

**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMACK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Regular Meeting
March 12, 2015**

Date: March 12, 2015
Place: Commack High School
Members Present: Mrs. Guber, Mr. Hartman, Mrs. DiGirolamo, Mrs. Masciello,
Mr. Tampellini (arrived after the motion to adjourn into Executive
Session)
Members Absent: None
Administration
Present: Dr. James, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Ryan, Dr. Pecora, Mr. Kolahifar
Counsel Present: Mr. Barnosky, Ms. Harvey

Meeting called to order by Mrs. Guber at 6:30 p.m.

Motion made by Mrs. DiGirolamo, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously (4-0) to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:31 p.m. for the purpose of:

- Discussing litigation in the matter(s) of Renzi, et. al. v. Commack Union Free School District et. al.;
- Discussing negotiations conducted pursuant to the Taylor Law involving the CTA; and
- For the purpose of seeking legal advice from the Board's attorney.

Motion made by Mrs. Masciello, seconded by Mrs. DiGirolamo and carried unanimously to adjourn Executive Session and return to public meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: Mrs. Guber, Mr. Hartman, Mrs. DiGirolamo; Mrs. Masciello;
Mr. Tampellini
Members Absent: None
Administration
Present: Dr. James, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Ryan, Dr. Pecora, Mr. Kolahifar;
Mrs. Nappi
Counsel Present: Mr. Barnosky, Ms. Harvey
Guests: Approximately 50 guests

Meeting reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Motion made by Mrs. Masciello, seconded by Mrs. Guber and carried unanimously to appoint Margaret Nappi as acting Confidential District Clerk until the close of business on June 30, 2015, or until no longer needed.

OPENING CEREMONIES

The Board of Education recognized Commack High School students for their achievements:

- as the SCALA High School All-County Scholarship recipient as well as earned Scholastic Art & Writing Awards;
- at the Science Olympiad; and
- in the Source America Design Challenge Competition.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

No report was given.

BOARD STRUCTURE STATEMENT

Statement read by Mr. Hartman regarding Board of Education meeting structure/guidelines.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

No questions or comments heard regarding agenda items.

CORRESPONDENCE

The board acknowledged the following correspondence:

1. Communication, dated, February 27, 2015, from Long Islander News Reporter Andrew Wroblewski re: contact information concerning budget. This item was handled administratively.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Mrs. Masciello, seconded by Mr. Hartman and carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda as recommended:

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OLD BUSINESS - None

PERSONNEL – Approved personnel as recommended (see attached).

BIDS

1. Approved the following bids as recommended:

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

BIDS (continued)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS			
Contract #	Commodity	Vendor Name	Expiration Date
JCS-021815	Janitorial Cleaning Solutions	I. Janvey & Sons	02/17/16
SMR-020115	Scrap Metal Recycling	King Metal Corp of New York	01/31/16
EMP-020111	Electric Motor Purchase	Patchogue Electric Motor, Inc.	01/31/16
EMP-020111	Electric Motor Purchase	Longo Electrical Mechanical, Inc.	01/31/16
EMP-020111	Electric Motor Purchase	Smithtown Armature Works	01/31/16
EMP-020111	Electric Motor Purchase	D & D Electric Motors	01/31/16
EMP-020111	Electric Motor Purchase	Smithtown Armature Works	01/31/16

2. Approved the following BOCES bids as recommended:

Bid #	Name of Bid
2014-011-1030	Audio Visual Supplies and Equipment
2015-014-1211	Electrical Lamps, Tubes, and Ballasts
2015-008-1218	Industrial Technology Supplies
2015-036-0918	Roof Repairs
2014-051-1007	SMART Boards Maintenance and Repair
2015-006-1113	Physical Education Athletic First Aid Supplies
2014-038-1023	Small Wares

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approved and authorized President of the Board to sign same:

	Consultant/Vendor/ Association	Purpose	Budget Code
a.	Generation Ready	Provide the District with professional development services for the 2014-15 school year.	F003215-2250-400-00
b.	Island Photography, Inc. (Agreement Rider)	Provide the District with school portraits for the 2014-15 school year.	N/A

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**NEW BUSINESS (continued)**

	Consultant/Vendor/ Association	Purpose	Budget Code
c.	Ryan Nolin	Provide the District with services as a musician for rehearsals/performances of Commack High School musical productions for the 2014-15 school year.	A038057- 2110-450-90
d.	Ron Fox	Provide the District with services as a musician for rehearsals/performance of Commack High School musical productions for the 2014-15 school year.	A038057- 2110-450-90`
e.	Kiddie Care Early Learning Center	Amendment to agreement for Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program pursuant to May 2011 RFP.	F-040914- 2510-400-00

2. Approved the following donation:

- a. Donation from the Commack Road Runners Booster Club of \$3,422 to purchase a team bench and long jump/triple jump mesh sand pit cover previously approved by the Board of Education. Budget Code 2855-210-00 to be increased by this amount.

3. Approved the agreement for the 2014-15 IDEA Flow-Through Funds for the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Suffolk, Inc. and authorized the President of the Board to sign same.

