

LONG BEACH ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

Long Beach Island, New Jersey

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, December 17, 2013

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 December 17, 2013, 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 meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mrs. Picaro, and the roll call followed. The minutes were recorded by Christina M. Galvao, SBA/Board Secretary.

The following members of the Board of Education were present:

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

ABSENT:

David Plesniarski	representing	Long Beach Township
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ALSO PRESENT:

Karen T. McKeon, Superintendent
Joshua Sklarin, Esq.

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

Let the Board Minutes reflect that the Board returned to the open meeting in the media center at 7 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE: Christmas Card – Linda Ingling

BOARD RESOLUTIONS:

The following items are presented by the Board Secretary for approval:

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, November 19, 2013

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (b) Bill List for December 2013

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes (with the exception of check #2279- Kain, Raber, Wasilewski)

It was moved by Steve Evert and seconded by Georgene Hartmann to approve the following item(s):

- (c) **Line Item Transfers (Revenue and Expenditure)**

That the Board of Education approve the following:

WHEREAS; N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10 “Over expenditure of Funds” states “A district board of education shall not incur any obligation or approve any payment in excess of the amount appropriated by the district board of education in the applicable line item pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and 18A:22-8.2;”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the attached revised revenue and expenditure line item transfers for the period ended October 31, 2013, be approved as attached, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the line item transfers reflected on the State of New Jersey Monthly Transfer Report is hereby acknowledged as received and approved, as attached.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (d) **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 October 31, 2013 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.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (e) **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 October 31, 2013.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS: The next negotiations committee meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2014. The Restoration Committee met on December 11, 2013. Mr. Evert reported.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

PERSONNEL:

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (a) **Transportation/Swim Aide:** To approve the employment of Linda Mohalley as a Transportation/Swim aide for the duration of the swim program beginning December 18, 2013 through April 3, 2014 at the hourly rate of \$12.66. Benefits are not included. Ms. Mohalley is currently employed as a transportation aide in the district.
- (b) **Substitute Instructional Aide Wage Increase:** To approve an increase in the hourly wage for substitute instructional aides to \$8.25/hr. due to the increase in the minimum wage beginning January 1, 2014.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

DISTRICT/STATE/FEDERAL:

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

- (a) **ScIP:** To approve the Long Beach Island School District ScIP (School Improvement Panel) for the 2013-14 school year as follows:

District Coordinator
Fran Lawlor

Committee Members

Karen McKeon	Cathy McBride	Sarah Esarey
Kelly Turner	Anne Einselen	Timothy Brennan

- (b) **DEAC Committee:** To approve the Long Beach Island School District DEAC (District Evaluation Advisory Committee) for the 2013-14 school year as follows:

District Coordinator
Fran Lawlor

Committee Members

Karen McKeon	Cathy McBride	Sarah Esarey
Kelly Turner	Anne Einselen	Timothy Brennan

(c) **Acceptance of Grants:**

WHEREAS, the Long Beach Island Board of Education has approved the submission of the following facility project applications to the New Jersey Department of Education for approval:

- State Project #2760-020-14-1005-G04 Jacobsen Elementary School, Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County, (Exterior and Interior Door Replacement)
- State Project #2760-020-13-3003-G04, Jacobsen Elementary School-Security, Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County
- State Project #2760-050-14-1004-G04, LBI Elementary School-Security, Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County
- State Project #2760-020-13-3001-G04, Jacobsen Elementary School, Long Beach Island School District, Ocean County (Roof Replacement)

AND, whereas, the New Jersey Department of Education has approved the projects and determined preliminary eligible costs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education has determined that the district is eligible for state funding; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Long Beach Island Board of Education hereby accepts the New Jersey Department of Education's preliminary eligible costs for Project #s, 2760-020-14-1005-G04, 2760-020-13-3003-G04, 2760-050-14-1004-G04, 2760-020-13-3001-G04; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Long Beach Island Board of Education will apply for state funding in the form of a grant.

(d) **(WITHDRAWN) Publication Purchase:** To approve the purchase of the following publications for Board of Education Members:

- "Becoming a Better Board Member: A Guide to Effective School Board Service," (Third Edition)
- "The Essential School Board Book Better Governance in the Age of Accountability"

(e) **Feasibility Study Update:** To approve updating the Feasibility Study from LAN Associates, which was accepted by the Board of Education on January 25, 2011.

(f) **Proposal Approval:** To approve proposal #213-347 from Environmental Connection Inc. for inventory of items to be cleaned and discarded at the Long Beach Island Grade School in the amount of \$6,865.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows:

8 ayes (with the exception of Project #2760-050-14-1004-G04, Wasilewski)

AD HOC COMMITTEE: Motion to approve item a

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Steve Evert to approve the following item(s):

- (a) **Shorelands Change Orders:** To approve change orders 12-15 for facility repairs at the Long Beach Island Grade School with Shorelands Construction, Inc. as follows:
- Change Order No. 12 \$ 3,740
 - Change Order No. 13 \$ 27,434.35
 - **(WITHDRAWN)** Change Order No. 14 \$ _____
 - Change Order No. 15 \$ 15,028.88

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows:

5 ayes

3 nays (Kain, Raber, Wasilewski)

