

**BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Bethpage, New York**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Annual Meeting Followed by Special Meeting**  
**May 15, 2007 – 7:00 a.m. – Bethpage High School Gymnasium**

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The Annual Meeting of the Bethpage Board of Education was held on May 15, 2007, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium, 10 Cherry Avenue, Bethpage, New York.

Mr. David Bardsley, Chairperson, declared the polls open at 7:00 a.m. Voting proceeded all day. At 9:00 p.m., Mr. Bardsley declared the polls closed. The machines were locked and sealed and the inspectors proceeded to tally the 39 absentee ballots. One absentee ballot could not be counted. There were two affidavit ballots.

The results are as follows:

Proposition No. 1 – Approve School Budget of \$66,488,062 for 2007-2008 school year:

**1,586 Yes** (includes 22 absentee ballots)  
684 No (includes 16 absentee ballots)

***Proposition No. 1 passed.***

Proposition No. 2 – EXCEL Proposition - RESOLVED

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Bethpage Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to undertake an improvement project (the “EXCEL Project”) substantially as described in a plan prepared for the District by John A. Grillo, Architect, P.C. (the “Plan”), which Plan is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk, said EXCEL Project consisting of the construction of additions and improvements to various District buildings, including (as and where required): building additions to provide additional instructional space; the reconstruction and/or reconfiguration of existing space to provide for additional instructional and storage space; installation of exterior doors; and ventilation and air condition system improvements; the foregoing to include the original equipment, machinery, furnishings, apparatus, and all ancillary and related site and other work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$3,152,388; provided that the costs of the components of the EXCEL Project as set forth in detail in the Plan may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District;

- (b) That a tax is hereby voted therefor in the amount of not to exceed \$3,152,388 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and bonds of the District are authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$3,152,388 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable; and
- (c) That the District expects to receive as reimbursement from the State of New York (the "State") \$987,657 under the new Expanding our Children's Education and Learning (herein called "EXCEL") State aid program, and additional amounts of other State aid, and all of such aid as and when received by the District shall be applied to offset and reduce the taxes hereby authorized.

**1,464 Yes** (includes 21 absentee ballots)  
 620 No (includes 17 absentee ballots)

***Proposition No. 2 passed.***

Candidates for Election as Follows:

For the Unexpired Term of Louis Orfan, last held by appointment of Anna Israelton, which remaining term commences May 15, 2007 through June 30, 2008	<b>1,329 votes for Anna Israelton</b> (includes 27 absentee ballots)
Three (3) Year Term to Succeed Thomas Frost; term expires June 30, 2010	<b>1,407 votes for Thomas Frost</b> (includes 28 absentee ballots)
Three (3) Year Term to Succeed Joel Dauman; term expires June 30, 2010	<b>1,148 votes for Joel Dauman</b> (includes 27 absentee ballots)
Three (3) Year Term to Succeed Kurt Spears; term expires June 30, 2010	<b>1,233 votes for Kurt Spears</b> (includes 28 absentee ballots)

There were no write-in votes.

Mrs. Israelton was elected to a term effective May 15, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Mr. Frost was elected to a three-year term effective July 1, 2007.

Mr. Dauman was elected to a three-year term effective July 1, 2007.

Mr. Spears was elected to a three-year term effective July 1, 2007.

At 10:00 p.m. the Annual Meeting relocated to the Boardroom at the Administration Building for the purpose of recording the voting results.

*Present:* Michael J. Kelly, President; Tom Frost, Vice President; Joel Dauman, Anna Israelton, Kurt Spears, Hugh Walker, and Sandra Watson.

*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.

One member of the public was present.

**MOTION** by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Frost, that the Board of Education accept all of the above results of the Annual Meeting of May 15, 2007.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that said Propositions were approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon and HEREBY DELCARED to be official. As evidence of the several determinations hereinabove made pursuant to Section 2034 of the Education Law of the State of New York, this Board of Education has caused two copies of this Resolution to be signed by all Members of this Board of Education. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Michael J. Kelly, President

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Tom Frost, Vice President

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***OATH OF OFFICE***

Ms. Granelli administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Israelton as Trustee of the Board of Education effective May 15, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

**ADOPTION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN**

MOTION by Mrs. Israelton, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that:

WHEREAS, the Bethpage Union Free School District wishes to adopt the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of the State of New York and Other Participating Public Jurisdictions (the "Plan") for voluntary participation of all eligible employees; and

WHEREAS, the Bethpage Union Free School District is a local public employer eligible to adopt the Plan pursuant to Section 5 of the State Finance Law; and

WHEREAS, the Bethpage Union Free School District has reviewed the Plan established in accordance with Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 5 of the State Finance Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan is to encourage employees to make and continue careers with the Bethpage Union Free School District by providing eligible employees with a convenient and tax-favored method of saving on a regular and long-term basis and thereby provide for their retirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby:

RESOLVED, that the Bethpage Union Free School District hereby adopts the Plan for the voluntary participation of all eligible employees; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials of the Bethpage Union Free School District are hereby authorized to take such actions and enter into such agreements as are required or necessary for the adoption, implementation, and maintenance of the Plan; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Administrative Services Agency is hereby authorized to file copies of these resolutions and other required documents with the President of the State of New York Civil Service Commission.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

**AWARD OF 2007-2008 DRIVER EDUCATION BID**

MOTION by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mrs. Israelton, that the Board of Education accept the results of the Driver Education Program Bid for the 2007-2008 school year and award the contract to Bell Auto School, the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications, as follows:

<u>Session</u>	<u>Cost Per Student</u>	<u>Projected # Students</u>	<u>Projected Total</u>
Summer 2007	\$315	30	\$ 9,450.00
Fall 2007	\$315	92	\$28,980.00
Spring 2008	\$315	92	<u>\$28,980.00</u>
		<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$67,410.00</b>

The Board further authorizes the Board President to execute the contract with Bell Auto School, as provided for and pursuant to the terms of the bid package, on its behalf. The bid opening was held on May 9, 2007.

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

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

### **INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES FIRM**

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education approve Chester Investigative Agency, Hempstead, New York as an investigative services firm ("firm") to be utilized for the performance of residency investigations at the following costs, subject to the execution of an agreement consistent with the terms quoted by the firm:

Hourly Rate: \$40  
Minimum Hours: 3 Hours  
Additional Cost for Mileage: \$.48 per mile

Additional Costs: \$15 per run after the second run for DMV check.  
\$85 for credit check.  
\$110 per utility search.  
\$40/hour per home visit.  
\$40/hour for criminal civil investigations.

Note: A copy of the Investigative Services Comparison is available in the Business Office.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

### **BOARD ENTERS EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing specific personnel.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 10:10 p.m.

Mrs. Watson left the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

***BOARD EXITS EXECUTIVE SESSION***

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

***ADJOURNMENT***

MOTION: by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education adjourn the Annual Meeting/Special Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marléne Jannotta  
District Clerk