

LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING/WORKING MEETING

Tuesday, May 3, 2016

The Board of Education of the Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County, met in executive session at 5 p.m. in the Media Center of the Ethel Jacobsen School, 200 Barnegat Avenue, Surf City, New Jersey on May 3, 2016, to discuss matters of Attorney-Client Privilege, Litigation, 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*.

Executive Session:

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mrs. Bott at 5:07 p.m.

Pursuant to the Resolution passed on April 19, 2016, the Board will open in Executive Session and will suspend opening activities, including the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of Adequate Notice of Meeting, until the Board opens in Public Session at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call was taken by Kathy Sheplin.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
Tom Beaty	representing	Long Beach Township
Bonnie Picaro	representing	Long Beach Township (arrived at 5:20 p.m.)
Colette Southwick	representing	Long Beach Township
Kristy Raber	representing	Surf City (arrived at 5:33 p.m.)
Allyn Kain	representing	Surf City
Marilyn Wasilewski	representing	Barnegat Light
James Donahower	representing	Harvey Cedars

Absent:

Georgene Hartmann	representing	Long Beach Township
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Also present:

Peter J. Kopack, Superintendent
Megan C. Gally, SBA/Board Secretary
Anthony Sciarrillo, Esq.
Frank Birney, Principal

At 7:14 p.m. a motion was made by James Donahower, seconded by Marilyn Wasilewski to adjourn.
All in favor.

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

Public Session:

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mrs. Bott at 7:16 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call was taken by Kathy Sheplin.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

Jennifer Bott	representing	Ship Bottom
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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: None

BUDGET :

A motion was made by Marilyn Wasilewski, seconded by Kristy Raber to approve the following items:

- (a) **Budget Hearing:** After the budget hearing, it will be recommended that the Board adopt the school budget.

Ms. Gally and Dr. Kopack gave a PowerPoint presentation on the budget.

- (b) **Comments from the public on budget items.**

Comments from the public will be heard in accordance with Board of Education Policy #1120, "Board of Education Meetings."

Tony Baker, Brant Beach Homeowners Association, commented, asked questions about the following:

- Asked for a breakdown of the budget. Ms. Gally gave him a copy of the user friendly budget that will be posted online.

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

- Asked if the Public Relations Committee will put a notice in the paper about reason for budget increase.

James Loudon, Harvey Cedars, commented, asked questions about the following:

- What is the percentage of budget increase? Ms. Gally responded 6%. There was a brief discussion by the Board on impact of assessed values and budget.

(c) **Adoption of Final Budget 2016-2017:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District adopt the 2016/2017 School Budget as approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools as follows:

General Fund	\$ 6,851,997
<i>Amount to be raised for tax levy</i>	<i>\$ 5,874,781</i>
Banked CAP Utilized	\$ 699,829
Special Revenue Fund	\$ 128,445
Total Funds	\$ 6,980,442

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District approve the general funds to be raised by local tax levy in the amount of \$5,874,781.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District includes in the final budget the use of \$699,829 in banked cap and no adjustment for the use health care costs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-10.3(b). The district has fully exhausted all eligible statutory spending authority.

The Board thanked Ms. Gally for her work on the budget.

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

Board Committee Reports:

- The Finance Committee met on April 19, 2016. Mrs. Bott and Mrs. Raber reported.
- The Negotiations Committee met on April 20, 2016. Mrs. Wasilewski reported. The next meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2016.
- The Curriculum Committee met on April 28, 2016. Mrs. Picaro reported.
- The Building and Grounds Committee will meet on May 4, 2016.

School Consolidation: Mrs. Bott reported that the Board of Education will meet with the Mayors on May 12, 2016.

President's Remarks: None

Comments from the Public on Agenda Items:

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

- Chrome Books in next year's budget? Dr. Kopack responded, yes. There will be one for every student, and the Board will discuss if students will be allowed to bring it home.

- Lawsuit update. Mr. Sciarrillo noted that the lawsuit is not an agenda item but responded that the insurance company is handling litigation and that a tentative date of May 27th has been scheduled for the attorneys to meet.

Superintendent's Report/Recommendations/Board Action: Dr. Kopack addressed the Board and public as follows: Thanked the public for attending the meeting, thanked Ms. Gally for the budget presentation, announced the poetry contest winners, recognized and thanked the teachers and Teacher Appreciation Week, and thaked the PTA.

PERSONNEL:

A motion was made by Marilyn Wasilewski, seconded by Kristy Raber to approve the following items:

- (a) **Substitute Personnel:** To approve the employment of substitute personnel for the remainder of the 2015-16 school year as follows:

Laura Roda Teacher (see profile)
Noreen McGowan Instructional Aide (see profile)

- (b) **Salary Adjustment:** To approve a salary adjustment for Elizabeth Messec, BSI Teacher, from April 20, 2016 to June 30, 2016, (step 2 MA) \$57,014 pro-rated.

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

DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL:

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

- (a) **SRI & ETTC:** To approve the district's membership fee for SRI (Southern Regional Institute for Professional Development) & ETTC (Educational Technology Training Center) for professional development from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 in the amount of \$754.

