

Minutes of School Board Meeting –January 28, 2013

Board Room - Administration Building – Mattlin Middle School

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

Also Present: Dr. Lewis, Ms. Gierasch, Mr. Eagen, Mr. Ruf, Ms. Aloe,
Mr. Christopher Guercio, Mrs. Fischer.

Acting District Clerk

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education appoint Mr. Ruf Acting District Clerk.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters and negotiations.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Ruf
Acting District Clerk

Approved: _____
Amy Pierno, President

There were approximately 30 district residents and staff members present.

Mrs. Pierno called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

She welcomed everyone to this evenings Board meeting. She stated we will hear reports on State Aid, the proposed turf field, the 2013/2014 school calendar and bus accident protocol.

High School Update

Laura Isaacson updated the Board on events at Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School.

Board Announcements

Mrs. Lieberman stated she had the pleasure of reading at the Kindergarten Center. She expressed her views that “it made her day”. It was a wonderful experience. She thanked the Kindergarten Center for making her day and PTA for making this happen.

Mrs. Rothman stated that on January 16th she and other Board members attended a meeting with members from North Shore/LIJ Hospital. She stated that the Plainview School District is very fortunate to have this relationship which affords our students insight into health related careers. It provides opportunities for internships. She thanked Judy Jacobs for helping in this endeavor.

Mrs. Rothman stated that on January 15th she and other Board members attended a workshop on Bullying and Cyberbullying. It was a wonderful, informative program. Mr. John Halligan, who lost a child because of bullying, spoke and urged parents to become involved in your child’s cyberspace. He encouraged parents to have a cell phone contract with their child. He handed out a sample of such a contract.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that she too read at the Kindergarten Center PTA PARP. She read *The Rainbow Fish* which deals with sharing and making friends. After she read, Ms. Harris, the teacher asked questions about the book. Mrs. Bernstein stated that these kindergarten students really understood the book. She said they had a discussion about sharing and each student spoke about what they would share. The typical answer was toys, candy etc. One child stated she would share food from her house for people who don’t have food. Another child stated she would share her mom and dad’s love with her brothers and sisters. Another child stated she would give her money to those who don’t have any money. Mrs. Bernstein thanked PTA for sponsoring such a wonderful event.

Mr. Cepeda stated that on January 19th, he represented the school district when Benjamin Weiss was honored for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Mr. Cepeda spoke of how hard Benjamin worked to accomplish this. He congratulated Benjamin, his parents, his mentors and the Boys Scouts.

Mrs. Pierno thanked the two middle school PTAs for sponsoring Mr. Halligan's presentation. It was an outstanding presentation and she reiterated her thanks to the PTAs for going the extra mile.

Superintendent's Announcements

Dr. Lewis spoke of her pleasure and happiness at attending the Presidential Inauguration. She attended the inauguration four years ago and she was happy that she was able to attend again. She also attended "the" ball.

Dr. Lewis was very pleased to announce that Regent Roger Tilles is visiting our school district tomorrow, January 29th. He is beginning his day at the high school and then he will read to a 4th grade class at Old Bethpage School. He will then attend Common Core training at Pasadena School.

State Aid

Mr. Ruf discussed State Aid. He spoke of the state aid numbers the Governor released. Plainview-Old Bethpage has seen a decrease of approximately \$400,000. Mr. Ruf stated that we are still finalizing numbers. He expressed his views that Long Island has to speak out against these cuts specifically the reduction in the high tax aid category.

Discussion:

Mrs. Lieberman asked how this happens. Long Island and Westchester pay 67% to the State yet we seem to get penalized the most. She stated that schools are shedding programs right and left. She expressed her views that we have to start a massive letter writing campaign to the governor and to our legislators. We have to stand up to be heard.

Mrs. Pierno stated that the message the Governor is sending is that he is increasing state aid. He is not. The Governor states he is increasing aid to pre-kindergartens. Unfortunately, districts are cutting kindergarten programs.

Mr. Bettan asked if we could draft a resolution about the loss of aid to Long Island. He stated you close the gap by fixing inequities.

Mr. Cepeda stated you have to change the funding mechanism. We have to find something that people can support. It has to be very equitable.

Mrs. Lieberman stated districts should get proportionately what they give. Long Island and Westchester give 67%. We get back 12%.

Mr. Ruf discussed the Governor's proposed pension stabilization plan. He expressed his concern because details have not been released yet.

Mrs. Rothman asked how much it would amount to.

Mr. Ruf stated it would be well over \$1,000,000.

Mr. Bettan discussed high tax aid.

Mr. Ruf stated he will keep the Board advised.

Traffic Light on Manito Hill Road

Dr. Lewis stated she wants to recognize the work of Judy Jacobs for getting the school district a left turning signal at Manetto Hill Road and Washington Avenue. This traffic signal saves lives.

Turf Field – Town of Oyster Bay

Mr. Ruf discussed the joint effort between the Town of Oyster Bay and the District to discuss the design and construction of a new synthetic turf field at Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School. He spoke of the community meeting that was held a week ago. Construction will begin this summer. They hope to have it up and running by the fall season. It is a home run for our school district and our community.

Ms. Kim Parahus spoke of the meeting with the Town of Oyster Bay officials and architect. She discussed the scope of the work—what is included and what is not. Included is a new multi-purpose artificial turf field, new field lighting, new sound system, new scoreboard and new flagpole. Not included is the replacement of the existing track, replacement or relocation of fencing around the track and a new bleacher system. The Town will be investigating the cost of providing infrastructure for future field house/concession building. They are also investigating the cost of the inclusion of high jump, long jump, and pole vault.

Mrs. Pierno wanted to recognize Mr. Ruf, his staff, Ms. Parahus, the Booster Club, the Town of Oyster Bay, Congresswoman Alesia and our PTA for all their work and support of this project.

School Calendar

Dr. Lewis reviewed the calendar for the 2013/2014 school year. There will be more snow days built in if they are needed. The District petitioned the State to make regent exams later.

Mrs. Pierno asked if we received input from all groups.

Bus Accident Protocol

Mr. Ruf stated it is a good practice to look at bus accident protocol. He discussed accidents without passengers, accidents with passengers and no injuries, accidents with passengers and injuries and accident with passenger injuries district-wide.

A key is a call from your child. We are trying to improve our communication methods. He discussed what happens if a parent goes to the scene of an accident. He stressed that a parent has to have identification. He reviewed the next step to be taken.

Discussion

Mrs. Pierno asked if we are going to share our protocol with the police and fire departments.

Mr. Ruf stated we will share this protocol to make sure it is followed.

Mr. Bettan asked what we can do to make sure that WE Transportation employees are trained to follow this protocol.

Mr. Ruf stated we have annual training. There is a weakness when we have a substitute driver.

Mrs. Pierno asked about our special education population and the different bus companies we use to transport these students. Will we share this protocol with them.

Mr. Ruf stated we would.

Public Participation

Mr. Jacque Wolfner suggested we talk to Regent Tilles about the extensive testing that the State mandates. This testing takes time away from teaching.

Mr. Wolfner has shared information he received from the BOCES Advisory Committee on which he serves. He asked that we find out BOCES bus protocol that is used for our special ed students.

Mr. Jeff Bursin thanked the Board for all their efforts in obtaining a turf field for our students. He is very excited about playing on such a field.

Mr. David Kaufman thanked everyone for supporting the turf field for the high school students and the feeder groups.

Mrs. Cheryl Dender, President of PTA Council, thanked the Board for responding to the PTA's concerns about the 2013/2014 calendar. She asked about the start of the work on the turf field.

Mrs. Ali Kusinitz, President of the Kindergarten Center PTA spoke of breakdowns on the buses. What is the time frame for notifying the parents.

Dr. Lewis stated if a child is hurt there is a personal call.

Mrs. Kusinitz asked what happens if a parent doesn't have ID with them.

Dr. Lewis stated the person on the emergency notification card has to have the necessary identification.

Mrs. Pierson stated the parents should have identification when picking up a child at the end of the day.

Mr. Jeff Norman discussed the turf field versus a grass field.

Routine Business

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

1. Students

Student Placements

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

2. Personnel

Professional Staff – Extension of Leave of Absence Without Pay

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Lisa Abel	Mathematics Teacher POBMS	Feb. 4, 2013 thru June 30, 2013	

Professional Staff – Leave of Absence Without Pay

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Suzanne Bishop	Elementary Teacher Stratford Elementary School	Feb. 1, 2013 thru Feb. 15, 2013 (to be covered Under the FMLA)	

Professional Staff – Returning from Leave of Absence

Christine Quinones	Special Education Teacher-Plainview Old Bethpage M.S.	Feb. 11, 2013	\$116,437* Step 15MA 60L1
Tara Schmeltz	Foreign Language Teacher-POBJFK High School	Jan. 29, 2013	\$101,433* Step 11MA 60L1

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations and salary to be prorated

Professional Staff – Regular Substitute Position

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Kristin Sainola	Mathematics Teacher Regular Substitute Assign: POBMS (replacing L. Abel On Leave of Absence)	Feb. 4, 2013 thru June 30,2013 or earlier at the discretion of the Board of Education	\$70,213 Step 3MA10 to be prorated

Non-Teaching Personnel - Resignation

Marc Muchnik	Special Ed. Teacher Aide (leave without pay)	Jan. 27, 2013	
Bethany Campbell	Bus Attendant – Part Time	Feb. 4, 2013	
Anna Macaluso	Bus Attendant – Part Time	Jan. 25, 2013	

Non-Teaching Personnel – Appointment

Richard Tesoriero	Probationary Night Custodian – POBJFK High School	Feb. 11, 2013	\$50,286+750 Step 4+ N. Diff. To be prorated
Lucille Castellano	Bus Attendant PT	Jan. 2, 2013	\$18.91 PH

* Salary pending 2012-2013 negotiations

Non-Teaching Personnel- Permanent Employee Recommendation

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Regina Inglese	School Monitor Mattlin Middle School	Jan. 30, 2013	

Personnel Recommendation – In-District Facilitators – School Year 2012/2013

Facilitators

Dina Futterman	Aimsweb New User Group (Stratford Road)	School Year 2012/2013	1.5 hrs	\$53.76 ph
Regina Newman	Aimsweb New User Group (Stratford Road)	“	1.5 hrs	\$53.76 ph
Jeffrey Salzberg	What Makes an Athlete Respect Their Coach	“	2.75 hrs	\$53.76 ph

Non-Teaching Personnel – Additional Hours

	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>Proposed Position</u>		
Robert Bucking	Security Aide PT Mattlin MS 3 hours per day	Security Aide PT Mattlin MS 20.5 hours per week	Jan. 3, 2013	\$24.27 ph

NOTE: Rescind the appointment approved in the minutes of the Jan. 14, 2013 Board of Education meeting.

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Non-Teaching Personnel – Additional Work Hours

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Donna Lawrence	School Monitor PT Mattlin Middle School 5 hours per day	Jan. 29, 2013	\$20.44 ph

Co-Curricular Activities – School Year 2012/2013 – POBJFK High School

Jonathan Russ	Drama Cadets/Musical Director	School Year 2012/2013	\$1839
Jonathan Russ	Rehearsal Pianist - Spring Musical	“	\$1839

Personnel Recommendations – Tutors for Homebound Students

Aileen Sharkey	Home Tutor	School Year 2012/2013	\$42.71/ph
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Personnel Recommendations – Chaperones

Michael Beinert	Chaperone	School Year 2012/2013	\$90.36/sess.
Karen Bezzina	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Gail Corbett	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Colleen Cotto	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Brianna Hamrah	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Debra Lovett	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Nicole Recce	“	“	\$90.36/sess.
Patricia Umhafer	“	“	\$90.36/sess.

