

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

MINUTES

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION was duly called and held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 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.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. James Moran, President
Ms. Peggy Marengi, Vice President
Ms. Marianne Adrian
Ms. Christina Lang
Mr. Michael Pappas
Ms. Karen Quinones-Smith
Mr. Frank Ward (in memorium)

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Tonie McDonald - Superintendent of Schools
Mr. William Pastore – Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Debbie Rifkin - Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Donald Sturz – Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Todd Winch - Assistant Superintendent

OTHERS

Mr. Robert H. Cohen - School Attorney
Ms. Elizabeth Appelbaum - District Clerk
Ms. Arianna Wynn - Student Liaison for MacArthur High School

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Mr. Moran, President, called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:15 PM. On a motion by Ms. Adrian, seconded by Ms. Marengi and approved (6-0) that the Board adjourn to Executive Session to seek legal advice from the Board's Attorney.**

- B. The Board reconvened to Public Session at 7:40 PM on a motion by Ms. Marengi seconded by Ms. Adrian and approved (6-0). Mr. Moran asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by the MacArthur High School Sign Language Class. Mr. Moran requested a moment of silence for our service men and women.**

II. REPORTS

A. Student Presentations

Student Academic Presentation – MacArthur High School Sign Language Class

MacArthur’s Sign Language Class teacher, Ms. Tully, commented that she is a former “General.” She gave a brief overview of the course and stated that she had 22 energetic students in her class learning to master sign language. Ms. Tully shared that she was personally inspired by them to learn herself. A short video was shown followed by a demonstration by the students.

B. Recognition

Student Art Presentation – MacArthur High School

Dr. McDonald thanked the students from MacArthur High School for the beautiful artwork which is spectacular. She asked everyone to view the items in the old phone booth in the hallway.

Additionally, Dr. McDonald announced that for the last four year’s MacArthur has produced an award winning PSA video for the County of Nassau. The video was shown.

Dr. McDonald shared that Mr. Mulligan, Assistant Principal for Salk Middle School, was honored by being named an “Educator of Character.”

Valedictorian and Salutatorian – Division Avenue High School

The Principal and Assistant Principals of Division Avenue were called up to introduce this year’s Valedictorian and Salutatorian. A brief summary of their achievements and honors during their high school careers was given. The Board of Education and Administration congratulated them and presented them with awards.

Hofstra Spelling Bee Winners

Mr. Winch outlined a brief history of the Scripps National Spelling Bee which students from our elementary and middle schools participated in. He advised that the goal of the National Spelling Bee is to help students improve their spelling, increase their vocabulary, learn concepts and develop correct English usage that will help them all their lives. Mr. Winch announced the finalists and asked them to spell the last word that they spelled during the competition. He noted how proud we all are of them. Dr. McDonald commented you will always remember these words.

C. Superintendent

1. Comments and Reports
(none)

2. Budget Presentations

A. PTA Advisory Committee on the Budget

Ms. Silberger, a representative from the PTA Advisory Council, gave a brief report on recommendations from the Council. She stated that her budget committee is represented by the Parent Teacher Associations for all the schools, GC Tech and SEPTA. Ms. Silberger advised that all units presented many questions regarding instruction, technology, athletics and building and grounds. This year, she noted, that no questions were raised on staffing and everyone appreciated that the proposed budget did not include staff reduction. She shared that similar to prior years, many of the concerns presented were already in the process of being addressed by the District. Some of these items are the expansion of the IXL Math Program, the financial support of elementary clubs, and the beatification of the high schools. The Council hopes that the following items can be addressed in the new budget: more cohesive use of tablets in the classroom; continued funding for STEAM activities specifically the use of the Outdoor Learning Center; the building management system; painting for the general use areas and main lobby of Division; refurbish the downstairs Band Room and replace the blue stone at Wisdom; replace turf fields; refurbish MacArthur Auditorium; Northside Cafeteria; review safety inside the buildings; and reevaluate traffic patterns. Ms. Silberger remarked that she is proud of the Levittown School District and grateful for the progress the District has made addressing the Council's concerns. She stated that the PTA continues to appreciate the support of all students, meaningful instruction, sound budget, safe and well maintained buildings and top notch staff. Additionally, she thanked the Board of Education and Dr. McDonald for all their hard work and dedication to the students and families of Levittown. She also thanked Mr. Pastore, Mr. Winch, Dr. Sturz and Mr. Milano for meeting with them and answering every last question they had. Dr. McDonald thanked the PTA Committee for their careful work and she found them a pleasure to work with.

