

# LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

## MINUTES OF THE WORKING MEETING/PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

The Board of Education of the Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County, met in executive session at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Ethel Jacobsen School, 200 Barnegat Avenue, Surf City, New Jersey on May 6, 2014 to discuss matters of Negotiations, Attorney-Client Privilege, Student Issues, and Personnel. All members were notified in writing of the meeting date. In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the Long Beach Island Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting by having the date, time and place thereof posted in *The Press of Atlantic City*.

The regular meeting was called to order by the Board President Mrs. Wasilewski at 7:05 pm.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
Terry Deakayne	representing	Harvey Cedars
Steve Evert	representing	Long Beach Township
Georgene Hartmann	representing	Long Beach Township
Allyn Kain	representing	Surf City
Bonnie Picaro	representing	Long Beach Township
Kristy Raber	representing	Surf City
Colette Southwick	representing	Long Beach Township
Marilyn Wasilewski	representing	Barnegat Light

Also present:

Karen T. McKeon, Superintendent

Dennis McKeever, Esq.

Steven Moran, Business Administrator

## CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter of from Governor Christie was read by our Board president, Marilyn Wasilewski.

A letter from Mrs. Laura Dunlap thanking the Board for its support of the ROV (Remotely Operated underwater Vehicle) Club was acknowledged.

Superintendent, Karen McKeon publically recognized 3<sup>rd</sup> marking period Honor Roll students as well as the "Celebrate New Jersey" essay and the Ocean County poster contest winners.

## BOARD RESOLUTIONS:

### FINANCE:

A motion was made by Georgene Hartmann, seconded by Jen Bott, to approve the bills list for April 2014 in the amount of \$399,498.11. Ms. Kain voted no on the following payments: Allied Interior Supply, Comcast Cable, Core Mechanical, Fyr-Fyter Service, Home Depot, Mellon, Stanley Steamer & Walt McCollum Plumbing. Ms. Kain abstained from voting on a payment to Thomas Murphy. Mrs. Southwick

abstained from voting on Potts Excavating. Mrs. Raber voted no on Core Mechanical, Fyr-Fyter Service, and Mellon Restoration. Mrs. Wasilewski voted no the payment to Mellon Restoration. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

A motion was made by Georgene Hartmann, seconded by Jen Bott, to establish a Capital Projects account with OceanFirst bank for the funding of the district's ROD grant projects. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

School Business Administrator, Mr. Steven Moran presented the 2014/15 Budget to the public in a PowerPoint presentation.

A motion was made by Georgene Hartmann, seconded by Jen Bott to adopt the 2014/2015 school budget as approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

General Fund	\$7,396,509
Special Revenue Funds	<u>\$ 99,903</u>
Total Budget	\$7,496,412

And to approve the general funds to be raised by local tax levy in the amount of \$5,754,105 representing a 2 percent increase over the 2013/2014 tax levy  
On a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Board Committee Reports:**

- The Personnel Committee met on May 5, 2014 as reported by committee chairperson Jen Bott.

**Board President's remarks:** Marilyn Wasilewski reminded all of the next Advisory Committee scheduled on May 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Public Comment:**

Bill Kunz asked if the three incumbents will be running for their seats again.

Launa Ruoff expressed concerns over student residence issues and asked who was responsible for verifying residency status. Launa also asked about the Garden Club Grant funding.

Stacey Fuessinger inquired about the Board's position on the Common Core Standards. The Superintendent responded citing a loss of State aid if the district were to abandon the Common Core Standard.

Bill Kunz comments on the Beach Haven School suggesting the benefits of that district consolidating with the Long Beach Island School District.

Mr. Kunz also speaks about the school choice program; asking if the Board has a Choice Committee, inquiring about the registration timeline and process as well as the number of approve seats and commenting of the associated choice state aid.

Mr. Kunz expresses his sorrow over the resignation of Dr. Tim Brennan.

Suzanne Gilbert thanks Laura for her assistance in the Ocean County Poster Contest.

**School Board Elections:** The following seats will be available in the fall: Georgene Hartmann, Long Beach Township; Allyn Kain, Surf City; and Jennifer Bott, Ship Bottom. Petitions must be filled out at the Ocean County Clerk's Office in Manahawkin. The deadline for filing petitions is June 3, 2014, at 4 p.m. The Annual School Election will be held on November 4, 2014.

