

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

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2015**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION** was duly called and held on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 in the Board Meeting Room of the Levittown Memorial Education Center.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The District Clerk certified that pursuant to Section 104, Open Meetings Law, notice of meeting was sent to the Public Library and posted on the district's website. Further, all members of the Board of Education had due notice of said meeting.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**PRESENT:**

Ms. Peggy Marengi, President  
Mr. Kevin Regan, Vice President – excused absence  
Ms. Karen Quinones-Smith, Secretary  
Ms. Marianne Adrian  
Mr. James Moran  
Mr. Michael Pappas  
Mr. Frank Ward

**ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Tonie McDonald - Superintendent of Schools  
Ms. Darlene Rhatigan - Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Debbie Rifkin - Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. William Pastore – Assistant Superintendent  
Dr. Donald Sturz – Assistant to the Superintendent

**OTHERS**

Mr. Robert H. Cohen - School Attorney  
Ms. Elizabeth Appelbaum - District Clerk  
Mr. Amaninder Thind – MacArthur High School Student Liaison  
Mr. James Lunetta – Division Avenue High School Student Liaison

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
  
- B. Ms. Marengi, President, called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:15 PM. On a motion by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Moran and approved (6-0) that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to discuss the following item: personnel matters.
  
- C. The Board reconvened to Public Session at 7:30 PM at which time Ms. Marengi asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to remember all those fighting overseas for our freedom.

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ms. Marengi welcomed the new Student Liaisons, Amaninder Thind and James Lunetta. She was happy to see all the Administrators who came out for the meeting this evening. She thanked everyone for making the effort.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION:** "Make the necessary corrections and move the approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting which was held on August 12, 2015 and the Special Meeting of August 26, 2015.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith, Secretary
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith, Marengi
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

**IV. REPORTS****A. Recognition**

1. Presentation to Board of Education members by Susan Bergtraum, Director, New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA)

Ms. Bergtraum asked all Board members to come up front to acknowledge those members who were being recognized by the NYSSBA for their professional development through School Boards University. She explained to the audience that School Boards University is a training program that addresses the facets of what an effective school board member should know. Ms. Bergtraum was here tonight to acknowledge the extensive time and effort of these school board members who continually strive to expand their knowledge and skills for better board governance. NYSSBA members earn credits for participating in School Board University training opportunities. She handed out a Board Achievement Award to Ms. Quinones-Smith and Board Excellence Awards to Ms. Marengi, Mr. Pappas and Mr. Ward. Ms. Bergtraum congratulated each of these Board members and spoke about their deep involvement in the community.

2. Recognition of All-State Musicians

Division Avenue High School student-musicians Dawn Kim (violin) and Brendan Skillman (Bb clarinet) and MacArthur High School student Whitney Sun (viola) were honored for being asked to perform at the Annual New York State School Music Association Winter Conference in Rochester. These students were given certificates and recognized by the Board. Dr. McDonald remarked that we are very proud to honor the musical accomplishments of our students.

3. Art Display

Ms. Marengi acknowledged the beautiful art work in the Board Room and hallway. She remarked that we appreciate the students hard work.

**B. Superintendent**

1. Comments and Reports

a. Opening of School

Dr. McDonald shared that everyone was ready for the opening of School and it was without incident, as it should be. She noted that she was very proud of her staff.

b. Fund Balance

Mr. Pastore remarked that as we are near the end of the Audit Report, it is time to evaluate what the fund balance will be. He noted that the amount is about what we predicted. He commented that we have to make a decision on what to do with the leftover funds. Mr. Pastore was recommending putting the money into the Capitol Reserve Fund. In this way, we can replenish what was spent to improve our buildings. He stated that more detailed information would be provided when the report is finished. Mr. Pappas asked what the fund balance was expected to be dollar and percentage wise, and what will be over and beyond what was predicted.