Mr. Pastore presented an update on the budget in which he noted that we are pretty far along in the process. He stated that at the next meeting on March 29th the Board will be asked to approve the Budget. Mr. Pastore hoped at that time to have better state aid numbers. He shared that in April the Property Tax Report Card is due and the Budget Hearing is scheduled for May 3rd with the Budget Vote on May 16th. Mr. Pastore discussed some small changes that were made to the budget but noted that the District is staying within the tax levy limit. Mr. Pastore stated that our budget-to-budget increase is 2.32% which is slightly down for last time. He explained the four propositions on the ballot;

the school budget, create a new Capital Reserve, use the current Capital Reserve and library budget. Mr. Pastore went on the discuss these propositions. Dr. McDonald commented that we are asking the community to allocate money that is already in our reserve at no cost to the taxpayer. She noted that it was wise for the Board to establish the Capital Reserve Fund in 2013 which has given us the opportunity to save the money to do necessary projects. Dr. McDonald stated this was "forward thinking." Mr. Pappas remarked that the community should be educated that this money isn't tax income. Dr. McDonald pointed out that we will work with Syntax to make sure the literature is very clear and in layman's terms.

Ms. Marenghi shared that she attended the Reform, Education, Financing and Equities Today Meeting (R.E.F.I.T.), which is a group that lobbies our Legislature for additional state aid. She felt the climate of the meeting was very positive. She reported that there were discussions on tax credits for private and procrachial schools and charter and public schools funding. Additionally, they did not see mid-year cuts happening. Ms. Marenghi commented that the meeting was refreshing and quelled a lot of our fears.

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

3. Follow-up to Board Questions
(none)

D. Board of Education

1. Comments and Reports
(none)

2. Correspondence
(none)

3. Student Liaisons

Arianna Wynn, the student representative from MacArthur High School, reported on the events at her school: The Varsity Cheerleaders ranked 11th in the nation at Disney World; during mid-winter break 25 students from both high schools traveled to the Grand Canyon and San Francisco; a student was inducted into the LIHSA National Honor Society; the broadcast team placed 1st in the Nassau County Drug Alternatives PSA Contest for the 4th year in a row; a senior was awarded a scholarship for the 13th Annual Nassau County All County Art Exhibition; 250 Juniors attended the Junior Banquet; the Senior Superlatives were held; the Marching Band will march down Main Street in the Magic Kingdom at Disney World; and on March 24th the Battle of the Classes will be held.

Student Liaison, Steven Reilly was not in attendance but his report was read by Sonia Inderjit. She shared the events at Division Avenue High School: Junior Prom went very well; student art work was displayed at the Levittown Library; Spirit Week and Spirit Night was a fun experience for everyone; PTSA Sweeps was a huge success; the Show People will be performing Pippin on March 16th, 17th, and 18th; the DECA Club traveled to Rochester for State Conference; and the students in the Digital Media Production Class received recognition for their work in public service announcements.

III. PUBLIC BE HEARD

(none)

V. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes - Approval of Minutes

RESOLUTION # 16-17-240

MOTION: "Make the necessary corrections and move the approval of the minutes of the February 8, 2017 Regular Meeting."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

2. Warrants

RESOLUTION # 16-17-241

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 FEBRUARY 2017 report of the Claims Auditor be accepted."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

3. Business Office Reports

RESOLUTION # 16-17-242

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

- Appropriation and Revenue reports for the month ending 1/31/17
- Claims Auditors Report prepared by Nawrocki Smith LLP for the month of February
- Treasurer's report for the month ending January 2017
- Trial Balance for the month ending 1/31/17
- Credit card statement for statement date 3/19/17
- Fund Balance Projection for June 30, 2017."

4. Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION # 16-17-243

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

<u>Code</u>	<u>Code Description</u>	<u>Amount From</u>	<u>Amount To</u>
A21101402	Cafeteria Stipends	\$5,651.00	
A28501530P	Clubs Division		\$5,651.00
A28501530R	Clubs LMEC	\$7,289.00	
A28501530P	Clubs Division		\$7,289.00
A28501530K	Clubs Salk	\$164.00	
A28501530P	Clubs Division		\$164.00

Reason: Adjusted allocation to cover the cost of school clubs.

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<u>Code</u>	<u>Code Description</u>	<u>Amount From</u>	<u>Amount To</u>
A55105710	Fuel for Buses	\$134,820.00	
A55404000	Contracted Transportation		\$134,820.00
Reason:	To cover cost for contracted transportation		

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

5. Annual Meeting Resolution

RESOLUTION # 16-17-244

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the annual School District election of Levittown Union Free School District, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, shall be held in the various election districts of said school district on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at 7:00 A.M., prevailing time, for the purposes set forth in the annexed notice of meeting, the form of which is hereby approved, and that the polls will be open between 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M., prevailing time, in each election district; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the following notice be published once a week in four (4) of the seven (7) weeks preceding the date of the meeting in the Levittown Tribune, Wantagh Herald Citizen and Seaford Herald Citizen newspapers having general circulation in the district; and it is further

RESOLVED, that Inspectors of Election be appointed in accordance with previous procedure.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION AND PERSONAL REGISTRATION, LEVITTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Annual Meeting of the School District, the vote on the School District budget and election of candidates for the School Board of Levittown Union Free School District, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, and the vote on the Public Library budget and election of a candidate for the Board of Trustees for the Levittown Public Library, will be held in the several election districts of the School District at the voting places designated below on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM, to vote by ballot on voting machines on the proposition or propositions set forth below, as well as any other propositions which may properly come before the electorate, and to elect members of the Board of Education and to elect a member of the Library Board of Trustees.

Shall the following resolutions be adopted:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the School District budget for the school year 2017-2018 proposed by the Board of Education and filed with the District Clerk in accordance with Section 1716 of the Education Law shall be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefore on the taxable real

property of the district.

PROPOSITION NO. 2

CREATION OF THE 2017 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR SCHOOL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 3651(1) of the Education Law, to establish the 2017 Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of financing District-wide capital improvements including site work, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of school buildings and facilities, with the ultimate amount of the 2017 Capital Reserve Fund to be \$25,000,000, the probable term to be ten (10) years and the source of the funding to be (i) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (ii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iii) authorized transfers from other available reserves in accordance with existing law, and (iv) New York State aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time.

PROPOSITION NO. 3

EXPENDITURE OF THE 2013 CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District, be hereby authorized to expend the remaining funds from the District's 2013 Capital Reserve Fund, previously established by the voters of the District, an amount not to exceed fourteen million five hundred and sixteen thousand dollars (\$14,516,000) to undertake and perform school building improvement project(s) ("Projects") as described in the District's Budget Brochure ("Brochure") on file in the office of the District Clerk; the Projects to commence during the 2017-2018 school year and to consist of capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations to all District Buildings, including but not limited to: bathroom renovations at the Division Avenue High School and General Douglas MacArthur High School, replacement of turf fields at the Division Avenue High School and General Douglas MacArthur High School, replace the track at the Division Avenue High School, refurbish and renovate the auditorium at the General Douglas MacArthur High School, improvements, renovation and new construction related to improving traffic flow at various district sites and construction of an all-purpose room and cafeteria at the Northside Elementary School; including necessary equipment and related work, as well as preliminary and incidental costs; and that the specified Project costs as set forth in the Brochure may be reallocated among the Project's components within the scope of this authorization.

PROPOSITION NO. 4

LIBRARY BUDGET

RESOLVED, that the Public Library Budget for the fiscal year 2017-2018 proposed by the Library Board of Trustees of the Levittown Public Library heretofore filed pursuant to law shall be approved and the necessary taxes be levied therefore on the taxable real property of the district.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education and for the office of member of the Library Board of Trustees must be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM but no later than 5:00 PM on April 17, 2017. Forms of the petitions may be obtained from the Clerk of the District.

The following vacancies are to be filled on the Board of Education: Two (2) members for the term of

three (3) years, commencing July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2020, One (1) member for the term of three (3) years commencing May 16, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2020.

A separate petition is required to nominate a candidate for member of the Board of Education. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to the seat commencing May 16, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2020. The candidates receiving the second and third highest number of votes will be elected to the seats commencing July 1, 2017 and expiring June 30, 2020. Each petition must

be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, or 2% of the voters who voted in the previous election, whichever is greater, and shall state the residence of each person who signed, must state the name and residence of the candidate and the length of the term of office. This year all nominating petitions must include 54 signatures.

The following vacancy is to be filled on the Library Board of Trustees: One (1) member for the term of five (5) years, commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2022, to succeed Rusel Greller last incumbent.

A separate petition is required to nominate a candidate for member of the Library Board of Trustees. Each petition must be directed to the Clerk of the District, must be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, or 2% of the voters who voted in the previous election for members of the Library Board of Trustees, whichever is greater, and shall state the residence of each person who signed, must state the name and residence of the candidate and the length of the term of office. This year all nominating petitions must include 53 signatures.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a statement of estimated expenses for the 2017-2018 school year will be presented at a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 3, 2017, at 7:30 PM in the Board Meeting Room of the Levittown Memorial Education Center and copies of such statement, as well as the statement of the amount of money required for the 2017-2018 fiscal year of the Public Library, will be made available on the District's website and at each schoolhouse and library in the District during the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM on each day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday during the fourteen (14) calendar days immediately preceding the election together with the text of any resolution which will be presented to the voters.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required and only those persons whose names appear on the register of the said school district, or who are registered pursuant to Article 5 of the Election Law, shall be entitled to vote at said meeting and election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that all qualified voters who have previously registered for any annual or special meeting or election and have voted at any annual or special election held or conducted at any time within four (4) calendar years prior to this year, 2017, are not required to register with the Board of Registration for this meeting.

All other persons who wish to vote must register. A voter may register at the office of the District Clerk of the Levittown UFSD between the hours of 8:00 AM. and 1:00 PM on school days provided that such registration is effected no later than May 11, 2017.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that said register will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District and will be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, except Sunday, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, on Monday through Friday and between the hours of 11:00 AM and 12 noon on Saturday (May 13, 2017), in the office of the Clerk of the District and at each voting place on the day of the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that absentee ballots for those eligible pursuant to the provision of Section 2018a of the Education Law are available, and that applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the office of the Clerk of the District. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available in the office of the Clerk on each of the five (5) calendar days prior to the day of election except Sunday, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM on Monday through Friday and between the hours of 11:00 AM and 12 noon on Saturday (May 13, 2017), in the office of the Clerk of the District. Such application must be received by the District Clerk at least

seven (7) calendar days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter or by the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. No absentee voter's ballot will be canvassed unless it has been received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM on the day of the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that during the voting hours on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM, in the various election districts, the Board of Registration will meet to receive registrations for subsequent elections. During the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM on voting days, the District Clerk shall be in her office at the Levittown Memorial Education Center.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that a Real Property Tax Exemption Report prepared in accordance with Section 495 of the Real Property Tax Law will be annexed to any tentative/preliminary budget as well as the final adopted budget of which it will form a part; and shall be posted on District bulletin board(s) maintained for public notices, as well as on the District's website.

SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICTS:

The boundaries of the school election districts and the place of each election district for voting and registration shall be as follows:

ELECTION DISTRICT #1 - GARDINERS AVENUE SCHOOL

Beginning at Wantagh Parkway and Chase Lane; east on Chase Lane to Center Lane, thence south to Prairie Lane; thence east to Gardiners Avenue; thence south to Slate Lane; then east and north to Swan Lane; then east and north to Grey Lane; continuing east to Wantagh Avenue; thence south on Wantagh Avenue to Jerusalem Avenue; thence west to Oakfield Avenue; continuing north to Old Jerusalem Road; thence east on Old Jerusalem Road to Wantagh Parkway Line; north along Line to the point of beginning.

ELECTION DISTRICT #2 - EAST BROADWAY SCHOOL

Beginning at north side of Southern State Parkway and east side of Wantagh Avenue; north on Wantagh to Miller Place; thence east to Exit Lane; thence south to Elm Drive; thence west to Elbow Lane; thence southwest to End Lane; south to End Lane and Elm Drive East to Pope Street; thence east to District Line; thence south to Regent Lane; thence east to Red Maple Drive; thence northeast, and south to Regal Lane; east on Regal Lane and Cordwood Lane to Arlington Drive; thence southeast to Town Line; thence south to Southern State Parkway; west along Parkway to point of beginning. Beginning at south side of Southern State Parkway and west side of Town Line; south on Town Line to Jerusalem Avenue; thence west to Wantagh Avenue; thence north to Southern State Parkway; thence east to point of beginning.

ELECTION DISTRICT #3 - LEVITTOWN MEMORIAL EDUCATION CENTER

Beginning at east side of Wantagh Parkway and south side of Hempstead Turnpike; east on Hempstead Turnpike to Silver Lane; thence south to Forge Lane; thence east to Cotton Lane; thence southeasterly to Wantagh Avenue; then south to Grey Lane; thence west to Swan Lane; then southwesterly to Slate Lane; then south to Gardiners Avenue, thence north to Prairie Lane; thence west to Center Lane; thence north to Chase Lane; thence west to Wantagh Parkway Line; north along Line to point of beginning.

ELECTION DISTRICT #4 - DIVISION AVENUE HIGH SCHOOL

Beginning at north side of Hempstead Turnpike and west side of Jerusalem Avenue; west on Hempstead Turnpike to District Boundary Line at Wantagh State Parkway; thence northeast to northerly border of School District; east on Boundary Line (Flamingo Rd., Magpie Lane, Blacksmith Rd) to Jerusalem Avenue; thence south to point of beginning.

Dated: Levittown, New York

March 15, 2017

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEVITTOWN UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK

By: _____
District Clerk, Levittown Union Free School District

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

6. Extra Classroom Activity Fund Treasurer's Reports

RESOLUTION # 16-17-245

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, accept the attached Extra Classroom Activity Fund Reports for the period October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

7. Cooperative Purchasing Agreement - PEPPM

RESOLUTION # 16-17-246

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education approve the Cooperative

Purchasing Agreement with PEPPM Technology Bidding and Purchasing Program,

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

8. Lease Agreement - Xerox

RESOLUTION # 16-17-247

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education approve the lease agreement with Xerox pursuant to the terms of PEPPM Bid No. 527029,

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

9. RFP for Appraisal Services

RESOLUTION # 16-17-248

MOTION: "It is the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, award the RFP # LPS-17-001 for Real Estate Appraisal Services to Goodman-Marks Associates, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign the agreement."

NOTE: Mr. Pappas had questions on this resolution. Dr. McDonald advised that this is for a property which we rent out to BOCES. Since an appraisal has not been done in a long time, we felt we should have it appraised to make sure the proper rent is being charged. Mr. Pappas asked if this could be done in house. Dr. McDonald responded that the auditors want to see this done by a third party because they will look at the amount we have in the Reserve and do some actuarial analysis of it. Mr. Pappas asked if we need more money in the Reserve. Mr. Pastore remarked that he did not think so since things are pretty constant.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

10. Valedictorian - Division Avenue High School

RESOLUTION # 16-17-249

MOTION: "WHEREAS, Maria Mancz has earned the distinction of being selected as Valedictorian for the 2017 graduating class of Division Avenue High School; and

WHEREAS, this achievement is reflective of high academic standards which the Levittown Board of Education has set for the public schools,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, commend Maria Mancz for her selection as Valedictorian of the 2017 graduating class of Division Avenue High School."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marenghi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marenghi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