**PERSONNEL:**

A motion was made by Allyn Kain, seconded by Steve Evert, to approve the following items:

- (a) The employment of personnel from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, as listed below (salaries to be determined at the conclusion of the collective bargaining process):

**Administration**

Karen McKeon  
Steven Moran

**Certified Tenured Personnel**

Bianca Aniski  
Lisa Benjamin  
Sal Colino  
Chris Conrad  
Mary Ellen Cook  
Tim Cotov  
Laura Daly  
Suzanne D'Arcangelo  
Heidi DeBiasi  
Anne Einselen  
Sarah Esarey  
Patricia Gerety  
David Gross (2 days/week)  
Lisa Hattrich  
Richard Kappy  
Michelle Klesitz  
Fran Lawlor  
Cathy McBride  
Julie Oldham  
Tracy Sherrier  
Shelley Smith  
Donna Tabbacchino  
Julia Townsend  
Kelly Turner  
Sharon VonGorski  
Rosa Warfel  
Wendy Yeager

**Certified Nontenured Personnel**

Lisa Boyd (part-time)  
Amy Ferrer  
James LaMarco (part-time)  
Janelle Scholey

**Support Staff**

**Secretaries**

Joanne Miller  
Marilyn Moffitt  
Lynda Scholey  
Kathy Sheplin  
Gail Tumulty (4½ hrs./day/10 months)  
Marilyn Yates

**Custodians**

Sal Cutano  
John Moroli  
Richard Straut  
Keith Mattner

**Transportation**

Charlene Boyle (part-time)  
Robert DeLaCruz  
Florence Dickman  
Tammy Anderson  
William Moritz  
Lawrence Scott  
Richard Swain

- (b) The acceptance of a letter of resignation from Timothy Brennan, Jr., Interim Principal/CST Supervisor, effective July 1, 2014.
- (c) In accordance with the contract, the notification of tenured teachers of their tentative 2014/2015 assignments by June 15.
- (d) A health benefits waiver for full-time employees that can provide documentation that they are insured by another provider.
- (e) The acceptance of a letter of intent to retire from Robert DeLaCruz, Bus Driver, effective July 1, 2014. Mr. DeLaCruz has been a bus driver in the Long Beach Island School District since 2008.

Item (d) was tabled pending further discussion.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried with Georgene Hartmann abstaining from item (a) and Kristy Raber abstaining from item (a) and item (c).

**DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL:**

A motion was made by Georgene Hartmann, seconded by Kristy Raber, to approve the following items:

- (a) A shared services agreement with Sterling High School/South Jersey Technology Partnership (SJTP) for email and other tech support services if necessary.

- (b) A service contract with Aqua-Treat, Inc., for water treatment of the boilers at the LBI Grade School in the amount of \$1,500/year.
- (c) The submission of certification that the quantitative merit criteria has been satisfied for the 2012/13 school year to the Executive County Superintendent. This component satisfies all goals for the 2012-2013 school year.
- (d) The continuation of the Long Beach Island School District's before and after care program for the 2014-2015 school year. This is a tuition-based program.
- (e) Summer hours for office staff and custodians.

Item (c) was tabled pending.

Items (a), (b), (d) and (e) passed on a roll call vote.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION:**

A motion was made by Jen Bott, seconded by Kristy Raber, to approve the addition of Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey Advancing Opportunities, Ewing, NJ to the 2013-14 Child Study Team Consultant List. On a roll call vote, the motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

A motion was made by Georgene Hartmann, seconded by Jen Bott, to approve the following items:

- (a) A professional day request as follows:

Employee:	Cathy McBride
Conference:	Teach at the Beach
Location:	Stockton College
Date:	May 20, 2014
Rationale:	To gain knowledge pertaining to new technology being used in classrooms and to utilize the new technology as components of our STEM lessons.
Cost:	3 ETTC Hours and mileage

- (b) A field trip request as follows:

Trip:	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Orientation
Location:	LBI Grade School
Grade(s):	2nd
Teacher(s):	Yeager/Sherrier
Date:	June 9, 2014
Time:	10:00-1:15
Objective:	Orientation for students entering 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade
Transp:	1 bus
Cost:	Transportation

- (c) The acceptance of a donation from The Garden Club of Long Beach Island in the amount of \$1,500 to help establish outdoor gardens at the LBI Grade School.
  - (d) The acceptance of a donation of a tree for each child in the LBI School District from the Borough of Ship Bottom.
- The motion carried on a roll call vote with Steve Evert abstaining on item (a).

At 8:54 p.m. a motion was made by Allyn Kain and seconded by Colette Southwick enter into executive session for discussion of personnel, student issues, as well as other matters which require attorney/client privilege. The outcome of such discussions will be made public at the appropriate time. All in favor.

At 10:07 p.m. a motion was made by Allyn Kain and seconded by Steve Evert to return to public session and to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven P. Moran  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary