

**BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Bethpage, New York**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**December 20, 2005 – 8:00 p.m. – Charles Campagne School**

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held in the All-Purpose Room at Charles Campagne School on December 20, 2005. Mr. Frost called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

*Present:* Messrs. Tom Frost, Michael Kelly, Joel Dauman, Louis Orfan, and Mrs. Watson. Mr. Spears arrived at approximately 8:30 p.m.

*Absent:* Mr. Donald Tichy.

*Also Present:* Dr. Richard Marsh, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Caroline Lavelle, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mr. Terrence Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Technology; and Laura Granelli, Esq. of Jaspan Schlesinger Hoffman LLP.

Ms. Angelita Cintado, CC Principal.

Approximately 30 members of the public were present.

***PRESENTATION***

Mr. Frost introduced Mrs. Cintado, who presented Mr. Brian O'Connor (vocal music teacher) and fifth grade students who demonstrated tone chimes. The audience showed their appreciation with a round of applause.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

**MOTION** by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Agenda Meeting held on November 22, 2005.

Motion carried (5-0).

**MOTION** by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 29, 2005.

Motion carried (5-0).

***ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER'S REPORT***

**MOTION** by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2005.

Motion carried (5-0).

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Kelly reported that approximately two weeks ago he and Mr. Frost attended a meeting with County Executive Suozzi and other Nassau County School Board Presidents and Vice Presidents to explore ways that districts can consolidate services in order to reduce taxes. Mr. Frost commented that Nassau County receives the least amount of aid from New York State, and future plans will also include methods to increase state aid.

On December 10, 2005 Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Watson, Mr. Orfan, and Dr. Marsh attended fiscal oversight training workshops. These Board members reviewed topics that were covered. It was noted by Mr. Kelly that many of the recommended internal controls have already been instituted at Bethpage Schools.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO BE HEARD ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:** None.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS****PERSONNEL****Resignations**

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education ratify the following irrevocable resignations, with effective dates noted:

Lucy Flatow	School Monitor	December 9, 2005
Chere Goldstein	Stage Manager	October 31, 2005
Marie San Filippo	Receptionist	November 28, 2005

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

**Family Medical Leave of Absence**

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for Deborah Stehlik, effective January 17, 2006-April 24, 2006, not to exceed 12 weeks.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

**Appointments**Cleaner, Part Time, Substitute

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education ratify the appointment of Joseph Monahan as Cleaner, Part Time, Substitute, effective November 14, 2005, at a rate of \$13.46 per hour, without benefits.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).



These are emergency conditional appointments and are conditioned upon and subject to: (1) Criminal clearance from the Commissioner of Education pursuant to the requirements of Project SAVE, and (2) Approval of application and fingerprinting by the Nassau County Civil Service Commission. If the District receives notice of denial of clearance by either the Commissioner of Education or the Nassau County Civil Service Commission regarding one or more of the appointments, the appointment(s) shall immediately terminate.

Note: These are not new positions.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0). *Mr. Spears joined the meeting.*

Lifeguard Trainee

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Brittany McIsaac as Lifeguard Trainee during the 2005-2006 school year (CPR and Lifeguard Certificates), at \$9.27 per hour, without benefits.

Note: This is not a new position.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**Correction to Stipend Amount Recited in Agenda of November 29, 2005 Regarding Extracurricular Appointment**

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the resolution from the November 29, 2005 Regular Meeting regarding the appointment of Denise Caliguri and Vincent Perez as Kramer Lane Wordmasters Co-Advisors shall be deemed corrected effective November 29, 2005 to indicate that both teachers will share a total stipend of \$2,078 (\$1,039 per person).

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**2005-2006 BUDGET APPROPRIATION – NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATIVE BULLET GRANT**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education accept and utilize a \$20,000 New York State Legislative Bullet Grant arranged by Senator Carl Marcellino toward the purchase of biotechnology materials for the John F. Kennedy Middle School and Bethpage High School.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education be and is authorized by law to increase the voter-approved 2005-2006 school year budget appropriation by the amount of the New York State Legislative Bullet Grant (\$20,000) for the purpose of applying those monies toward the purchase of biotechnology materials for the John F. Kennedy Middle School and Bethpage High School.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**MILEAGE RATE REIMBURSEMENT**

MOTION by Mr. Orfan, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the decrease in the Mileage Rate Reimbursement from \$.485 to \$.445 per mile as of January 1, 2006, as set by the Internal Revenue Service. The 2006 mileage rate reflects that gas prices have dropped.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**RICK WALSH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Orfan, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a category "B" scholarship, to be known as the "Rick Walsh Memorial Scholarship." A \$250 annual scholarship will be awarded at the Boys' Athletic Dinner to a Senior Male Lacrosse player who exemplifies team spirit, leadership, dedication, and above and beyond efforts on and off the playing field. The Lacrosse coaches will select this candidate where superior athletic ability is not necessary to receive this award.

