

# AGENDA

## BOARD OF EDUCATION • LEVITTOWN, NEW YORK

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REGULAR MEETING

LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL EDUCATION CENTER  
Wednesday, November 13, 2013

6:15 P.M. (Meeting convenes with anticipated adjournment to Executive Session)

7:30 P.M. (Meeting reconvenes in Public Session)

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### OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

This meeting will be devoted to reports from the Superintendent of Schools and Board Members, regular agenda items of old and new business and schedules.

Immediately following Board Members reports, a period not to exceed two hours shall be set aside to afford residents of the community and/or school district employees an opportunity to make comments or to raise questions related to school affairs.

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The Levittown Public School District is committed to providing both equal educational opportunity for all students, and equal employment opportunity for all persons, without regard or discrimination based on religion, ethnic background, age, sex, or disability.

I. CALL TO ORDERCall to order

Inclusive

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. 6:15 P.M. - Anticipated Motion to move to Executive Session.  
Recommended Motion: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, move to Executive Session for the purpose(s) of \_\_\_\_\_.”
- C. 7:30 P.M. Reconvene Public Session
  - 1. Pledge of Allegiance
  - 2. Moment of Silence

II. ANNOUNCEMENTSIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES1. Approval of Minutes

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "Make the necessary corrections and move the approval of the minutes of October 9, 2013 (Regular Meeting) and October 16, 2013 (Special Meeting)."

IV. REPORTSReports

Enclosure

- A. Recognition:
  - 1. Art Display - Lee Road Elementary School
  - 2. Ryan Clifford - Eagle Scout Award
  - 3. Susan Graham - performance of Heimlich maneuver
- B. Superintendent:
  - 1. Follow-up to Public Be Heard Questions
  - 2. Follow-up to Board Questions
  - 3. Report: Academic Action Plan
- C. Board of Education:
  - 1. Comments and Reports
  - 2. Correspondence
  - 3. Student Liaisons to the Board of Education

V. PUBLIC BE HEARDVI. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS1. Warrants

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "WHEREAS, all claims, warrants and charges against the School District have been reviewed by the Claims Auditor and have been certified by the Claims Auditor for payment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the October 2013 report of the Claims Auditor be accepted."

## 2. Treasurer's Report

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the attached reports and placed same on file:

Summary of Treasurer's Reports for the months ending June 30, 2013, July 31, 2013, August 31, 2013 and September 30, 2013."

## 3. Claims Auditor Reports

Enclosure

Recommended motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the attached Claims Auditor Reports prepared by Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck and Company, P.C. for the months ending September 30, 2013 and October 31, 2013"

## 4. Gifts to Schools

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept with thanks the following gifts:

- a. checks for the following schools in the indicated amounts, given by Target Take Charge of Education/Give with Target, P.O. Box 59214, Minneapolis, MN 55459-0214 to be deposited in their respective student activity funds:

Abbey Lane	\$46.00	East Broadway	\$171.00
Gardiners	\$130.00	Gardiners	\$868.70
Lee Road	\$25.00	Northside	\$65.00
Summit	\$34.00		

- b. a check in the amount of \$1,000 for the establishment of a scholarship fund for Division Avenue and MacArthur high school students, donated by Levittown Ford, 3195 Hempstead Turnpike, Levittown, New York 11756, attention: Eric Rivera, General Manager"

## 5. Bid - Approval of Bids

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following bids:

<u>Bid #</u>	<u>Description</u>
13E No. 18	Locksmith Supplies-Long Island Locksmith & Alarm Co, US Lock Co, Accredited Lock Supply Co"

## 6. Obsolete Equipment

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the equipment on the following lists obsolete and that the items may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value:

<u>School / Building</u>	<u>No. of Items</u>	<u>Date of List</u>
GC Tech (Shop Car)	1	September 29, 2013

7.Obsolete Computer Equipment

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the computer equipment on the following lists obsolete and that the items may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value:

<u>School / Building</u>	<u>No. of Items</u>	<u>Date of List</u>
LMEC (Printers)	11	October 2, 2013
LMEC (Printers/PCs)	11	October 7, 2013
LMEC (Printers/Projectors)	3	October 25, 2013
Gardiners Ave (Scanner)	2	October 11, 2013
Northside (Printers/Monitor)	3	October 17, 2013"

8.Obsolete Books

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the books on the attached lists obsolete and that the items may be discarded and/or donated as possible or sold at the highest salvage value:

<u>School</u>	<u>Quantity/type of book</u>	<u>Date of List</u>
Salk MS	65 Library Books	October 21, 2013"

9.2013-14 Outdoor Education Transportation Contract

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "Resolved that pursuant to Article 156.5 of the New York State Education Law, the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached transportation contract with Nassau BOCES for the 2013-14 school year outdoor education trips at a cost of \$23,400.

