changing. Ms. Pace asked if the ratio does change, does that change the district's approach. Mr. DeVito replied that possible because the building aid ratio is used to calculate the net impact.

- The building aid that comes in every year the cost down and it may vary year to year. The whole idea of having building aid is to have the building aid line up with the debt service. Ms. Pace said she thinks the most exciting part of the bond is that with graduation requirements changing there is some growth in alternate spaces and more options for the students. She would ike the community to understand that there is a correlation between graduation requirements changing and the district growing and expanding.
- Dr. Ryan asked how reliable the figures in correlation with such things as tariff's changing
  the cost. Mr. DeVito replied that embedded in the figures are cost escalation factors. Dr.
  Rayn asked about interest rates. Mr. DeVito replied the interest rates now are where they
  were about 15 years ago, and the district is working with a financial advisor that helps
  with the financing and the bonding.
- Ms. Pace told the community that Mr.. Pinto was unable to attend the meeting; he had a prior engagement.
- V. Student Organization Announcements

**Student Organization Announcements** 

None

- VI. Questions and Comments from the Public on Tonight's Agenda Items Only
  - None

Questions and Comments from the Public on Agenda Items Only

VII. Approval of Minutes for Executive Session and Regular Meeting of May 13, 2025 and Regular Meeting of May 20, 2025.

Board President Pace called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Dr. Ryan

Seconded by: Board Vice President Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

Approval of Minutes for Exec Session and Regular meeting of May 13, 2025 and Regular meeting of May 20,, 2025

## VII. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

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

Board President Pace called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Dr. Ryan
Seconded by: Board Member Conway

Approved: 4-0

Presentations of the Superintendent Approval of: Personnel Matters:

Certificated

#### 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) Resignation

Name: India Garone

Assign./Loc. Full Time Special Education Teacher Assistant/Lido School

Effective Date: August 15, 2025 close of day

## (b) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: D. Eugenia Altmann

Assign./Loc. Part Time Pre-K Teacher Assistant/Lido School

Effective Date: June 30, 2025 close of day

## (c) Leaves of Absence

Name: Kerry Sinatra

Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/LBHS

Effective Date: September 25, 2025 – November 13, 2025, on or about at

the district's discretion

Reason: FMLA/Maternity

Name: Kristin Higgins

Assign./Loc. School Psychologist/East School Effective Dates: September 5, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Reason: Childcare Leave

## (d) Appointment: Assistant Director, Special Education

Name: Kimberley Liguori

Assign./Loc: Assistant Director, Special Education
Certification: School District Administrator - Permanent

Special Education - Permanent

Effective Dates: September 1, 2025 - August 31, 2028

Tenure Date: September 1, 2028

Tenure Area: Assistant Director, Special Education

Salary Classification: \$ 195,000 per annum

Reason: To meet a district need

## (e) Appointment: Regular Substitute School Psychologist

Name: David Fikhman

Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute School Psychologist/East School

Certification: Provisional School Psychologist

Effective Dates: September 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 (or earlier at the district's

discretion)

Tenure Area: School Psychologist

Salary Classification: MA+40/Step 3 (\$85,993 per annum)

Reason: To fill a leave

## (f) Appointment: Short Term Substitute Art Teacher

Name: Jaclyn Javakian

Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Art Teacher/LBHS

Certification: Initial Art

Effective Dates: September 2, 2025 -November 21, 2025, on or about

Tenure Area: Visual Arts

Salary Classification \$250.76 days 1-20

\$341.03 days 21+

Reason: To fill a leave

## (g) Appointment: Probationary Special Education Teacher

Name: Thomas Morris

Assign./Loc: Probationary Special Education Teacher /LBHS Certification: Students w Disabilities(all grades)-Professional,

Social Studies 7-12 pending

Effective Dates: September 1, 2025
Tenure Area: Students with Disabilities

Salary Classification: MA+30/Step 2 (\$81,718 per annum)

Reason: To fill a vacancy

## (h) Appointment: Advisors for LBHS Co-Curricular Activities 2025-2026 School Year

National Honor Society	Geoffrey Noss	\$3,405
	Jeanne O'Shea-Saroka	split

# (i) The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2025-2026 school year. \$150 per day

NAME	CERTIFICATION
James Fiola Jr.	Math 7-12
Sophia Reichert	Birth – Gr 2 Initial, Childhood Ed 1-6 Initial
Taylor Porcelli	Childhood Ed 1-6 Initial pending, SWD-All grades- Initial
	pending

(j) The following Per Diem Substitute Teaching Assistant is recommended for approval for the 2025-2026 school year.