- (b) **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPRIETARY CONTRACT:**

WHEREAS, the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission ("HCECS"), as Lead Agency for the HCESC cooperative pricing system (system identifier 34HUNCCP), has awarded a contract for proprietary Apple technology products (bid number HCESC-TEC-16-01), effective march 25, 2016 following the public solicitation of sealed bids pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:18:-15, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1; and

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District is a member of the HCESC cooperative pricing system and is authorized to make purchases from contracts awarded by the HCESC pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Apple technology products covered by the HCESC contract sought by the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District are of such a specialized nature that only such products will meet the needs of the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District; and

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District has heavily invested time and funds into the acquisition and integration of Apple products in local operations that will be wasted if non-Apple products were used to supplement the existing technology; and

WHEREAS, the use of non-Apple products would require either the wholesale replacement of the technology currently used by the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District or an unsupportable level of training, support and maintenance services that would utterly defeat the purpose of the public contracting laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Long Beach Island Consolidated School District hereby authorizes the purchase of proprietary Apple technology products through HCESC Contract (HCESC-TEC-16-01) from *Apple, Inc. 5505 W. Parmer Lane, MS 578-ROA Austin, TX 78727-6524*, for the following items:

IPAD Air WI-Fi 32 GB with 2 year apple Care

Mrs. Picaro asked about the co-op with regard to purchase of Apple iPads. Ms. Gally responded that the Board of Education previously passed a resolution to participate in the co-op and this resolution is strictly for the proprietary Apple products.

ADDENDUM ITEMS:

- (c) **Grant Application:** To approve submission of a grant application by Cathy McBride to OceanFirst for an Innovation, Design, Engineering, and Arts (IDEA) Lab at the LBI Grade School.
- (d) **QSAC Review:** The Long Beach Island School District was notified by the NJ Department of Education that as a result of the Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) review conducted on February 3, 2016, it has been designated as "high performing."

Mrs. Bott thanked district staff for work involved with QSAC review.

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

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

A motion was made by Marilyn Wasilewski, seconded by James Donahower to approve the following items:

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

Employee(s):	Lyn Moffitt
Conference:	NJASBO: Pupil Transportation
Location:	Robbinsville
Date:	May 7, 2016
Rationale:	Required for administrative program.
Cost:	\$60 registration and mileage

Employee(s): Amy Ferrer
Conference: Techstock 2016
Location: Richard Stockton College of NJ
Date: July 13, 2016
Rationale: To attend workshops on Chromebooks/Apps and Google classroom.
Cost: 2 ETTC Hours and mileage

ADDENDUM ITEM:

Employee(s): Peter Kopack
Conference: New Jersey Innovation Summit
Location: Monmouth University
Date: May 20, 2016
Rationale: This is an opportunity for educators to learn of the innovative programs, school models, and practices currently being implemented in school districts.
Cost: Mileage

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

- LBIEA S'MORE Campfire Reading Night – EJ Gym 5/12/16

ADDENDUM ITEMS:

- LBIEA Create and Celebrate, LBI Art Room, May 16, 2016 from 5-6:30 p.m.

(c) **Request for Continued Enrollment:** To approve a request for continued enrollment through the end of the 2015-16 school year for one student. Transportation will be provided by the parent.

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

(d) **Donation:** Thank you to the Borough of Ship Bottom for the donation of saplings for each student.

(e) **Dates to Remember:**

May 2: Teacher Appreciation Week
Grade 5 PARCC Testing
Grade 4 to Allaire State Park
SRMS to visit Grade 6
After-School Chorus

May 3: National Teacher Day
Grade 5 PARCC Testing
After-School Chorus
LBI Student Council
Board of Education Meeting/Budget Hearing, EJ School, 7 p.m.

- May 4: Grade 5 PARCC Testing
- May 5: SRMS Child Study Team IEP Meetings for Grade 6
Grade 5 PARCC Testing
- May 6: Grade 5 PARCC Testing
PTA hosting lunch for Teachers for Teacher
Appreciation Week
- May 8: Mother's Day
- May 9-13: Special Education Week
- May 10: Grade 1 to Fernbrook Farms
After-School Chorus
- May 11: Family Life for Grade 6
Family Life for Grade 4
- May 12: Grade 3 Flutophone Concert for Parents only – Music
Room
Campfire Reading Night – EJ Gym
- May 13: Grade 3 to Tuckerton Seaport
- May 16: PTA Meeting – LBI Media Center, 7 p.m.
- May 17: 4th Marking Period Progress Reports Due (5/17-5/19)
After-School Chorus
Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.
- May 18: Grade 2 to Cape May Zoo
Grade 5 to State Museum
- May 19: Student Council to O.C. Peace Summit at Ocean Acres
School
PK4 to Barnegat Light State Park
- May 20: 4th Marking Period Progress Reports on portal
Theme Day –“Hawaiian Day” – Birthdays-Personality of the Month”
PTA Assembly @ EJ – NJ Watershed Ambassadors
Program Visit each grade level
- May 21: PTA Clothing Drive
- May 23: Chorus and Strings Practice
- May 24: Chorus and Strings Practice

- May 25: Grade 4 Science ASK testing
K Classes to Storybook Land
Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal
LBI Spring Concert, 6 p.m.
- May 26: Grade 1 to Cold Springs Village
- May 27: SCHOOL BUS DRIVER APPRECIATION DAY
EJ/LBI FIELD DAY in a.m.
- May 30: SCHOOL CLOSED – MEMORIAL DAY
- May 31: Safety Patrol to Great Adventure

Public Comment:

James Loudon, Harvey Cedars, commented, asked questions about the following:

- Concerned that LBI School pilings are failing. Has the Board spoken with the engineer? Mrs. Bott responded that Ship Bottom has had engineers looking at the building.

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

- Architect update (not looking for new architect)? Mr. Sciarrillo that the Board is not looking for a new architect and that they are in conversations with the current architect.

Board Resolution:

A motion was made by Marilyn Wasilewski, seconded by Allyn Kain to approve the following:

RESOLUTION: Resolved that the Board of Education will open its next scheduled meeting on May17, 2016, in Executive Session and will suspend opening activities, including the Pledge of Allegiance and reading of Adequate Notice of Meeting, until the Board opens in Public Session at 7 p.m.

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

The Board did not return to executive session.

At 8:06 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