

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

DATE: June 13, 2012

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, was duly called and held on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 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.

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. James Moran
Ms. Peggy Marengi
Mr. Michael Pappas – President
Mr. Peter Porrazzo – Vice President
Mr. Edward Powers
Mr. Kevin Regan – Secretary
Mr. Frank Ward

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. James Grossane – Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Darlene Rhatigan – Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Debbie Rifkin – Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Mark Flower – Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance

OTHERS

Ms. Elizabeth Appelbaum – District Clerk
Ms. Ellen Chaleff - Division High School Student Liaison
Ms. Colleen Bradley - MacArthur High School Student Liaison

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Mr. Pappas, called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:15 PM. On a motion by Mr. Porrazzo, seconded by Mr. Regan and approved (7-0) that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to discuss items on the Executive Session Agenda relating to negotiations.
- C. The Board reconvened to Public Session at 7:40 PM in the auditorium at which time Mr. Pappas asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance, a moment silence for our troops fighting overseas and a prayer for Legislator Dennis Dunne's recovery.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Porrazzo moved to “Make the necessary corrections and move the approval of the minutes of May 8, 2012 (Regular Meeting) and May 15, 2012 (Annual Meeting).”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Seconded: Ms. Marengi

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

IV. REPORTS

A. Recognition:

1. Student Athletes:

Annie Park, MacArthur – Nassau County High School Boys Golf Champion
Nicole Natland, MacArthur - All Long Island Track
Ryan Billion, Division Avenue – State Track
MacArthur Girls Spring Track & Field – All County
MacArthur Boys Track & Field – County Sportsmanship Award
MacArthur Girls Softball – All County; Long Island Champions; County Sportsmanship Award

Mr. Snyder, Director of Physical Education, Athletics Health & Health Services, was called up to introduce the athletes and their coaches, coordinators and principals. He remarked that it has been a phenomenal year. The athletes were recognized for their achievements and given awards. Mr. Snyder thanked the Board, Administration and parents for their support of athletes.

2. Student Liaisons to the Board of Education:

Ellen Chaleff - Division Avenue High School
Colleen Bradley - MacArthur High School

Dr. Grossane spoke about the student liaisons and noted that they attended every Board Meeting. They were presented with plaques and name plates in appreciation for all their hard work.

3. Student Academic Presentation: Division Avenue High School
(The Division Avenue Chapter of Best Buddies)

Dr. Ianni, Principal of Division Avenue, spoke about how in education there is talk about schools being a community and giving support like a family. He remarked that when you see this presentation and hear what we do every day, you will realize that this program embraces what Division Avenue is all about. Dr. Ianni, introduced the advisors to the

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program who showed pictures of the students and their buddies. The current officers of the Chapter and their Buddies gave information about the program and activities. They noted that this Club allows a special education student and a general education student to bond. It seeks to change society's perception of people with disabilities by establishing meaningful friendships which in turn help them navigate through life with confidence and ease. The students reported that these friendships will last a lifetime. The officers of the club welcomed the Board into the Best Buddies family by presenting them with T-shirts and bracelets.

Mr. Pappas commented that this program demonstrates what a fantastic school district and community we have.

4. Retirees – Instructional and Non-Instructional

Ms. Rhatigan agreed with the Board President, that we have a fantastic district and the reason why is the people, who put in the hard work and years of service. She remarked that, you hire good people and you get good results. Ms. Rhatigan recognized and thanked the teachers and non-instructional employees who are retiring this year. She spoke of all they have contributed to the school district. Each person's name was announced and on behalf of the school district, administration and Board of Education they were given plaques for their years of service.

Dr. Grossane congratulated the administrative retirees for their many years of dedicated service to the students of Levittown. He wished Dr. Sally Evans, Ms. Joann Wallace, Ms. Ann Davidian and Mr. Gerard Mc Eaney all the best in their retirements.

5. Reception -

Ms. Rhatigan announced that a reception would follow in the Panther Room to celebrate and thank the retirees for their years of dedicated service.

NOTE: The Regular Meeting was resumed at 8:45 P.M. after the reception

6. Art Display: Division Avenue High School

Dr. Grossane thanked the Division Avenue High School staff and students for the outstanding art work in the Board Room and in the hallway. He noted it is truly a work of art. Dr. Grossane was incredibly impressed by the quality of the work.

B. Superintendent:

1. Follow-up to Prior Public Be Heard Questions
(none)

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2. Report: APPR

Dr. Grossane announced that this topic will be discussed at another meeting.