In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, funds will be held in trust by the District. If the scholarship fund fails to provide the District with the \$250 to be held in trust and awarded in a particular year, the District will not hold the funds and the scholarship, as established, will not be given.

Note: Monies for this scholarship will be funded by donations from families and friends.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**CHANGE ORDERS**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the following Change Order pertaining to the below-noted project, for the purpose of adding modifications to the scope of work by the General Contractor, as approved by the Architect and Construction Manager:

Change Order No. 2: Proposal to provide labor and materials for canopy work at Bethpage High School. Repair soffits, metal deck, and drains.

Project: Roof/Masonry Work, Exterior Package at Bethpage High School  
Contract for: Roofing  
Contractor: Milcon Construction Corporation

**Total Increase: \$8,715.24**

The Superintendent further recommends that the Board of Education authorize the Board President to execute the Change Order on the Board's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the following Change Order pertaining to the below-noted project, for the purpose of adding modifications to the scope of work by the General Contractor, as approved by the Architect and Construction Manager:

Change Order No. 4 Proposal to furnish and install administrative phone for Bethpage High School library office.

Project: Interior Renovations at Bethpage High School  
Contract for: Electric  
Contractor: Roland Electric Inc.

**Total Increase: \$1,638.22**

The Superintendent further recommends that the Board of Education authorize the Board President to execute the Change Order on the Board’s behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve the following Change Order pertaining to the below-noted project, for the purpose of adding modifications to the scope of work by the General Contractor, as approved by the Architect and Construction Manager:

Change Order No. 5: Proposal to relocate existing fire alarm wiring from basement to custodian’s office. Furnish and install new fire alarm control panel in custodian’s office at Bethpage High School.

Project: Interior Renovations at Bethpage High School  
Contract for: Electric  
Contractor: Roland Electric Inc.

**Total Increase: \$23,412.38**

The Superintendent further recommends that the Board of Education authorize the Board President to execute the Change Order on the Board’s behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**CPSE AND CSE DOCUMENTS**

CPSE: November 22, 2005    December 6, 2005

CSE: September 27, 2005    November 21, 2005    November 28, 2005  
November 29, 2005    December 1, 2005    December 2, 2005  
December 5, 2005    December 14, 2005

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the recommendations of the CPSE/CSE for the above dates have been reviewed by the Board of Education, and arrangements will be made for the special educational programs and services and parent notification.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**REMOVAL OF OBSOLETE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT FROM DISTRICT INVENTORY**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education declare the following computer equipment obsolete and of no use and no value to the School District, and authorizes that they may be removed from the District inventory:

- 54 Dell Computers (purchased in 1997-1998).
- 6 Hewlett Packard Computers (donated to District in 1999).

Notes: (1) The list of computers and serial numbers is available in the Business Office.  
(2) The Internal Auditor has inspected the computers.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**PRESENTATION**

Dr. Marsh introduced Ms. Chryseis Corson, Director of English Language Arts, who reviewed ELA testing/dates in grades 3-8. Ms. Corson utilized a "PowerPoint" presentation and addressed topics to be covered in each of the tests. She stated that scores will be reported in August 2006. At the conclusion of her informative report, Ms. Corson answered questions from the audience.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Marsh was pleased to note that Mr. Robert Verdi, BHS Social Studies teacher, recently returned from Iraq after completing his tour of duty with the Army National Guard. He referred to an article in *Newsday* and a report on News 12 that covered this wonderful event.

It was noted by Dr. Marsh that both the High School Auditorium and the restrooms on the Stewart Avenue side of the High School are scheduled for renovation in the Spring 2006.

Dr. Marsh reported that the new "Central Boulevard School" sign was erected today. Vandals had destroyed the original sign. Thanks to Senator Kemp Hannon, the entire cost of the replacement sign was covered through a grant.

**PRESENTATION OF ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS:** None.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

The Board entertained questions and comments from the audience.

**FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:**

Tuesday, January 24, 2006, 7:30 p.m. – Agenda Meeting – Administration Building.  
Tuesday, January 31, 2006, 8:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting – Kramer Lane School.

**BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing particular personnel and contracts..

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at approximately 9:15 p.m.

**BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board exit Executive Session.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:17 p.m.

**ACTING DISTRICT CLERK**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Clark to serve as District Clerk pro tem for the remainder of the meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**PERSONNEL - RESIGNATION**

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education ratify the irrevocable resignation of Michele (Ciampoli) Georgatos, English teacher, effective December 31, 2005.

Motion carried (5-0-1).

Ayes	5
Noes	0
Abstentions	1 (Mrs. Watson)

***BOARD RE-ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION***

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education re-enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing employment.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

***BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION***

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board exit Executive Session.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:45 p.m.

***ADJOURNMENT***

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board adjourn the Regular Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terrence Clark  
District Clerk Pro Tem

Marléne Jannotta  
District Clerk