NAME	CERTIFICATION
D. Eugenia Altmann	Teaching Assistant

## (k) Appointment: Summer 2025 Curriculum Writer-Rate of Pay \$44.25 per hour-Grant Funded

Course/Goal	# hrs total	Teachers
Grade 3 Reading	20	Erica Yoo
Grade 3 Writing	40	Erica Yoo, Danielle Lopez, Jackie Nyman
Grade 4 Writing	40	Tori Stanishia Ferrara
Wellness Curriculum	40	Kristen Ford, Kirstyn Pappas

(I) Appointment: Extended School Year Program Summer 2025-Rate of Pay: \$66.63 per hour

Sue Simmons	Substitute Speech Teacher
Stacey Goodwin	Substitute Reading Teacher
Laura Borawski	Substitute Teacher

- I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL
- (m) Amendment: The following personnel are recommended to be employed in the New York State Education Department's funded Adult Education Programs and GED Program dependent upon funding, funding requirements, and satisfactory performance for the 2025-2026 school year

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL**

Name	Pay code	Rate per hour	Max hours	Total
Karen Soto	1-4	32.91	1,200	39,492

(n) The Rate of pay in the New York State Education Department's funded Adult Education Programs and GED Program dependent upon funding, funding requirements, and satisfactory performance for the 2025-2026 school year

Pay code	Rate per hour		
Substitute	24.31		

(o) Appointment: Extended School Year Program Summer 2025-Teacher Assistants-Rate of Pay-according to group C contract

Diana Barksdale

(p) Appointment: Staff members to perform evaluations and attend meetings for summer 2025 as needed-Rate of Pay-according to contract-total maximum program hours 150

Gabriella Febrizio Danielle Callahan

(q) Appointment Part Time Teacher Assistants 17.5 hours per week for School Year 2025-2026 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract.

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason
Arkow, Jamie	25	\$29.73	LBMS	CSE
Canner, Claudia	25	\$29.73	Lindell	ENL
Castellani, Patricia	8	\$25.45	LBMS	CSE
Cornell, Lisa	13	\$29.73	LBMS	CSE
Cregan, Karolyn	18	\$29.73	LBMS	CSE
Goldenberg, Nina	13	\$29.73	LBMS	CSE
Green, Shakeina	15	\$29.73	LBMS	CSE
Gruber, Betty	23	\$29.73	East/West	ENL
Guandique, Aracely	28	\$29.73	LBHS	ENL
Impagliazzo, Jenette	12	\$28.86	LBMS	General Ed
Leonard, Terrance	2	\$20.28	LBMS	CSE
Oliva-Kong, Mary	8	\$25.45	LBMS	ENL
Ramnarine, Kurt	7	\$24.57	LBMS	CSE
Schare, Sharon	10	\$27.17	LBMS	CSE
Umanzor, Ana	11	\$28.03	Lido	ENL
Wisey, Liz	30	\$29.73	LBHS	ENL
Wren, Linda	30	\$29.73	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK

Appointment Part Time Teacher Assistants 17.5 hours per week for School Year 2025-2026 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract-(cont'd)

