

May 18, 2010

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BELLMORE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK, HELD IN THE AUDITORIUM OF THE SHORE ROAD SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, May 18, 2010 AT 8:00 P.M. PRECEDED BY A WORK SESSION.

Those present:

Janet Goller, President

Marion Blane

Brian Desmond

Steven Traum

Joseph S. Famularo, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

Deborah DeLuca, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services

Deirdre Gambino, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Technology

Christie Medina, Counsel

Randy Yee, District Clerk (for TANS resolution and role call only)

Jay L. T. Breakstone, Vice President was absent and excused.

Ms. Goller, President, called the work session meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. at which time the Board reviewed:

- The agenda for the regular meeting
- The upcoming June meeting recognizing students for specific accomplishments and staff retirements
- The forthcoming Memorandum of Understanding

A MOTION WAS MADE by Mr. Traum and seconded by Ms. Blane to enter executive session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

Ms. Goller called the public meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum, and seconded by Ms. Blane, to accept the minutes of the Board meetings of April 20 and May 4, 2010.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Treasurer's Report

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Desmond and seconded by Ms. Blane to accept the treasurer's reports for the months ending March 31 and April 30, 2010.

Correspondence

None

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Purchasing

Mr. Desmond proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Ms. Blane and unanimously approved 4-0.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the recommendation of its Internal Auditor to approve the warrants of Fund A Numbers 33-35; Fund C Number 9; Fund F Number 11 and 12; and Fund T Numbers 23 and 24, which are on file in the District Office.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Famularo began his report with the following personnel items:

Margaret Stamm

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Desmond and seconded by Mr. Traum that the Board accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of school secretary Margaret Stamm effective June 30, 2010.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Ms. Goller noted that Mrs. Stamm is an outstanding school secretary and will truly be missed. She noted that Mrs. Stamm's retirement would be discussed further at a future time along with other recent retirees.

Jodi Messick

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Blane and seconded by Mr. Traum to appoint Jodi Messick to a school monitor position on Step 1 of the school monitor salary schedule effective May 19, 2010.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Substitutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Blane and seconded by Mr. Traum to appoint the substitute personnel for the 2009-2010 school year as noted on Attachment 1.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Third Reading/Adoption of Policies

It was noted that the Board was having the third reading of the following policies:

Policy # 5151 – Bellmore Public Schools Policy on the Education of Homeless Children
Policy #6640 – Title I – Inventory, Accounting of Fixed Assets, and Tracking Policy
Policy #7316 – Internet Safety Policy

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Desmond to adopt the above noted policies effective May 18, 2010.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

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Board Calendar 2010-11

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Blane and seconded by Mr. Traum to adopt the attached calendar for the Board of Education for the 2010-2011 school year.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Organization Meeting

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Desmond, and seconded by Mr. Traum to schedule the Organizational Meeting for 2010-2011 on July 6, 2010 at 8:00 p.m.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

CSE/CPSE

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum, and seconded by Ms. Blane to approve the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE on file in the District Office.

The motion was carried 4 – 0.

Visitors

None

Report of the Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services

Dr. Deborah DeLuca reported the following:

Once again, the District is offering students entering grades 3 and 4, who need support in the areas of English Language Arts and Mathematics, an opportunity to participate in a summer school program. This 20 day intensive program, which will be held at the Winthrop Ave. School will focus on math and reading remediation. The third grade section will also focus on phonemic awareness using the methodology of Orton-Gillingham.

Utilizing a grant from BOCES, the District will once again be able to invite the English Language Learners to free after-school tutoring with their ESL teachers. The program will run from May 18th through June 17th.

A parent workshop entitled, “Abduction and Internet Safety” is being offered on Thursday, May 20th at 8:00p.m. at the Reinhard Early Childhood Center. The workshop, facilitated by Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Long Island, will include topics such as: cyber bullying; internet safety; cell phone dangers and webcams; social networking sites (My Space and Facebook); current information about abduction and types of lures used by predators; and online language commonly used by teens where numbers and letters are replaced. Parents are encouraged to attend this important and informative workshop.

The second part of kindergarten orientation has taken place. The future kindergarten class of 2010 visited kindergarten classrooms where they engaged in a learning activity with kindergarten buddies. This provided them with a glimpse of what next year will be like for them.

The Reinhard Student Advisory Council (SAC) sponsored a drive to support an orphanage in Kenya that the Early Childhood Center has partnered with for several years. Students were given

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a list of items the children in Kenya could use, and were encouraged to donate whatever they could to meet these needs. The donations were packaged and shipped to Kenya, and students are waiting to hear from the children in Kenya.