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Non-Teaching Personnel – Substitutes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
William Jones	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	School Year 2012/2013	\$24.27 ph
Larry Lawyer	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	“	\$24.27 ph
Stephanie Engasser	Bus Attendant Part Time Substitute	“	\$18.91 ph
Maria Velapoldi	Bus Attendant Part Time Substitute	“	\$18.91 ph
Bethany Campbell	Bus Attendant Part Time Substitute	“	\$20.44 ph

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Adult Education Outside Consultants

That the Board of Education approve the following outside consultants. They invoice the District at the following rates:

William Adlman	Magic as a Hobby – 2 – Two Hour sessions - \$25/hr*2+\$10 Setup Fee=\$60/session *2=\$120
Ira Bergman (2 seminars)	Estate and Asset Conservation – One Session, No Fee Financial Intensive Care – One session, No Fee
Anna Burke (2 classes)	Pilates - \$60/session, 8 one hour sessions Pilates – Section 2-\$60/session, 8 one hour sessions
Ellen Cervone	Scrapbooking – Six – 1.5 hr sessions - \$24/hr*1.5=\$36+ \$15.50 prep and cleanup fee=\$51.50/session
Christine Christi (4 classes)	Strength Training, \$53/per session – Two 9 week sessions; 9 – 45 minutes sessions – Tuesday a.m. and Friday a.m. Body Sculpting, \$53/session; 8 – 45 min sessions Body Sculpting – Core Focus, \$53/session; 8o – 45 min Sessions

Adult Education Outside Consultants (Continued)

Ellen Cohen	Theta Healing - \$20 per person per session, one session
Pat Dimatos	Floral Design – 8 – Two hour sessions - \$24/hr*2=\$48+\$9.50 prep fee= \$57.50/session (maybe Seven sessions depending on enrollment)
Ronnie Eisman	English as a Second Language – 8 – 2 hr. sessions \$24* 2= \$48+\$10.00 prep fee - \$58.00/sess
Dina Elardo (2 classes)	Notary Public Preparation Course; 3 hrs-\$25/hour Notary Signing Agent Course; 2 hrs- \$25/hour
Richard Fiore (2 classes)	Social Dancing - \$63.00 per session – 8 sessions Rhythm Dancing - \$63.00 per session – 8 sessions – Both \$42*1.5 hr=\$63 including prep and breakdown fee
Barry Fox	How Long Island can Beat the High Cost of College- \$100/session fee; One two hour session
Amy Giliberto	Word 2007 for Beginners – 6 (six)-2 hr. sessions - \$24/hr* 2=\$48+\$9.50 prep fee= \$57.50/session
Cathleen Goodman	Substitute for Carol Rodriguez as Zumba Instructor paid through Carol Rodriguez
S. Gubell (2 classes)	Bridge for Advanced Beginners – 1 – 8 two hour sessions \$25/hr*2=\$50+10.00 prep Fee =\$60.00 session Bridge for Advanced Beginners 2 – 8 two hour sessions \$25/hr*2=\$50+\$10.00 prep fee= \$60.00/sess
Olena Kropp	Tot Saver CPR & First aid for Children - \$24/hour for 3 1/2 hours-One Session \$24*3.5=\$84
Sharon Kovacs-Gruer	Planning for your Child with Special Needs – one 2 hour Session – no
George Manolakes (2 classes)	Computer Excel-Level 1-\$24/hour plus \$19 prep fee= \$67/session 2 hour session; total six sessions Computer Excel-Level 2 - \$24/hour plus \$19 prep fee= \$67/session 2 hour session; total six sessions

Adult Education Outside Consultants (Continued)

Ellen Makofsky (2 seminars)	Elder Law – No Fee – one 2 hr. session How to Leave Money to Heirs – No fee – one 2 hr session
Marion Meitner (2 classes)	Spanish – for Beginners – 8-1 ½ hour sessions \$24/hr*1.5+\$18 prep fee=\$54/session Spanish for Intermediates – 8 – 1 ½ hour sessions - \$24/hr. 1.5+\$18 prep fee=\$54/session
Douglas Miller DBA Gold Coast Golf Center, Inc. (2 classes)	Golf for Beginners Eight 1 hour sessions \$50/session Golf for Advanced Beginners Eight 1 hour sessions - \$50/session
Samuel Miller	Long Term Care Planning – No Fee – 1 hour session
Brian Oxer	Volleyball Recreational – 10 – 1 ½ hr sessions - \$50.00 Per session
Ann Peltier (Oyster Bay Power Squadron Educational Officer)	America’s Boating course 3 rd Edition 7 two hour sessions Fee Paid directly to Oyster Bay Power Squadron from student
POB Senior Resource Group – Carol Meschkow	The Keys to Aging Successfully one session, no fee
Lauren Reardon	Zumba – Session B-8 one hr sessions - \$55/session
Carol Rodriguez (2 classes)	Zumba Session A- 8 one hour sessions - \$75 per session Zumba Early bird Session C – 9(NINE)-45 minute sessions \$70 per session
Carol Ann Roth	Water Aerobics -\$55.00 per session – 8 – 1 hr. sessions
Pam Serla (2 classes)	Volleyball Beginner - \$50.00/session – 10 1 1/2 hr sessions Volleyball Advanced - \$50.00/session – 10-1 ½ hr sessions
Vincent Serio	Getting Acquainted with Social Security - \$60.00/session \$24*2.5=\$60 (One-2 ½ hour class)

Adult Education Outside Consultants (Continued)

Mr. Silber (4 classes)	Mediation for Deep Relaxation – Level 1 - \$55/session – eight one hour sessions Tai Chi and Qigong - \$55/session – eight one hour sessions Mediation for Deep Relaxation – Level 2 - \$55/session Eight one hour sessions Qigong and Acupressure - \$55/session-eight one hour sessions
Joanne Stockinger	Sewing for Advanced Beginners – Eight 1 ½ hr. sessions \$24*1.5=\$36+\$16 prep fee=\$70/session
Lorraine Vallancourt (2 classes)	Yoga Group 1 – 8 – 1 ½ hour sessions; \$75/session Yoga Group 2 – 8 – 1 ½ hour sessions; \$75/session
Janet Walter DBA Gold Fire Diamonds (2 classes)	Maj Jongg = 8 Two hour sessions - \$24/hour*2=\$48+14 prep fee=\$62/session
Stephanie Young (2 classes)	Crochet & Knitting for Intermediate – 8 Two hour sessions \$25/hr. 2=\$50/session Jewelry Making – Two-2 hour session classes - \$50/class= A\$100.00

Professional Staff – Change of Status

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>Proposed Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Robert Warren	Physical Education Teacher (.3) Position Assign: STRAT/KC	PE/Health Teacher (.7) Position Assign: (.3 PE) STRAT/KC (.4 Health) PAS/STRAT/PKWY Replacing: T. Tsiakos who Resigned - .4 of her position	Jan. 29, 2013	\$39,295.20* Step 2BA (represents .7 of \$56,136)

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations and salary to be prorated

Surrogate Parent

That the Board of Education approve the recommendation that Ellen Hayman be appointed a surrogate parent for the 2012/2013 school year.

3. Finance

a. Modification of Contract with Spectrum Physical Therapy and Chiropractic, PLLC

That the Board of Education approve the modified contract with Spectrum Physical Therapy and Chiropractic, PLLC for a certified athletic trainer for the period August 15, 2012 through June 15, 2013 and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign the agreement.

b. Budget Reports

That the Board of Education approve the following:

- Approval Transfers as of January 28, 2013
- Informational Transfers as of January 28, 2013
- Budget Status Report as of November 30, 2012
- Revenue Status Report as of November 30, 2012

c. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – Athletic Department

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the following items:

Panasonic Television
View Source Computer Monitor

Serial #G1AA20173
Serial #33LO20400690

d. Treasurer’s Report

That the Board of Education approve the following:

- Treasurer’s Report for November 2012
- Trial Balance as of November 30, 2012
- Cash Flow Projection as of November 30, 2012

e. Payment of Bills

January 2013

General Fund A	\$1,710,875.45
Trust & Agency	\$1,511,519.62
Federal	\$ 3,216.60
Capital	\$ 96,273.57
Debt Service	\$ 12,562.50
Net Payroll	\$1,830,182.01

4. Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the January 14, 2013 with the following corrections on page 23 and page 24. The corrections are in bold lettering.

c. United States History and Government 11H/English 11H (page 23)

Resolved **unanimously** upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the interdisciplinary United States History and Government 11H/English 11H course for the 2013/2014 school year.

d. Elimination of English 11H – 2013/2014 School Year (page 24)

Resolved **upon motion** by Mrs. Pierno, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the **elimination** of English 11H in the 2013/2014 school year.

On the Motion:

Ayes: Mrs. Rothman, Mr. Bettan, Mr. Cepeda.

Nays: Mrs. Pierno, Mrs. Lieberman, Mrs. Bernstein, Mrs. Schulman.

Motion Denied

Unfinished Business

Elimination/Addition of Co-Curricular Clubs - Table

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Cepeda, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education table the recommendation to eliminate the “Broadway Theater” Co-Curricular Club at Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School and replace it with the Co-Curricular Club, “Contractors for Kids”.

New Business

1. Attendance at Conference

New York State Association for Women in Administration – High Expectations for Students and Staff

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Schulman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the attendance of Dr. Lorna Lewis at the New York State Association for Women in Administration, “High Expectations for Students and Staff” on March 17-18, 2013 in Latham, New York

Discussion:

Dr. Lewis stated that she has been asked to co-present at this Conference on the discussion dealing with “Common Core Learning Standards”.

2. Field Trips

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve the field trip on the memo of January 28, 2013.

3. Additional Staff Development Course 2012/2013

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Bettan, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve the following staff development proposal for the 2012/2013 school year:

Aimsweb New User Group (Stratford Road)

4. 2013/2014 School Calendar

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve the following school calendar for the 2013/2014 school year:

September	2	Monday	Schools Closed	Labor Day
	3	Tuesday	Supt. Conf.	
	4	Wednesday	1 st Day of School	
	5, 6	Thurs., Friday	Schools Closed	Rosh Hashanah
October	14	Monday	Schools Closed	Columbus Day
November	5	Tuesday	Schools Closed	Supt. Conference Day- Election Day
	11	Monday	Schools Closed	Veterans' Day
	28-	Thursday	Schools Closed	Thanksgiving
	29	Friday		Recess
December	23-	Monday	Schools Closed	Christmas Recess
January	1	Wednesday		(Schools reopen Thurs., January 2)
	20	Monday	Schools Closed	J.L. King, Jr.'s Birthday
February	17-	Monday	Schools Closed	Mid Winter Recess
	21	Friday		
April	14-	Monday	Schools Closed	Spring Recess
	22	Tuesday		
May	26	Monday	Schools Closed	Memorial Day
June	27	Friday	Last Day of School	
	29	Sunday	High School Graduation	

4. 2013/2014 School Calendar - Continued

Days in Session	September	17
	October	22
	November	17
	December	15
	January	21
	February	15
	March	21
	April	15
	May	18
	June	20
		182 (+2 parent/Tchr. Conf. Evenings)
Superintendent’s Conference Day		+ 2 (Tues., Sept 3; Tues. Nov. 5) 182+(2*)
“Snow Day”	May 22, 23, 27	- 3 181 (+2 Parent/Tchr. Conf. Evenings)

NOTE: The 2013/2014 school calendar has been constructed with additional “Snow” days to allow for possible inclement weather scenarios as experienced this year.

- (1) In the event no contingency arises which requires the closing of schools, School will be closed on Thursday, May 22, Friday, May 23 and Tuesday, May 27.
- (2) In the event a contingency arises which requires the closing of schools, days will be identified as follows:

<u>No. of Days Closed</u>	<u>Dates to be used</u>
1	May 22
2	May 22, May 23
3	May 22, May 23 and May 27

4. 2013/2014 School Calendar - Continued

(3) If more than three snow days are required, the following vacation days will be scheduled schools days:

4	February 21
5	February 20
6	April 22

Regents Examination Dates: TO BE ANNOUNCED

* Including 6 built-in snow days

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session.

The meeting was recessed at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Amy Pierno, President

The meeting was reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

Acting District Clerk

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Bernstein that the Board of Education appoint Dr. Lewis Acting District Clerk.

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Lorna Lewis
Acting District Clerk

Approved: _____
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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

High School Update

Laura Isaacson updated the Board on events at Plainview-Old Bethpage John F. Kennedy High School.

Announcements

Mrs. Rothman, on behalf of her family, thanked the community and the school district on the out pouring of condolences on the passing of her mother-in-law.

Mrs. Rothman stated that she had the opportunity to participate in Mix It Up Day. It was a terrific event. The Spanish Honor Society Sponsored this day. Mrs. Rothman congratulated Ms. Visbal. She noted that Dr. Lewis gave an inspirational talk on her life. It was wonderful. She congratulated and thanked all the students.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that on December 20, she and other Board members attended the Annual Winter Concert. She expressed her views that our students are so talented. Some of our alumni joined the current singers. Many of these alumni were adults. Mrs. Bernstein stated that our Superintendent, Dr. Lewis joined with the students and the alumni. Mrs. Emily Schulman was one of the alumni. Our students sang, We Are The World. It was very well done and it was a wonderful evening. She congratulated Mr. Paltrowitz, our music department staff, the students, their families and Dr. Lewis.

Mrs. Lieberman thanked the community for their outpouring of condolences on the passing of her mother. She was touched and very moved.

Mrs. Lieberman read to students at Pasadena Elementary School during PARP. It was a pleasure to participate in this event.

Mr. Cepeda stated that he too attended some of the winter concerts. They were wonderful. He also attended some of the boys' and girls' varsity basketball games. They put in a tremendous effort. He expressed his views that it is good to see our students have so many different opportunities.

Mr. Cepeda was very pleased to inform the Board that our cheerleaders have received an invitation to go to the Nationals in Orlando, Florida. It is quite an honor to have gotten an invitation.

Mrs. Pierno noted that there will be a fund drive this evening for the cheerleaders. There will also be other fund raising drives.

Mrs. Schulman stated that last Monday night was SEPTA' Night Out. She gave "kudos" to the organizers. There was a great turnout of parents, staff and administrators. This fund raiser goes directly to the kids.

Mrs. Pierno stated that she too read at Pasadena during PARP. The children were adorable and she had a wonderful time. She thanked PTA for sponsoring this.

APPR Approval

Dr. Lewis stated that our APPR plan was approved. We have met our obligations. She thanked everyone for all their hard work. She particularly thanked Mr. Eagen and Ms. Gierasch.

Meeting with Congressman Israel

Dr. Lewis stated she met with Congressman Steve Israel to put us on his radar. Congressman Israel is offering to partner with us on some green initiatives.

Regent Tilles Visit

Dr. Lewis stated that Regent Tilles is very supportive of our schools and education. He will be visiting the Plainview-Old Bethpage School District on January 29. He will be reading to a 4th grade class and visit the middle schools and the high school.

Ms. Gierasch was pleased to announce that 35 of the 110 DECA students who competed in the Regional DECA Competition will be eligible to attend the New York State DECA competition. She stated they are a credit to the entire department.

Ms. Gierasch was also pleased to inform the Board that one of Mattlin Middle School's MAP groups has been conducting a fundraiser collecting books for victims of Hurricane Sandy in the Long Beach School District. They set up a Make a Difference Day.

Dr. Lewis was very proud to announce that we have two semifinalists in the Intel Science Talent Search. She congratulated Sunny Zheng and James Shamul on their outstanding achievements.

Dr. Lewis was also pleased to announce that POBJFK High School students Heather Fitzpatrick and Danny Breenan were honored with the 2012 Nassau Zone Outstanding Physical Education Student Award from the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Dr. Lewis congratulated Heather and Danny, their teachers and their families on this outstanding achievement.

Asia Grant

Ms. Gierasch stated that we have received a donation from the Confucius Society for the Asia Grant. She spoke of how proud the district is of our teachers.

Mr. O'Sullivan presented the Board with a plaque from the Asia Society. He stated we are in our third year with the Confucius Network of a hundred different school districts across the United States. This grant has funded our Chinese expansion and has enhanced our work. It has provided a wonderful cultural experience for our students, teachers and administrators.

Mrs. Lieberman noted that she had the pleasure of visiting Mrs. Wong's class. It was an unbelievable experience. The kids absorb everything.

Security Workshop

Mr. Ruf discussed the Active Shooter Workshop he attended. He reviewed what was discussed and who attended this workshop. On Friday evening, the Safety Committee got together to review some of the items that were shared at the workshop.

Reports and Discussions

Facilities Update

Ms. Kim Parahus showed slides of the Boys' and Girls' locker rooms at the high school. She was pleased to report that they were opened for use on January 3, 2013. There are still items to be completed. She reviewed the improvements to the pool. She showed slides of the restoration of the courtyards at Plainview Middle School and Mattlin Middle School.

Discussion:

Mrs. Schulman asked about the number of lockers. She asked if their number had been reduced.

Ms. Parahus stated they were not reduced. They have been increased. We are looking to increase them even more.

Mrs. Schulman asked about the size of the locker. She has heard they are not big enough.

Ms. Parahus stated they are larger.

Mrs. Schulman asked about the locks.

Ms. Parahus stated they are standard master locks.

Mrs. Schulman discussed the sharing of lockers and not having sufficient room. She asked if there still are two aides.

Mr. Bettan stated this year we have the new locker rooms and many other projects going on district wide. Through good planning and the use of our capital reserve fund, we were able to pay for these capital improvements without any additional costs to the taxpayers in this year's budget.

Mr. Cepeda stated it was a great job. He asked about the possibility of solar roofs.

Mrs. Pierno thanked Ms. Parahus and her staff for a great job. She asked about the Mattlin sky lights.

Ms. Parahus stated it has not happened yet.

Mrs. Pierno asked about the Old Bethpage canopy.

Ms. Parahus explained that it wasn't done because of the weather.

DASA Update

Mr. Eagen briefly updated the community and Board on DASA. He noted that Plainview has wonderful things in place. He stated that bullying, name calling and harassment pose a serious problem at schools. He discussed cyberbullying. Mr. Eagen stated that the law requires districts and schools to prevent, monitor and address bullying. He spoke of the need for staff training. He reviewed the Dignity Act and the curriculum map.

Mr. Eagen stated the Cyberbullying Law requires all school staff to report any incident of bullying and cyberbullying to the school principal or superintendent. He reviewed who sits on the task force on bullying. Mr. Eagen stated that it is very important to create a "DASA culture". He explained what an "upstander" is.

Discussion:

Mrs. Pierno asked if we plan to measure the success of our plan.

Mr. Cepeda suggested and discussed incident reports.

