

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEVITTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
LEVITTOWN, NY**

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, was duly called and held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 in the Board Meeting Room of the Levittown Memorial Education Center.

CERTIFICATION:

The District Clerk certified that pursuant to Section 104, Open Meetings Law, notice of meeting was sent to the local newspapers, the Public Library and posted on the district's website. Further, all members of the Board of Education had due notice of said meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Messina called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 PM on a motion by James Moran and seconded by Mike Pappas. Please note Phyllis Dalton is excused from tonight's meeting. Ms. Messina asked for a motion to adjourn to executive session. The motion was made by Christina Lang and seconded by Marianne Adrian. All in favor 6 - 0. Ms. Messina stated that we will recite the pledge of allegiance when we return for the regular meeting.

I. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

Ms. Messina welcomed everyone back to the September 27 regular meeting. On a motion from James Moran and seconded by Peggy Marengi and a vote of 4 - 0 the meeting was reconvened. Please note, Mike Pappas, Phyllis Dalton, and Marianne Adrian are excused from tonight's meeting. The pledge of allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed for all those fighting for our country at home and overseas. Ms. Messina asked the we observe a moment of silence for the Farmingdale community after the tragic bus accident. The Levittown community stands with Farmingdale community during this difficult time. This week we are all Dalers.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Moment of Silence

II. REPORTS

A. Superintendent

1. Comments and Reports

At this time, Mr. Winch read a statement about an incident that occurred over the weekend.

This past Saturday, the district was made aware of a serious situation involving members of our student body. It was reported that during off campus activities that were not endorsed by the district, several students from the Division Avenue High School football team used shaving cream to spray offensive words and images on the property of students in the school. Due to the seriousness of the allegations, the district decided to forfeit the Homecoming game with Clarke High School this past Saturday and immediately initiated an internal investigation. Our investigation has concluded. Although we cannot comment on individual student disciplinary measures, appropriate consequences will be administered in accordance with our Code of Conduct and additional plans are being developed to address this issue.

We condemn racism and anti-Semitic behaviors in all forms, as well as any other types of

inappropriate behaviors that do not align with the District's mission. As a school community, we will continue to reinforce in our students the need for acceptance and respect for all. However, we cannot resolve an issue such as this without your help. We ask that you discuss the hateful nature of such actions with your children and assure them that intolerance is not permitted in Levittown Public Schools.
Thank you.

- 2. Follow-up to Prior Public Be Heard Questions
- 3. Follow-up to Board Questions

Mr. Winch stated there were no public be heard questions for follow-up and no board questions.

B. Board of Education

At this time, there were no Board of Education comments or reports.

- 1. Comments and Reports
- 2. Correspondence

III. PUBLIC BE HEARD

No public be heard.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Schedules

RESOLUTION # 092723-01

“RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following schedules:

- 1001 “Resignations/Terminations, Certified Personnel”
- 1002 “Resignations/Terminations, Non-Instructional Personnel”
- 1003 “Appointments, Certified Personnel”
- 1004 “Appointments, Non-Instructional Personnel”
- 1005 “Salary Change, Certified Personnel”
- 1006 “Leave of Absence, Certified Personnel”

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED [4 - 0]
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi, Trustee
SECONDER	Christina Lang, Trustee
AYES:	Moran, Lang, Messina, Marengi
EXCUSED:	Pappas, Adrian, Dalton

V. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Messina asked for motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by James Moran, seconded by Peggy Marengi. All in favor 4 – 0.