

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

DATE: AUGUST 30, 2023

SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, was duly called and held on Wednesday, August 30, 2023 in the Large Board 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 local newspapers, the Public Library and posted on the district's website. Further, all members of the Board of Education had due notice of said meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Board of Education

Ms. Jennifer Messina, President
Ms. Peggy Marengi, 1st Vice-President
Ms. Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President
Ms. Marianne Adrian, Trustee
Ms. Phyllis Dalton, Trustee
Ms. James Moran, Trustee
Ms. Michael Pappas, Trustee

Central Administration

Mr. Todd Winch, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Michael Fabiano, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance
Ms. Debbie Rifkin, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
Dr. Beth Ziogiannis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

Others:

Ms. Suzanne Mallozzi, District Clerk

I. PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY – NONE

Mr Winch noted that Bill Meehan, Security Consultant from Altaris, was in attendance. Mr. Meehan has toured the buildings and met with administrators. He will be providing updates to the Board at the September meeting along with Craig Cammarata, Director of Facilities..

Ms. Marengi asked for a motion to suspend the 24 hour rule for any addendum to the Agenda. This applies to item #11 on the consent agenda.

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Phyllis Dalton, Trustee |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marengi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

II. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes - Approval of Minutes RESOLUTION # 083023-001
Recommended Motion: "Make the necessary corrections and move the approval of the minutes of the August 9 Regular meetings."

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

2. Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION # 083023-002

Recommended 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,

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Code Description</u> | <u>Amount From</u> | <u>Amount To</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 1420.4100.00.0000 | Labor Counsel Services | \$33,322.71 | |
| 1420.4000.00.0000 | General Counsel Expenses | | \$33,322.71 |

Reason: To adjust for end of year closing.

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Code Description</u> | <u>Amount From</u> | <u>Amount To</u> |
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| 2250.4900.00.0000 | Spec Ed BOCES Svs. | \$500,000 | |
| 2250.4700.00.3450 | Spec Ed Pvt Sch Tuition | | \$500,000 |

Reason: BOCES was unable to accept several students that we had budgeted for under the BOCES code, as they did not have ample space. Therefore these students were placed in private schools, as the school district does not have appropriate placement for them. Also note that even though a rate increase of 3 to 5% was budgeted, the actual increase was closer to 6 to 8%.

| <u>Code</u> | <u>Code Description</u> | <u>Amount From</u> | <u>Amount To</u> |
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| Various | See Attached | \$237,419.23 | |
| 1910.4000.00.1604 | Unallocated Insurance & Loss Fund | | \$237,419.23 |

Reason: To clear negative balance for year-end adjustments in order to close books.

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

3. SEQRA District Capital Projects

RESOLUTION #083023-003

Recommended Motion: “ WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS desires to embark upon the following capital improvement projects:

- Improvements at the Levittown Memorial Education Center located at 150 Abbey Lane including replacement of the public address system, fire alarm system, replacement/reconstruction of the roof, repairs to the exterior masonry and brick repointing and to the interior plaster, asbestos abatement, bathroom reconstruction,

security system enhancements and upgrades, replacement of select portions of existing asphalt pavement and select concrete curb and sidewalks;

- Improvements at the Nassau BOCES Seaman Neck Middle School located at 1100 Crestline Place including replacement of public address system, fire alarm system, replacement/reconstruction of the roof, repairs to the exterior masonry and window lintel replacement, asbestos abatement, replacement of existing asphalt pavement in parking lots and play areas and replacement of existing concrete curbs and sidewalks; and
- Improvements at the Laurel Lane School located at 11 Laurel Lane including replacement of the public address system and fire alarm system, asbestos abatement, replacement of asphalt pavement in parking areas, and replacement of select concrete curbs and sidewalks (collectively the “Projects”).

WHEREAS, said capital improvements are subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility or replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading building to meet building, energy or fire codes, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c)(1) and (2)); and

WHEREAS, the SEQRA Regulations declare Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the Projects and has determined that the Projects are classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(1) and (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, after a review of the proposed action, hereby declares that the Projects are Type II Actions, which, by definition, have no significant adverse impact on the environment, and require no further review under SEQRA.”

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marengi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

4. Contract with Wright Risk Management

RESOLUTION # 083023-004

Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education approve a contract with Wright Risk Management with terms as outlined in the attached contract, to provide Workers’ Compensation Admin Services from 7/1/23 through 7/1/24;

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

5. Contract with Dignity Consulting Client Services RESOLUTION # 083023-005
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with Dignity Consulting Client Services for the student belonging reports;

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

6. Contract with Code HS RESOLUTION # 083023-006
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does, hereby, approve the attached contract with Code HS as an online curriculum source to be used for the Computer Programming I course at Division Avenue High School.

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

7. Memorandum of Understanding Oswego RESOLUTION # 083023-007
Recommended Motion: "RESOLVED that the Levittown Board of Education approve a contract with Oswego State University, with terms as outlined in the attached memorandum of understanding, for a partnership to offer college courses to the Levittown School District students at no cost to the District;

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

8. Special Education Contracts

RESOLUTION # 083023-008

Recommended 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 as indicated:

- East Meadow UFSD
- Bay Shore UFSD
- Brookville Center for Children’s Services

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

9. Obsolete Books

RESOLUTION # 083023-009

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

10. Obsolete Equipment

RESOLUTION # 083023-010

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

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

11. Schedules

RESOLUTION # 083023-011

“RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Levittown Board of Education does, hereby, approve the following schedules:

- 1001 “Resignations/Terminations, Certified Personnel”
- 1002 “Resignations/Terminations, Non-Instructional Personnel”
- 1003 “Appointments, Certified Personnel”
- 1004 “Coaching”

1005 “Consultants”

1006 “Appointments, Non-Instructional Personnel”

1007 “LOA, Certified Personnel”

1008 “Salary Change”

****Item # 6, schedule number 1006.2 was pulled.****

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| SECONDER: | Christina Lang, 2nd Vice-President |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

II. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

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| RESULT: | MOTION CARRIED [4-0] |
| MOVER: | Christina Lang, 2 nd Vice-President |
| SECONDER: | James Moran, Trustee |
| AYES: | Moran, Dalton, Marenghi, Lang |
| ABSENT: | Pappas, Adrian, Messina |

Suzanne Mallozzi
District Clerk