Mr. Eagen explained that an incident report could cause a false/positive report.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that she liked the idea of resurveying.

Mrs. Lieberman stated that sometimes kids say they have been bullied but they really have not been.

Mr. Eagen discussed "telling" and "tattling".

Mrs. Schulman discussed involving kids in DASA. She asked if our kids have been involved at any level.

Mr. Eagen stated they are.

Mrs. Lieberman discussed the parent component and how important it is.

Mr. Bettan requested that this presentation be put on our website.

Mrs. Pierno thanked Mr. Eagen for his report.

Turf Field Update

Dr. Lewis was pleased to announce that we are ready to move forward with plans for a turf field.

Mr. Ruf stated that officials from the Town of Oyster Bay met with Central Administrators to review plans.

Dr. Lewis stated that we are holding a meeting on Wednesday, January 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room to meet with members of the community. We will be discussing the scope of the project and lighting. The Town is our partner and will be at the meeting.

Public Participation

Ms. Margo Garcia spoke on behalf of the high school PTA. She asked about the high school lockers. She discussed the concerns of the high school about pupils sharing lockers. High school students are upset because if the backpacks are not in the lockers they will be confiscated.

Mr. Bettan expressed his views that the lockers are huge

Mrs. Bernstein stated that she specifically questioned whether these lockers would be big enough and if the backpacks would fit in. The Board was assured they would.

Ms. Garcia asked about the English 11H course. She asked about pre AP courses. She stated that parents feel the students haven't been prepared to make the jump. She stated the students would have taken honors in 10th grade as a stepping stone to see if they were able to meet the rigor and expectations of the English AP class. She asked the Board to consider having Honors English offered next year so that the 11th graders can have preparation that they believe is important to their success.

Routine Business

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

1. Students

Student Placements

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

2. Personnel

Non-Teaching Personnel – Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>
Susan Rivera	Special Ed. Teacher Aide POBJFK High School	Dec. 28, 2012 (close of business)

Non-Teaching Personnel – Probationary Appointment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Joan Gassert	Account Clerk POBJFK High School (replacing Sherry Johnson who resigned)	1/18/2013	\$43,913 Step 3 To be prorated
Jessica Carrieri	School Monitor PT 2.75 hours per day Mattlin Middle School (replacing Regina Inglese who took another position)	1/15/2013	\$9,412.45
George Byrnes	Security Aide PT Pasadena Elementary School – 3.5 hour per day – Monday-Friday	1/3/2013	\$24.27 p. h.
Robert Cardinal	Security Aide PT Old Bethpage School 3.5 hours per day Monday-Friday	1/4/2013	\$24.27 p.h.

* Salary pending 2012-2013 contract negotiations

Non-Teaching Personnel - Appointment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary *</u>
Joseph Schinz	Security Aide PT Mattlin Middle School 23.5 hours per week	1/3/2013	\$24.27 p.h.
Michael Wood	Security Aide PT Parkway School 3.5 hours per day Monday – Friday	1/3/2013	\$24.27 p.h.
Nicolina Serp	Bus Attendant PT 10 hours per week	1/15/2013	\$18.91 p.h.

Non-Teaching Personnel – Unused Vacation Entitlement

		<u>Vacation Days</u>	<u>Annual Salary</u>	<u>Daily Rate</u>	<u>Entitlement</u>
Jose Figueroa	Custodian Mattlin M.S.	9	\$64,874	\$242.78	\$2,185.02

Personnel Recommendation – ESL Parent Class

Susan Laviola	ESL Teacher for Fall Parent Classes	School Year - 4 hrs. Prep Time & 2012/2013 6 hrs. Class Time @ \$72.45
Susan Laviola	ESL Teacher for Spring Parent Classes	School Year - 4 hrs. Prep Time & 2012/2013 6 hrs. Class Time @ \$72.45

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Professional Staff – Integrated Algebra Regents Review Classes – Appointment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Dina Baccoli	Math Teacher/MMS	School Year 2012/2013	AIS rate of pay 6 sessions
Jodi Goldstein	Math Teacher/POBMS	School Year 2012/2013	AIS rate of pay 6 sessions

Personnel Recommendation – In-District Facilitators – School Year 2012/2013

Facilitators

Rochelle Verstaendig	Learning a New Language With Rosetta Stone (POBMS)	School Year 2012/2013	\$53.76	1 hour
Matthew Gentile	BFS (Bigger Faster Stronger) Lifting and Safety Procedures for PE Teachers (JFKHS)	“	\$53.76	1 hour
Matthew Gentile	Developing a HS Fitness Program (JFKHS)	“	\$53.76	1 hour
Maureen Kenny	Developing IEP Goals for Kindergarten Speech-Language Student (KC)	“	\$53.76	1 hour
Raymond Tesar	Instructing Students on Effective Presentations in the Social Sciences (JFKHS)	“	\$53.76	2 hours

Personnel Recommendation – Test Anxiety Workshops – POBJFK High School

Lisa Cohen	Test Anxiety Workshop	2 sessions (period 10) @ Own daily rate of pay
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* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Personnel Recommendation – Advanced Placement Proctors for 2012/2013 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Jerry Abel	Proctor	School Year 2012/2013	\$156.31
Margaret Brent	“	“	\$156.31
Denise Cavadias	“	“	\$143.45
Sheila Cohen	“	“	\$156.31
Ellen Feldman	“	“	\$149.93
Arlene Gould	“	“	\$156.31
Virginia Himmelstein	“	“	\$156.31
Anthony Katkowski	“	“	\$156.31
Susan Lee	“	“	\$149.93
Ronald Metzler	“	“	\$156.31
Linda Rozof-Guber	“	“	\$156.31
Eleanor Scarr	“	“	\$156.31
Thomas Sena	“	“	\$137.19
Linda Shevitz	“	“	\$143.45
Francesca Sparacio	“	“	\$137.19
Marsha Struhl	“	“	\$156.31
Gail Weber	“	“	\$156.31

Personnel Recommendation – Advanced Placement Proctors for 2012/2013 School Year

Arlene Gould	Proctor – SAT & ACT	School Year 2012/2013	\$130.00
Caroline Morello	Proctor – SAT & ACT	“	\$105.00
Marcia Goldberg	Proctor – AP	“	\$156.31

* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Non-Teaching personnel – Additional Hours

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present Position</u>	<u>Proposed Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary *</u>
Robert Bucking	Security Aide PT Mattlin MS 3 hours per day	Security Aide PT Mattlin MS 5.5 hours per day	1/3/2013	\$24.27 p.h.
John Masino	Security Aide PT POB M.S. 2 hours per day	Security Aide PT POB M.S. 4.5 hours per day	1/3/2013	\$24.27 p.h

Non-Teaching personnel – Additional Work Hours – 2012/2013 School Year

Joanne Filonuk	School Monitor PT Parkway School		Up to 6 hours \$20.44 p.h.
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Co-Curricular Activities –School Year 2012/2013 – POBJFK High School

Alan Rappaport	MSG Varsity Advisor	School Year 2012/-2013	\$1839
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Co-Curricular Activities – School Year 2012/2013 – H.B. Mattlin Middle School

David Goldberg	School Climate Club Advisor	School year 2012/2013	\$920
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* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

Coaching Recommendations – School Year 2012/2013

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
William Ellinger	Asst. Coach, MS Wrestling	1/13	\$2732*
Colin Jones	Asst. Coach, JV Mens Lacrosse	3/13	\$3906*
Alan Rutcofsky	Asst. Coach, Varsity Softball	3/13	\$4711*
William Schenck	Head Coach, MS Mens Lacrosse	3/13	\$3494*
John Soehngen	Asst Coach, Varsity Wrestling	immed.	\$4711*

Non-Teaching personnel – 4th R Recreation Appointment

Qian He (Grace) Zhao	Chinese Enrichment	School Year 2012/2013	\$25.00 per class
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Child Care Resignation

Amanda Schiller	Child Care Worker	1/02/2013	
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Child Care Appointment

Deandra Vaglica	Child Care Worker	1/15/2013	\$12.75 ph.
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Appointments – Non-Teaching – TAG Program – School Year 2012/2013

Anthony D’Angelis	Teacher	School Year \$2012/2013	\$65/hr
Maria Alper	Special Ed. Teacher Aide	“	\$25/hr.

Appointment – Swim Program – School Year 2012/2013

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
William Goldstein	Lifeguard Trainee PT	School Year 2012/2013	\$10.00/hr.

Personnel Recommendation – Appointment - Senior Citizens Program

Eden Bennett	Exercise Teacher	School year 2012/2013	\$21.00/hr. Up to \$1,400
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Appointment

Joanne Parzuchowski	Chauffeur Part Time Senior Citizens	School year 2012/2013	\$21.22 ph * Step 1 No to exceed 160 hours
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Personnel Recommendations – Chaperones

Mary AnnBulla	Chaperone	School Year 2012/2013	\$90.36/sess.*
Simone Chase	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Jonathan Engel	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Susan Epstein	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Debra Fazzolare	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Carole Green	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Amanda Gundling	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Warren Jacobson	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Arlene Maupin	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Stephanie Ralton	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Cathryn Rilely	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Christina Rivas-Laline	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Meron Tine	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*
Robin Zacharius	“	“	\$90.36/sess.*

* Salary pending 2012/2013 Contract negotiations

Appointment – Per Diem Substitute Teacher

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effec. Date</u>	<u>Salary*</u>
Kathryn Feibusch	Per Diem Substitute Teacher-Appointment	1/14/13	\$137.19

Non-Teaching Personnel – Substitutes

Janine Roberti	School Monitor Part Time Substitute	School Year 2012/2013	\$8.50 ph.
Susan Fishelberg	Bus Drive Part Time Substitute	“	\$21.22 ph.
Stace Domagala	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	“	\$24.27 ph.
Frank Hursak	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	“	\$24.27 ph.
David Cirillo	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	“	\$24.27 ph.

Appointment – Per Diem substitute Teacher

Liam O'Brien	Per Diem Substitute Teacher Appointment	1/1/2013	\$137.19
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Non-Teaching Personnel – Substitute

Carlos Ares	Security Aide Part Time Substitute	School Year 2012/2013	\$24.27 p.h.
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* Salary pending 2012/2013 contract negotiations

3. Finance

a. Tilles Center License Agreement for POBJFK High School Graduation

That the Board of Education authorize the Board President to sign a License Agreement with Long Island University for the Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School graduation ceremony.

b. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – Athletics Department

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes athletic uniforms located at Mattlin Middle School.

c. Rescission of Bid #707 – Drag Mops to Dependable Dust Control, Inc.

Award of Bid #707 – Drag Mops to American Pad-Ex of New York

That the Board of Education rescind Bid #707 – Drag Mops to Dependable Dust Control, Inc. and award Bid #707 – Drag Mops to American Pad-Ex of New York.

d. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – Human Resources

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the following item:

HP LaserJet 1200

Serial #CNCB727077

Model #C7044A

e. Donation – Confucius Grant

That the Board of Education accept a donation of \$11,000 and authorize the President to sign the agreement between the Asia Society and the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District.

f. Donation – Stratford Road School – General Mills Box Tops for Education

That the Board of Education authorize the acceptance of the following donation to the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District:

General Mills Box Tops for Education	\$902.00
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g. Donation – Old Bethpage Elementary School

That the Board of Education authorize the acceptance of a check for \$250 from the Nassau Educators - Federal Credit Union to the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District.

h. 4th R Recreation Programs

That the Board of Education approve the service agreements between the Plainview-Old Bethpage CSD and Mad Science of Long island, Schoolhouse Chess of Long Island and Bricks 4 Kids for the 2012/2013 school year.

i. Disposal of Obsolete Equipment – Pasadena Elementary School

That the Board of Education declare obsolete for disposal purposes the following items:

Dell 150	Serial #C7QDQ01
HP printer	Serial #MY37P3K3Dt

j. Treasurer’s Report – Extra Class Activity Funds

That the Board of Education approve the Treasurer’s Report, Extra Class Activity Fund (s) for POB Middle School, Mattlin Middle School, POBJFK High School.

k. Payment of Bills

January, 2012

General Fund A	\$4,593,463.13
Trust and Agency	\$1,297,826.16
Federal	\$ 85,259.79
School Lunch	\$ 88,348.87
Capital	\$ 151,743.69
Child Care	\$ 427.39
Debt Service	\$1,434,062.50
Net Payroll	\$2,087,253.02

4. Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes

That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of December 17, 2012.

