

Minutes of School Board Meeting – April 27, 2015

Board Room - Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

Present: Mr. Bettan, Mrs. Schulman, Mrs. Bernstein, Mr. Greenberg,
Mrs. Lieberman, Mrs. Pierno, Mrs. Rothman.

Also Present: Dr. Lewis, Ms. Gierasch, Dr. Mulieri, Ms. Maddi, Mr. Guercio,
Ms. Aloe, Mr. Mestecky, Mrs. Tyler.

Mr. Bettan called the meeting to order.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Schulman, seconded by Mrs. Pierno that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session to discuss matters regarding negotiations.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Tyler
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Gary Bettan, President

There were approximately 25 district residents and staff members present.

Mr. Bettan called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Bettan asked for a moment of silence for 2 POB students who lost a parent, and for all of the victims in the earthquake in Nepal.

Mrs. Schulman asked for a moment of silence for former POB teacher Diane Mischo.

High School Update

Anthony Chen, our high school representative, updated the Board of Education of events that occurred and events that will happen at the high school.

- College Fair
- National Art Honor Society
- Pre Prom Meeting
- SADD Blood Drive
- Legally Blonde
- DECA
- Orchestra Concert
- A.P Exams

Middle Schools Update

Eden Greenberg, our POB middle school representative, updated the Board of Education of events that occurred and events that will happen at both POBMS and Mattlin MS.

POBMS

- Earth Day
- Career Café
- Map Walk for a cause
- Talent Show
- ELA/ Math assessments

Mattlin

- Mentor/Mentee Day
- ELA/Math assessments
- Family Computer Science-Career Fair
- Drama Cadets-SHREK
- 8th grade end of the year trip
- School wide Carnival

Board Announcements

Mr. Bettan commented on how awesome the high school play, “Legally Blonde”, was. He said that if you are not seeing the POB performances you are really missing out. He stated that he is really looking forward to the re-vamped auditorium.

Mrs. Lieberman stated that the show was unbelievable!

Mrs. Bernstein congratulated Mr. Olivari on his amazing ability to really bring out the talent in the students. She thanked all of the many volunteers for their time. She noted that a former Plainview resident comes back to town to work on the costumes for all of the high school and middle school productions.

Mrs. Rothman commented on the fact that Mr. Murray was in the production and how he should “keep his day job”. But it was great that he had more than just a cameo appearance. On Another note Mrs. Rothman spoke of how the Board was invited by Judy Jacobs to a meeting with reps from NSLIJ. She said that Michael Fener updated the Board on happenings in the Plainview and Syosset hospitals. She said that Dr. Wolerstein stated how important it is to have a conversation with your family regarding your health, treatment options and health care proxies.

Mrs. Schulman spoke about the Science Fair at POBMS. She said how amazing it was. She thanked Mr. Tesar for organizing the fair. She spoke of all of the many different projects. Congrats to all.

Mrs. Lieberman stated that the other evening while she was watching T.V. she was pleasantly surprised to see POB graduate Dr. Heather Symons. She is a bone marrow specialist at John Hopkins. She stated that Dr. Symons spoke about the new advancements in bone marrow transplants.

Mrs. Pierno gave a shout out to the crew of Legally Blonde; the show went off without a hitch.

Superintendent’s Announcements

Dr. Lewis also attended Legally Blonde. She stated how difficult the job of the stage crew was and how effortlessly they pulled it off. Dr. Lewis attended a meeting in the Patroon’s lounge at the Tilles center and much to her very pleasant surprise, hanging on the walls, was the artwork of many POB students. She expressed how proud she was to see this and of all the wonderful accomplishments happening around POB, and how POB is excelling in all areas. She stated how proud she is to be the Superintendent in such a wonderful district.

Ms. Gierasch added that many districts are asked to host different fairs and events throughout the year and many say no. There is an expense involved and we are very lucky to be such a welcoming district with an amazing custodial staff.

Dr. Lewis thanked the Board, Mr. Ward and his staff. Dr. Lewis reminded everyone that they will have B & G appreciation day, May 21st. The next Board of Education meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on May 11th in the LGI room at Mattlin MS. The high school will be performing a short skit from Legally Blonde, followed by Student Recognition.

Bond Update

Ms. Maddi updated the Board on the bond Phase 1 timeline. She stated that most of the projects in Phase 1 have been approved and the permits issued. She said that work will begin this summer, 2015 and Phase 1 is expected to be completed by fall 2015. A full report is posted on the district website.

Discussion:

Mrs. Pierno asked when the high school will be opened for students involved in sports and other summer programs. She questioned some of the work to be done in the elementary building's and if they should hold off until a decision has been made in regard to moving the kindergarteners to their home schools.

Mr. Ward said that they will be doing the abatement early in the summer. He stated that they will be opening and closing sections of the building as needed to keep it safe. He said in regard to the elementary buildings, they will look into it and possibly modify some of the projects until next year. Mr. Ward noted that the POBMS track and the Mattlin skylight projects will both be started soon.

Mrs. Bernstein was very happy to hear about the skylight.

Mr. Ward stated that the bids were opened today and the resolution will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Mrs. Pierno stated that it would be great if they could also get a list of projects that are being done with the capital reserve fund.

Ms. Maddi said that it's a great idea and she will put something together.

Mrs. Lieberman thought maybe they could put up big "under construction signs" around the buildings so that the community can see all the work being done.

Mrs. Schulman asked if the schedule is firm.

Mr. Ward responded.

Mrs. Bernstein asked if the school closings over the summer will affect the playgrounds. She questioned if there was a way to communicate with the community.

Mr. Ward said that with the abatement being done they will need to close off certain areas, but they will make sure that there is plenty of signage.

Mr. Bettan thanked the community for their patience. He said you will not recognize the buildings when all of the work is final.

Reports & Discussions

APPR Legislation

Dr. Lewis presented to the Board the APPR Legislation and what it means for us. Some of the items she highlighted were; Education Law and evaluation of teachers, student performance, observations and tenure laws. Dr. Lewis spoke about what happens if a plan is not in place by November 15, 2015. She said that some of the questions and concerns involve developing a plan over the summer when the teachers are on vacation, and teachers returning in September not certain how they will be evaluated. They may not have SLO's in place in September; therefore baselines for growth scores may not reflect the year-long growth made by the students. SLO's will also need to be generated and approved by the SED. Dr. Lewis stated that now the real work begins, finding the time to focus on engaged learning spaces in our classrooms.

The full report is on the website.

Discussion:

Mrs. Lieberman feels that everyone is being penalized. There is no excitement anymore for the teachers. They feel that they are constantly looking over their shoulder. It seems that the state would like to do away with public education in favor of charter schools.

Dr. Lewis responded "exactly".

Mrs. Schulman questioned the effect on self-contained classes.

Dr. Lewis stated that at this time she is not sure how this will work. She said that the State Education Department is barely staffed at this time; it's almost comical, except that it's effecting people's lives.

Mrs. Pierno asked about the deadline being changed to 2016.

Dr. Lewis stated that they need to change the law. That said POB may have to show hardship, which would be linked to the op-outs. She said that she will be in Albany this week and will try to make some sense out of it.

Mr. Bettan stated that it's a travesty; shame on our legislators, shame on you, Chuck Lavine, Governor Cuomo, Carl Marcellino, Kemp Hannon, Meryl Tisch-you have no regard for the children. It is insane what they are doing.

Mrs. Lieberman stated that it is not just the children that are getting discouraged, but also the teachers who are losing their passion for teaching. It really seems like the State should ask the teachers, administrators, etc. for their input.

Dr. Lewis mentioned events happening at POB. "Birthday Wishes" at Stratford, on Wednesday night, a coding event at POBJFKHS and Dr. Lewis advised that there will be a community forum On May 26, in regard to the K-Center plan. There will be high school students available for babysitting from 7:30-9:00.

Public Participation

Mr. Adam Bellow stated that as he sits and listens to the discussion about the education system and how messed up it is, all he wants for his children is for them to come home excited from school, to say they had a great day, and tell him three things they learned. He feels that there are plenty of teachers that still have a passion for teaching and we need to give them support.

Mr. Morty Rosenfeld referenced Mr. Bettan's sentiment in regard to what they can do to fix this. He feels that we should make all of our appointed officials nervous and feel challenged. He stated that they need to be on the "same page" to move forward to shut this system down. He feels that the problem is not going to go away and it needs to be fixed!

Mr. Jacques Wolfner ask for a full discussion on a few agenda items. He commented on the discussion about the APPR.

Routine Business

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. **Lieberman**, seconded by Mrs. **Schulman** that the Board of Education approve the following routine business items.

StudentsStudent Placements

That the Board of Education approve the student placements as recommended by Pupil Personnel Services.

PersonnelAdministrative Staff – Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Suzanne Wurmbrand-Sugarman	Asst. Director of PPS Special Ed. Gr. 9-12	6/30/15

Professional Staff- Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Susan Salzman	Foreign Language Teacher POBJFKHS	6/30/2015 (close of business)

Professional Staff- Resignation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kimberly Preston	American Sign Language Teacher POBJFKHS	6/26/2015

Professional Staff- Leave of Absence With Pay

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Stephen McDade	Science Teacher POBJFKH	5/11/15 thru 5/22/15

Professional Staff- Leave of Absence Without Pay

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Stacey Dubrow	Special Education Teacher Mattlin MS	5/11/15 thru 6/5/15

(to be covered under the FMLA)

Jeannine Campbell	Mathematics Teacher POBMS	5/5/15 thru 6/30/15
-------------------	------------------------------	---------------------

(to be covered under the FMLA)

Professional Staff- Recall from Preferred Eligible List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Owen Dugan	Social Studies Teacher POBJFKHS	9/1/15	*\$94,229 9MA45

Replacing A. Isola

*Salary pending contract negotiations

Administrative Staff- Returning from Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Angela Sarni	Art Teacher Mattlin MS	5/21/15	\$113,556 (to be prorated) Step 15MA45

Non-Teaching Personnel- Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nicolina Serp	Bus Attendant PT	5/4/15 – 9/4/15

Non-Teaching Personnel- Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Nicole Burdo	Bus Attendant PT	2014-2015 School Year	\$19.71 ph

Personnel Recommendation-Spring Coding Event-Facilitators- 2014-2015 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Bernhardt, Laura	Facilitator Spring Coding Event	School Year 2014-15	\$55.94/hr.	2.5
Tretola, Jill	“ “ “	“ “ “	\$55.94/hr.	“
McQuade, Victoria	“ “ “	“ “ “	\$55.94/hr.	“
Ropke, Kristen	“ “ “	“ “ “	\$55.94/hr.	“
Tellone, Carolyn	“ “ “	“ “ “	\$55.94/hr.	“
Winnick, Sherri	“ “ “	“ “ “	\$55.94/hr.	“
Colella, Lisa	Registration	“ “ 1.5 own hourly rate of pay		1.25
Levine, Helene	Registration	“ “ 1.5 own hourly rate of pay		1.25
LoGatto, Marian	Registration	“ “ 1.5 own hourly rate of pay		1.25

Personnel Recommendation-In-District Facilitators- 2014-2015 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Sheri Winick	Facilitator	2014-15 School Year	\$55.94/hr	2

Personnel Recommendation-Advanced Placement Proctors- 2014-2015 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Vanessa Saraceno	AP Proctor	2014-15 School Year	\$145.58
Susan Waldmann-Rose	“	“	\$165.88

Co-Curricular Activities-2014-15 School Year-POBJFKHS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Laura Bernhardt	Coding Advisor	4/28/15-6/30/15	\$239.75

Personnel Recommendation-Tutor for Homebound Students

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Rosemarie Elder	Home Tutor	School Year 2014-15	\$54.84/ph
Brian Gurney	“	“	“

Non-Teaching Personnel – Change of Status-Child Care Program

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>Proposed Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Cheryl Dender	Childcare Director 4 hours per day \$29,000	Childcare Worker 4 hours per day \$29,580	9/10/14
Cheryl Dender	Childcare Director 4 hours per day \$29,580	Childcare Worker 5 hours per day \$36,980	11/1/14
Kathleen Grzinic	Child Care Worker POBMS \$13.00/ph	Team Leader POBMS \$15.25/ph	4/20/15

Non-Teaching Personnel- Appointments Child Care Program

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Cheryl Dender	K-STEAM Developer	2014-15 School Year (not to exceed 25 hrs. or \$924.50)	\$36.98/ph
Paula Pignataro	Child Care Worker	4/28/15	\$13.00/ph