4. Approved the following field trips:

- a. Commack High School Field Trip – April 28, 2015
Met Life Stadium
One Met Life Drive
East Rutherford, New Jersey
- b. Commack High School Field Trip – April 1, 2015
Metropolitan Museum of Art
5th Avenue
New York, New York
- c. Commack High School Field Trip – March 24, 2015
Cooper, Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum
2 East 91st Street
New York, NY
Via LIRR (Deer Park Train Station)

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

5. Approved the 2014-2015 health services contracts with the following providers and authorized the President of the board to sign same:
 - a. Hicksville School District; and
 - b. Mineola School District.
6. Approved the land lease modification agreement, effective February 1, 2015 through January 31, 2025, between the Commack UFSD and Commack Soccer League for the rental of the area on Burr Intermediate School grounds.
7. Approved the lease modification agreement between Commack UFSD and Kiddie Care Early Learning Center at Long Acres Elementary School.
8. Approved the budget modification (in accordance with the Commack Educational Foundation donation accepted at the January 15, 2015 BOE meeting) be made to increase the Commack Middle School equipment budget code A2110-211-00 in the amount of \$9,000 and the supply code A2110-500-50 by \$1,000. These funds will be used for the purpose of incorporating VEX IQ Robotics into the Grade 8 curriculum.
9. Approved Antoinette Semetsis into the District's Volunteer Program.
10. In accordance with the RFP awarded May 19, 2013, Munistat Services, the Board of Education approved the agreement for the 2015-2016 Tax Anticipation Notes and the required secondary disclosure.

LEGAL

- A. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, James McKeever, Esq. is hereby appointed Impartial Hearing Officer for a due process hearing pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA").

BOARD BUSINESS

- A. Acknowledged receipt of the Internal Claims Auditor's Monthly Update.
- B. Acknowledged receipt of the following financial reports:
 1. CD Rates
 2. Revenue Status Report
 3. General Fund Trial Balance Report
 4. Budget Status Report
 5. Budgetary Transfer Report
 6. Cash Flow Report
 7. Treasurer's Report

BOARD BUSINESS (continued)

- C. Acknowledged receipt of the CSE/CPSE recommendations approved on the following dates: December 12 and 17, 2014; January 8, 12, 13, 15, 16, 21, 22, 26, 29, and 30, 2015; and February 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13, 2015.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Heard questions and comments with regard to the following topics: testing, teacher evaluations, Marion Carll Farm, Charter Schools, and test refusals/opting out.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Mrs. DiGirolamo and carried unanimously (5-0) to adjourn public session at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Margaret Nappi
Acting Confidential District Clerk

COMMACK BOARD OF EDUCATION PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Board Meeting Date: March 12, 2015

Key: P-1: Abolishment of Positions
P-2: Creation of Positions
P-3: Retirement/Resignations
P-4: Leaves of Absences
P-5: Terminations
P-6: Appointments
P-7: Other

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the following personnel action items:

P-1: ABOLISHMENT OF POSITIONS:

A. Instructional: No Recommended Action

B. Civil Service: No Recommended Action

P-2: CREATION OF POSITIONS:

A. Instructional: No Recommended Action

B. Civil Service: No Recommended Action

P-3: RETIREMENTS:

A. Instructional:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u> (at the close of business)
1.	Patricia DeRose	Reading	CMS	6/30/15
2.	Laurindia Foster	School Media Specialist	IH/RH	6/30/15
3.	Kathleen Huergo	Elementary	BIS	6/30/15
4.	Rochelle Levenson	Math	CHS	6/30/15
5.	Carol Levine	Reading	WP	6/30/15
6.	Nancy Pally	Math	CHS	6/30/15

P-3: RETIREMENTS: (continued)

B. Civil Service: No Recommended Action

RESIGNATIONS:

A. Instructional: No Recommended Action

B. Civil Service: No Recommended Action

P-4: LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

A. Instructional:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>
1.	Kimberly Denton	Guidance Counselor	FMLA	5/14/15 - 6/30/15
2.	Christina Eannuzzi	Special Education	FMLA	4/13/15 - 6/14/15
3.	Diane Wilson	Elementary	FMLA	1/5/15 - 1/16/15
4.	Thomas Zielinski	Elementary	FMLA	4/13/15 - 6/30/15
5.	Jaclyn Fedak	School Psychologist	FMLA	3/20/15 - 5/14/15 (previously 3/20/15-5/15/15)
6.	Michelle Goldstein	Elementary	FMLA	2/28/15 - 3/20/15 (extension)
7.	Cassie Rowan	Special Education	Personal Leave (previously FMLA)	4/13/15 - 6/30/15

B. Civil Service:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>
1.	Mark Buonagura	Custodial Worker I	FMLA	2/23/15 -5/17/15
2.	Janet Doktor	Senior Account Clerk	FMLA	2/3/15 - 2/13/15

P-4: LEAVES OF ABSENCE: (continued)