New Business

1. Memorandum of Agreement – ASA

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Administrators', Directors' and Supervisors' Association and the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District.

2. Additional Staff Development courses -2012-2013

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve the following additional Staff Development Courses for 2012/2013:

- Learning a New Language With the Rosetta Stone
- BFS (Bigger Faster Stronger) Lifting and Safety Procedures for PE Teachers
- Developing a HS Fitness Program (JFKHS)
- Instructing Students on Effective Presentations in the Social Sciences
- Developing IEP Goals for Kindergarten Speech-Language Students (KC)

3. Circulation of Policy #7314/6460R – “Computer Network and Internet Safety and Use Guidelines” -- Regulations

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the circulation of Policy #7314/6460R, “Computer Network and Internet Safety and Use Guidelines” regulations for comments and changes.

Discussion:

Mr. Bettan discussed electronic mail and other forms of direct electronic communications. He reviewed his suggestions

4. Circulation of Policy #7314/6460, “Internet Safety and Use Policies”

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve the circulation of Policy #7314/6460, Internet Safety and Use Policies” for comments and changes.

5. Change in 2012/2013 Board of Education Meetings Calendar

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve eliminating the March 4th Board of Education meeting and changing the Monday, May 6th Board of Education meeting to Tuesday May 7th, 2013.

6. Co-Curricular Clubs – Elimination/Addition of Clubs

Resolved upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the recommendation to eliminate the “Broadway Theater” Co-Curricular Club at Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School and replace it with the Co-Curricular Club, “Contractors for Kids”.

Discussion:

Mrs. Pierno asked if the Community Service Club could do what the Contractors for Kids Club plans on doing. She expressed her views that if that were the case, this would open up the possibility of establishing another club.

Mrs. Bernstein asked how the club would identify families that are in need.

Co-Curricular Clubs – Elimination/Addition of Clubs - TABLE

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education approve tabling the recommendation to eliminate the “Broadway Theater” Co-Curricular Club at Plainview-Old Bethpage JFK High School and replace it with the Co-Curricular Club, “Contractors for Kids”.

7. Course Proposals

a. Algebra 2/Trig+Lab

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the recommendation to approve the Algebra 2/Trig+LAB course and to eliminate the 2 year course in the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

b. AP Studio – Art and Computer Graphic

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for an AP Studio-Art and Computer Graphic course in the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

c. United States History and Government 11H/English 11H

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the interdisciplinary United States History and Government 11H/English 11H course for the 2013/2014 school year.

Discussion:

Mrs. Bernstein expressed her views that she is thrilled with the collaboration.

Mrs. Pierno discussed eliminating English 11H. She questioned voting on an Honors course in US 11History and Social Studies. She stated that we are trying to encourage more AP courses. Why take one and not the other. Which kids do we expect to take the interdisciplinary course.

Ms. Gierasch stated that we are hoping to move some of the regents students into more advanced classes; either in the interdisciplinary course or AP English.

Mrs. Bernstein stated that sometimes our culture is not getting kids to take rigorous courses. She asked how are we going to encourage kids to take AP courses. What support will we give.

Ms. Gierasch stated the 11H English class is very closely aligned to the 11AP course. Although students may read different works, the amount of writing and reading is similar. As we did for the students who were placed into the advanced Grade 8 math and science courses, we offered interim extra help. Ms. Gierasch stated that we would request the same accommodations for students struggling periodically throughout the year.

Mrs. Schulman asked if there is anything we can do to get kids up to speed.

Ms. Gierasch stated that we believe the students are up to speed and can handle the advanced course and are well prepared. All teachers in the department are supportive of the recommendation.

Mrs. Rothman stated that for students that may not be ready, the interdisciplinary course would help them going into the AP course.

Mrs. Bernstein asked if we will have a plan in place to change the culture and help these kids.

Ms. Gierasch stated teachers would visit the classrooms to discuss the similarities in expectations between the honors course and the AP course.

Mrs. Lieberman stated we will have a tutorial for those kids that are having a hard time.

Mrs. Pierno stated that these other districts probably had a multiyear plan.

Ms. Gierasch reported that there are other districts that are advancing all students to the AP. Comparative districts do not offer honors.

Mr. Bettan stated that he understands wanting to give kids every opportunity. However, he stated we are always talking about raising the bar and having more rigor. He stated the data is clear. Kids taking AP courses are very successful.

d. Elimination of English 11H – 2013/2014 School Year

Resolved upon motion by Mrs. Pierno, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the elimination of English 11H in the 2013/2014 school year

On the Motion:

Ayes: Mrs. Rothman, Mr. Bettan, Mr. Cepeda

Nays: Mrs. Pierno, Mrs. Lieberman, Mrs. Bernstein, Mrs. Schulman.

Motion Denied.

e. Elimination of English 11H – 2014/2015 School Year

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education approve eliminating English 11H for the 2014/2015 school year and thereafter.

f. Global History 9H/Pre-AP

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mrs. Bernstein that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the Global History 9H/Pre-AP course for the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

g. American Sign Language 3

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Schulman, seconded by Mrs. Rothman that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the American Sign Language 3 course for the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

h. Chinese CEU 6

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Schulman, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the Chinese CEU 6 course for the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

i. French 2H

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Lieberman that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the French 2H course for the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

j. Spanish 2H

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Lieberman, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education approve the recommendation for the Spanish 2H course for the 2013/2014 school year and thereafter.

Executive Session

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Rothman, seconded by Mrs. Schulman that the Board of Education recess to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel and negotiations.

The meeting was recessed at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Fischer
District Clerk

Approved: _____
Amy Pierno, President

The meeting was reconvened at 11:00 p.m.

Acting District Clerk

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Schulman, seconded by Mr. Bettan that the Board of Education appoint Dr. Lewis Acting District Clerk.

Adjournment

Resolved unanimously upon motion by Mrs. Bernstein, seconded by Mr. Cepeda that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Lorna Lewis
Acting District Clerk

Approved: _____
Amy Pierno, President