11. Salutatorian Division Avenue High School

RESOLUTION # 16-17-250

MOTION: "WHEREAS, Sisam Bhandari has earned the distinction of being selected as Salutatorian for the 2017 graduating class of Division Avenue High School; and

WHEREAS, this achievement is reflective of high academic standards which the Levittown Board of Education has set for the public schools,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, commend Sisam Bhandari for his selection as Salutatorian of the 2017 graduating class of Division Avenue High School."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marenghi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marenghi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

12. Valedictorian MacArthur High School

RESOLUTION # 16-17-251

MOTION: "WHEREAS, Casey Butcher has earned the distinction of being selected as Valedictorian for the 2017 graduating class of MacArthur High School; and

WHEREAS, this achievement is reflective of high academic standards which the Levittown Board of Education has set for the public schools,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, commend Casey Butcher for her selection as Valedictorian of the 2017 graduating class of MacArthur High School."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

13. Salutatorian MacArthur High School

RESOLUTION # 16-17-252

MOTION: "WHEREAS, James May has earned the distinction of being selected as Salutatorian for the 2017 graduating class of MacArthur High School; and

WHEREAS, this achievement is reflective of high academic standards which the Levittown Board of Education has set for the public schools,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, commend James May for his selection as Salutatorian of the 2017 graduating class of MacArthur High School."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

14. Nomination - NYSSBA Champion for Change Award

RESOLUTION # 16-17-253

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, nominate Christina Lang of the Levittown School Board of Education for the NYSSBA Champion for Change Award."

NOTE: Mr. Moran stated that this award is for a first year Board member and he was proud that Ms. Lang has been nominated for this award.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

15. Health Insurance Coverage - Non-Represented Employees

RESOLUTION # 16-17-254

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District

will offer to all employees of the District, who are not represented by an employee organization, the opportunity to receive health insurance coverage by enrolling in Emblem Health HIP Prime HMO-LG, with the full cost of participation being at the expense of each employee enrolling in the plan.”

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

16. GC Tech Tuition Rate - 2016-17

RESOLUTION # 16-17-255

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the GC Tech tuition rate of \$13,999 for the 2017-18 school year."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

17. Contract with Sound Actuarial Consulting

RESOLUTION # 16-17-256

MOTION: "RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education approve a contract with Sound Actuarial Consulting with terms as outlined in the attached contract, to perform an actuarial review of the District's Workers Compensation Program;

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

18. Asset Valuation and Inventory Updating Service

RESOLUTION # 16-17-257

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract between the Levittown Public Schools and CBIZ Valuation Group, LLC to review the district's asset valuation and perform an inventory update for insurance and auditing purposes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is, hereby, authorized

to execute this contract."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marenghi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marenghi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

19. IntraLogic Solutions, Inc.

RESOLUTION # 16-17-258

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract between the Levittown Public Schools and IntraLogic Solutions, Inc. for elevator monitoring for Division Avenue HS, MacArthur HS, Wisdom Lane MS, Salk MS, Lee Road School and Northside School from March 16, 2017 through March 16, 2018;

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marenghi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marenghi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

20. Special Education District Plan

RESOLUTION # 16-17-259

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that in compliance with the Commissioner's Regulations, the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached Special Education District Plan."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marenghi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marenghi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

21. Contract with Jostens Yearbook

RESOLUTION # 16-17-260

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with Jostens Yearbook to provide yearbook services including pages color, World Beat Magazine, Marketing Program and shipping for Division Avenue High School and MacArthur High School.

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

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

22. Appointment of Additional Member - Food Service Committee RESOLUTION # 16-17-261

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, appoint Mike Nelson as an additional member of the Food Service Committee for the 2016-2017 school year as a representative for Gardiners Avenue School."

