

LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 16, 2016

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 February 16, 2016, to discuss matters of Personnel, Attorney-Client Privilege, Student Issues, and Litigation. 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 p.m.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
Allyn Kain	representing	Surf City
Kristy Raber	representing	Surf City
James Donahower	representing	Harvey Cedars
Bonnie Picaro	representing	Long Beach Township
Georgene Hartmann	representing	Long Beach Township
Colette Southwick	representing	Long Beach Township
Tom Beaty	representing	Long Beach Township

Absent:

Marilyn Wasilewski	representing	Barnegat Light
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Also present:

- Peter Kopack, Superintendent
- Megan Gally, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
- Nicholas Savio, Esq.

Minutes of the closed session meeting will be released to the public when the reasons for nondisclosure no longer exist.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Roll call was taken by Kathy Sheplin.

Adequate Notice of Meeting: Adequate Notice of Meeting statement was read by Mrs. Bott.

Mission Statement: Mrs. Bott read the Long Beach Island School District Mission Statement.

Correspondence: Mrs. Hartmann addressed Mrs. Bott with regard to the Committee List assignments. Mrs. Bott responded.

Student Council: Dr. Kopack gave an update on past and upcoming Student Council events.

BOARD RESOLUTIONS:

MINUTES:

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

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, January 19, 2016
- (b) Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of the Board of Education, January 19, 2016
- (c) Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education, January 19, 2016
- (d) Minutes of the Working Meeting of the Board of Education, February 2, 2016
- (e) Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of the Board of Education, February 2, 2016

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 7 ayes, 1 abstention (Hartmann), items a-c
 5 ayes, 3 abstentions (Hartmann, Kain, Picaro)
 items d and e

BILLS/TRANSFERS:

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

- (a) Bill List for February 2016

There was a brief discussion about the bills list: bus repairs and Bureau of Education and Research workshops.

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 8 ayes

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

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

- (a) **Financial Report of the Board Secretary**
That the Board of Education approve the following:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Long Beach Island School District Board of Education accepts the Financial Report of the Board Secretary for the period ended January 31, 2016, as attached, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10, the Board Secretary's financial report (appropriations section) did not reflect an over-expenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected in this report, and the advice of the School Business Administrator, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

(b) **Financial Report of the Treasurer of School Funds**

That the Board of Education approve the following:

RESOLVED, That the Long Beach Island Board of Education accepts the Financial Report of the Treasurer of School Funds for the period ended January 31, 2016.

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 7 ayes, 1 abstention (Hartmann)

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- The Public Relations Committee met on February 12, 2016. Mr. Donahower reported.
- The Curriculum Committee will meet on February 25, 2016. The committee is canceling the February 25th meeting and a new date needs to be scheduled.
- The Building and Grounds Committee will meet on February 25, 2016.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: Mrs. Bott spoke about the following: attending the Ocean County School Boards Association meeting with Mrs. Picaro on February 11, 2016, and gave an update on meetings with Mayor Huelsenbeck.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Stacey Fuessinger, Ship Bottom, asked questions/commented on the following:

- Sixth grade graduation date

SUPERINTENDENT REMARKS: Dr. Kopack addressed the public and reviewed the February Superintendent and Principal's Report on events in the district. Dr. Kopack also thanked, Mrs. Aniski, EJ Nurse, for the EJ Garden being posted on the Certified Naturally Grown home page.

PERSONNEL:

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

- (a) **Letter of Intent to Retire:** To accept a letter of intent to retire from Michelle Klesitz, Sixth Grade Teacher, effective July 1, 2016. Mrs. Klesitz has worked as a teacher in the Long Beach Island School District since 2001.
- (b) **Spanish Interpreters:** To approve Rosa Warfel and Jacqueline Ramilo as a Spanish interpreters at the XCOMP rate of \$35/hr.
- (c) **Leave of Absence Request:** To approve a leave of absence request for Martina Donahower, Preschool Aide, for 11 days beginning March 1, 2016 through March 15, 2016.

Board of Education members expressed their regrets and congratulations to Mrs. Klesitz on her retirement.

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 8 ayes, items a and b
7 ayes, 1 abstention (Donahower) item c

CURRICULUM:

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

- (a) **Curriculum Alignment and Adoption:** To approve the Long Beach Island School District Curricula, which were designed to specifically align with the most recent State Board adopted version of the New Jersey Core Content Standards (NJCCCS) and Core Curriculum Content Standards (CCSS) in the following content areas:
- English Language Arts: CCSS for ELA & Literacy (June 2010)
 - Math: CCSS for Math (June 2010)
 - Science: NJCCCS (June 2009)
 - Social Studies: NJCCCS (June 2009)
 - Visual and Performing Arts: NJCCCS (June 2009)
 - Technology: NJCCCS (June 2009)
 - 21st Century Life and Careers: NJCCCS (June 2009)
 - Comprehensive Health and Phys. Ed.: NJCCCS (June 2009)

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 8 ayes

DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL:

A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by James Donahower to approve the following:

- (a) **Insurance:** To approve the purchase of flood insurance for the bus garage as required by FEMA from Selective Insurance Company.

Mr. Beaty asked for the cost of flood insurance. Ms. Gally responded.

- (b) **2015-16 School Calendar Adjustment:** To approve adjusting the 2015-2016 school calendar due the snow days on January 25th and February 5th. The last day of school for students will now be June 21st. June 16th and 17th will become full days and June 20th and 21st will be early dismissal days.
- (c) **Grant Application:** To approve submission of a grant application to DonorsChoose.org in the amount of \$378.76 for the purchase of Legos for an interactive Lego wall for 3rd grade students to use in various subject areas (math, science, etc.).

Mr. Beaty commended Miss Wiskow on the grant for a Lego wall.

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 8 ayes

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

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

- (a) **Professional Day Requests:** To approve the following professional day requests:

Employee(s): Cathy McBride
Conference: Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Lesson Development for Ocean County
Location: Jackson Memorial High School
Date: March 9, 2016 and two additional dates to be determined
Rationale: To work with other science teachers in Ocean County to develop grade level units K-5 aligned to the new Science standards which will be implemented in 2016 (grade 6) and 2017 (K-5).
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): Julie Oldham
Conference: NJDOE Training for Test Coordinator
Location: Mt. Laurel
Date: March 24, 2016
Rationale: Mandatory training for NJASK Assessment.
Cost: Mileage

- (b) **Donations:** To accept donations to the Long Beach Island School District as follows:

- The Ambrose Family: donation of a Compost Crank (\$82.00 value) for the EJ Garden.
- The Southwick Family: donation of a Gorilla Cart (\$250.00 value) for the EJ School Garden.

Mrs. Bott thanked the families for the donations.

Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried: 8 ayes

- (c) **Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB):** No report.
- (d) **Principal's Report:** Mr. Birney, EJ School Principal, will report at the next meeting.
- (e) **Fire/Security Drills:** Fire and Security drills were held in accordance with State Law as follows:
- Ethel Jacobsen School**
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| Fire: | January 12 |
| Security: | January 20, Code Live Out |
- LBI Grade School**
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| Fire: | January 7 |
| Security: | January 26, Code Live Out |
- (f) **Special Education Report:** February 2016

(g) **Dates to Remember:**

- February 16: PTA Enrichment Classes Continue Tuesday-Thursday
Grade 5T Swim Program at St. Francis
Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
- February 17: D.A.R.E. Program at LBI continues
Grade 6L Swim Program at St. Francis
- February 18: Grade 4S Swim Program at St. Francis
- February 19: THEME DAY – MUSTACHE DAY
PTA PROGRAM AT EJ “BRAIN CHALLENGE”
- February 22: Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
EJ and LBI Afternoon Conference
- February 23: Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
EJ Evening Conferences
LBI Afternoon Conferences - No swim program
- February 24: Early Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
LBI Evening Conferences
EJ Afternoon Conferences
No swim program
D.A.R.E. Program at LBI continues
- February 25: Grade 4S Swim Program at St. Francis
- February 29: PTA Enrichment Program Concludes

Public Comment:

Kelly Turner, EJ Teacher, asked questions/commented on the following:

- Read a statement about Read Across America Day on March 2nd. She handed out invitations to the event to Board Members

Ron Kraft, Ship Bottom, asked questions/commented on the following:

- Meeting with Ship Bottom Mayor and consolidation. Mrs. Bott responded.

The Board did not return to Executive Session.

At 7:43 p.m. a motion was made by Colette Southwick and seconded by Kristy Raber to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Sheplin, Assistant Board Secretary