Mr. Pastore noted that we will have two and one half million dollars above and beyond what was predicated and a four percent level. Mr. Pappas questioned whether putting the extra money in the capital reserve will affect our outlook four or five years down the line, when the fund balance is drained. Mr. Pastore stated it will be reduced but if we are careful with the three and five year plan, we should be stable. Ms. Marengi asked for an explanation of what the capital projects are. Mr. Pastore explained that once the voters approve the capital reserves, projects are proposed. Residents are asked to approve these projects during the Annual Vote. If passed, we are authorized to use this money for the designated projects. Mr. Pastore commented that the benefit of this is that it has no budget impact and saves taxes. Additionally, it helps us maintain our buildings. Ms. Marengi clarified that once that money goes into the capital reserve, the only way to utilize it, is to propose a project to use it for and then you need voter approval. Dr. McDonald shared that there are many areas that need to be looked at in the coming years for maintenance. She noted that this gives us an opportunity to plan for the future.

c. The Council of School Superintendents

Dr. McDonald handed out a letter that provided information to the Board on the Reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. She explained that this letter talks about being careful when they reauthorize this law to take into consideration all the things that we have learned.

d. Presentation: Review of NYS Assessment Results

Ms. Rifkin provided a power point presentation on a summary of student performance. She noted that overall the data shows a positive picture for the district with some areas that we need to focus on for improvement. She stated that we have multiple ways to measure our students academic achievements such as NYS Assessments, AimsWeb Universal Screening, NWEA, individually administered testing, Read 180, System 44 and district benchmark assessments. Ms. Rifkin commented that throughout the presentation, she would be comparing our data to the County and surrounding districts. She advised that the tests administered for grades 3 – 8 this Spring reflected a heavy impact from the statewide opt-out movement. As far as opt-out in Levittown, for English Language Arts (ELA) we had a 61% opt-out rate and for Math 66%. Ms. Rifkin shared that some of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students decided to take the ELA Assessment as a platform to speak to the State to tell them how they felt about the tests. She advised that parents will be receiving a Score Report on the Parent Portal. Ms. Rifkin shared great news in that Levittown has been identified as a district in good standing, while Division Avenue has been identified as a reward school and we have no identified LAP Schools. She went on to discuss the results from the NYS Assessments, NWEA and the Regents exams. Ms. Rifkin explained some of plans that are in place moving forward such as intervention services, professional development, provide Common Core aligned materials, curriculum writing and revision projects, data and accountability meetings, parent workshops, ongoing analysis of student performance from Regents and quarterly exams, adopt the Big Ideas program, change the sequence in which the science courses are offered, and expansion of Project Lead the Way and of in-house field trips through the outdoor learning center. Mr. Rifkin thanked all of the Administrators for coming to the meeting. She commented that this is a team effort. Dr. McDonald individually thanked all the Administrators for their efforts.

e. District-wide Goals

Dr. McDonald mentioned that she had met with Administrative Council which is comprised of Central Office Personnel, Principals, Directors, Supervisors, Curriculum Associates, Assistant Directors and Chairpeople to discuss their hopes and aspirations for the Levittown School District and its children. She noted that they talked about what they had seen with the students and the education field in general. She mentioned that several themes emerged from the meeting such as increase physical activity, do a better job supporting technological literacy, contain lapses in subject areas besides Math and ELA, make sure students are college and career ready, increase emphasis on challenging our highest achieving students, improve support for disenfranchised students, enhanced facilities, a paperless classrooms, better community connection and several district-wide initiatives. Dr. McDonald thanked the Council for all of their amazing thoughts and extremely well reasoned insight into the educational system we have now and what we want for our children. Ms. Marengi commented that she was happy to know that one of the initiatives is to use professional development periods to increase collegial sharing amongst staff. She remarked that all the research points to the fact that authentic staff development that is done in-house among peers is really successful within the school system.

Dr. McDonald shared that she had e-mailed the Board a list of the data that was analyzed last year and will be expanded in the future. She mentioned that data will be looked at in evermore increasing ways. During budget time, people may be needed to help review this data to make sure it is correct. Dr. McDonald pointed-out that the analysis of data, the sharing of data and what we do with it is very important information that has become paramount in our thoughts. She thanked Ms. Rifkin for all the work she has done in this regard.

f. Board Goals

Regarding the Superintendent's recommendation for Board Goals, Dr. McDonald handed out a redlined copy of last year's goals with this year's suggestions. She read them and asked the Board for a discussion. Ms. Marengi commented that since Dr. McDonald has come on board, we have a clearer understanding of what exactly is going on and how the responsibilities are delineated out and the results that we are getting from that. She thanked Dr. McDonald for everything she is doing to move the district forward. There were no changes in the goals from the Board.

2. Follow-up to Prior Public Be Heard Questions  
(none)
3. Follow-up to Board Questions  
(none)

**C. Board of Education**

1. Comments and Reports  
There were no comments or reports at this time.
2. Correspondence  
There was no correspondence at this time.
3. Student Liaisons

Ms. Marengi asked the two student liaisons to introduce themselves and inform the audience what is happening at each high school.

Mr. Lunetta gave a brief summary of those students who were accepted and completed summer programs in various academic areas of study. He noted that Division had a great start to the school year with freshman parent and student orientations the week before classes began. Mr. Lunetta was proud to announce that 89 students had earned AP Scholar Awards and 2 students won top music honors and were asked to attend the NYSSNA Winter Conference in Rochester and that the New York State Commissioner has named Division Avenue a New York State Reward School.

Mr. Thind spoke about what was happening at MacArthur such as Pink Out and the preparations taking place for Homecoming.

Dr. McDonald mentioned that she was very proud of everything that was going on at Division and MacArthur High School.

**V. PUBLIC BE HEARD**

Comments appear at the end of the minutes.

**VI. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Warrants**

RESOLUTION # 15-16-80

**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 August 2015 report of the Claims Auditor be accepted."

**NOTE: Mr. Moran was out of the room.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

**2. Business Office Reports**

RESOLUTION # 15-16-81

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the following reports from the Business Office.

- Claims Auditors Report – Prepared by Albrecht, Viggiano and Zureck and Company, P.C. for the month ending August 2015."

**NOTE: Mr. Pappas asked why the report was not sent home, why the numbers were so low when August is usually a busy month and if the definitions had changes for confirming purchase orders. He remarked that he preferred to receive the answers e-mailed.**

<b>ESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith, Secretary
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

3. Budget Transfers

## RESOLUTION # 15-16-82

**MOTION:** "WHEREAS, in compliance with New York State Government Accounting practices, the attached budget transfers have been prepared and recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance,

Code	Code Description	\$ From	\$ To	Reason
A 2250.4900	SPEC ED BOCES SERVICES	53,934.15		Year end budget transfers.
A 1620.4900	O&M BOCES HEALTH/SAFETY		14,500.00	
A 1310.4900	BO BOCES SERVICES		39,434.15	
A 1620.1630	O&M CUSTODIAL SALARIES	222,698.96		
A 1622.1660	SECURITY OVERTIME	34,000.00		
A 1622.1640	SECURITY SUBSTITUTES		5,500.00	
A 1620.1810	O&M GROUNDSKEEPERS O/T		13,179.93	
A 1622.1600	SECURITY AIDES		28,500.00	
A 1620.1660	O&M CUSTODIAL OVERTIME		36,519.03	
A 1420.4000	GENERAL COUNSEL EXPENSES		173,000.00	
A 2010.1600	CURRIC DEV/SUPR CLERICL SALARIES	23,500.00		
A 2020.1500	SUPRVSN PRINCIPALS' SAL	29,500.00		
A 2020.1600	SUPRVSN CLERICAL SAL	80,500.00		
A 2110.1200	TEACHERS' SALARIES K-6	33,700.00		
A 2110.1209	EXTRA PERIODS PAY/ELEM		11,500.00	
A 2110.1310	TEACHERS' SAL/SUM SCH		14,000.00	
A 2110.1680	CAFETERIA AIDES		24,000.00	
A 2110.1350	CHAIRPERSONS/SECONDARY		33,700.00	
A 2110.1311	ALTERNATE EDUCATION		43,000.00	
A 2110.1401	MENTORING		41,000.00	
A 2110.4690	DRIVERS ED CONTRACTUAL	35,000.00		
A 2110.4000-R	CONTRACUAL EXPEND/LMEC		35,000.00	
A 2250.1600	SPEC ED CLERICAL SALARIES	140,000.00		
A 2250.1200	SPEC ED TEACHERS' SAL K-5	98,300.00		
A 2250.1250	SPEC ED TEACHERS' SAL 6-8	35,000.00		
A 2250.1350	SPEC ED CHAIRPERSONS	32,500.00		
A 2250.1620	SPEC ED SUMMER SCH AIDES		9,250.00	
A 2250.1255	SPEC ED TEACHER ASSIST 6-8		13,500.00	
A 2250.1300	SPEC ED TEACHERS' SAL 9-12		22,000.00	
A 2250.1500	SPEC ED DIR OF SPECIAL ED		32,500.00	
A 2250.1550	SPEECH/HEAR SRV SPEECH THER.		104,000.00	

A 2250.1610	SPEC ED TEACHER AIDES		124,550.00	
A 2630.1510	COMPUTER INST IT STAFF	44,500.00		
A 2630.4000	COMPUTER INST CONTRACTUAL EXP	42,100.00		
A 2630.1600	COMPUTER INST CLERICAL SALARIES		25,500.00	
A 2630.1500	COMPUTER INST TEACHER ASSTS		61,100.00	
A 2110.1200	TEACHERS' SALARIES K-6	78,500.00		
A 2810.4120	GUIDANCE TUITION/OTHR DISTRICTS	27,000.00		
A 2810.1500	GUIDANCE SALARIES		105,500	
A 2815.4140	HEALTH SERVCS/OTHR DIST	88,450.00		
A 2815.1600	HEALTH SERVICES NON-INST SALARY		17,500.00	
A 2815.1500	HEALTH SERVICES HOME TEACHING		20,000.00	
A 2815.1750	HEALTH SERVICES NURSES P/T & O/T		24,000.00	
A 2815.1510	HEALTH SERVICES NURSES		26,950.00	
A 2855.1600	INTERSCHOL ATHLT GAME SUPERVISN	17,500.00		
A 2855.1510	INTERSCHOL ATHLT COACHNG SAL		17,500.00	
A 2250.1600	SPEC ED CLERICAL SALARIES	26,800.00		
A 5510.5710	TRANSPORTATION FUEL FOR BUSES	88,800.00		
A 5510.1680	TRANSPORTATION BUS DRIVERS'O/T	31,000.00		
A 5510.1620	TRANSPORTATION CLERICAL SAL	30,000.00		
A 5510.1500	TRANSPORTATION TRANSPRT SUPERVR		33,100.00	
A 5510.1610	TRANSPORTATION BUS ATTENDNTS		58,500.00	
A 5510.1600	TRANSPORTATION BUS DRIVERS		85,000.00	
A 7310.1600	DANCE PROG DIR, INSTRS, PIANIST	62,000.00		
A 7145.1300	BEFORE SCH PROG CERT TEACHERS	9,000.00		
A 7140.1600	AFTER SCH PROG TEACHER AIDES		18,000.00	
A 7145.1610	BEFORE SCH PROG TEACHER AIDES		53,000.00	
A 2110 1300	TEACHER'S SALARIES 7-12	110,000.00		
A 2020.1500	SUPERVISION PRINCIPAL'S SAL		29,500.00	
A 2020.1600	SUPERVISION CLERICAL SAL		80,500.00	
A 9060 8000	EMP BENEFITS HEALTH INSURANCE	325,500.00		
A 9040 8000	EMP BENEFITS SOCIAL SECURITY		61,500.00	
A 9055 8001	EMP BENEFITS WORKERS COMPENSATION		228,700.00	
A 9901 9500	INTERFUND TRNFR MANDATED SUM SCH		35,300.00	

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

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan



4. Internal Audit Report

RESOLUTION # 15-16-83

**MOTION:** “RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the internal audit report from Cullen and Danowsky. LLP dated June 29, 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance is authorized to submit the internal audit report to the New York State Comptroller’s Office, pursuant to the Five Point Fiscal Accountability Plan.”

**NOTE: Mr. Pappas asked how many recommendations were on the report from the last two years. Dr. McDonald responded that this report is when they do the targeted audit so there is not a prior year. She commented that we will have that information when the Risk Assessment is completed.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

5. Change Order - Aquatic Pond with Bog Pond

RESOLUTION # 15-16-84

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve Change Order to the existing contract with Paradise Ponds by Ed Dedicke, Inc. to furnish and install a total of approximately 58 plantings of varied sizes, year round plantings, with black mulch to the planting area at the waterfall at Levittown Memorial Education Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Levittown Board of Education is, hereby, authorized to sign the attached change order."

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

**MOTION:** “WHEREAS, the Board of Education is desirous of setting long term and short term goals for the District.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the attached goals are adopted.”

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith- Secretary
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi,
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

## 7. CSEA Levittown Preference List

RESOLUTION #15-16-86

**MOTION:** “WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District has determined that it wants to grant a preference to eligible District residents when hiring from open competitive Civil Service lists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District requests, pursuant to Civil Service Law Section 23 and Nassau County Civil Service Rule XV(8), that the Nassau County Civil Service Commission first certify eligible District residents for appointment from open competitive lists before certifying for appointment any other eligible candidates.”

**NOTE:** Mr. Pappas remarked that looking back it was a mistake not to have the employees living in the district given preference since they have a stake in the community and it benefits the district. He pointed out in this way the money stays in Levittown.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith- Secretary
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

## 8. Teachers' Center Policy Board Liaison

RESOLUTION # 15-16-87

**MOTION:** “BE IT RESOLVED, that Ms. Marenghi be appointed as a representative of the Levittown Board of Education to the Levittown Teachers’ Center Policy Board for the 2015-2016 school year.”

**AMEND AS FOLLOWS:** Add the words “*and Mr. Moran be appointed as co-representatives*” after Ms. Marenghi.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS AMENDED [5-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith- Secretary
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mike Pappas
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marenghi,
<b>ABSENT:</b>	James Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

9. GC Tech Tuition Contracts

RESOLUTION # 15-16-88

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education, does, hereby, approve the attached tuition contracts between the Levittown Public Schools and the following school districts for the purpose of Levittown providing specialized educational services at the GC Tech program to children residing in those districts:

- Massapequa School District

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

**NOTE: Mr. Moran returned to the room.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

10. Special Education Contracts

RESOLUTION # 15-16-89

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contracts between the Levittown Public Schools and the following vendors to provide special education services for the 2015-16 school year.

- Achieve Beyond
- Hillside Children's Center
- Henry Viscardi School
- Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf
- Lynbrook UFSD
- Plainedge UFSD
- Springbrook
- The Long Home DBA South Oaks Hospital
- Hicksville UFSD
- Dr. Andrew Kent

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

**NOTE: Mr. Pappas had several questions on the these contracts such as no signatures or dates and lateness. Dr. McDonald stated that some of the issues regarding the contracts not being timely are related to Dr. Sturz coming this summer and picking up a position with a lot of clean up. Additionally, Mr. Pappas was questioning the amount of a certain doctor's fee and for no shows. Dr. Sturz responded that we have to provide parents with alternative doctors to use to show impartiality. This particular doctor is very good and this is his fee. He advised that it is standard practice for a professional to charge when an individual does not show up for an appointment. He commented that most of the psychiatrists we work with will allow one miss and reschedule. Dr. Sturz noted that he will speak to this doctor to see what can be done. Ms. Marengi asked if the patient misses the first two appointments are we under obligation to provide them with another opportunity. Dr. Sturz responded no, we are done. Mr. Moran wanted to know if we put into the contract that the parents are responsible if they miss appointments. Dr. Sturz answered no.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

11. Out of District Contracts for Health and Welfare Services

RESOLUTION # 15-16-90

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contracts between the Levittown Public Schools and the following school districts to provide health and welfare services to students attending schools in these districts for the 2014-15 school year:

- Westbury UFSD;

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

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

12. Approval of Board of Education Policies

RESOLUTION # 15-16-91

**MOTION:** "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following revised policies:

Policy #5674 Data Networks and Security Access

Policy #8280 Instruction for English Language Learners"

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Marianne Adrian
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

13. Schedules

RESOLUTION # 15-16-92

**MOTION:** “That the Levittown Board of Education approve the following schedules:

- |        |                |   |
|--------|----------------|---|
| 1001   | 2015-G-No. 5   | Resignation/Termination - Certified Personnel       |
| 1002   | 2015-GG-No. 5  | Resignation/Termination-Non-Instructional Personnel |
| 1003   | 2015-H-No. 5   | Appointments - Certified Personnel                  |
| 1004   | 2015-H-No. 5a  | Salary Change - Certified Personnel                 |
| 1004a  | 2015-H-No. 5c  | Designation, Consultants                            |
| 1004.1 | 2015-HH-No. 5a | Salary Change – Non-Instructional Personnel         |
| 1005   | 2015-HH-No. 5g | Designation, Coaching                               |
| 1006   | 2015-H-No. 5h  | Appointments, Extra Curricular                      |
| 1007   | 2015-HH-No. 5  | Appointments, Non-Instructional                     |
| 1008   | 2015-JJ-No. 3  | Permanent Status, Non-Instructional                 |
| 1008.1 | 2015-K-No. 2   | Leave of Absence, Certified Personnel               |
| 1009   | 2015-O-No. 3   | Students with Disabilities                          |

**SEPARATE VOTE ON Schedule 2015-H-No.5**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	James Moran
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

**NOTE:** A “Super Majority – 2/3 vote” was needed and obtained to pass this schedule since there is a relationship to a Board member.

**VOTE ON ALL OTHER SCHEDULES:**

**NOTE:** Mr. Pappas asked where the money for the stipends for the cafeteria fund comes from. Dr. McDonald stated it comes from the A Fund, extra period pay. Additionally, he asked about how much does running the GED Program cost as opposed to outsourcing. Dr. McDonald commented that she would get that information to Mr. Pappas.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	James Moran
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

Revision Policy # 7420 Sports and the Athletic Program - Second Read

Dr. McDonald stated that this policy contained a change that the Board had requested which was that no 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grader would be excluded.

**X. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION CARRIED [6-0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Karen Quinones-Smith, Secretary
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Ward
<b>AYES:</b>	Adrian, Ward, Quinones-Smith, Pappas, Marengi, Moran
<b>EXCUSED:</b>	Kevin Regan

The Board adjourned the public meeting at 10:30 PM.

Elizabeth Appelbaum  
District Clerk

**NOTE: Tapes of the meeting are available for review at the Levittown Library**

**PUBLIC BE HEARD**

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The guidelines pertaining to Public Be Heard were read by the Board President.

**Matty Buchys            1297 Shaw Place, Seaford, NY**

Mr. Buchys was recommending having a security check point for screening at each school. Additionally, he asked if the school year could be increased.

**RESPONSE:** Dr. McDonald responded that we do not need to have a security screening since we are not a persistently dangerous school as defined by New York State. Regarding increasing school days, Dr. McDonald reported that we are bound by the teacher's contract as to how many days they can work.

**PUBLIC BE HEARD (CONTINUED)**

**Doreen McQuaid 49 Stone Lane, Levittown, NY**

Ms. McQuaid had originally come to the meeting to speak about the heat in the kitchen of the schools. She noted that coming back to school this year, the temperatures were unbearable. She commented that in lieu of what happened today to a student at Wisdom Lane today, she was embarrassed to bring it up. Ms. McQuaid stated that she was proud of the staff at Wisdom Lane School. She wanted everyone to know how well cared for the students are there.

**RESPONSE:** Dr. McDonald explained that a student at Wisdom Lane passed out and was not breathing. She reported that our crisis team saved her life. The emergency team at the hospital said that if our crisis team had not reacted the way they did, the student would not be alive today. Dr. McDonald remarked that it is amazing how hard people work and how quickly they respond and the level of caring and compassion without a thought for themselves or anything. They just immediately spring into action and never ask for anything for it. She noted that they are wonderful people and we are lucky to have them.

With respect to the heat, Dr. McDonald stated that she has asked out architects and engineers to look at a comprehensive plan for heat in our schools. She remarked that our students and staff need to be in a comfortable environment in which to learn and work. Dr. McDonald noted that some of our older buildings do not have the electric capacity that would allow us to air condition entire buildings. She commented that we have to find ways that will work for us. Ms. Marengi thanked Ms. McQuaid for coming to the meeting and letting the Board and the rest of the community know what wonderful people we have working for us. She noted that very often we come to Board meeting and don't hear positive comments.