

# LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING (Revised)

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

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 January 20, 2015, 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. Bott at 7:03 pm.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
Steve Evert	representing	Long Beach Township
Allyn Kain	representing	Surf City
Kristy Raber	representing	Surf City
Colette Southwick	representing	Long Beach Township
Terry Deakyne	representing	Harvey Cedars
Absent:		
Georgene Hartmann	representing	Long Beach Township
Marilyn Wasilewski	representing	Barnegat Light
<b>Bonnie Picaro</b>	<b>representing</b>	<b>Long Beach Township (revision)</b>

Also present:

Karen T. McKeon, Superintendent  
Anthony Sciarrillo, Esq.  
Steven Moran, Business Administrator

### Public Comment:

Mr. Kunz asked of committee assignments will be posted on the website tomorrow, will the Advisory Committee continue? Mrs. Bott responded that she doesn't plan to continue the Advisory Committee and will establish a Public Relations Committee. Mrs. Southwick added that it was very positive for public input (PTA, parents, teachers).

Mr. Sciarrillo reported that there will be a review of the Board's By-Laws by the Policy Committee. Mr. McDonough asked about PARCC participation. Mr. Sciarrillo said a public statement on the Board of Education's position is forthcoming.

### BOARD RESOLUTIONS:

#### MINUTES:

- (a) A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Kristy Raber, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on December 16, 2014. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

- (b) A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Kristy Raber, to approve the bill list for January 2015. The motion passed on a roll call vote.
- (c) A motion was made by Kristy Raber, seconded by Steve Evert, to approve the December 31, 2014 line item transfers. The motion passed on a roll call vote.
- (d & e) A motion was made by Kristy Raber, seconded by Colette Southwick to approve the December 31, 2014, financial report of the Board Secretary and report of the Treasurer of School Funds. The motion passes on a roll call vote.
- (f) A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Allyn Kain to approve the 2015 Board Committee List. The motion passed on a roll call vote.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The Buildings & Grounds Committee met this evening as reported by committee chairperson Colette Southwick.

**PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:**

Mrs. Bott greeted the audience and spoke about committee assignments and the sixth grade math and science fair.

Superintendent Karen McKeon previewed the remainder of the agenda.

**BOARD BUSINESS:** A resolution regarding School Board Recognition Month in New Jersey passed by a roll call vote.

**FINANCE :**

- (a) **2015/2016 Budget Preparation:** The budget preparation process has begun. We will be compiling materials and analyzing this year's expenditures as well as next year's needs. We will not be able to finalize things until we receive our budget data from the state. The public hearing will be May 5, 2015.

**PERSONNEL:** A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Kristy Raber to approve the following personnel items:

- (a) **Leave Replacement Teacher:** To approve the employment of Elizabeth Messec as a First Grade leave replacement teacher beginning January 16, 2015 to approximately March 31, 2015 at the annual salary of \$56,559 prorated (step 2 on the MA salary guide).
- (b) **Substitute Personnel:** To approve the employment of substitute personnel for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year as follows:  
  
Christina Black                      Secretary/Classroom Aide/Custodian
- (c) **Intent to Retire:** To accept a letter of intent to retire from Salvatore Cutano, Custodian, effective on or about February 28, 2015. Mr. Cutano has been an employed by the district since 2000.

- (d) **Classroom Aides Hourly Rate:** To approve adjusting the hourly rate for Classroom Aides due to an increase in the NJ minimum wage to \$8.38.

The motion carried on a roll call vote.

**DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL:** A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Kristy Raber to approve the following District/State/Federal items;

- (a) **SEMI Waiver:** To approve submission of a waiver to the county for participation in SEMI for the 2015-2016 school year, a federal reimbursement program through Medicaid for special education students who receive Medicaid. A waiver will protect against noncompliance for QSAC.
- (b) **LBI Education Foundation Grant:** To approve applications for the 2015 LBI Education Foundation Grant, "Toast the Teacher," as follows:
- EJ Teachers: Buddy Bench
  - Cathy McBride: Connecting Students with Real-World Ocean Investigations

The motion carried on a roll call vote.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:** A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Kristy Raber to approve the following miscellaneous items:

- (a) **Professional Day Requests:** To approve professional day requests as follows:

**Employee(s):** Janelle Scholey  
**Conference:** Creating PARCC-Like Math Tests (K-5)  
**Location:** Monroe Twp.  
**Date:** January 15, 2015  
**Rationale:** To gain valuable information on how to prepare students for PARCC testing.  
**Cost:** \$149 registration and mileage

**Employee(s):** Shelley Smith  
**Conference:** PARCC Tech Readiness Articulation with Southern Regional School District  
**Location:** Southern Regional  
**Date:** January 12, 2015  
**Rationale:** To gain assistance with technology setup and proctor caching management console in preparation for spring 2015 PARCC.  
**Cost:** None

**Employee(s):** Karen McKeon/Julie Oldham/Shelley Smith  
**Conference:** NJDOE PARCC Technical Training for District Test Coordinators and District Technology Coordinators  
**Location:** Princeton  
**Date:** January 28, 2015  
**Rationale:** Attendance is required by NJDOE.  
**Cost:** Mileage

**Employee(s): Jennifer Bott**  
Conference: Leadership Conference  
Location: Princeton  
Date: February 7, 2015  
Rationale: To gain information on critical aspects of board leadership.  
Cost: \$200 registration and mileage

**Employee(s): Suzanne D’Arcangelo**  
Conference: SLP’s: Making Best Use of the iPad and Other Technology  
Location: Eatontown  
Date: February 11, 2015  
Rationale: Specific topics covered include using the iPad and various technology to support the Common Core Standards and to integrate iPad technology into speech/language therapy sessions.  
Cost: \$235 registration and mileage

- (b) **Building and/or Grounds Usage Requests:** To approve building and/or grounds usage requests as follows pending receipt of proof of insurance and space availability:

➤ LBI PTA, various classrooms at EJ and LBI for the After-School Enrichment Program, January and February 2015

- (c) **SeaPerch Program:** To approve sponsoring the LBI Grade School ROV Club Students at the SeaPerch Kickoff event at the Atlantic City Aquarium on Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Parents will be responsible for transporting students to and from the event. There will be a demonstration of Stockton’s Observation Class ROV and a presentation by Stephen Michetti from the Philly SeaPerch Challenge and information about Stockton student mentors.

The motion carried on a roll call vote.

- (d) **Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB):** Update

- (e) **Fire/Security Drills:** Fire and Security drills were held in accordance with State Law as follows:

**Ethel Jacobsen School**

Fire: December 17, 60 sec.  
Security: December 18, Code Live In

**LBI Grade School**

Fire: December 18, 45 sec.  
Security: December 18, Code Live In

- (f) **Departmental Reports:** Special Education, January 2015

- (g) **Upcoming Events:** January events were listed.

The Board did not return to executive session.

At 7:33 p.m. a motion was made by Kristy Raber and seconded by Colette Southwick to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Sheplin, Assistant Board Secretary in the absence of  
Steven P. Moran, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary