

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

DATE: JULY 19, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, was duly called and held on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 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.

I. CALL TO ORDER

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRESENT:

Peggy Marengi, President
Marianne Adrian, Vice President
Dillon Cain
Christina Lang
Jennifer Messina
James Moran
Michael Pappas (excused absence)

ADMINISTRATORS

Dr. Tonie McDonald – Superintendent of Schools
Mr. William Pastore– Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ms. Debbie Rifkin - Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Mr. Todd Winch - Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
Dr. Donald Sturz – Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Services

OTHERS

Ms. Mara Harvey – Legal Counsel

- I. Ms. Marengi, President, called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 PM. On a motion by Ms. Lang, seconded by Ms. Adrian and approved (6-0) that the Board adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations.

- II. The Board reconvened to Public Session at 7:36 PM on a motion by Mr. Moran seconded by Ms. Adrian and approved (6-0). Ms. Marengi asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for all those serving our country at home and abroad and all the people in law enforcement and firemen who serve our country.

II. PUBLIC BE HEARD

(None)

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III. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Warrants

RESOLUTION #17-18-55

MOTION: "WHEREAS, all claims, warrants and charges against the School District have been reviewed by the Claims Auditor and have been certified by the Claims Auditor for payment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the JUNE 2017 report of the Claims Auditor be accepted."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Marianne Adrian, Vice President |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

2. Business Office Reports

RESOLUTION #17-18-56

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the following reports from the Business Office:

- Appropriation and Revenue reports for the month ending 5/31/17
- Claims Auditors Report prepared by Nawrocki Smith LLP for the month of June 2017
- Treasurer's report for the month ending May 2017
- Trial Balance for the month ending 7/1/16 - 5/31/17
- Credit card statement for statement date 7/17/17."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Marianne Adrian, Vice President |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

3. Setting the Tax Levy

RESOLUTION #17-18-57

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the following budget (\$217,773,360) of the necessary claims and expenditures in Levittown Union Free School District (#5), in the Town of Hempstead, school year 2017-2018, amounting to:

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| | \$ 210,218,722 | School Purpose |
| | \$ 7,554,638 | Library Purpose |
| Total | \$ 217,773,360 | be and the same is hereby accepted; and |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of:

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| \$ 136,270,739 | School Purpose |
| \$ 7,409,138 | Library Purpose |

Total \$ 143,679,877 be the remainder of budget adopted as above and the amount which must be raised by taxation \$136,270,739 for School Purposes and \$ 7,409,138 for Library Purposes; total of \$143,679,877 for the Levittown Union Free School District (#5) of the Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York for the year 2017-2018 be levied upon the taxable property of said school district as said property has been certified by the Assessor for the school year 2017-2018; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk of this School District be and is hereby authorized and directed, pursuant to Section 6-20.0 and amendments thereto of the Nassau County Administrative Code to file a certified copy of these resolutions with the Nassau County Legislature and the Department of Assessment, Mineola, New York, on or before August 15, 2017."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | Marianne Adrian, Vice President |
| SECONDER: | Dillon Cain |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marenghi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

4. Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION #17-18-58

MOTION: "WHEREAS, in compliance with New York State Government Accounting practices, the attached budget transfers have been prepared and recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance,

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Code Description</u> | <u>Amount From</u> | <u>Amount To</u> |
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| A22504006 | Summer School Related Services | \$60,000.00 | |
| A22504008 | Residential Maintenance | | \$60,000.00 |
| Reason: | Needed to pay maintenance cost for students placed in residential programs in the 2016-17 school year. | | |
| A22504006 | Summer School Related Services | \$31,000.00 | |
| A22504710 | Tuition Paid to Public District | | \$31,000.00 |
| Reason: | Needed to pay foster tuition and transportation cost for the 2016-17 school year. | | |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached budget transfers."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marenghi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

5. Bid Approval

RESOLUTION #17-18-59

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, award the Bid #LPS17-003, Locker Room and Interior Athletic Renovation, to:

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| Construct Consultants for General Construction (Division) | \$1,336,474 |
| W. J. Northridge for General Construction (Salk) | \$ 748,500 |
| Recon for HVAC | \$ 590,500 |
| Palace Electric for Electrical Construction | \$ 243,000 |
| Connolly & Sons for Plumbing | \$ 313,100 |
| Total award | \$3,231,574 |

for the work to be done at the Division Avenue High School and Jonas E. Salk Middle School as per attached bid calculation forms."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

6. Nassau BOCES Final AS7 Contract for 2016-17

RESOLUTION #17-18-60

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education approve the final contract with Nassau County Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES) in the amount of \$10,087,023.50 to cover services and other expenses for the 2016-2017 school year, and:

Be it further RESOLVED that the President of the Levittown Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign the attached agreement."