Korotz, Susan	16	\$29.73	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK
Franceschini, Theresa	27	\$29.73	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK
Colberg, Emma	2	\$20.28	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK
McGovern, Claire	19	\$29.73	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK
Capozzi, Jill	10	\$27.17	Lindell	Gen Ed PreK
Hiraldo, Jennifer	3	\$21.16	Lindell	General Ed
Canner, Claudia	25	\$29.73	Lindell	General Ed
Press, Cindy	10	\$27.17	Lindell	General Ed
Parker, Lisa	10	\$27.17	Lindell	General Ed
Farina, Nina	11	\$28.03	Lindell	General Ed
Long, Margaret	4	\$22.00	Lindell	General Ed
Cherniak, Stephanie	25	\$29.73	Lindell	SC Program
Mazariegos, Lizzie	16	\$29.73	Lindell	SC Program
Doyle, Noreen	9	\$26.28	Lindell	SC Program
Gillam, Franca	14	\$29.73	Lindell	SC Program
Miller-Gottesman, Patricia	10	\$27.17	Lindell	SC Program
Toscano, Mary Ellen	8	\$25.45	Lindell	SC Program
Mauceri, Mary	30	\$29.73	Lindell	SC Program
Canner, Claudia	25	\$29.73	Lindell	General Ed

(r) WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has been requested to bring the personnel records of tenured and non-tenured administrative staff to a meeting of the Board of Education for review in executive session pursuant to Part 84 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined that the information contained in said personnel file(s) will aid in fulfilling its legal responsibilities in making decisions in employee personnel matters; it is

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education shall meet in December 9, 2025 executive sessions to review the personnel files of non-tenured administrative staff and tenured administrative staff, after which said files shall be returned to the custody of the Superintendent of Schools.

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Schools has been requested to bring the personnel records of non-tenured teachers and full-time teacher assistants to a meeting of the Board of Education for review in executive session pursuant to Part 84 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the information contained in said personnel file(s) will aid in fulfilling its legal responsibilities in making decisions in employee personnel matters; it is

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education shall meet on the January 27, 2026 executive sessions to review the personnel files of non-tenured teachers and full-time teacher assistants, after which said files shall be returned to the custody of the Superintendent of Schools.

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has been requested to bring the personnel records of unaffiliated staff to a meeting of the Board of Education for review in executive session pursuant to Part 84 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the information contained in said personnel file(s) will aid in fulfilling its legal responsibilities in making decisions in employee personnel matters; it is

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education shall meet in the May 26, 2026 executive sessions to review the personnel files of the unaffiliated staff, after which said files shall be returned to the custody of the Superintendent of Schools.

## (s) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE ASPPG

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Long Beach Public Schools and the Administrative, Supervisory and Pupil Personnel Group, dated July 22, 2025

(t) 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 August 19, 2025, which appointments shall be subject to review and approval of the Board of Education on August 19, 2025.

### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE LBCTA

(u) 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 Classroom Teachers Association, dated July 22, 2025

# VIII.2 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel

Matters: Non-Certificated

Board President Pace called for a motion.

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

Approved: 4-0

Presentations of the Superintendent Approval of: Personnel Matters: Non-

Certificated

### (a) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: Adalgiza Rosales

Assign./Loc: 40 Hour Bus Driver/Transportation Effective Date: June 30, 2026, close of day

## (b) Rescind

Appointment: Extended School Year Program Summer 2025-Teacher Aide-Rate of Pay according to group C contract

Diana Barksdale

## (c) Appointment: Lead School Nurse

Name: Mary Beth Thurston

Assign./Loc: Lead School Nurse/Districtwide

Effective Dates: September 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 (or earlier at the district's

discretion)

Stipend: \$10,224.59 per annum
Comment: Annual re-appointment

## (d) Appointment: Probationary Library Clerk (10 months)

Name: Julie Lefing

Assign./Loc.: Library Clerk/LBHS
Effective Date: September 1, 2025
Probationary End Date: August 31, 2026
Salary Classification \$34,659 per annum

Grade 11/Step 5

Reason: Promulgation of Civil Service eligibility list

## (e) Appointment: Probationary Cleaner

Name: Frank Mangone
Assign./Loc.: Cleaner/Lindell
Probationary Start Date: September 1, 2025
Probationary End Date: August 31, 2029
Salary Classification: \$42,519 per annum

