

AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION • LEVITTOWN, NEW YORK

LEVITTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT • TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD • LEVITTOWN, NEW YORK
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ANNUAL MEETING

LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL EDUCATION CENTER
Tuesday, May 20, 2014

8:00 P.M.

Success for Every Student

Anyone requiring a sign language interpreter for this meeting should notify the District Clerk at 520-8300 Ext. 608, at least five (5) days before the meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

II. PUBLIC BE HEARD

III. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. Certification of Vote

Inclusive

Recommended Motion: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, certify the results of Proposition No. 1 (school district budget vote), Proposition No. 2 (expenditure of school district capital reserve fund), and Proposition No. 3 (library budget vote) and Board member elections for the school district and library which took place on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. with the following results:

PROPOSITION NO. 1: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the School District budget for the school year 2014-2015 proposed by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 1716 of the Education Law and on file with the District Clerk shall be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefor on the taxable real property of the district.

Results:	Yes	No
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PROPOSITION NO. 2: “BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District (“District”), be hereby authorized to expend from the District’s Capital Reserve Fund, previously established by the voters of the District, an amount not to exceed four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to undertake and perform a school building improvement project (“Project”) as described in the District’s Budget Brochure (“Brochure”) on file in the office of the District Clerk, said Project to commence during the 2014-2015 school year and to consist of capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations to all District buildings, including but not limited to: masonry phase 2 (repointing/replacement/chimneys, environmental testing, architect and contingency), playground at Abbey Lane, Division Avenue

weight and locker rooms, Salk locker and wrestling rooms, cooling stations District-wide; including necessary equipment and related work, as well as preliminary and incidental costs; and that the specified Project costs as set forth in the Brochure may be reallocated among the Project's components within the scope of this authorization.

Results:	Yes	No
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SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD CANDIDATES

	Name	# of votes
1A	Peter Porrazzo	
1B	Karen Smith	
1C	Michael Pappas	
1D	Frank Ward	
1E	Marianne Adrian	

PROPOSITION NO. 3: "RESOLVED, that the Library budget for the year 2014-2015 proposed by the Board of Trustees of the Levittown Public Library, and a levy of a tax therefor in accordance with Section of 259 of the Education law be approved.

Results:	Yes	No
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LIBRARY BOARD TRUSTEE

	Name	# of votes
1A	Steven Dalton	

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2. Authorization Foreign Field Trip

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, authorize students at MacArthur High School to participate in a foreign field trip to Costa Rica from April 1 to April 9, 2015 "

3. Gifts to School

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept with thanks the following gift: a Cable Nelson Spinnet upright piano donated by Barry Lampert, 34 Watchway, Lloyds Neck, NY 11743 for Salk Middle School chorus room."

IV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Foreign Field Trip Proposal

(Proposal MUST be submitted 4 months prior to travel dates)

Date: 4/4/2014

School:

☐ Division Avenue High School☒ MacArthur High SchoolPrincipal: Mrs. ValentinoAdministrator/Teacher(s): Dana Fritch, Lynn Spinnato, Chris BrownDates of Proposed Travel: April 1, 2015 - April 9, 2015

Proposed Country/Countries to be visited:

Costa Rica

Rationale: Students will travel to Costa Rica to explore its natural wildlife, learn about its culture and participate in various community service projects working with the local people. (projects include reforestation with local family and perhaps working at local school).

Approximate Number of Students: 18Approximate Number of Chaperones: 3Approximate cost per person (including travel, accommodations and meals): \$ 2978Mode of Travel: Airplane, busProposed Travel Agency: ACIS

I support this travel proposal which is to be considered for approval by the Levittown Public Schools Board of Education. I understand that an administrator will be available to accompany this group if final approval for travel is granted.

Principal Signature: X. Valentino Date: 4/4/14Asst. Superintendent for Instruction Approved: OK Date: 5/8/14

Superintendent:

☒ Approved☐ Denied

Board of Education:

☐ Approved☐ DeniedDate: 5/13/14

Date: _____

TOUR DETAILS

Apr 1 - Apr 9, 2015

Group Leader
Dana FritschGroup ID
15850Depart From
San José

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- ✓ Round-Trip Flights
- ✓ Centrally Located Hotels
- ✓ 24-Hour Tour Manager
- ✓ Community and Reforestation Service Project
- ✓ Chocolate Tour
- ✓ Night Bat Walk
- ✓ Costa Rican Cooking Lesson
- ✓ La Marina Wildlife Rescue Center
- ✓ La Fortuna Waterfall
- ✓ Canopy Tour
- ✓ Hot Springs
- ✓ Rio Frio Wildlife Boat Cruise
- ✓ Sarchi Craft Workshop

Sarapiquí Conservation Learning Center

APR 1, 2015: SAN JOSÉ Arrive in San José, capital of Costa Rica. Meet your tour manager and begin to explore your new surroundings.

