

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

**DATE: MAY 21, 2024**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**, was duly called and held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 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**

**Board of Education**

Ms. Jennifer Messina, President( Excused Absence)  
Ms. Peggy Marengi, 1st Vice-President  
Ms. Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President  
Ms. Marianne Adrian, Trustee  
Ms. Phyllis Dalton, Trustee  
Mr. Michael Pappas, Trustee  
Mr. James Moran, Trustee

**Central Administration**

Mr. Todd Winch, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Michael Fabiano, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance  
Ms. Debbie Rifkin, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources  
Dr. Beth Ziropiannis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

**Others:**

Ms. Vanessa Esposito, District Clerk  
Mr. Bob Cohen, Attorney

Ms. Marengi called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>SECONDER:</b>	James Moran
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Recommended Motion: "BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, move to Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations."

Ms. Marengi called to move into Executive Session at 6:32 PM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>SECONDER:</b>	James Moran
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.

**I. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION**

Ms. Marengi called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Phyllis Dalton
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Pappas
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ms. Marengi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Moment of Silence**

Ms. Marengi asked for a Moment of Silence for all of those fighting for our country at home and abroad.

**II. RECOGNITIONS**

**A. Heroic Actions - Chance Freeman**

Chance Freeman was introduced and recognized for his acts on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, when one of the students was choking. He saved him from choking in a heroic fashion.

**B. Tenure Recognition**

The teachers who received Tenure Recognitions are as follows:

Deena	Feldherr	Teaching Assistant	Abbey Lane School
Andrea	Ferrari	Assistant Principal	Abbey Lane School
Tiffany	Sorice	Art	Abbey Lane School
Elana	Sulfarro	Teaching Assistant	Abbey Lane School
Christine	Yodice	Elementary	Abbey Lane School
Kyle	Kelly	Special Ed	Division Avenue High School
Alexia	Horner	Music	East Broadway School
Jordan	Margolis	Principal	East Broadway School
Michelle	Brennan	Reading	Gardiners Avenue School/Northside School
Stephanie	Ottomano	Special Ed	Lee Road School

Beth	Zirogiannis	Assistant Superintendent	LMEC
Lindsay	Briskin	Art	MacArthur High School
Marissa	Candela	ESL	MacArthur High School
Carmela	Valente	Special Ed	MacArthur High School
Melissa	Gregory	Speech	Northside School/Summit Lane School
Emily	Arty	Science	Salk Middle School
Holly	Grabowski	Music	Salk Middle School
Rina	Bronstein	Social Work	Wisdom Lane Middle School
Shannon	Piccione	Special Ed	Wisdom Lane Middle School
Caitlin	Stabile	Library Media	Wisdom Lane Middle School

### C. Retiree Recognition

Those retiring from the district are as follows:

Dennis	Frawley	Abbey Lane School	Security Aide
Donna	Gimino Bortell	Abbey Lane School	Speech Teacher
Michael	LoBosco	Abbey Lane School	Elementary Teacher
Lisa	Mahn	Abbey Lane School	Teacher Aide I
Laura	Tuccillo	Abbey Lane School	Elementary Teacher
Glenn	Zinzi	Buildings & Grounds	Maintainer
Debbie	Rifkin	Cabinet	Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Cathy	Gula	Division Avenue High School	Senior Typist Clerk
Jeffrey	Miller	Division Avenue High School	Science Teacher
Karen	Cossaro-Langer	East Broadway School	Reg. Prof. School Nurse
Wilma	Harvey	East Broadway School	Teaching Assistant
Mary	Iannetta	East Broadway School	Teaching Assistant
Elissa	Kronstat	East Broadway School	Reading
Randy	McCormack	East Broadway School	Teacher Aide
Cheryl	Tassey	Gardiners Avenue School	Principal Typist Clerk
Douglas	DeRosa	Lee Road School	Head Custodian I
Ping	Yann Chou	LMEC-Business	Accountant
Arlene	Mege	LMEC-Registration	Principal Typist Clerk
Andrew	Castle	MacArthur High School	Science
Anne Marie	Rao	MacArthur High School	Assistant Principal
Stephanie	Segar	MacArthur High School	English

Cynthia	Sippel	MacArthur High School	Math Teacher
Tracy	Alber	Northside School	Speech Teacher
Watson	Miller	Northside School	Elementary Teacher
Betzaida	Moran	Northside School	Teaching Assistant
Frank	Mortillaro	Northside School	Principal
Ellen	Opell	Northside School	ESL Teacher
Cara	Rutzel	Northside School	Reg. Prof. School Nurse
Thomas	Duwe	Salk Middle School	Head Custodian II
Scott	Mullins	Salk Middle School	Physical Education
Jon	Anglim	Summit Lane School	Physical Education
Parbatee	Chu Cheong	Summit Lane School	Special Education Teacher
Jean	Cunningham	Summit Lane School	Reg. Prof. School Nurse
Kathleen	Jordan	Summit Lane School	Teaching Assistant
Karin	Mazza	Summit Lane School	Teaching Assistant
George	Katz	Transportation Department	Bus Driver
Anthony	LoFaso	Transportation Department	Bus Driver
Glenn	Watro	Transportation Department	Bus Driver
Linda	McDermott	Wisdom Lane Middle School	Typist Clerk
Meghan	Olsen	Wisdom Lane Middle School	Science

### III. PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

The guidelines pertaining to Public Be Heard were read.