C. Board of Education:

1. Comments & Reports

Mr. Pappas pointed out that several of Levittown's alumni were on the Stony Brook baseball team that recently went to the College World Series. He thanked everyone for all of the invitations received this month to all the different event. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Pappas thanked all the PTA Presidents for the wonderful job they did and was looking forward to working with the new incoming Presidents.

a. Student Liaisons

Ms. Chaleff, Division High School Student Liaison, talked about the book drive that was done in the district. She reported that Better World Books sells books on-line that were donated by schools, libraries and private citizens. The proceeds go to help GED Programs and schools all around the world. Ms. Chaleff noted that over 800 books from three schools were boxed by school volunteers and donated. She pointed out that next year's student liaison will continue this work.

Ms. Bradley, MacArthur High School Student Liaison, spoke about fund raising for a brick walk-way similar to Division Avenue's to celebrate their 50th anniversary. She explained the reasons to purchase a brick such as a chance to be a permanent part of the school's history. Ms. Bradley noted that the next student liaison would take over this project.

Mr. Pappas complemented the girls for all their hard work and commented that these projects will carry forth with each new student liaison. They will be able to come back to the district and see they made a difference. The Board was sorry to see them leave.

2. Correspondence
(none)

V. PUBLIC BE HEARD
(none)

VI. ACTION ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

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VII. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "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, RESOLUTION # 11-12-211
Warrants

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the May 2012 report of the Claims Auditor be accepted."

Seconded: Ms. Marenghi

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

2. **MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the attached Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2012 and place same on file." RESOLUTION # 11-12-212
Treasurer's Report

Seconded: Ms. Marenghi

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

3. **MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "WHEREAS, in compliance with New York State Government Accounting practices, the attached list of budget transfers dated June 6, 2012 (2) and June 7, 2012 (1) has been prepared and are recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance, RESOLUTION #11-12-213
Budget Transfers

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

Seconded: Ms. Marenghi

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

4. **MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the attached Appropriation and Revenue Status reports for the period ending April 30, 2012." RESOLUTION # 11-12-214
Appropriation and Revenue
Status Reports.

Seconded: Ms. Marenghi

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

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5. **MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does hereby, accept with thanks, the following gifts: RESOLUTION # 11-12-215
Gifts to School
- a. books from the Scholastic Book Fairs for the Summit Lane school library, given by the Summit Lane PTA, 4 Summit Lane, Levittown, NY 11756;
 - b. a check in the amount of \$200 for educational materials relative to re-cycling awareness at East Broadway Elementary School from FutureCorps Community Service Project Grant, Newsday Media Group, 235 Pinelawn Road, Melville, NY 11747;
 - c. ball locker and recess equipment for Abbey Lane Elementary School, given by the Abbey Lane PTA, Levittown, NY 11756;
 - d. a check in the amount of \$796.09 for the Gardiners Avenue Elementary School Student Activity Fund, given by Box Tops for Education, P.O. Box 2185, Young America, MN 55553-2185;
 - e. a check in the amount of \$1,000 for a Chris Anglim Memorial Lacrosse Scholarship at Division Avenue High School, given by Jon Anglim, 366 North Virginia Avenue, North Massapequa, NY 11758;
 - f. a 2001 Jaquar (VIN#SAJDA14C91LF34076) for the automotive program at GCTech, given by Patty Baker, 4101 Gulf Shore Blvd. No., Naples, FL 34103;
 - g. a check in the amount of \$534.68 for the student activity fund at Gardiners Avenue Elementary School, given by A+ Rewards – Stop & Shop, 1149 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle, PA 17013-0249;
 - h. a check in the amount of \$1,000 for MacArthur High School in recognition of a student's honorable mention in video contest, given by MSG Varsity, c/o Cablevision, 1101 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage, NY 11714."

Seconded: Mr. Regan

NOTE: Mr. Pappas thanked all the generous sponsors.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

6. **MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following Requests for Proposals: RESOLUTION # 11-12-216
Request for Proposals

RFP #LPS-12-001 – Special Education Related Educational Services (as per proposals)

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RFP #LPS-12-002 – Athletic Training Services – not to exceed \$40,000.”

Seconded: Mr. Ward

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

- 7. MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve or renew the following bids:

RESOLUTION # 11-12-217
Approval/Renewal of Bids

11E – No. 18 – Reconditioning of Athletic Uniforms & Equipment (renewal) – not to exceed \$55,000

12E – No. 15 – Emergency Generator Repair – Cooperative Bid.”