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

10.Transportation Contracts

Enclosure

Recommended Motion: "Resolved that pursuant to Article 156.5 of the New York State Education Law, the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following 2013-14 transportation contracts/extensions:

<u>Contractor's Name</u>	<u>Date of Contract</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Educational Bus	September 9, 2013	\$1,600
First Student Inc.	September 9, 2013	\$1,509
Acme / Baumann Bus	October 2, 2013	\$0
Educational Bus	October 10, 2013	\$1,600
First Student Inc.	October 10, 2013	\$1,509
Educational Bus	October 18, 2013	\$12,784
First Student Inc.	October 18, 2013	\$31,288

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is, hereby, authorized to execute the contract(s)."

11.Appointment of Additional Members of the Food Service Committee Inclusive

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, appoint Donna Bolton and Kelly Glenn as additional members of the Food Service Committee for the 2013-2014 school year."

12.Appointment of Additional Members of Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education Inclusive

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education appoint Karen Buttner, Juliana Calta and Sonia Romero as additional members to serve on the District Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2013-14 school year."

13.Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer Inclusive

Recommended Motion "RESOLVED, that the Levittown School District does, hereby, appoint Nancy Lederman as Impartial Hearing Officer in a matter regarding a student with identification #1123011"

14.Resolution on Standardized Testing Inclusive

WHEREAS, every student deserves a quality public education dedicated to preparing engaged citizens, creative and critical thinkers, and lifelong learners ready for college and careers; and

WHEREAS, the decline in state support for public schools has forced our district to reduce programs and limited our ability to implement the new programs mandated by the state such as the common core standards creating an uneven rollout of the standards among school districts around the state; and

WHEREAS, while the implementation of the common core will ultimately help students, teachers and teaching and learning, the growing reliance on and misalignment of standardized testing is eroding student learning time, and narrowing the curriculum and jeopardizing the rich, meaningful education our students need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, despite the fact that research recommends the use of multiple measures to gauge student performance and teacher effectiveness, the state's growing reliance on standardized testing is adversely affecting students across all spectrums, the morale of our educators and further draining already scarce resources; and

WHEREAS, the federal elementary and secondary education act's testing policies fail to appropriately accommodate the unique needs of students with disabilities and English language learners in assessing their learning, resulting in test scores that do not accurately represent a true measure of the contributions of teachers and schools; and

WHEREAS, it is time for policymakers to recalibrate the number, duration and appropriate use of standardized tests so that we can refocus our efforts on student learning; now,

therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Levittown Public Schools calls upon the Commissioner of Education, the New York State Board of Regents and other policymakers to reduce the use of and overreliance on standardized testing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Levittown Public Schools calls upon the United States Congress and the Administration to reduce federal testing mandates and support the role of and focus on multiple measures of student learning and school quality in accountability systems."

#### 15. Schedules

Enclosure

"That the Levittown Board of Education approve the following schedules:"

1001	2013-G-No. 6	Resignations/Terminations, Certified Personnel
1002	2013-GG-No. 6	Resignations/Terminations, Non-Instructional Personnel
1003	2013-H-No. 7	Appointments, Certified Personnel
1003.1	2013-H-No. 7a1	Appointments, Salary Change, Certified Personnel
1004	2013-H-No. 7c	Designation, Consultants
1005	2013-H-No. 7g	Designation, Coaching
1006	2013-H-No. 7h	Appointments, Extra-Curricular
1007	2013-HH-No. 7	Appointments, Non-Instructional Personnel
1008	2013-HH-No. 7a-1	Salary Change, Non-Instructional Personnel
1009	2013-J-No. 3	Tenure, Certified Personnel
1010	2013-K-No. 5	Leave of Absence, Certified Personnel
1011	2013-KK-No. 5	Leave of Absence, Non-Instructional Personnel
1012	2013-O-No. 5	Students with Disabilities

#### 16. Ad Hoc

Enclosure

Discussion Only; No Action Taken

##### 1. Policy Review

- a. Policy #3413 Smoking on School Premises - second read
- b. Policy #6130 Evaluation of Personnel - second read
- c. Policy # 7222 Diploma and/or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities - second read

##### 2. Elementary, Extra Help - mathematics

##### 3. State Education Department Data Repository

## VII. DATES

#### Dates

Planning Session	Wednesday, November 20, 2013	7:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting	Wednesday, December 11, 2013	7:30 p.m.

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VIII. MOTION TO ADJOURN