## MINUTES OF BABYLON SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

**DATE OF MEETING:** 

November 13, 2007

PLACE:

Babylon Elementary School, 171 Ralph Avenue, Babylon, NY

Members Present

Mr. Darrell J. Conway, President Mrs. Judy Anderson, Vice President

Mr. Henry Brunjes Mr. Roger A. Katz Mr. Thomas Melito Mrs. Catherine Vukovich

Members Absent

Mrs. AnneMarie Martino

<u>District Superintendent</u> Dr. Ellen Best-Laimit

Central Office Administration

Mr. Peter Daly, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Mr. Daniel D'Amico, Administrator for Curriculum and Instruction

<u>District Clerk</u> Linda Pesce

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. Darrell Conway, President. At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss teacher negotiations, a particular personnel matter and advice from counsel was made by Mrs. Martino, seconded by Mr. Melito and unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m. on motion by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Melito, the Board agreed to conclude Executive Session and enter into public session whereupon President Darrell Conway led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Martino was present for executive session and excused herself from the remainder of the meeting.

**MINUTES** 

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 15, 2007, Special Meeting of October 24 2007, Work/Study Meeting of October 29, 2007 and Special Meeting of November 1, 2007 was approved on motion by Mr. Brunjes and seconded by Mr. Katz. (6-0)

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's and Business Office Financial Reports and Extra Curricular Fund Report for October 2007 was approved on motion by Mrs. Anderson and seconded by Mrs. Vukovich. (6-0)

STUDENT DELEGATE REPORT

As there was no student delegate report, the Board moved on to the next item.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board of Education recognized AP Scholar, William Vukovich. Students in the Babylon Elementary School Reading Recovery Program read to the Board of Education and Community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Melito, audit committee chair, reported that the audit committee will be meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> with the independent auditor. Mr. Katz, technology committee chair, reported that the technology committee will be meeting to discuss the goal of refurbishing district technology. Mrs. Vukovich, policy committee chair, reported that the Board will conduct a first and second reading of policies as listed on the agenda. The policy committee will be meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

FIRST READING POLICIES 0115 AND 0115R 1. FIRST READING POLICIES 0115-HARASSMENT, HAZING & BULLYING, 0115R-HARASSMENT, HAZING & BULLYING REGULATION. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education waive the formal first reading of Policies 0115 and 0115R, as attached.

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mrs. Vukovich the Board of Education waived the formal first reading of policies 0115 and 0115R.

**SECOND READING POLICIES 1141, 4526,4526R, 5421** 

2. SECOND READING POLICIES 1141-DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS BY OR TO STUDENTS, 4526-COMPUTER NETWORK USE, 4526R-COMPUTER NETWORK USE REGULATION, 5421-WELLNESS POLICY: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education waive the formal second reading of Policies 1141, 4526, 4526R and 5421, as attached.

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mrs. Vukovich the Board of Education waived the formal second reading of policies 1141, 4526, 4526R and 5421.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS The Board of Education addressed questions from visitors on agenda items.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES 1141-DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS BY OR TO STUDENTS, 4526-COMPUTER NETWORK USE, 4526R-COMPUTER NETWORK USE REGULATION, 5421-WELLNESS POLICY 1. ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES 1141-DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS BY OR TO STUDENTS, 4526-COMPUTER NETWORK USE, 4526R-COMPUTER NETWORK USE REGULATION, 5421-WELLNESS POLICY: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve and adopt 1141-Distribution of materials by or to students, 4526-Computer Network Use, 4526R-Computer Network Use Regulation, 5421-Wellness Policy, as attached.

On motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, Resolution 1 was unanimously APPROVED. (6-0)

**OMNIBUS MOTION** 

On motion by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Melito, an omnibus motion to move ITEMS 2-18 was approved. (6-0)

On omnibus motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Brunjes an omnibus motion to move resolutions 2-18 was approved. (6-0)

APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT AUDIT

2. **APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT AUDIT: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education accept and approve the independent audit of the Babylon Union Free School District as prepared by the independent auditing firm of Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Danowski for the 2006-2007 school year.

APPOINTMENT INTERNAL AUDITOR

3. **APPOINTMENT INTERNAL AUDITOR: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education appoint Cerini & Associates, LLP as the district's internal auditor for the 2007-2008 school year.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

4. **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the Babylon Cafeteria Association and Babylon Union Free School District to amend the recognition clause and salary schedule, as attached.

RESIGNATION

5. **RESIGNATION: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Michael Vergano, social studies teacher, effective November 6, 2007, with regret and best wishes.