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

23. Out of District Contracts for Health and Welfare Services RESOLUTION # 16-17-262

MOTION: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract 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 2015-16 and 2016-17 school year:

- Rockville Centre Union Free School District
- Massapequa Union Free School District
- Smithtown Central School District
- Farmingdale Union Free School District
- Hicksville UFSD

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

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Peggy Marengi
SECONDER: Marianne Adrian
AYES: Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

24. Special Education Contracts

RESOLUTION # 16-17-263

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 2016-17 school year.

- Seaford Public Schools
- Half Hallow Hills Central Schools District

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

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Peggy Marengi
SECONDER: Marianne Adrian
AYES: Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

25. Transportation Contract

RESOLUTION # 16-17-264

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 2016-17 transportation contracts/extensions:

Contractor’s Name	Date of Contract	Cost
We Transport	2/26/2017	\$5,000

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

RESULT: MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER: Peggy Marengi
SECONDER: Marianne Adrian
AYES: Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

26. Obsolete Equipment

RESOLUTION # 16-17-265

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, declare the equipment on the attached list obsolete and that the item may be discarded and/or sold at the highest possible salvage value.”

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

27. Obsolete Books

RESOLUTION # 16-17-266

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.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

28. Board Policy Removal

RESOLUTION # 16-17-267

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, remove Policy #6530 - Employee Assistance Program (EAP) from its Policy Manual.”

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

29. Approval of Board of Education Policies

RESOLUTION # 16-17-268

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

Policy No. 6150 - Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances (School Personnel)

Policy No. 7110 - Comprehensive Students Attendance Policy

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

30. Schedules

RESOLUTION # 16-17-269

MOTION: “RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following schedules:

Resignations/Terminations, Certified Personnel
Resignations/Terminations, Non-Instructional Personnel
Appointments, Certified Personnel
Designation, Coaching
Appointments, Extra-Curricular
Salary Change, Certified Personnel
Appointments, Non-Instructional Personnel
Leave of Absence, Instructional Personnel
Leave of Absence, Non-Instructional Personnel
Permanent Status, Non-Instructional Personnel
Students with Disabilities.”

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Peggy Marengi
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

VI. ACTION ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS

1. Gifts to Schools

RESOLUTION # 16-17-270

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

- Books to be donated to the library at Wisdom Lane Middle School as listed on the attached from Scholastic Book Fair-14, PO Box 3745, Jefferson City, MO 65102
- A 2002 Jeep Grand Cherokee to be used for instructional purposes by the GC Tech Automotive Technology class from Mr. David Giacobelli, 141 Evergreen Avenue, Bethpage, NY 11714
- Over 2000 single Lego pieces to be used for STEAM instruction at Northside School from Brandon and Christopher Smith, 33 Meander Lane, Levittown, NY 11756.
- A check in the amount of \$150.00 to be deposited in the MacArthur High School Student Activity Fund from Hofstra University - Center for Suburban Studies, 119 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11549

- A check in the amount of \$10.00 to be deposited in the Northside School Activity Fund for the purchase of t-shirts for the kindergarten students from Neiman Marcus Group Associate Giving Program, 2508 Highlander Way, Suite 210, Carrollton, TX 75006
- A check in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be used for athletic scholarships for the Class of 2017 at Division Avenue High School from Lifetouch National School Studios, 11000 Viking Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.”

NOTE: The Board thanked everyone for their generous donations.

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Karen Quinones-Smith
SECONDER:	Mike Pappas
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

VII. AD HOC

Dr. McDonald thanked Mr. Milano for the job he and his staff performed to ready the school district to open after the snow storm. Additionally, she pointed out that they had worked with the town and the county to make sure that all roads were cleared not just the areas that are our responsibilities.

VIII. DATES

- March 29 - Budget Planning Session #4/Special Meeting Board Adopts Budget
- April 19 - Regular Meeting
- April 20 - Special Meeting - BOCES Vote

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN

RESULT:	MOTION CARRIED (6-0-0)
MOVER:	Christina Lang
SECONDER:	Marianne Adrian
AYES:	Adrian, Lang, Marengi, Moran, Pappas, Quinones-Smith

The Board adjourned the public meeting at 9:00 PM.

Elizabeth Appelbaum
District Clerk

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

