

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Hicksville Union Free School District
Town of Oyster Bay, Hicksville, NY
High School Auditorium

June 17, 2009

Recorded
Approved
07/22/09

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Sommers, Ms. Garger, Mr. Edelman, Ms. Owens, Mr. Culhane. Ms. Powell arrived at approximately 7:06PM.

ALSO PRESENT: Maureen Bright, Supt of Schools; Mr. Heyward, Asst Supt for Personnel; Ms. Litzman, Asst Supt for Curr & Instruc; Mr. Robert Wisotzky, Interim Asst. Supt. for Business; Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Attorney.

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Sommers at approximately 7:03PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NO. 1 Ms. Garger moved, seconded by Mr. Culhane, that the Board of Education recess into Executive Session to discuss personnel, special education and advice of counsel.

Voting on No. 1: 5-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Education recessed into Executive Session at approximately 7:03PM. The Board returned from Executive Session at approximately 8:10PM. No action was taken. The meeting reconvened at approximately 8:48PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Edelman made the following announcements:

- A. Wednesday, July 1, 2009
 - Reorganization Meeting of the Board of Education – 7:00PM**
 - Executive Session
 - Action Meeting –*Immediately following Executive Session*
 - Board Room, Administration Building

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Reports were presented as follows:

- Retiree & Silver Anniversary Recognition

WARRANT REPORT

The Board of Education received the Warrant Report from the Claims Auditor for the

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period May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009. *Filed with Official Minutes*

GENERAL PUBLIC

MINUTES

NO. 2 Mr. Edelman moved, seconded by Ms. Powell, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meetings as prepared by the District Clerk:

- Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 19, 2009
- Minutes of Audit Meeting of May 19, 2009
- Minutes of Special Meeting of June 3, 2009

Voting on No. 2: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL

NO. 3 Ms. Powell moved, seconded by Ms. Garger, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve actions detailed in the Personnel Actions Report:

2009-2010 CONFIDENTIAL CENTRAL OFFICE SALARIES

It is recommended by the Superintendent that the Board of Education approve the Confidential Central Office Salaries for the 2009-2010 school year.

Voting on No. 3: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

BUSINESS & FINANCE
OMNIBUS MOTION

NO. 4 Ms. Garger moved, seconded by Ms. Powell, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Treasurer's Report
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending May 31, 2009. *Filed with Official Minutes*
2. Transfer Report
 - a) The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept the Transfer Reports for the period May 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009. *Attachment No. 3*
 - b) The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent,

8. NYMAC
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to reappoint New York Municipal Advisors Corporation (NYMAC) as financial advisors to the district for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 for a fee of \$4,500. This represents an increase of \$200 over the current year. *Attachment No. 12*
9. Award of Bid – Security
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to award the bid for Licensed Uniformed Unarmed Guard Service to Westech Investigations for the 2009-2010 school year as listed in the back up. *Attachment No. 13*
10. Award of Bids – District Printing & Publications
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to award the bid for district printing & publications for the 2009-2010 school year to the lowest responsible bidders meeting district specifications, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 14*
11. Award of Bid - Square Foot Bid
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to extend the contract for the square foot bid for the 2009-2010 school year for the installation, labor and/or purchasing of ceiling tiles, floor tiles, carpeting, painting, gym floor recoating, locker repair, refinishing and window blinds, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 15*
12. Award of Bid – Athletic Uniforms
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to award the bid for athletic uniforms to the lowest responsible bidder meeting district specifications, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 16*
13. Cooperative Bid –Transportation
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to award the Northeast Nassau Transportation Cooperative (NENTCO) bid for transportation contracts for the 2009-2010 school year, to the lowest responsible bidders meeting district specifications, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 17*
14. Extension of Contract – Applied Data Services
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the extension of a contract with Applied Data Services for the computerized transportation routing and scheduling of buses for the 2009-2010 school year at a cost of \$12,360 representing no increase from the current year,

as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 18*

15. Student Accident Insurance

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the renewal of the District's student accident insurance with Security Mutual Life Insurance Company through Salerno Brokerage Corporation in the amount of \$17,842.30 with a \$500 deductible for the period August 26, 2009 to August 26, 2010 at the rate of \$2.95 per student and \$44.75 per football player, a decrease of \$122.15 over the current year. In addition, the Board of Education is asked to approve the renewal of the \$6,000,000 excess student accident policy with American Life through Salerno Brokerage Corporation in the amount of \$5,457, representing no increase from the current year, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 19*

