

East Islip School District  
Craig B. Gariepy Avenue  
Islip Terrace, New York 11752  
October 14, 2008 – APPROVED  
BUSINESS MEETING

Board Members in Attendance:

Gary J. Lamm, President  
Kim G. Phillips, Vice President  
Ken Cronin, Trustee  
Terri Lyons, Trustee  
Glenn Reed, Trustee

Staff Members in Attendance:

Wendell Chu, Superintendent of Schools  
Carl Fraser, Asst. Superintendent for Business  
Alise Becker-Santa, Asst. Supt. for Instruction/Personnel  
Kathleen Borzello, Asst. Supt. For Pupil Personnel Services & Special Education  
Robert M. Tartaglia, Plant & Facilities Administrator  
Marie Rogers - District Clerk

Approximate Attendance: 150 Meeting held in the Early Childhood Center Boardroom  
(Meeting chaired by Gary Lamm, Board President)

MTG. CALLED TO ORDER: I.) Public session of meeting called to order by Mr. Lamm, Board President, 8:00 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Mr. Lamm asked those in attendance to join him in a Salute to the Flag.

PUBLIC ADVISED: II.) The Chairman advised the public that the Board would accept questions from the public and employees of the district, concerning agenda items, under New Business. Members of the audience wishing to avail themselves of the opportunity to ask a question are required to sign in at the door prior to the start of the meeting. The District Clerk will then call upon each member, allowing each three minutes, to address the Board. Questions by the public will be addressed immediately and addressed at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting. Members of the Board will also be available after the meeting to speak to anyone wishing to do so. Questions may be sent by email to the Board at its newly created email address: [eiboard@eischools.org](mailto:eiboard@eischools.org), which can be accessed through the district's website.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE BOARD: III)  
(Wendell Chu)

- Mr. Chu welcomed Kathleen Borzello back from her recent absence.
- Mr. Chu announced that October 20 through 24<sup>th</sup> has been designated by New York State as School Boards' Recognition Week and that throughout the room the Board will find displays and gifts from students and staff from each building in the district. He said that both students and staff worked quite a bit on these projects to show their support and appreciation to the Board.
- Mr. Chu announced the following athletic news: senior Molly McLean has been selected as a News 12 LI Scholar/Athlete. News 12 will be here on Friday to tape Molly's segment which will air the following week. This is EI's 5th News 12 Scholar/Athlete. Molly is also #1 in the Sr. Class. On Saturday October 25th the varsity Football team will host West Islip for a 2:00 Kickoff. The game is being covered on TV by Cablevision and Nationally on Radio by the Great American Rivalry Series. They are a group that is sponsored by the Marine Corps and cover the

countries biggest and most storied High School rivalries. For this and every game they cover the Marine Corps presents one Senior from each team with a \$500.00 Scholarship (Anthony Giangrassa will be our winner).

- Mr. Chu announced that as we meet this evening, one of our school community families, the Vomvos/Appio family, is being featured on the television game show, *Opportunity Knocks*, where several of our staff members were also members of the audience.

- Mr. Chu announced that there is concern among several parents in the district regarding the proposed opening of a bar on the corner of Richard Ave and Carleton Ave and alerted those in attendance about a public hearing that is taking place on Thursday, October 16, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. at Islip Town Hall.

- Mr. Chu stated that it was his pleasure to introduce Mr. John Spiezio, III, Director of Art & Music who would in turn introduce the 2008/2009 school calendar art winners and their art teachers. Recognized this evening were the following:

**November:** Connetquot Elementary School, Ms. Sullivan, art teacher & students Lauren Swain, Faith Kern, Kieran Hole, Kelly Stupplebeen, & Thomas Costello

**January:** East Islip Middle School, Mrs. Donnelly & students Abigail Dell'Orto, Niamh Ashe, Gina McLoughlin, Tricia Hanley, Juliana Love & Melanie Denmeade

**February:** Timber Point Elementary School, Ms. Spera & students Grace Carroll, Karina Gallagher, John Guiliano, Michael Otten & Madalyn Interdonati

**March:** Ruth C. Kinney Elementary School, Mrs. Weller & students Anne Deubel, Quentin Addeo, Taylor Streicher, Samantha Sampollo, Alexa Benitez, Courtney Greene, Emily Palomba & Meghan O'Reilly

**May:** East Islip Middle School, Mrs. Larado & students Christina Hyland, William Wiebalck, Allison Pinz & Keri O'Connor

**June:** John F. Kennedy Elementary School, Mrs. Bernard & students Alexi Bolster, Erica Hayden, Kylie Goess, Emily Mocerri & Zachary Cabrera

Mr. Lamm thanked the children for their wonderful art work and thanked all children and staff in the district for recognizing the Board of Education this evening.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: IV.) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2008, pp. 16-20; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved.

Mr. Lamm asked if anyone had any questions regarding the agenda items before putting them before the Board.

ACTION ITEMS: V.) Action Items Recommended by the Supt. of Schools  
(Wendell Chu)

TREASURER'S REPORT: a) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of August 2008 as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business and the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

(Copy of Treasurer's Report Appended to Minutes)

AUDIT REPORT: b) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District accept the audit report for year ending June 30, 2008 as presented by Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Danowski; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved.

Prior to the approval of the audit report, Mr. Alan Yu, auditor for the district gave an overview of the district's audit report for the year ending June 2008. He stated that the district was given an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level an auditing firm can give. He also commended the district and its business office for closing its books internally, rather than hiring an outside firm. Mr. Lamm announced that the audit report would be added to the district's webpage for public viewing.

SCOPE: c) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the contract with SCOPE Education Services for the Universal Pre-K Program for the 2008-09 school year; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTRACT AGREEMENT: d) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Laura Geelan-LoManto a vision specialist, for services provided to our special education students for the 2008-09 school year; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

ARAMARK EDUCATIONAL SERVICES, L.L.C. FOR THE U.B.U. LOUNGE: e) Motion by Mrs.

Lyons to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the Memorandum of Understanding between East Islip School District and Aramark Educational Services, L.L.C. for the return of the proprietary items which comprise the U.B.U. Lounge; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

CHANGE ORDER FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS: f) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the change order received from Buildings and Grounds as listed below:

PROJECT NUMBER	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
58-05-03-03-0-003-008	\$3,170.00	Upon removal of existing sinks, the traps and shut off valves were found to be corroded and did not hold. Both traps and valves needed to be replaced. Discovered Condition.
Timber Point Elementary		

Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

EAST ISLIP BIDS: g)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the bids as outlined below:

**a.** