

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 13, 2011

A meeting of the Board of Education, Port Washington Union Free School District, Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, Port Washington, New York, was held on December 13, 2011 at the Paul D. Schreiber High School, Port Washington, New York. Mrs. Sloan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Karen Sloan, Mr. William Hohausser, Mr. Alan Baer, Mrs. Sandra Ehrlich, Mr. Lawrence Greenstein, Dr. Roy Nelson and Mr. Robert Ryan.

Also Present: Dr. Geoffrey N. Gordon, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Mary Callahan, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Dr. Kathleen A. Mooney, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and General Administration; Dr. Nicholas A. Stirling, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Howard Miller, Esq., and Craig Olivo, Esq., Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC., and Mr. Ira Pernick, Principal, Paul D. Schreiber High School.

Executive Session

The Board of Education voted unanimously to go into executive session at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of negotiations.

Reconvene

When the Board of Education convened in open session at 8:08 p.m., there were approximately 200 members of the public in attendance.

I. Flag Salute

II. Roll Call

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III. Adoption of Agenda

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Hohausser, the Board of Education unanimously adopted the December 13, 2011 agenda.

IV. Student and Community Comments

V. Opening Statement by the President

A. Other Comments

VI. Certificates of Excellence

VII. Report of the Superintendent of Schools

1. Enrollment
2. Student Report
3. Summary of Fall Athletics and Arts
4. General Information

VIII. Award of Tenure - Teachers

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Greenstein, the Board of Education voted 6 – 0 (Mr. Hohausser was out of the room) to approve item 1 as listed below:

1. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education on recommendation of the Superintendent awards tenure to the following individual:

Effective February 6, 2012

- a. Nicole Bleistein Sousa/Manorhaven Music

IX. Approval of Minutes as follows:

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Baer, the Board of Education voted 6 – 0 (Mr. Hohausser was out of the room) to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011 Meeting.

X. Discussion Item

1. High School
2. Extra Assignments/Units

XI. Committee Reports

1. Policy & Personnel
2. Budget & Facilities
3. Curriculum

XII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Budget and Fiscal

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Hohausser, the Board of Education voted 6 - 0 (Dr. Nelson felt ill, left early) to approve items 1 through 4 as listed below:

1. Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report, Revenue and Appropriation Report, and Extra Classroom Activity Report dated September 30, 2011.
2. Approve the following transfers in the amount totaling \$242,653:

	AMOUNT	FROM	TO	EXPLAIN
a.	\$ 40,000.00	A5581-490-75	A5540-401-42	Transportation costs for
		BOCES Trans.	Private Contracts	special education
	157,561.00	A9760-700-44	A5540-401-42	students, other program
		Int. Tax Anticipation	Private Contracts	needs and CPI were
		Note		higher than anticipated.

A. Budget and Fiscal - Continued

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|----|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| b. | \$ 38,000.00 | A5540-450-42 | A5510-452-42 | This is simply |
| | | Contractors Gasoline | District Gasoline | establishing new |
| | 3,500.00 | A5510-403-42 | A5540-400-42 | account codes as |
| | | Computer Consult. | Computerized Routing | required by SED. |
| | | | Service Contract | |
| c. | \$ 3,592.00 | A2020-402-30 | A2830-150-00 | Contractual agreement. |
| | | Travel & Conference | Instru. Salaries | |

3. RESOLUTION OF THE PORT WASHINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK (THE "DISTRICT") AUTHORIZING THE REFINANCING OF THE DISTRICT'S MASTER EQUIPMENT LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT, DATED DECEMBER 19, 2005, RELATING TO THE DISTRICT'S ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT WITH JOHNSON CONTROLS INC.; DELEGATING CERTAIN POWERS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND/OR THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND MAKING CERTAIN OTHER DETERMINATIONS RELATED THERETO.

Recitals

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2005, the Port Washington Union Free School District (the "District") entered into a Master Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement (the "Lease Agreement") with Banc of America Leasing & Capital LLC (the "Lessor"), to finance, on a tax-exempt basis, certain energy conservation measures undertaken by the District pursuant to an energy performance contract with Johnson Controls Inc.;

WHEREAS, the annual rate of interest for the Lease Agreement is 3.77% and the final maturity date is April 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of Capital Markets Advisors, LLC ("CMA"), the District's financial advisor, the District now seeks to refinance said Lease Agreement and achieve certain annual savings to the District associated therewith;

A. Budget and Fiscal - Continued

Now therefore, THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PORT WASHINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by a majority vote of all the members of said Board) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Port Washington Union Free School District (the "District"), Nassau County, New York is hereby authorized to refinance the Lease Agreement, dated December 19, 2005 with the Lessor. The Lease Agreement as refinanced shall be referred to herein as the "Refinanced Lease Purchase Agreement."

Section 2. The President of the Board of Education, as chief fiscal officer of the District, acting on behalf of the Board of Education, and/or the Assistant Superintendent for Business are hereby authorized to negotiate, approve, enter into, execute, and deliver any and all contracts, agreements, and other documents necessary or incidental to effectuate the refinancing and amendment of the Lease Agreement; and such contracts, agreements and other documents are hereby approved.

Section 3. The principal amount of the Refinanced Lease Purchase Agreement shall not exceed \$1,859,429.37; and the term of such agreement shall not extend beyond April 1, 2021.

Section 4. The District's obligations under the Refinanced Lease Purchase Agreement shall be subject to annual appropriation or renewal by the Board of Education of the District and the District's obligations under the Refinanced Lease Purchase Agreement shall not constitute a general obligation of the District or indebtedness under the Constitution or laws of the State of New York.