Appointment-Child Care- Summer Work 2015

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Regina Rosato	Secretary/Bookkeeper	7/1/15 thru 9/4/15	\$20.00/ph Not to exceed 30 hours per week

Appointment-Per Diem Substitute Teacher

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Step</u>
Brittany Fried	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/27/15	\$145.58	1
Colleen Cho	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/27/15	\$145.58	1

Non-Teaching Personnel- Substitutes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Deena Alex	School Monitor PT Substitute	4/28/15	\$8.75/ph

Finance8.1 Award of Bid No.910-Elevator Service

That the Board of Education award Bid No. 910 – Elevator service to:

Excelsior Elevator Corporation, 640 Main Street, Westbury, NY 11590

8.2 Award of Bid No.914-Swimming Pools Supplies

That the Board of Education award Bid No. 914 – Swimming pool supplies to:

To **Recreonics Inc.**, 4200 Schmitt Ave., Louisville, KY 40213 the following equipment:
Lift (SR Smith) – PAL Potable Aquatic Lift, Lift (SR Smith) – Splash! Lift, Lift (SR Smith) – Multi – Lift, Mee-O-Matic Pumps – Liquid Chlorine, Mee-O-Matic Pumps – Acid, Filter Grid – Side Drain Element 30” x 60”, Filter Grid Replacement Cover 30” x 60”, Pool Lane Line Single Storage Reel 540, and Pool Lane Line Maxi Storage Reel 650.

To **Leslie Poolmart**, 2005 E. Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85016 the following equipment:
AK-110 Pool Water Chemistry Controller, Portable Pool Vacuum 1HP, and Vacuums – Duramax Standard.

To **Leslie Poolmart**, the following supplies:

PuriFiber (25 lb. bag size), Muriatic Acid (Gallon Size), Eastern Leisure PH Plus (50 lb. Pail Size), Eastern Leisure PH Minus (50 lb. pail size), LaMotte Pool Mgr. Test Kit Model #PM41-NJ code 3366 NJ (Tablets DPD 3, DPD 1, & Red Phenol PH (Pack of 50), Taylor Liquid Reagents DPD 1, DPD 2, DPD 3, & PH 1003J, Sodium Bicarbonate (50 lb. Bags), Sodium Thiosulfate – Dechloro, Soda Ash 50 lb. bag and Calcium Chloride (50 lb. bags).

To **Commercial Clearwater Co., Inc.**, P.O. Box 909, Plandome, NY 11030 the following equipment: 100' Vacuum Hose (2 - 50 ft. hose), Vacuums – Provacart 1000 – Manual, Water Broom 48" Aircraft Aluminum/Neoprene Wheels, and Pulsar P1, P3 & P4 Tablet Chlorinators.

To **Commercial Clearwater Co., Inc.**, the following supplies:

Pulsar Plus Briquettes (calcium Hypochlorite) for Pulsar #3 System (100 lb. Pail Size), Pulsar Acid Cleaner for Pulsar #3 System (Quart Size), Plastic Containers – Hydrochloric Acid Solution #8 UN-1789 (Gallon size), Chlorine #1-R, DPD 1 Rapid – LaMotte Tablets 1,000, DPD 3 Rapid – LaMotte Tablets 1,000, PH – Phenol Red – LaMotte Tablets or Liquid 1,000, Chlorine Down (1 qt. Size), Chemicals Liquid CL Shock (per Gallon), Chemicals – Clarifier per Quart), Chemicals – Metal Out Plus (per Quart), Chemicals – GLB – TLC Cleaner (per Quart) and (per Gallon) Chemicals – Pool Perfect (per 2 Liters), Filter Sand (per lb.), Saline Filters, Pool Thermometer, 10" Acid Brush and Trisodium Phosphate (50 lb. bags).

8.3 Contract-Health and Wellness Services 2014-2015

That the Board of Education authorizes the President of the Board to sign a contract for the 2014-2015 school year with Westbury UFSD to provide two student with health and welfare services as listed in the contract.

8.4 Donation-SNAP

That the Board of Education authorizes the acceptance of the donations of the food and items identified below for the end-of-year TAG parties on Monday, June 15th at POBJFKHS, Tuesday, June 16th at Stratford Road, and Thursday, June 18th at Mattlin MS. The donations are as follows:

- Pizza
- Refreshments
- Snacks/Desserts
- Favors(balls, necklaces, shakers, glasses)
- Trophies
- D.J.

