

**BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Bethpage, New York**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 20, 2005 – 8:00 p.m. – Bethpage High School Little Theatre**

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education began in the Administration Building Boardroom on April 20, 2005 at 7:15 p.m.

*Present:* Messrs. Tom Frost, Michael Kelly, Louis Orfan, Kurt Spears, and Donald Tichy.

Mrs. Sandra Watson arrived at 7:25 p.m.

*Absent:* Mr. Joel Dauman.

*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.

***BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION***

**MOTION** by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Tichy, that the Board enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing specific personnel and contracts.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:18 p.m.

***ACTING DISTRICT CLERK***

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

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

***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 8:03 p.m. and moved the Regular Meeting to the High School Little Theatre.

The following District personnel were present:

Principals: Dr. Frank Cicone - KL; Mrs. Angelita Cintado - CC; Mr. John DeTommaso – BHS; Mr. Steve Furrey - CBS; and Mrs. Kerri McCarthy – JFK Assistant Principal.

Directors: Ms. Chryseis Corson – ELA; Ms. Angela Kozlowski – Mathematics; Ms. Jody Smith – Social Studies; Ms. Janice Yale – Science; and Ms. Kim Parahus – Facilities.

Mr. Frost called the meeting to order at approximately 8:10 p.m. and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance. Approximately ten members of the public were present.

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on March 15, 2005.

Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Tichy, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special/Agenda Meeting held on March 22, 2005.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 29, 2005.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

***ACCEPTANCE OF TREASURER’S REPORT***

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education accept the Treasurer’s Report for the period ending March 31, 2005.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

***BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:*** None.

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

***SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS***

**VOTE ON THE 2005-2006 NASSAU BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (BOCES) ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education vote on the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (hereinafter called “BOCES”) has proposed and presented its tentative Administrative Operations budget for the 2005-2006 school year (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Nassau BOCES Administrative Operations budget for its 2005-2006 school year, in the amount of \$15,841,217, be, and hereby is APPROVED by this Board as presented.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**VOTE TO FILL THREE (3) VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF NASSAU COUNTY (BOCES)**

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education cast votes for three of the following three candidates to be elected to serve on the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCEES) for three-year terms, commencing July 1, 2005:

Robert E. Lupinskie (incumbent)  
Eric B. Schultz (incumbent)  
Stephen B. Witt (incumbent)

The Board unanimously cast votes for Messrs. Lupinskie, Schultz, and Witt.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING**

MOTION by Mr. Orfan, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education appoints Emory Berman as Chairperson of the Annual Meeting, to be held on May 17, 2005.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**BOARD OF REGISTRATION**

MOTION by Mr. Orfan, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District approve Elizabeth Skrypek as Chief Election Inspector and/or Election Clerk, at a rate of \$27.63 per hour, based on Ms. Skrypek's 2004-2005 hourly salary.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**PERSONNEL**

**Resignation**

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education ratify the irrevocable resignation of Tara Pizzuto as School Monitor effective April 1, 2005.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

## **Appointments**

### Teacher Aide, Part Time

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education ratify the appointment of Tara Pizzuto as Teacher Aide, Part Time, effective April 4, 2005, at a rate of \$17.83 per hour, based upon Step 1 of the 2004-2005 salary schedule, without benefits.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

### Full-Time Probationary Instructional

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the full-time probationary instructional appointment of Jeanna Novelli in the academic tenure area of Science. Salary will be \$54,022, based on Step 1 of the MA 2005-2006 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2005 - August 31, 2008. Ms. Novelli's initial certification to teach Science in New York State is pending.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

### Typist Clerk, Full Time, 10 Months

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education ratify the appointment of Gina Polak as Typist Clerk (Full Time, 10 Months), effective April 19 2005. Annual salary will be \$25,732, based upon Step 3 of the 2004-2005 salary schedule, with benefits, with a maximum probationary period of 26 weeks.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

### Teacher Aide, Part Time, Substitute

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Tichy, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Maria Kammerer as Teacher Aide, Part Time, Substitute, effective April 21, 2005, at a rate of \$9.09 per hour, based on Step 1 of the appropriate 2004-2005 salary schedule, without benefits. This is an emergency conditional appointment and is 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 this appointment, this appointment shall immediately terminate.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Appointment - School Monitor Part-Time

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Krystyna Fadden as School Monitor Part-Time, effective April 21, 2005, at a rate of \$9.74 per hour, based upon Step 1 of the 2004-2005 Elementary Monitor Salary Schedule, not to exceed 19 ½ hours per week, without benefits. This is an emergency conditional appointment and is 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. This appointment shall immediately terminate upon receipt of notice of denial of clearance by either the Commissioner of Education or the Civil Service Commission, or shall continue with the conditional status removed, if and when full clearance is granted.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**FIRST READING OF NEW POLICIES**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education acknowledge that it has performed its first reading of the following new policies, and approves the first reading of these new policies:

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| Policy No. 5320.1 | Meals and Refreshments          |
| Policy No. 5320.2 | Attendance at Conferences       |
| Policy No. 5320.3 | Use of the District Credit Card |
| Policy No. 5321   | Expense Reimbursement           |

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY NO. 8540 – HOME INSTRUCTION TEMPORARY**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education acknowledge that it has performed its first reading of revised Policy No. 8540 entitled, “Home instruction Temporary,” and approves the first reading of this revised policy.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**DONATION OF FUNDS**