B. Civil Service: (continued)

3.	Barbara Kowalski	Reception Aide	Personal Leave	3/23/15 - 9/23/15
4.	Betty Wilson	Special Education Aide	Personal Leave	2/23/15 - 6/30/15
5.	Gisele Mehra	School Monitor	Personal Leave	2/1/15 - 6/26/15 (extension)
6.	Mary Ozdemir	Special Education Aide	Personal Leave	2/24/15 - 3/2/15 (extension)

P-5: TERMINATIONS:

A. Instructional:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Erin Kelly-Schepny	Substitute Teacher	DW	2/27/15

B. Civil Service:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Julie Culozo	School Monitor	MSIS	12/19/14

P-6: APPOINTMENTS:

A. Tenure: No Recommended Action

B. Probationary: No Recommended Action

C. Other Instructional:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>	<u>School Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1.	Melissa Dawes	Special Education	3/16/15 - 6/12/15	Elem.	Ma/1	\$62,071.00 (prorated)
2.	Kathleen DeLuca	0.4 Speech	2/23/15 - 6/30/15	Sec.	MA/1	\$62,071.00 (prorated)

P-4: LEAVES OF ABSENCE: (continued)

C. Other Instructional: (continued)

3.	Kelly Lund	Reg. Sub. Elementary	4/13/15 - 6/30/15	MSIS	MA/7	\$78,485.00 (prorated)
4.	Brett Groneman	Substitute Teacher	1/22/15 - 6/30/15 (previously 2/22/15- 6/30/15)	DW	—	\$94.86/ 105.06
5.	Alyssa Carroll	Substitute Teacher	3/13/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06
6.	Melissa Dawes	Substitute Teacher	3/9/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06
7.	Cara Ginsburg	Substitute Teacher	3/13/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06
8.	Catia Napolitano	Substitute Teacher	3/13/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06
9.	Paraskevi Athanasίου	Substitute Teacher	3/13/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06
10.	Vera Roberts	Substitute Teacher	3/13/15 - 6/30/15	DW	--	\$94.86/ 105.06

Change of Status

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>	<u>School Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1.	Thomas O’Gara	From Tenure Teacher Assistant to 0.5 Special Ed./ 0.5 Teacher Assistant	3/2/15 - 6/30/15	Elem.	MA/1 / TA/8	\$62,071.00 (prorated)/ \$44,154.00 (prorated)

Lead Teacher Appointments - 2014/15 School Year

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Christina Meli (2/2/15 - 6/30/15)	World Language	CMS	1	\$3,329.00 (prorated)

P-6: APPOINTMENTS: (continued)

CHS Musical Production:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1.	Karen Dow	Pit Musician	3/18/15 - 3/21/15	\$550.00

Curriculum Writing

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Rate of Pay Per Hour</u>	<u># of Hours</u>	<u>Total Payment</u>
1.	Heather New	Common Core - Grade 3	\$69.12	6	\$414.72

Continuing Education Program - Spring 2015 School Year

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Michael McCristall	Health Sciences Applied to Coaching	\$135.00 per registrant

Coaching Assignments:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Jack Bayer	Girls Lacrosse Interscholastic Volunteer Coaching Appointment #12 - Spring	CHS	--	---
2.	Anthony Barone	Slimnastics Intramural Recommendation #5 - Winter 2014/15 School Year	CMS	3	\$990.80
3.	Paul Sleavensky	Base Games, Cooperative Games, Soccer & Basketball Intramural Recommendation #6 - Spring 2014/15 School Year	BIS	3	\$1,040.34
4.	Tracie Morenberg	Base Games, Cooperative Games, Soccer & Basketball Intramural Recommendation #6 - Spring 2014/15 School Year	BIS	3	\$1,040.34

P-6: APPOINTMENTS: (continued)

Coaching Assignments: (continued)

5.	Paul Slackman	Base Games, Cooperative Games, Soccer & Basketball Intramural Recommendation #6 - Spring 2014/15 School Year	BIS	3	\$396.32
6.	Michael Pelan	Varsity Baseball Asst. Interscholastic Coaching Recommendation #24 - Spring 2014/15 School Year	CHS	1	\$6,524.00

C. Civil Service:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1.	Casey Calautti	Reg. Sub. Custodial Worker I, 2nd Shift	2/23/15 - 5/15/15	NR/ LA	Gr. A/1	\$47,179.00 (prorated)
2.	Susan Feder	Reg. Sub. School Monitor	2/13/15 - 4/10/15	BIS	--	\$15.01
3.	Donna Reese	School Monitor	11/3/14	IH	--	\$14.20
4.	Heather Sciarretta	Reg. Sub. Special Education Aide	3/2/15 - 6/30/15	CHS	--	\$16.09
5.	Maria Yandolino	Reg. Sub. School Monitor	9/12/14 - 6/26/15	BIS	--	\$14.20

Change of Status:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date(s)</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Salary</u>
1.	Eun Lee	From Reg. Sub. School Monitor to Permanent School Monitor	3/1/15	MSIS	--	\$14.20
2.	Melinda Ljubic	From Call-In Clerk Typist to Sub. School Monitor	3/13/15	DW	--	\$10.51

P-7: OTHER: No Recommended Action

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