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

7. Change Order

RESOLUTION #17-19-61

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, modify Change order #1 Nickerson Corp - for MacArthur Bleachers from \$42,380 (approved December 7, 2016) to \$8,508.00, and:

Approve Change order #1 Nickerson Corp - for Division Bleachers for \$24,475.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Levittown Board of Education is, hereby, authorized to sign the attached change orders."

RESULT: APPROVED (6-0-0]
MOVER: James Moran
SECONDER: Jennifer Messina
AYES: Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina
ABSENT: Mike Pappas

8. Guidelines for Free and Reduced Price Meal Program

RESOLUTION #17-18-62

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education accepts the Free and Reduced Price Meal Program policy, including the annual Family Eligibility Criteria for Free and Reduced Meals as described in accordance with the guidelines established by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the New York State Education Department, Bureau of School Food Management and Nutrition."

RESULT: APPROVED (6-0-0]
MOVER: James Moran
SECONDER: Jennifer Messina
AYES: Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina
ABSENT: Mike Pappas

9. Adult Education Tuition

RESOLUTION #17-18-63

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the Adult Education tuition increase of \$1.00 per credit hour to \$9.00 per credit hour for the 2017-18."

RESULT: APPROVED (6-0-0]
MOVER: James Moran
SECONDER: Jennifer Messina
AYES: Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina
ABSENT: Mike Pappas

10. Bid Approval - Printing

RESOLUTION #17-18-64

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, award the Bid #LPS 17-005 for printing of district newsletters, calendar and district budget notice postcard to ToBay Printing Co. for the 2017-2018 school year."

RESULT: APPROVED (6-0-0]
MOVER: James Moran
SECONDER: Jennifer Messina
AYES: Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina
ABSENT: Mike Pappas

11. Additional Appointment to Committees on Special Education and RESOLUTION #17-18-65
Preschool Special Education

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education appoint Stephanie Adonna to serve on the District Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2017-2018 school year.”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

12. Appointment of Medical Inspector

RESOLUTION #17-18-66

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that Dr. Suanne Kowal-Connelly be appointed as Medical Inspector at a contractual rate of \$27,500.00 per year.

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

13. Brookhaven National Laboratory

RESOLUTION #17-18-67

MOTION: “WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of School, it is hereby resolved that the attached Agreement to participate in Brookhaven National Laboratory’s High School Student Outreach Program is approved.”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

14. Special Education Contracts

RESOLUTION #17-18-68

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contracts between the Levittown Public Schools and the following vendors to provide special education services for the 2017-18 school year.

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- Hagedorn Little Village School - Summer Tuition
- Roslyn Public Schools - Summer Tuition
- Roslyn Public Schools - Summer and Academic Year Tuition

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education President is, hereby, authorized to execute these contracts.”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

15. Obsolete Equipment

RESOLUTION #17-18-69

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the equipment on the attached list obsolete and that the item may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value.”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

16. Schedules

RESOLUTION #17-18-70

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

- 1001 “Resignations/Terminations, Certified Personnel:
- 1002 “Resignations/Terminations, Non-Instructional”
- 1003 “Appointments, Certified Personnel”
- 1004 “Appointments, Summer School”
- 1005 “Designation, Coaching”
- 1006 “Designation, Consultants”
- 1007 “Appointments, Non-Instructional”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

17. Class Action - FieldTurf USA

RESOLUTION #17-18-71

MOTION: “Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti LLP is hereby retained to represent Levittown Union Free School District against FieldTurf USA Inc. and certain affiliates, the seller of certain allegedly defective artificial turf fields delivered to the District, pursuant to the terms of the attached draft engagement letter from Lance J. Kalik, Esq.”

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

IV. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

V. AD HOC

1. Policies - First Read

Policy #7330 - Searches and Interrogations

Ms. Rifkin explained that “search of a vehicle on school property” was added to the policy to avoid any future conflicts. She noted this is legal and you have to have suspicion to enter the vehicle. She noted the policy was vetted by our attorneys. There was discussion from the Board and a change was requested which will appear on the policy at the next meeting when the policy has a second read.

IV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

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| RESULT: | APPROVED (6-0-0)] |
| MOVER: | James Moran |
| SECONDER: | Jennifer Messina |
| AYES: | Adrian, Marengi, Lang, Moran, Cain, Messina |
| ABSENT: | Mike Pappas |

The Board adjourned the Special Meeting at 7:46 PM.

Elizabeth Appelbaum
District Clerk

NOTE: Tapes of the meeting are available for review at the Levittown Library.