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Tichy, that the Board of Education accept the donation of \$136.79 from Target and the “Take Charge of Education” program.  
Note: This donation is a result of Target’s REDcard program, whereby Target donates up to 1% of purchases to eligible schools designated by their guests.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**ARCHIE MCCORD POST 86 AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP**

MOTION by Mr. Orfan, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a Category "A" scholarship to be known as the Archie McCord Post 86 American Legion Scholarship, in the amount of \$200, to be awarded annually to a graduating Senior, who has enlisted in a branch of the armed services and will be called for active duty within sixty days (60) of graduation. In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, the District shall provide the Archie McCord Post 86 American Legion the essays and student history of the eligible candidates. Based on criteria established and furnished by the District, the Archie McCord Post 86 shall select the successful recipients from among the candidates' names furnished by the District and shall then give the monetary award directly to the recipient. This selection will be at the sole discretion of the Post.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**2005 ANDREW NARDONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education approve the creation of a one-time category "B" scholarship, to be known as the "2005 Andrew Nardone Memorial Scholarship." In accordance with District Policy No. 7421, \$1,000 will be held in trust by the District to be awarded to a 2005 graduating college-bound Senior who was an active member of the varsity wrestling team. The District will award this scholarship to the successful candidate selected by the District, in accordance with the criteria submitted by the Donor.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**CPSE AND CSE DOCUMENTS**

CPSE: January 28, 2005	February 2, 2005	February 4, 2005
February 16, 2005	March 11, 2005	March 15, 2005
March 18, 2005	March 21, 2005	March 29, 2005

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CSE: February 15, 2005	February 18, 2005	March 2, 2005	
March 3, 2005	March 7, 2005	March 8, 2005	
March 9, 2005	March 10, 2005	March 16, 2005	
March 17, 2005	March 22, 2005	March 23, 2005	April 5, 2005

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MOTION by Mr. Tichy, seconded by Mr. Kelly, 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).

**AWARD OF TRANSPORTATION BID**

**MOTION** by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spears, that the Board of Education accept the results of the District Contracted Summer School Transportation Services bid for the three (3) year period from Summer 2005, Summer 2006 and Summer 2007, coinciding with the summer school schedule, to Baumann, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications. The Superintendent further recommends that the Board accept the results of the Transportation Services bid for Senior Citizen Trips for the 2005-2006, 2006-2007, and 2007-2008 school years to Baumann, Inc. Transportation bids were received by the District on February 11, 2005. Eight (8) bids were mailed out and two (2) were received. The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute said contract agreement on its behalf with Baumann, Inc., as provided for and pursuant to the terms of the bid package.

Note: A copy of the bid is available in the Business Office.

<b>Per Bus/Per Attendant Per Year</b>	<b>No. of Vehicles</b>	<b>2005-2006</b>	<b>2006-2007</b>	<b>2007-2008</b>
Summer School Shuttle (7 Hours)	TBD	\$295.00	\$310.00	\$326.00
Group Activities Program (6 Hours)	TBD	\$280.00	\$295.00	\$310.00
Attendant, If Needed	TBD	\$140.00	\$147.00	\$155.00
Senior Citizen Trips (6 Hours)	TBD	\$290.00	\$305.00	\$321.00

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**ADOPT 2005-2006 SCHOOL BUDGET**

**MOTION** by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Board of Education adopt a budget in the amount of \$59,125,594 for the 2005-06 school year, said budget to be presented to the community at the Annual Meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2005, with voting to take place on the same day, namely Tuesday, May 17, 2005, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

***SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT***

Dr. Marsh introduced Mr. Terrence Clark, who presented the results of the New York State School Report Card for the 2003-2004 school year. Noting that one benchmark of a successful school district is the percentage of Regents Diplomas, Mr. Clark commented that 87% of Bethpage High School Seniors received a Regents Diploma in June 2004. After a thorough explanation on the impact of the "No Child Left Behind" legislation, Mr. Clark provided a comprehensive overview of academic performance from elementary school through high school

utilizing a comprehensive Powerpoint Presentation. Afterward, questions from the audience were entertained.

Mr. Clark thanked the Principals and Directors for their assistance and stressed that this is a collaborative effort. He also thanked Mrs. Skrypek for assisting with the PowerPoint presentation. Dr. Marsh also expressed his appreciation to Mr. Clark, the Principals, and Directors.

Dr. Marsh congratulated Ms. Yale on her extremely successful "Astronomy Night." Approximately 700 people participated in this wondrous event.

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

**OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:** None.

**FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES**

May 2	Meet The Candidates Night	Little Theatre	8:00 p.m.
May 10	Budget Hearing	Little Theatre	8:00 p.m.
May 17	Annual Meeting	BHS Auditorium	7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
May 24	Agenda Meeting	Boardroom	7:30 p.m.
May 31	Regular Meeting	Little Theatre	8:00 p.m.

Dr. Marsh informed the public that the 2005-2006 budget will be presented to the PTA at "Meet the Candidates Night."

At 9:25 p.m., Mr. Frost announced that the meeting would return to the Boardroom for a work session with Mr. John A. Grillo, Architect. The public was invited to attend.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The meeting adjourned at 11:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marléne Jannotta  
District Clerk