Mrs. Schulman thanked SNAP for their continued support of the TAG program.

8.5 BOCES ASUS Tablet Agreement

That the Board of Education approve the attached agreement and authorize the Board President to sign the agreement between the District and Nassau BOCES.

8.6 Budget Reports

- Approval of Transfers as of April, 2015
- Informational Transfers as of January 31,2015
- Budget Status Report as of December 31, 2014
- Revenue Status Report as of December 31, 2014

8.7 Treasurer's Reports

- Treasurer's Report for December, 2014
- Trail Balance as of December 31, 2014
- Cash Flow Projection as of December 31, 2014

8.8 Payment of Bills

April 8, 2015

General Fund A	\$ 2,440,993.01
Trust & Agency	\$ 1,489,694.34
Federal	\$ 45,116.39
Capital	\$ 322,843.36
Child Care	\$ 1,894.70
Net Payroll	\$ 1,831,226.87

Miscellaneous

9.1 Approval of Minutes

That the Board of Education approve the minutes of April 13, and April 21, 2015.

New Business

11.1 Level Changes for # Clubs at JFKHS

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Greenberg that the Board of Education approve the following changes:

- Mathletes-Level 4 to Level 2
- Peer Mentors-Level 1 to Level 3
- A Cappella Club-Level 1 to Level 2

11.2 Additional Proposed Staff Development Courses – 2014-15 School Year

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve the following additional proposed staff development courses for the 2014-15 school year:

- Amplify Tablet Collegial Circle (MMS)

11.3 POBMS trip to Grand Central Terminal

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the 7th Grade trip to New York City-Grand Central Terminal.

Mrs. Schulman asked for more information about the trip.

Ms. Gierasch said that she will get the information for the Board.

11.4 Revision to Establish Capital Reserve Fund

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Greenberg, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve the revised resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Education of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central District hereby revises the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13, 2015 to establish a capital reserve fund to be known as the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District 2015 Capital Reserve Fund as follows (“revised proposition”) and authorizes said revised proposition to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 19, 2015 in place of the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13 2015, and for said revised proposition to be included in the Annual Notice of said Vote and Election in place of the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13, 2015:

Shall the Board of Education of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District be authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the New York Education Law to be known as the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District 2015 Capital Reserve Fund for a probable term of seven (7) years in an ultimate amount of Five Million (\$5,000,000.00) Dollars, whose purpose shall be to fund in whole or in part: (1) capital improvements to the facilities of the District, including but not limited to, construction/reconstruction/renovation/replacement of: (a) parking lots,

driveways, sidewalks, and drywells; (b) exterior lighting; (c) heating and cooling systems; (d) interior doors; and (2) construction and/or reconstruction of science/research facilities at the Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School, and ancillary or related work required in connection with such capital improvements, with such funds to be obtained from end of year budget surplus funds and/or other funds that may be legally appropriated; and the interest accrued on such funds over the term of the capital reserve fund.

11.5 Revision for use of Existing Capital Reserve Fund

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve the revised resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that Board of Education of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central District hereby revises the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13, 2015 to expend funds from the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District Capital Reserve Fund as follows (“revised proposition”) and authorizes said revised proposition to be placed on the ballot at the Annual Budget Vote and Election on May 19, 2015 in place of the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13, 2015, and for said revised proposition to be included in the Annual Notice of said Vote and Election in place of the proposition adopted by the Board of Education on April 13, 2015:

Shall the Board of Education of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District be authorized to expend funds already deposited in the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District Capital Reserve fund which was established on May 20, 2014, (“Reserve Fund”) pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law for the following capital improvement projects: (1) reconstruction/construction/renovation/replacement of windows and the roof at Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School (“JFK High School”): and (2) reconstruction/construction/renovation/replacement of parking lots, driveways, sidewalks, paving, and drywells at the JFK High School, H.B. Mattlin Middle School, and the Plainview-Old Bethpage Middle School, and ancillary or related work required in connection with such projects and to expend from the Reserve Fund therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of Five Million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) plus accumulated interest.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session for matters regarding negotiations.

.

The meeting was recessed at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Tyler
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Gary Bettan, President