Grade 1/Step 3

Reason: To fill a vacancy

## (f) Appointment: Provisional Data Specialist

Name: Nicole Faas

Assign./Loc. Provisional Data Specialist (10 months)/LBMS

Effective Date: September 1, 2025

Salary Classification: \$39,733 per annum, prorated

Grade/Step: Grade II/Step 9
Reason: To fill a vacancy

## (g) Appointment Part Time Lunch Aide

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Start Date
Eva Figueroa	1	\$18.20	West	9/1/25

# (h) Appointment Part Time Teacher Aides 17.5 hours per week for School Year 2025-2026 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract-subject to negotiations

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason
Albright, Ruth	9	\$25.11	LBMS	CSE
Alvarez, Jeffrey	7	\$23.33	LBMS	CSE
Boyle, Darylanne	7	\$23.33	LBMS	CSE
Closter, Lori	9	\$25.11	LBMS	CSE
Haggerty, Fallon	5	\$21.62	LBMS	CSE
Imossi, Rita	9	\$25.11	LBMS	CSE
Mirza, Mohsin	8	\$24.20	LBMS	CSE
Reid, Greg	7	\$23.33	LBMS	CSE
Salerno, Steven	3	\$19.92	LBMS	CSE
Sandmeirer, Brian	7	\$23.33	LBMS	CSE
Teemer, Jaysha	8	\$24.20	LBMS	CSE
Salerno, Luca	4	\$20.78	Lindell	CSE / Gen Ed
Gonsalves, David	3	\$19.92	Lindell	CSE / Gen Ed
Fairless, Kettybella	7	\$23.33	Lindell	504
Wondsel, Sarah	6	\$22.53	Lindell	504
Esslinger, Trisha	2	\$19.05	Lindell	CSE/ 504
Harris, Rita	2	\$19.05	Lindell	CSE/ 504
Gugliotta, Emily	9	\$25.11	Lindell	CSE
Gibson, Jannis	11	\$26.83	Lindell	CSE
Romig, Sara	6	\$22.53	Lindell	CSE
Lundwall, Gehrig	2	\$19.05	Lindell	CSE

Benvenuto, Mason	1	\$18.20	LBHS	CSE
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# (i) The following Per Diem Substitutes are recommended for approval for the 2025-2026 school year

Barbara O'Brien (R) Clerical Jamaal Williams Cleaner

## (j) Completion of Probationary Appointments

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

Name: Melissa Frank

Assign./Loc.: Senior Personnel Clerk/Central Administration

Effective Date: July 14, 2025

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VIII.3-8 Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.3 through Item VIII.8.

Board President Pace called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Dr. Ryan Seconded by: Board Vice President Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

3. APPROVAL OF POLICY #7316 USE OF INTERNET-ENABLED DEVICES DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

Approval of Policy # 7316

Dr. Gallagher noted that Policy # 7316 Is on the Agenda for Approval and waiving the first two readings. The State is allocating funding for to districts to help implement the new Policy. In order to be eligible for the funding, the policy has to be approved by August 1, 2025.

# Approval to Participate in Piggyback Agreements

#### 4. APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE IN PIGGYBACK AGREEMENTS

#### A) FLORAL PARK - BELLEROSE SCHOOLS - AN EXCELSIOR ELEVATOR CORP.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District of New York State (the "School District") is authorized to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, and contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(16); and

WHEREAS, the Floral Park – Bellerose Union Free School District, by Board of Education resolution adopted on April 10, 2025, awarded to An Excelsior Elevator Corp., a contract for elevator monthly maintenance and repairs, which has been extended by its terms to other governmental entities and political subdivisions in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103(16), the term of which runs through June 30, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the District seeks to piggyback off of the Floral Park – Bellerose Union Free School District's contract with An Excelsior Elevator Corp. for elevator monthly maintenance and repairs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Education hereby approves the use of the Contract for elevator maintenance and repairs between An Excelsior Elevator and the Floral Park-Bellerose Union Free School District for the amounts set forth in the Bid Response Sheet for elevator maintenance and repairs.