16. Food Service Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the award for the food service contract to Whitsons Culinary Group for the 2009-2010 school year as the lowest responsible bidder meeting district specifications, in the amount of \$2.076 per meal, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 20*

17. Group Life & Disability Insurance

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the insurance rates with Liberty Mutual for the 2009-2010 school year, as follows:

Life Insurance per \$1,000	.12
Accidental Death & Dismemberment	.02
Long Term Disability	.25

This represents no increase from the current year. *Attachment No. 21*

18. School Menu Prices

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve school breakfast and lunch menu prices for the 2009-2010 school years as listed:

Elementary Breakfast	\$1.00, no increase
Elementary Lunch	\$1.40, no increase
Secondary Breakfast	\$1.00, no increase
Secondary Lunch	\$1.70, no increase
Adult Breakfast	\$2.00, no increase
Adult Lunch-Type A	\$3.25 including tax, which represents an increase of \$.25 over the current year

Attachment No. 22

19. School Physician

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract with Dr. Karl Friedman and the Hicksville School District for the services of a school physician for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 in the amount of \$41,000 which represents no increase from the current fee. *Attachment No. 23*

20. Athletic Trainer Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to renew the contract with Performance Sports Medicine & Rehabilitation and the Hicksville School District for the services of an athletic trainer for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 in the amount of \$27,380 which represents an increase of \$600 over the current year. *Attachment No. 24*

21. Matrix Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve a contract with Matrix Technology Solutions Inc. and the Hicksville School District for the services of a Systems Engineer/Project Manager and four technicians for the period July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at a cost of \$ 448,000, which represents an increase of \$6,130 over the current year. *Attachment No. 25*

22. Syntax Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the renewal of a contract between Syntax Communication and the Hicksville School District for the provision of communication services for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 at a fee of \$56,049, which represents no increase over the current year. *Attachment No. 26*

23. Consultant Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the contract between All About Kids and the Hicksville School District for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for the provision of special education services, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 27*

24. Consultant Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the contract between Mill Neck Interpreting Services and the Hicksville School District for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for the provision of sign language interpreting services, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 28*

25. Consultant Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the contract between Intrepid of New York, Inc. and the Hicksville School District for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for the provision of nursing services, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 29*

26. Consultant Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the contract between Bilinguals, Inc. and the Hicksville School District for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for the provision of bilingual evaluations, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 30*

27. Consultant Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the contract between Home Care Therapies, LLC, dba Horizon Healthcare Staffing and the Hicksville School District for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 for the provision of special education services, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 31*

28. Health and Welfare Services Contract

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve Health Services Contracts with Plainview-Old Bethpage, Uniondale, South Huntington School Districts and Hicksville School District for the 2008-2009 school year. These contracts reimburse individual school districts for health services provided to students who reside in Hicksville and attend private/parochial schools in other school districts, as listed in the backup. *Attachment No. 32*

29. Federal Grant Subcontracts

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve contracts with Herricks, Bethpage, Seaford, Plainedge, and New Hyde Park School Districts, approved special education providers, pursuant to Federal 611 and 619 IDEA Flow-through funds to Section 4410 for preschool and/or school age students for the 2008-09 school year. *Attachment No. 33*

30. Bond Counsel

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve Hawkins, Delafield & Wood as Bond Counsel for the district for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 at a fee not to exceed \$7,500, which represents no increase from the current year. *Attachment No. 34*

31. External District Auditor

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to renew the contract between the Hicksville School District and Coughlin Foundotos Cullen & Danowski, LLP to serve as Independent External District Auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 at a fee not to exceed \$48,500, which represents an increase of \$2,000 over the current year. *Attachment No. 35*

32. Internal District Auditor

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to renew its contract with Nawrocki Smith LLP to serve as Independent Internal District Auditor for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 at a fee not to exceed \$46,200, which represents a decrease of \$4,800 from the current year. *Attachment No. 36*