Section 5. The President of the Board of Education and/or the Assistant Superintendent of Business are hereby authorized to take any and all other actions necessary or desirable in connection with the refinancing of the Lease Agreement.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

4. Accept donations amounting to \$1,050 for the John J. Broza Memorial Scholarship Fund.

B. Facilities

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Hohausser, the Board of Education voted 6 - 0 (Dr. Nelson felt ill, left early) to approve items 1 through 4 as listed below:

B. Facilities - Continued

1. Approve the contracts and extensions to the following companies for transportation of public, private and parochial school students for the 2011-2012 school year:

Acme Bus Company	\$ 112,234.90
Anytime Transportation	138,039.70
Dell Transportation	1,166,512.90
First Student	273,593.80
Pierce Coach Line	2,095,908.00
Riv Lab	37,750.00
Veterans	30,808.00
We Transport	<u>88,995.50</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,249,421.20

2. Approve the contract between the Friends of Sands Point Preserve and the Port Washington Union Free School District for use of the facilities at Castle Gould for Gambol 2012.
3. Accept a donation of a wheelchair from Kate Straggi to be used in the Medical Office at Weber Middle School.
4. Accept a donation from Enrique H. Monsanto of photographic filters, lenses, bodies, printers and paper to Schreiber High School.

C. Curriculum

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Hohausser, the Board of Education voted 6 - 0 (Dr. Nelson felt ill, left early) to approve items 1 through 6 as listed below:

1. Acceptance of recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Education for October 7, 14, 17 – 20, 24, 27, 31; November 1 – 3, 7, 9 – 10, and November 16, 2011.
2. Approve the contracts between the Port Washington Union Free School District and the following school districts for District of Location special education services for the 2011-2012 school year per the students' IEP's;

Be it further resolved that the Board authorizes the President of the Board to execute the contracts after signature by originators for the 2011-2012 school year:

Hewlett-Woodmere Public Schools
Northport-East Northport Union Free School District
Rockville Centre Union Free School District

3. Approve the agreement with the Port Washington Union Free School District and Molloy College to allow the placement of a school nurse intern in District schools each semester for the 2011-2012 school year.

C. Curriculum - Continued

4. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the contract with the Port Washington Union Free School District and Steps to Literacy to provide professional development in Balanced Literacy grades K-2 for the 2011-2012 school year.
5. Be it resolved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the secondary courses at Schreiber High School with an enrollment size under 15:
 - a. AP French
 - b. AP English & Comp. Writing Workshop (4 sections)
 - c. AP Spanish Language Espanol
 - d. Radio Broadcasting 1 (2 sections)
 - e. Business Computer Application/Word Processing 1
 - f. FACS Senior Experience
 - g. Italian 1
 - h. Adv. Variedades Espanol
 - i. Introduction to Woodworking
6. Be it resolved the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approves the courses at Weber Middle School with an enrollment size under 15:
 - a. French 7 (2 sections)
 - b. Math 7 (4 sections)

D. Personnel

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Hohausser, the Board of Education voted 6 - 0 (Dr. Nelson felt ill, left early) to approve items 1 through 11 as listed below:

1. Approve the part-time appointment of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
 - a. Marie Sweeney, .3 Reading Teacher, Manorhaven \$18,620 (30% of \$62,067 MA Step 1) effective 12/14/11 to no later than 6/30/12
2. Approve the child care leave of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
 - a. Laura Brazicki, Teacher, Schreiber effective 11/22/11 to no later than 6/30/12
3. Approve the leave coverage appointment of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
 - a. Scott Hosemann, Special Education, Schreiber \$62,067 (MA Step 1) effective 12/14/11 to no later than 6/30/11

D. Personnel - Continued

4. BE IT RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education of the Port Washington Union Free School District approves a salary increase for the following non-aligned staff for the 2011-2012 school year:
 - a. Dr. Joan Easton, School Physician, District-wide from \$19,987 to \$20,387 effective 7/1/11
5. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Port Washington Union Free School District and the Association of Public School Administrators effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.
6. Approve the appointment of the following non-instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
 - a. Javier Mayorga-Alfaro, Educational Assistant, Full-time 10 months, Henry Viscardi-Out of District School \$19,931 effective 12/14/11
7. Approve the appointment of the following instructional and non-instructional substitutes as per the attached list with the recommendation of the Superintendent.
8. Approve the resignation(s) of the following sponsor(s) of Extra Assignments for the 2011-2012 school year (one unit equals \$2,636):
 - a. Josephine Patterson, Schreiber, Gymnastics – Asst., Winter, 2.25 units, \$5,931
9. Approve the appointment(s) of the following sponsor(s) of Extra Assignments for the 2011-2012 school year (one unit equals \$2,636):
 - a. Richard Schmitz, Schreiber, Track V - Asst., Boys, Winter, 2.25 units, \$5,931
 - b. Christopher Cardella, Schreiber, Wrestling Asst., P/T, Winter, 1.00 unit, \$2,636
10. RESOLVED, that in order to safeguard the health and welfare of the children attending the Port Washington Union Free School District, a member of the Port Washington Teachers Association is hereby directed, pursuant to Education Law § 913, to submit to an examination before a physician of the District's choice to determine her mental and/or physical capacity to perform her duties. Such examination will take place at a time and location to be selected by the Superintendent of Schools.
11. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ratifies and approves the attached Stipulation of Agreement between the Port Washington School District and the Port Washington Teachers Association and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute it on its behalf.

XIII. Board Policy

The following item was withdrawn due to Dr. Nelson's absence.

1. Approve the following policy for first reading:
 - a. Energy Management – Policy No. 8800

XIV. Old Business

XV. New Business

XVI. Opportunity for the Community to be Heard

XVII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Mary Callahan

District Clerk

Approved Date: _____

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