### B) HEWLETT-WOODMERE SCHOOLS – JC BRODERICK

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District ("District") is authorized to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, and contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(16); and

WHEREAS, the Hewlett-Woodmere Union Free School District, by Board of Education resolution adopted on October 16, 2024, awarded to J.C. Broderick & Associates, Inc., a Contract for Environmental Services, which has been extended by its terms to other governmental entities and political subdivisions in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103(16), the term of which runs through October 16, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the District seeks to piggyback off the Hewlett-Woodmere Union Free School District's contract with J.C. Broderick & Associates, Inc., for environmental consultant services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Education hereby approves the use of the Contract for Environmental Services between J.C. Broderick & Associates, Inc., and the Hewlett-Woodmere Union Free School District for the amounts set forth in the Cost Summary Sheet for the purpose of environmental consultant services.

#### C) NORTHPORT – EAST NORTHPORT UFSD – NESCO BUS MAINTENANCE, INC.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School Is authorized to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, and contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(16); and

WHEREAS, the Northport – East Northport Union Free School District, by Board of Education resolution adopted on March 16, 2024, awarded to NESCO Bus Maintenance, Inc., a contract for Automotive Parts

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& Supplies, Bid No. 23-115, which has been extended by its terms to other governmental entities and political subdivisions in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103(16), the term of which runs through June 30, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the District seeks to piggyback off of the Northport – East Northport Union Free School District contract with NESCO Bus Maintenance inc., for the purchase of automotive parts and supplies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves the use of the Contract for Automotive Parts & Supplies between NESCO Bus Maintenance, Inc., and the Northport – East Northport Union Free School District for the amounts set forth in the Bid Response Sheet for the purpose of purchasing automotive parts and supplies.

## 5. APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE

Approval of Emergency Expenditure

**WHEREAS**, on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, routine maintenance discovered a refrigerant leak in rooftop unit at the Administration Building which was causing the Business Office to overheat requiring an emergency rental of mobile air conditioning units;

**WHEREAS,** the District needed, on an emergency basis, to have emergency Air Conditioning units to remedy the above referenced condition and United Rentals Corp. was engaged to provide the units; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 103(4), the ability to obtain the air conditioning units as referred to above in a timely manner was essential to protect the life, health and safety of Administrative staff and others present in the affected District building and constitutes such immediate action which could not await competitive bidding or competitive offering; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby declares the timely and immediate procurement of A/C rental units for the Long Beach Administrative Building as referred above to be essential to protect the life, health and safety of Administrative staff to constitute action which could not await competitive bidding or competitive offering, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(4); and hereby authorizes the engagement of United Rentals Corp. as referred to above for a sum of \$5,000 without competitive bidding or competitive offering.

## 6. APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL FOR CONSTRUCTION MATTERS

Approval of Legal Counsel for Construction Matters

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District ("District") recognizes the need for legal counsel to advise and represent the District in connection with legal advice, consultation, negotiations, litigation and representation concerning any and all construction related matters and corporate matters including, but not limited to, reviewing Requests for Proposals; General Contractor Agreements; AIA documents, procurement process and procedures and negotiating with any and all vendors providing construction related services to the Client and reviewing, preparing and advising on any inter-municipal agreements, memorandums of understanding and corporate documents relating to the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the law firm of Harris Beach Murtha Cullina PLLC ("the Firm") possesses expertise in public construction law and is duly qualified to provide such legal services;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School district hereby appoints the Firm with offices located at 333 Earle Ovington Blvd., Suite 901, Uniondale, New York, 11553, to serve as legal counsel to the District for construction-related matters, effective July 1, 2025

through June 30, 2026, at a rate of \$215/hour, subject to the terms and conditions of a written agreement to be executed between the District and the Firm.

