## LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

#### MINUTES OF THE WORKING MEETING

Tuesday, February 2, 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 2, 2016, to discuss matters of Attorney-Client Privilege 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 meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mrs. Bott at 7:02 p.m.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
Tom Beaty	representing	Long Beach Township
Kristy Raber	representing	Surf City
Colette Southwick	representing	Long Beach Township
Marilyn Wasilewski	representing	Barnegat Light
James Donahower	representing	Harvey Cedars

Absent:

Georgene Hartmann	representing	Long Beach Township
Bonnie Picaro	representing	Long Beach Township
Allyn Kain	representing	Surf City

Also present:

Peter J. Kopack, Superintendent

Tony Sciarrillo, Esq.

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

#### Call to Order

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Roll Call

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**: Letter: James Loudon

## **Board Committee Reports:**

The Building and Grounds Committee met on February 1, 2016. Mrs. Southwick reported.

**President's Remarks:** Mrs. Bott addressed the public regarding the following topics: School Business Administrator approval, PTA Children's Stage Adventures, and visits to Lavallette and Spring Lake Heights School Districts.

## **Comments from the Public on Agenda Items:**

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

Fence were temporary classrooms were located

Mark Ruff, Surf City, asked questions/commented on the following:

Replacement of school bus

Patti Gerety, LBIEA Co-President, asked questions/commented on the following:

Letter of Intent to Retire from Fran Lawlor

**Superintendent's Report/Recommendations/Board Action:** Dr. Kopack addressed the Board and public as follows: Thanked the PTA for Enrichment Classes and Children's Stage Adventures, spoke about upcoming Student Council events (Pep Rally and food drive), report cards issued on February 10<sup>th</sup>, and thanked all who attended the school visitations.

#### **PERSONNEL:**

A motion was made by Colette Southwick, seconded by Marilyn Wasilewski to approve the following items:

- (a) Letter of Intent to Retire: To accept a letter of intent to retire from Frances Lawlor, Sixth Grade Teacher, effective July 1, 2016. Mrs. Lawlor has worked as a teacher in the Long Beach Island School District since 1991.
  - Board of Education members expressed their regrets and congratulations to Mrs. Lawlor on her retirement.
- (b) Custodian Holidays: To approve Custodian Holidays for the 2016-17 school year as presented.
- (c) School Business Administrator Contract: To approve the employment contract for Megan Gally, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, for the period of February 3, 2016, through June 30, 2016, as approved by the Executive County Superintendent.
- (d) **Leave of Absence Extension:** To approve a leave of absence extension for Tracy Sherrier, Second Grade Teacher, beginning February 29, 2016, to April 15, 2016.
- (e) Leave Replacement Teacher: To approve the employment of Elizabeth Messec as a Second Grade leave replacement teacher beginning February 29, 2016, to April 20, 2016, at the annual salary of \$57,014 prorated (step 2 on the MA salary guide).
- (f) **Substitute Personnel:** To approve the employment of substitute personnel for the remainder 2015-16 school year pending receipt of all necessary paperwork as follows:

Charles Alyanakian

Teacher

Upon a roll call vote, the motions carried:

6 ayes

#### TRANSPORTATION:

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

(a) **Disposal of Bus:** To approve the disposal of Bus #6 which was retired from service in 2014. There is no cost to the district for disposal.

Upon a roll call vote, the motions carried:

6 ayes

# DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL: (ADDENDUM ITEM)

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

(a) **LBI Education Foundation Grant:** To approve an application for the 2016 LBI Education Foundation Grant, "Toast the Teacher," as follows:

Donna Tabbacchino:

DeskCycle - Desk Exercise Bike Pedal Exerciser

Upon a roll call vote, the motions carried:

5 ayes, 1 abstention (Beaty)

## **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

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

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

**Employee(s):** 

Frank Birney/Chloe Wiskow

Conference:

Northfield School District Visit

Location:

Northfield

Date:

February 4, 2016

Rationale:

To visit and gain information about Northfield's alternative classroom

setting, "Idea Street."

Cost:

Mileage

**Employee(s):** 

Jennifer Bott/Bonnie Picaro

Conference:

Ocean County School Boards Association Meeting

Location:

Lakewood

Date:

February 11, 2016

Rationale:

To attend meeting.

Cost:

None

Employee(s):

**Shelley Smith** 

Conference:

Ocean County Tech Coordinators Roundtable

Location:

Barnegat High School

Date:

February 12, 2016

Rationale:

To articulate with Ocean, Atlantic, and Monmouth County tech coordinators as follows: PARCC, Comcast Fiber, Google Docs,

Apple Contract, and other timely tech issues.

Cost:

None

(b) **Field Trip Request:** To approve a field trip request as follows:

Trip:

**Project Aware** 

Location:

Stafford Intermediate School

Grade(s):

Six

Teacher(s):

Mrs. Klesitz and Mrs. Lawlor

Date:

April 22, 2016 and April 25, 2016

Time:

8:30 to 2:30

Objective:

This is a peer-based program to have a true understanding of the dangers

of alcohol and drugs.

Transp:

One bus

Cost:

Transportation

Upon a roll call vote, the motions carried:

6 ayes

- (c) Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB): Data for Report Period 1 (July 1, 2015–December 31, 2015) was transmitted to the Department of Education for Violence/ Vandalism (EVVRS) and HIB-ITP in January. Six HIB trainings and seven HIB programs were reported for Report Period 1. There were no HIB incidents in Period 1. There were two Violence and Vandalism incidents reported in Period 1.
- (d) **Principal's Report:** Mr. Birney will report at the February 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- (e) Dates to Remember:

February 2:

End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period

Grade 6K -Swim Program at St. Francis

Student Council Meeting

Board of Education Meeting. 7 p.m.

February 3:

Grade 6L Swim Program at St. Francis

February 4:

Grade 4S Swim Program at St. Francis

February 5:

Give Kids A Smile Day - check website for various locations

Super Bowl Pep Rally at LBI Gym

February 8:

PTA Enrichment Classes Continue Monday-Thursday

February 9:

Grade 5T Swim Program at St. Francis

February 10:

Report Cards issued via portal

D.A.R.E. Program continues

Grade 6L Swim Program at St. Francis

February 11:

Grade 4S Swim Program at St. Francis

February 14:

Happy Valentine's Day

February 15: SCHOOL CLOSED – PRESIDENTS' DAY
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February 16:	PTA Enrichment Classes Continue Tuesday-Thursday
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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:**

Patrick Moeller, Long Beach Township, commented, asked questions about the following:

- Tidelands Claim on LBI School Property
- Timeline and cost to clear up Tidelands Claim

Stacey Fuessinger, Ship Bottom, commented, asked questions about the following:

- Referendum
- Sale of Building Update
- Residency

The Board did not return to executive session.

At 7:24 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