Seconded: Mr. Ward

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

- 8. MOTION:** Mr. Ward moved, “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the library books and textbook series on the following lists obsolete and that they may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value:

RESOLUTION #11-12-218
Obsolete Books

<u>School/Building</u>	<u>Number of Items</u>	<u>Date</u>
Lee Road	317	4/24/12
Salk	16	5/3/12
East Broadway	51	5/23/12
Wisdom Lane	64	5/23/12
Abbey Lane	463	5/23/12
MacArthur (math series)	835	5/31/12.”

Seconded: Mr. Powers

NOTE: Mr. Pappas requested that all schools use the new form. Dr. Grossane remarked the schools had submitted their forms prior to the new form being created. He will have them resubmit on the new forms.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

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9. **MOTION:** Mr. Ward moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the items on the following lists obsolete and that they may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value: RESOLUTION #11-12-219
Obsolete Equipment

<u>School/Building</u>	<u>Number of Items</u>	<u>Date</u>
Wisdom (printers)	2	4/23/12
LMEC (computers)	7	4/27/12
LMEC (projectors)	3	4/30/12
LMEC (projectors)	36	4/30/12
LMEC (projectors, printer)	4	5/4/12
Salk (SmartBoard 2003)	1	5/17/12
Division (lacrosse helmets)	29	2/24/12."

Seconded: Mr. Powers

NOTE: Mr. Porrizzo inquired as to whether some youth leagues could use the lacrosse helmets. Dr. Grossane responded that the helmets cannot be recertified for use.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

10. **Motion:** Mr. Porrizzo moved, "RESOLVED, that in accordance with the USDA requirement for "Equity in School Lunch Pricing", the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve an increase in school lunch prices for the 2012-2013 school year as follows: RESOLUTION 11-12-220
School Lunch Prices -
2012/2013 School Year

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
School Lunch - Kindergarten – Grade 5 (elementary)	\$ 2.10	\$ 2.25
School Lunch - Grades 6 – 12 – (secondary)	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.50
Adult Lunch (*plus tax)	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.75*."

Seconded: Mr. Regan

NOTE: Mr. Porrizzo asked where the C Fund was in terms of profit. Mr. Flower responded that our books will reflect a profit of between \$220, 000 - \$250,000. He noted we are guaranteed \$150,000 and we are well over that number right now. Mr. Porrizzo inquired how much money was in the account when we started the year. Mr. Flower replied we had around \$300,000, so now we have \$500,000. Mr. Porrizzo asked if an increase was necessary. Mr. Flower reported that the reason the school lunch prices are going up is because of the Consumer Price Index and that we were able to renew our contract. The USDA has put out a regulation called Equity in Pricing. This is where the reimbursement rate price for the free and reduced lunch students has to be in relation to what our students are paying. Our paid lunch rate is below that level and therefore, we need to raise that up in order to be in compliance with that regulation. The Board discussed different pricing under Federal Regulations.

Mr. Pappas thanked the Food Service Committee for their work on finding a price increase that can bring us in line with regulations and not be a burden for the community.

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MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

- 11. MOTION:** Mr. Ward moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the revision to the following policy:

RESOLUTION #11-12-221
Revision of Policy

Policy 1520 – Special Meetings of the Board of Education."

Seconded: Ms. Marenghi

NOTE: Mr. Pappas noted this was a technical change in the number of votes.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

- 12. MOTION:** Mr. Porrazzo moved, "WHEREAS, Section 913 of the Education Law provides the Board of Education with the ability to require employees to undergo an examination to determine their ability to perform their essential job functions; and

RESOLUTION #11-12-222
Medical Evaluation
of an Employee

WHEREAS, the performance of an employee brings these issues into question;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 913 of the Education Law of the State of New York, that said employee is, hereby, directed to undergo an examination by a physician or physicians to be announced."

Seconded: Mr. Regan

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

- 13. MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, authorize the submission of the attached Corrective Action Plans pursuant to the District's dated November 25, 2011 and November 28, 2011 prepared by Cullen Danowski LLP."