#### 7. APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFERS

**Approval of Budget Transfers** 

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves budget transfers totaling \$93,156.14 from A9060-800-00-0000 Benefits: Health Insurance to

A1620-402-00-0000 Operations: Heating/Natural Gas.

8. WALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Approval of Wall of Fame Nominations

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Wall of Fame Committee, the Board of Education accepts the following nominations for the 2025 Wall of Fame

2005 NYS Championship Hockey Team Stefan Chernaski Jeff Kupferman Estee Pinchasin

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

Approval of Recommendations from the

Approval of Recommendations from the Committee on Pre-School Special Education And Committee on Special Education

10. PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES

A) VOLZ & VIGLIOTTA, PLLC

Approval of Payment of Legal Bills

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$5,083.33 to Volz & Vigliotta for the monthly retainer for general counsel legal services for the period of July 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025; \$3,666.67 for the monthly retainer for labor counsel services for the period of July 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025.

Approval of Use of Schools Applications

## 11. 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 and/or rescheduled based on building schedule.

### APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOLS

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Facility Requested</u>	<u>Dates Requested</u>
Flight Cheer / Bulldogs Cheer	Cheer Competition	Long Beach High School Cafeteria	Sunday November 9, 2025 6:00 am - 9:30 pm
Flight Cheer / Bulldogs Cheer	Cheer Competition	Long Beach High School Lower Commons	Sunday November 9, 2025 6:00 am - 9:30 pm
Flight Cheer / Bulldogs Cheer	Cheer Competition	Long Beach High School Upper Commons	Sunday November 9, 2025 6:00 am - 9:30 pm
Flight Cheer / Bulldogs Cheer	Cheer Competition	Long Beach High School Girls Locker Room	Sunday November 9, 2025 6:00 am - 9:30 pm
Flight Cheer / Bulldogs Cheer	Cheer Competition	Long Beach High School Gym	Sunday November 9, 2025 6:00 am - 9:30 pm

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

Board of Ed – Additional Comments, New/Old Business

- Dr. Ryan congratulated Ms. Liguori and thanked her for her service in her previous role and look forward to her service in her new role.
- Ms. Bellsey told Ms. Liguori that she is very excited for her to have this new position, and she is sure she will shine.
- Ms. Pace told Ms. Liguori she thinks she is a plethora of wonderful knowledge, and she thinks she is going to move the program exactly where it needs to be.
- Dr. Gallagher congratulated Ms. Ligouri and introduced Thomas Morris, a new special education teacher and Julie Lefing the new High School Library Clerk.
- Ms. Conway said Thank you for the Summer School walkthroughs.

## X. Questions and Comments from the Public

- Christian Haag spoke on behalf of a coach of his children when they attended school. He said a firing was a little harsh and a reprimand should have been in order. He said the parental pressure on high school athletics across Long Island has increased tremendously. He hopes the coach will be given another chance.
- William Callahan spoke about his two daughters who both played for the coach. He spoke in favor of the coach.
- James McLaughlin both daughters played for the coach. He felt a decision was made during an emotional time. HE spoke to the other coaches in the district, and they all said they feel they are a phone call away from an angry parent of losing their job.
- Keely Callahan was in Long Beach Catholic School for middle school and was
  fortunate enough to play for the coach for all four years. She feels the wrong
  example is being set for the next coach to come here.

### XI. Announcements

**Announcements** 

- LBCTA Karen Bloom congratulated Mrs. Liquori on her new role and welcomed the new hires. LBCTA is very excited to hear about the new plans for the High School.
- 2. ASPPG None
- 3. LBSEA None
- 4. PTA None

Dr. Ryan made a motion at 6:41pm to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues and or pending or proposed legal matters.

Motion by: Board Member Ryan Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

At 7:35 pm the Board returned from executive session and re-opened the regular meeting.

## XII. Adjournment

Board President Pace called for a motion to adjourn at: 7:36 PM.

Adjournment

Motion by: Board President Pace Seconded by: Vice President Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

Minutes submitted by:

Susannah Familetti, District Clerk

July 22, 2025