Senator Fuschillo visited Winthrop Ave. for the opening of the “Star Power Learning Center”. Thanks to a grant secured by the senator, solar panels were installed in the fall, and are visible from the library. The learning center will teach students how the solar panels create energy, and the importance of this renewable energy. Via the District website, students will be able to see the amount of solar power the panels are producing, as well as the savings to the District. Students from each of the schools greeted Senator Fuschillo with songs about the sun and recited poems. Dr. Famularo presented Senator Fuschillo with a certificate recognizing him as an honorary Bellmore Star, and thanking him for securing the grant funds for this important project.

Fifth and sixth grade students are participating in a fundraiser for Island Harvest, the largest food rescue organization on Long Island. Through the students’ efforts, many hungry people are being fed.

Sixth grade students and staff visited Grand Ave. Middle School where they toured the building and attended a presentation by the incoming principal, Ms. Sapanski.

Report of the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Technology

Mrs. Gambino began her report by noting that the community was voting on the proposed 2010-2011 budget. She noted that the District had developed a responsible budget with the lowest budget to budget increase in 15 years, without compromising the high quality of instructional services the community has come to expect.

Tax Anticipation Note

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Desmond, that the Board of Education approve the Tax Anticipation Note Resolution, on file in the Office of the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Technology, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

A roll call vote was taken:

Mr. Desmond	AYE
Ms. Blane	AYE
Mr. Traum	AYE
Ms. Goller	AYE

The motion was carried 4-0.

Fire Extinguisher Bid

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Desmond, that the Board of Education award the 2010-2011 Cooperative Bid contract for fire extinguishers to Accurate Fire Equipment, as the lowest and most responsible bidder meeting specifications as per documentation on file in the District Office.

The motion was carried 4-0.

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Budget Transfers

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Desmond that the Board of Education approve budget transfers for amounts over \$5,000 as per documentation on file in the District Office.

The motion was carried 4-0.

Interest Income

Mrs. Gambino reported that the total interest received from all funds for the period July 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010 is \$ \$62,929.79.

Community Relations

Ms. Blane reported that the Shore Road Concert was absolutely terrific, and it was wonderful to see how many students are participating in the District's music programs.

Central High School District

Ms. Blane reported that at the May CHSD Board meeting:

- Several administrators and a number of teachers received tenure;
- A number of policies were approved; and
- Several donations were accepted.

Legislation

No report

By-laws

Mr. Traum noted the three policies that were adopted:

- Policy # 5151 – Bellmore Public Schools Policy on the Education of Homeless Children
- Policy #6640 – Title I – Inventory, Accounting of Fixed Assets, and Tracking Policy
- Policy #7316 – Internet Safety Policy

Old/New Business

Mr. Traum asked that the Board review the hours for the budget/trustee vote.

Visitors

None.

Ms. Goller announced that the next regular meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2010 at 8:00 p.m. at Winthrop Ave.

There being no further business, **A MOTION WAS MADE BY** Mr. Traum, and seconded by Mr. Desmond that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Yee, District Clerk

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Attachment 1

Substitute Staff
2010-2011

Teachers:

Carlin, Lisa
Chucheong, Parbatee
Cogen, Mallory
Dank, Ashley
Diresta, Lauren
Dujardin, Justine
Eilam, Rachel
Harris, Amanda
Harrison, Marjorie
Hennessy, Jacqueline
Jones, Deirdre
Matsoukis-Kardi, Athena
Melecio, Jason
Osterweil, Stephanie
Samuels, Heather
Spizz, Renee
Wunsch, Caitlyn
Zucker, Marilyn

Monitors/Aides:

Pellicani, Carolina

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**Bellmore Union Free School District
580 Winthrop Avenue
Bellmore, New York 11710**

**Board of Education Calendar
2010-2011**

July 6, 2010	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Organizational Meeting
August 10	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Tax Setting Meeting
September 21	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
October 19	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
November 16	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
December 21	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
January 18, 2011	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
February 15	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
March 1	Tuesday	7:30 pm	Budget Work Session
March 8	Tuesday	7:30 pm	Budget Work Session
March 15	Tuesday	7:30 pm	Budget Work Session/Regular Meeting
April 5	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session
April 27	Wednesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting /BOCES Vote
May 3	Tuesday	8:00 pm	Public Hearing /Work Session – Winthrop
May 17	Tuesday	7 am - 10 pm	Budget & Trustee Vote – Winthrop
May 17	Tuesday	9:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting
June 21	Tuesday	7:00 pm	Work Session/Regular Meeting