RESOLUTION #11-12-223
Corrective Action Plans -
Internal Audits

Seconded: Mr. Ward

NOTE: Mr. Flower explained that in the beginning of the school year, our Internal Auditors came in and conducted two audits. One, called the Risk Assessments, has to be done on an annual basis and looks at the overall processes of the business office and functions within the district. Recommendations are made to the Audit

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Committee and ultimately to the Board, on what areas of in-depth work they would like to be able to do. There were some findings that were addressed in this first corrective action. The second corrective action was for one of the in-depth audits that revolved around the payroll and benefits department. There were some more significant findings as part of that report. Mr. Flower noted that since then, we have put corrective actions in place to be able to address those. The Auditors came back and met with the Audit Committee where they saw a presentation of the Corrective Action Plan. The plan was reviewed by the Audit Committee and they are making a recommendation to approve the two plans.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

14. **MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, "WHEREAS, Nassau BOCES has changed the date of their Budget Vote from Tuesday, April 16, 2013 to Wednesday, April 17, 2013; and

RESOLUTION #11-12-224
Change in Board Meeting
Dates – 2012/2013

WHEREAS, it is desirous that the Levittown Board of Education meeting date for the BOCES Budget Vote coincide with the date set by BOCES;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Budget Planning Session #4, 1st Budget Hearing, Special Meeting to Adopt the Budget and for the BOCES Vote originally scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2013 be changed to Wednesday, April 17, 2013."

Seconded: Mr. Porrazzo

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

15. **MOTION:** Ms. Marengi moved, "RESOLVED, that in compliance with Commissioner's Regulations, the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, adopt the attached Rtl Plan, Response to Intervention 2012/2013."

RESOLUTION #11-12-225
Response To
Intervention Plan

Seconded: Mr. Regan

NOTE: Ms. Rifkin explained that the district is required to file an Rtl Plan with the state this year. She noted that a committee was established made up of administrators, teachers, and parents who researched Rtl Plans across the state, used New York State Law and created a plan for our district. The committee signed off on the plan that was presented to the Board.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

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16. **MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, enter into an agreement with CentralEd covering textbook procurement and distribution services for the 2012-2013 school year to be provided by Textbook Central."

RESOLUTION #11-12-226
Textbook Central Agreement –
2012-2013 School Year

Seconded: Mr. Ward

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

17. **MOTION:** Ms. Marengi moved, "WHEREAS, the Levittown Board of Education has received and reviewed the 2012-2013 grant application for the Teachers' Center; and

RESOLUTION #11-12-227
Teachers' Center Continuation
Grant Application

WHEREAS, it is understood that neither the autonomy nor the authority of the Teachers' Center, nor the costs associated with the District's support of the Teachers' Center, are altered in any substantive manner from the 2011-2012 program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the 2012-2013 Teachers' Center grant application."

Seconded: Mr. Moran

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

18. **MOTION:** Mr. Moran moved, "WHEREAS, in support of the New York State Education Department's Long Range Plan for Technology in Elementary and Secondary Education in New York State (the "NYSED" Plan"), Nassau BOCES and the Levittown School District are participating in Nassau BOCES' Data Warehouse, Finance Manager, Library Automation, NY State Reporting and Test Scoring ("Administrative Technology Projects"), as shared multi-year cooperative services, and

RESOLUTION #11-12-228
Nassau BOCES Agreement –
Network Services

WHEREAS, the Levittown School District requires fiber-based Wide Area Network services and the design, construction and installation of fiber-based private network service for Internet and phone services in order to participate in the NYSED Plan and Administrative Technology Projects; and

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WHEREAS, BOCES intends to facilitate the Levittown School District's participation in the NYSED Plan and Administrative Technology Projects; and

WHEREAS, BOCES is able to provide such services to the Levittown School District through its public bids with telecommunication vendors, contractors and utilities, subject to and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Nassau BOCES and the Levittown School District agree for the provision of such services as per the attached Letter of Agreement."

Seconded: Mr. Ward

NOTE: Mr. Flower explained this resolution was for the renewal of our internet connection with BOCES.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

- 19. MOTION:** Mr. Porrazzo moved, "RESOLVED, that the administrators listed below are certified as Teacher Lead Evaluators in accordance with Education Law §3012-c and the Commissioner's Regulations:

RESOLUTION #11-12-229
Annual Professional Performance Review – Teacher Lead Evaluators

Avena, John	Evans, Sally	Goss, Anthony
Grossane, James	Hendler, Susan	Ianni, Francesco
Midura, Audre	Mortillaro, Frank	Rhatigan, Darlene
Rifkin, Debbie	Squillaciotti, Keith	Valentino, Kathleen
Wallace, Joann	Wink, Jeanmarie	Zampaglione, John."