APR 2, 2015: SARAPIQUÍ This morning travel to the lush surroundings of Sarapiquí. Arrive at the Sarapiquí Conservation Learning Center and begin your community development service project. Projects will be determined by where the need is greatest, but may include activities such as painting or grounds upkeep at local schools, sidewalk improvements or building a bus stop. You'll have the opportunity to form friendships and share customs as you volunteer alongside residents and interact with the local school children. (B,D)

APR 3, 2015: SARAPIQUÍ Today you will continue your service project within the local community. Later this afternoon you will discover the wonders behind one of the world's most tantalizing foods: chocolate during a Chocolate Tour! After dinner at a local restaurant you will enjoy a night bat walk! (B,D)

APR 4, 2015: SARAPIQUÍ Continue your volunteer work at the this morning with a reforestation service project. Learn about local agriculture as you visit an area farm and assist with planting native trees needed for the sustainability of the ecosystem. In the afternoon sharpen your culinary skills with a cooking lesson on how to prepare typical Costa Rican dishes. Learn about the local ingredients, assist with preparation and enjoy the delicious results. (B,D)

APR 5, 2015: AGUAS ZARCAS Depart Sarapiquí and journey inland to the northern plains region in the province of Alajuela. Arrive at the La Marina Wildlife Rescue Center to begin your service project. Learn about the center's rescue and rehabilitation efforts and become familiar with many of the country's diverse animal populations as you assist with projects such as improving habitat space, feeding the animals or collecting data. (B,D)

APR 6, 2015: SAN CARLOS This morning depart for the northern plains of the San Carlos region. Arrive in the small town of La Fortuna. From here, you'll have a spectacular view of the Arenal Volcano, a perfect cone over 5,000 feet high and one of the most active in the world. Explore the nearby rainforest with a bird's-eye perspective on the flora and fauna of this unique ecosystem during an adventurous canopy tour. In the evening visit the hot springs, where you can take a dip in the hot pools. (B,D)

APR 7, 2015: SAN CARLOS Travel north today to the mighty Rio Frio. Enjoy the boat trip while you share company with exotic creatures such as osprey, storks, caiman, monkeys and freshwater



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- ✓ In experiencing the rich biodiversity of Costa Rica, students will come to understand the value and importance of preserving endangered species.
- ✓ Students will gain an understanding of the challenge of developing sustainable and responsible tourism without damaging a fragile environment.
- ✓ Students will become familiar with many aspects of the Costa Rican culture and how it has been influenced by the geography and history of the region.

TOUR COST

Group Fees

Program Fee	\$3078
Early Registration Discount	\$-100

Total Group Fees*	\$2978
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* Valid through 06/01/14 with \$200 deposit.

Additional Fees (as applicable)

Single Room Supplement	\$640
Double Room Supplement	\$360
Ultimate Protection Plan	\$270
Comprehensive Protection Plan	\$225

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- Four-berth couchettes for overnight trains.
- Exclusive Eurostar service for all London-to-Paris travel.

sharks. Lunch will be included today instead of dinner. Return to San Carlos for a night's rest. (B,C)
 APR 8, 2015: SAN JOSE. Journey to Sarchi, the hub of Costa Rica's arts and crafts trade, known for its ox-carts and leather rocking chairs. You'll participate in a craft workshop, learning about the history and the methods of creating this brightly colored furniture before painting your own small souvenir to take home. Continue to San José and enjoy your final evening of Tico hospitality. (B,D)
 APR 9, 2015: DEPARTURE. Depart for the USA. (B)

This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.

Cultural Connections

Costa Rican Cooking Lesson

Master the ingredients and preparation for a traditional Costa Rican dish before sampling the results!

Community and Ecological Learning Project

Volunteer at the Sarapiquí Conservation Learning Center, focusing on community development and ecological projects.

Craft Workshop in Sarchi

Tap into the traditional skills and techniques employed by local artisans as you create your own piece.

Canopy Tour

Gain a bird's-eye perspective on the many species of birds, mammals and plants that make up a rainforest.



Notes from ACIS

Participants registered on our 2015 tours will be exempt from any airline-imposed changes to Departure Fees.

Adult travelers age 24 and older should add in the Adult Surcharge and Double or Single Room Supplement to calculate their Total Group Fees.

All registered participants can enjoy the convenience, security and savings of having payments automatically withdrawn from a checking account by enrolling in an Automatic Payments plan within My Account (www.acis.com/accounts). To learn more, visit www.acis.com/studentsparents/autopay

This educational travel program is not school or district sponsored unless expressly stated by the Group Leader.

LEVITTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Success for Every Student"

FORM TO REQUEST BOARD OF EDUCATION ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT OR DONATION

Donor: Barry Lampert
Name
34 Watchway
Address
Lloyds Neck, NY 11743

Listing of item(s) to be donated.
Cable Nelson Spinnet upright piano

Proposed Date for Delivery at School: Before May 28th, 2014

Are there any installation costs? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If "Yes", please attach statement from Assistant Superintendent for Business.)

Is there any expenditure for maintenance contemplated? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", estimated annual cost: \$

Where will donated item be used? Salk Middle School Chorus Room

What grade level(s) will use item(s) to be donated? 6-8

Vincent D. Miller
 Signature of Principal/Director

Dated: 5/14/14

Those considering making gifts to the school district should note that the district does not place a monetary value on donated items. Donors should also note that, while the district will attempt to comply with any stated preferences of the donor(s) relative to the use of the item(s) by a particular program/grade/school, etc., it must, nevertheless, reserve the right to reassign and/or reallocate such gifts as it deems appropriate so as to best serve the interests of the District.

This form is to be filed with the Superintendent of Schools by the first of the month at which time the Board of Education, at the next regular meeting, will act upon the donation. No item may be accepted as a donation or gift, nor may any item be installed on school premises, prior to the Board of Education accepting the gift or donation.

(Revised 7/22/98c)

Attachment: acceptance of gift piano lampert (1264 : Gifts to School)