There was no Public Be Heard.

Mr. Winch discussed the implementation of Board Docs, to be taking place in the next month.

Ms. Marengi asked for a Moment of Silence for the passing of Robert Goldberg, a wrestling coach and teacher at MacArthur High School.

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA

#### 1. Business Office Reports

RESOLUTION # 052124-001

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

- Treasurers Report for month ending March 2024
- Claims Audit Report for April 2024”

2. Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION # 052124-002

Recommended 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>
A16214550001610	Maintenance Heat/Vent Supp	\$20,000.00	
A16214540001610	Maintenance Elec/Plumb Supp		\$20,000.00

Reason: Funds needed to purchase districtwide electric/plumbing supplies.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Code Description</u>	<u>Amount From</u>	<u>Amount To</u>
55105740000000	Transportation Tire	\$24,000.00	
55104680000000	Trans Bus Repair/Outside		\$24,000.00

Reason: Funds needed for the outside repairs.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Code Description</u>	<u>Amount From</u>	<u>Amount To</u>
90608000000000	Emp Benefits Health Ins	\$150,000.00	
14204000000000	General Counsel Expenses		\$150,000.00

Reason: To adjust for general counsel expenses.

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

3. Certification of Vote

RESOLUTION # 052124-003

**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 (Library Budget Vote) and Board member elections for the Levittown Union Free School District and Levittown Library which took place on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. with the following results:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1: LEVITTOWN UFSD ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2024-2025**

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the School District budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 20, 2025, as presented to the Board of Education, in the amount of \$261,572,899 be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefore on the taxable real property of the district.

Budget Vote Results:	<b>Yes</b>	
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**SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD CANDIDATES**

Name	# of votes
James Moran	1192
Marianne Adrian	1207
Steven Belmonte	823

**PROPOSITION NO. 2: Levittown Library Annual Budget for 2024-2025**

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Public Library budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025 proposed by the Library Board of Trustees of the Levittown Public Library heretofore filed pursuant to the law shall be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefore on the taxable real property of the district.

Budget Vote Results:	<b>Yes</b>	
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**LIBRARY BOARD TRUSTEE**

Name	# of votes
Carol Pettit Milonakis	615
Steven Dalton	872

4. Contract with VSC Electric

RESOLUTION # 052124-004

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education approve a contract with VSC Electric as outlined in the attached contract for Districtwide fire alarm and PA systems; and that the President of the Board of Education is, hereby, authorized to execute same."

5. Contract for Nursing Services

RESOLUTION # 052124-005

Recommended Motion: RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with US Medical Staffing, to provide nursing services for students of Levittown Public Schools during 2024-2025 school year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign the contract."

6. Contract-CentralEd (Textbook Central) Div. of Tel/Logic, Inc. RESOLUTION # 052124-006  
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, enter into an agreement with Textbook Central, a division of Tel/Logic Inc. d.b.a. CentralEd (Textbook Central, Tel/Logic or CentralEd) for textbook procurement and distribution services for Levittown Public Schools during the 2024-2025 school year."

7. Contract with Utility Check, Ltd. RESOLUTION # 052124-007  
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education approve a contract with Utility Check, Ltd. with terms as outlined in the attached contract for the examination and analysis of electric, gas and steam charges for the purpose of securing savings, credits and/or refunds; and that the President of the Board of Education is, hereby, authorized to execute same."

8. Contract for Prom Venue - MacArthur High School RESOLUTION # 052124-008  
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with the The Piermont as the venue for MacArthur High School's Senior Prom on June 5, 2025.

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

9. Contract for Prom Venue - MacArthur High School RESOLUTION # 052124-009  
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with the The Piermont as the venue for MacArthur High School's Senior Prom on June 4, 2026.

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

10. Out of District Contracts for Health and Welfare Services RESOLUTION # 052124-010  
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract between the Levittown Public Schools and the following school districts to provide health and welfare services to students attending schools in these districts for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Manhasset UFSD
- Bellmore UFSD
- Hempstead UFSD

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

11. Special Education Contracts

RESOLUTION # 052124-011

Recommended 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 as indicated:

- Blue Sea Educational Consulting
- Always Compassionate Home Care, Inc.
- Copiague Public Schools
- Hagedorn Little Village School

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

12. Schedules

RESOLUTION # 052124-012

“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 “Consultants”
- 1005 “Appointments, Non-Instructional Personnel”

Ms. Marengi asked for a Motion to accept all items on the Consent Agenda except item No. 3.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Phyllis Dalton
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.

Ms. Marengi asked for a Motion to accept item No.3 on the Consent Agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>SECONDER:</b>	James Moran
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.



V. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. Marengi called the meeting to adjourn at 9:15 PM.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED (6-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>SECONDER:</b>	James Moran
<b>AYES:</b>	Christina Lang, Marianne Adrian, James Moran, Phyllis Dalton, Peggy Marengi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Jennifer Messina

Ms. Messina was excused from the meeting.