Seconded: Mr. Regan

NOTE: Dr. Grossane reported that this is a requirement of the new APPR that stated that all of our Administrators received training either directly through an agency or turnkey through the district. Our Administrators participated in the program through Nassau BOCES and have met the requirements.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

- 20. MOTION:** Mr. Porrazzo moved, "RESOLVED, that the administrators listed below are certified as Principal Evaluators in accordance with Education Law §3012-c and the Commissioner's Regulations:

RESOLUTION #11-12-230
Annual Professional Performance Review – Principal Evaluators

Grossane, James Rifkin, Debbie."

Seconded: Mr. Ward

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NOTE: Dr. Grossane explained that this resolution certifies that the above mentioned Administrators have received the appropriate training to be considered evaluators of the Principals for the APPR for the 2012-2013 school year.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0

NOTE: The schedules were taken out of order.

21. **MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, "To approve the following Schedules:

RESOLUTION# 11-12-231
Schedules

Schedule 11-G-13 (Resignation/Termination – Certified Personnel)."	1001
Schedule 11-GG-13 (Resignation/Termination – Non-Instructional Personnel)."	1002
Schedule 11-H-17 (Appointments – Certified Personnel)."	1003
Schedule 11-H-17a (Appointments – Administrators)."	1004
Schedule 11-H-17c (Designation - Consultants)."	1005
Schedule 11-H-17g (Designation - Coaches)."	1006
Schedule 11-HH-17h (Appointments – Certified Personnel, Extra-Curricular)."	1007
Schedule 11-H-17f-1 (Appointments – Summer School)."	1008
Schedule 11-HH-17 (Appointments – Non-Instructional Personnel)."	1009
Schedule 11-JJ-7 (Permanent Status, Non-Instructional)."	1010
Schedule 11-K-12 (Leave of Absence – Certified Personnel)."	1011
Schedule 11-KK-12 (Leave of Absence – Non-Instructional Personnel)."	1012
Schedule 11-N-6 (Health Services)."	1013
Schedule 11-O-11 (Students with Disabilities)."	1014

Seconded: Mr. Porrazzo

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NOTE: Dr. Grossane expressed his confidence that the candidates presented for key positions in the district will greatly assist our students and teachers as we meet the challenges of the Common Core Curriculum and the ever changing demands placed on our educational system.

Mr. Pappas, on behalf of the Board, welcomed everyone and stressed what a great district Levittown is to work for.

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members present voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

22. Recommended Motion: "WHEREAS, the Board of Education hereby deems it necessary to seek judicial review and/or challenge the requirements of the New York State Education Department and the New York State Commissioner of Education with respect to the Annual Professional Review of teachers and principals,

PULLED
APPR Litigation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes its attorneys, Lamb & Barnosky, LLP, to commence legal action and/or proceedings on a cooperative basis with other educational institutions and other necessary and appropriate parties against the New York State Education Department, the New State Commissioner of Education and other necessary appropriate parties, if any;

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes compensation for its attorneys, Lamb & Barnosky, LLP, at the same rates provided in their retainer agreement, up to a maximum amount of \$20,000, with an advanced retainer of \$10,000, for their services in connection with the legal action and/or proceedings authorized herein."

23. **Ad Hoc –**

- a. Policies – Business #5571 - #5741

Mr. Flower reported that since the business policies were such a large group they were broken up into two sections for readings. This was the third reading of policies #5000 – #5570 and the first reading for policies #5571 - #5741.

- b. Election Analysis

Ms. Appelbaum, District Clerk, reviewed an analysis she had prepared for the Board on the recent Budget and Trustee Vote. She noted this year there were a lot of changes. The hours of the vote were increased and the number of polling sites decreased. She commented that the turnout for the election was very low and she attributed this to: an uncontested election, a budget under the 2% CAP, complacent parents and confusion over the change in polling sites. Ms. Appelbaum summarized that the district needs to have more parents come out to vote.

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Mr. Pappas commented that according to the analysis, the lowest percentage voting is the 20-29 age group. He stressed that we need to reach these residents.

Mr. Regan complemented Ms. Appelbaum on an excellent analysis of the election.

MOTION: Mr. Porrazzo moved, "That the Board go into Executive Session at 10:15 PM to discuss personnel matters.

Executive Session

Seconded: Mr. Ward

MOTION CARRIED. Seven members voting yes.

APPROVED 7-0.

VIII. ADJOURN

MOTION: Mr. Regan moved, seconded by Mr. Powers to adjourn the public meeting at 10:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted

Elizabeth Appelbaum
District Clerk

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