33. Resolution

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, in recognizing the need to ensure the safety of the children in the district hereby authorizes the contingent expenditures of \$142,653 for the purchase of an upgraded security camera system for the high school and \$122,897 for two security cameras and key pad entry system for each of the seven district elementary schools. Funding for this expenditure shall come from unexpended funds as budgeted for the 2008-09 budget. *Attachment No. 37*

34. Obsolete Textbooks

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the disposal of obsolete library books listed in the back up. *Attachment No. 38*

35. Obsolete Equipment

The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to approve the disposal of obsolete equipment as listed in the back up. *Attachment No. 39*

Voting on No. 4: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

FACILITIES

OMNIBUS MOTION

NO. 5 Mr. Edelman moved, seconded by Ms. Garger, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

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1. Fire Marshall's Report
The Board of Education is asked to accept the Annual Fire Inspector's Report for 2008.
2. Waiver of Facilities Use Fees
It is Resolved that the Board of Education suspend its policy requiring teams requesting facilities use have more than fifty per cent (50%) membership of Hicksville residents, and grants Holy Trinity High School a permit to utilize the Dutch Lane fields on the dates requested. Furthermore, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education is asked to approve a Waiver of Facilities Use Fees to Holy Trinity High School for the use of the Dutch Lane fields, as specified, at a time when they are not utilized by Hicksville students, for their fall sports season from August 24, 2009 through November 6, 2009, Monday thru Friday from 3:00PM to 5:00PM. *Attachment No. 40*

Voting on No. 5: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

OMINUBUS MOTION

NO. 6 Ms. Owens moved, seconded by Ms. Garger, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Committee on Special Education
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CSE reports. *Filed with Official Minutes*
2. Committee on PreSchool Special Education
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the CPSE reports. *Filed with official Minutes*
3. Section 504
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby accepts, and shall through the Administration, arrange for the provision of the appropriate special education programs and services for students enumerated in the Section 504 reports. *Filed with Official Minutes*

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4. Donation
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to accept a grant of \$250 from Women's Sports Foundation to Hicksville High School in recognition of Danielle Cecco, recipient of Nassau County Sports Commission's Outstanding Achievement Award. *Attachment No. 41*
5. Impartial Hearing Officer
Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby appoints Craig Tessler, Esq. to serve as Impartial Hearing Officer in the matter of a due process request by the parent of a certain student listed on Confidential Schedule "A", in accordance with District guidelines and policy.
6. Board Meetings 2009-2010 School Year
The Board of Education is asked to accept the calendar of meetings for the 2009-2010 school year. *Attachment No. 42*
7. Resolution
Be it Resolved that the Reorganization Meeting of the Hicksville Union Free School District be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2009 at 7:00PM in accordance with provisions of 1707 of the Education Law.

Voting on No. 6: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution

NO. 7 Ms. Owens moved, seconded by Mr. Edelman that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Omnibus Motion:

1. Resolution
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to revise, effective January 1, 2010, the Health Insurance Fringe Benefit for employees in Groups I, II, III, IV as follows:
#4 Insurance Plans (at district cost):
Major Medical - 85% of premium
2. Resolution
The Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, is asked to revise, effective January 1, 2010, the Health Insurance Fringe Benefit for employees in Group V as follows:
#4 Insurance Plans (at district cost):
Major Medical – 85% of premium. Individuals who retire on or before January 1, 2010 will be treated as if they retired December 30, 2008 for the purpose of their contribution toward health insurance in retirement.

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Voting on No. 7: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously.

POLICY

Adoption

NO. 8 Mr. Culhane moved, seconded by Ms. Powell, that the following policy is presented to the Board of Education for adoption:

- # 5300 Code of Conduct
- # 6720 Bidding Requirements

Voting on No. 8: 6-0. Motion carried unanimously. *Attachment No. 43*

GENERAL PUBLIC

ADJOURNMENT

NO. 9 Ms. Garger moved, seconded by Ms. Powell, that the Board of Education Meeting be adjourned.

Voting on No. 9: 7-0. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:35PM.

Helen Murray
District Clerk