MISCELLANEOUS:

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Jennifer Bott to approve the following item(s):

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

Employee(s): **Shelley Smith**
Conference: Technology Coordinators Roundtable
Location: Manahawkin
Date: December 12, 2013 (AM)
Rationale: Summary of NJDOE PARCC presentation.
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): **Julie Oldham**
Conference: Southern Regional Articulation Meeting
Location: SRMS
Date: December 16, 2013
Rationale: To share ideas and concerns with surrounding districts.
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): **Karen McKeon**
Conference: Curriculum and Instruction Leadership
 Symposium: Implementation of the Common Core Standards
Location: Stockton College
Date: January 10, 2014
Rationale: To gain information on the implementation of the Common Core Standards.
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): **Kelly Turner/Sarah Esarey**
Conference: What's New in First Grade
Location: Cherry Hill
Date: January 24, 2014
Rationale: To gain knowledge of practical and innovative ways to implement the Common Core State Standards with first grade students.
Cost: \$229 each registration and mileage

Employee(s): **Shelley Smith**
Conference: Techspo 2014 (NJASA Annual Conference)
Location: Atlantic City
Date: January 30 and 31, 2014
Rationale: To learn about new hardware, software and subscription services to incorporate into our district curriculum and to determine the feasibility of implementing any technology “best practices” for students or staff.
Cost: \$385 registration and mileage

Employee(s): **Karen McKeon**
Conference: NJASA Curriculum and Instruction Committee Meeting
Location: Trenton
Date: February 7, 2014
Rationale: To attend meeting.
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): **Karen McKeon**
Conference: NJASA PD/Seminar Committee Meeting
Location: Trenton
Date: February 26, 2014
Rationale: To attend meeting.
Cost: Mileage

Employee(s): **Karen McKeon**
Conference: County Curriculum Meetings
Location: Lacey High School
Date: November 14, November 26, 2013 and January 16, February 13, March 13, April 10, and May 29, 2014
Rationale: Monthly curriculum meetings.
Cost: Mileage

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

Trip: **Historic Cold Springs Village**
Location: Cape May
Grade(s): First and Second Grade
Teacher(s): Esarey/Turner/Sherrier/Yeager
Date: May 1, 2014
Time: To be determined
Objective: To gain knowledge of historic Cold Springs Village.
Transp: Two buses
Cost: None (paid for by Target Grant)

(c) **Donation:** To accept a donation from Dr. and Mrs. Powers of a drum set and bass guitar for the music department.

- (d) **Field Trip Grant:** To accept a grant in the amount of \$700 from Target Field Trips for a first and second grade trip to Cold Springs Village.
- (e) **(WITHDRAWN) Request for Continued Enrollment:** To approve a request for continued enrollment for 2 students through the end of the 2013-14 school year. Transportation will be provided by the parent.
- (i) **Continued Enrollment - Choice:**
 - 1. **BE IT RESOLVED,** to continue the enrollment of two displaced students as Choice students for the remainder of the 2013-14 school year.
 - 2. **BE IT RESOLVED,** to continue the district's designation as a Choice School pursuant to the guidelines set forth by the state of NJ.

Upon roll call, the motion carried as follows:

8 ayes (with exception of PD for Karen McKeon, Hartmann)

- (f) **Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB):** Update
- (g) **Fire/Security Drills:** Fire and Security drills were held in accordance with State Law as follows:

Ethel Jacobsen School

Fire:	November 14, 60 sec.
Security:	November 14, Code Live-in

LBI Grade School **N/A**

- (h) **Upcoming Events:**

- December 16 at 10:00 EJ Holiday Show (rescheduled from 12/10)
- December 18 at 9:30, LBI Grade School Rehearsal of LBI Concert – EJ School invited. LBI Grade School Concert, 6 p.m.
- December 19, Grades 1 & 2 to SRHS Holiday Play
- December 20, PBA Pizza with Santa during lunch/Mid Marking Period Report via portal/Early Dismissal – Winter Recess
- January 7, Theme Day (Writer's Workshop)
- January 14, PTA Author Visit

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS:

-Fran Lawlor, LBIEA President, asked if there was a cost for the Feasibility Study.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- Joshua Sklarin, Board Attorney, addressed the public advising the public that the Board will not negotiate in public.
- Carrie VonGorski, former student, read statement acknowledging educational system at LBI and supporting teachers.
- Mark Ruff, Surf City, expressed support for the teachers.
- Corrine Ruff, Surf City, expressed support for the teachers

- Karen Beetel, LBI PTA President, read statement from the PTA Executive Board to encourage settlement of contract.
- Fran Lawlor, LBIEA President, read statement concerning rumors about negotiations circulating in public and requested settlement of contract.
- Rick McDonough, Ship Bottom, thanked the teachers for hard work and thanked the board for their service to the community—requested that whatever settlement is reached it doesn't take away from student programs.

The Board did not return to Executive Session.

It was moved by Georgene Hartmann and seconded by Steve Evert to adjourn.

The motion carried as follows: 8 ayes

The time the meeting adjourned was approximately 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina M. Galvao
SBA/Board Secretary

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 7, 2014
Executive Session, 5:30 PM
Annual Organization Meeting, 7 PM
EJ School