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER 6. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education make an Emergency Conditional Appointment for Elizabeth Quinn as a probationary social studies teacher 7-12, assigned to the Babylon Junior-Senior High School, effective November 26, 2007. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the BA+15 column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

7. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: RESOLVED,** that the request from Jaime Harrison, special education teacher assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, for an unpaid childcare leave of absence commencing January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008, be approved.

LEAVE REPLACEMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

8. **LEAVE REPLACEMENT SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Katy-Ann Clarke as a leave replacement special education teacher, assigned to the Babylon Elementary School, replacing a staff member who is on an unpaid leave of absence, be approved effective December 21, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Compensation for this assignment to be Step 1 of the BA column of the 2007-2008 teachers' salary schedule.

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

9. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education appoint the following teachers as mentors from September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 pursuant to the agreement between the Board of Education and Babylon Teachers' Association dated January 5, 2005. Compensation for these positions to be as specified in the agreement.

Mentor Cathy Zelli Kathy Reynolds Eileen Ratto Barbara Small New Teacher
Andrew Marulis
Katy-Ann Clarke
Shannon Romanchuk
Katina Pugsley

CASUAL APPOINTMENTS

10. **CASUAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education approve the following casual appointments for the 2007-2008 school year. Compensation for these positions to be in accordance with the Babylon Teachers' Association Contract.

## **Coaching Appointments**

Varsity Boys Basketball Steve Edmonds Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Chris Morra JH Boys Basketball JH-B Robert Andrews Freshman Boys Basketball **Drew Peters** Varsity Girls Basketball Chris Ryan Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Tim Harrison JH Girls Basketball (8<sup>th</sup> Grade) Meredith Carlock JH Girls Basketball (7<sup>th</sup> Grade) Shannon Farley Varsity Bowling Rick Punzone JH Girls Volleyball (7<sup>th</sup> Grade) Vincent DiCanio JH Girls Volleyball (8<sup>th</sup> Grade) Hans Wiederkehr Varsity Boys Winter Track Mike DeJoseph Varsity Girls Winter Track Craig Washington Varsity Wrestling Ken Brodmerkel Junior Varsity Wrestling Patrick Luba JH Wrestling Joe Fragapane JH Wrestling Mike Russo Cheerleading Meredith Carlock Athletic Trainer Martina Luce

APPOINTMENT PART-TIME FOOD SERVICE WORKER 11. **APPOINTMENT PART-TIME FOOD SERVICE WORKER: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Barbara Genovas as a part-time food service worker effective October 16, 2007. Compensation to be in accordance with the Cafeteria Association Agreement.

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER 12. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT SUBSTITUTE FOOD SERVICE WORKER: RESOLVED,** that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education make an Emergency Conditional Appointment for Haritha Chintarlapalli as a substitute food service worker effective November 14, 2007. Compensation for this assignment to be at the substitute food service worker hourly rate of pay.

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT SUBSTITUTES 13. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT SUBSTITUTES: RESOLVED,** that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education make Emergency Conditional Appointments for the following personnel as non-permanent teaching substitutes effective November 14, 2007. Compensation for these assignments to be at the substitute per diem rate.

Brendan Ferry Michael Privitera

EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS 14. **EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS: RESOLVED,** that pursuant to the amended fingerprinting requirements of the SAVE legislation, (Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000) that the Board of Education extend the Emergency Conditional Appointments for the following staff:

Gina Vanno Gerald Egan Lauren Shanks Lisa Marie Brunjes Lisa Bray Georgia Altbacker Margaret McEnroe

APPOINTMENT CHAIRPERSON FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION 15. **APPOINTMENT CHAIRPERSON FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education appoint Lisa Carelli-Lang as chairperson for the Committee for Special Education and Committee for Pre-School Special Education.

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANTS

16. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONSULTANTS: RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education approve the appointments of Kerri Stark and Chris Romanger as special education consultants. Compensation for these assignments to be at the home programming rate of pay.

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS

17. **SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS: RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education approve services to be provided by the following contractors: ACLD, South Shore Center, Just Kids Learning Center.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION 18. COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION: RESOLVED, that the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education for cases, as attached hereto, be accepted.

**OTHER BUSINESS** 

The Board of Education reviewed the draft calendar for the 2008-2009 school year.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANIZATIONS

As there was no report from representatives of organizations, the Board moved on to the next item.

QUESTIONS FROM VISITORS

The Board of Education listened to concerns and answered questions regarding evening parent-teacher conferences in grades K-6.

FUTURE BOARD MEETING A Work/Study meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Monday, November 26, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Babylon Junior-Senior High School library.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

At 8:30 p.m. there being no other items for discussion, a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing contractual matters and a particular personnel matter was made by Mr. Brunjes, seconded by Mrs. Anderson and unanimously approved.

At 9:15 p.m. a motion to adjourn executive session was made by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Melito, and unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

LINDA PESCE DISTRICT CLERK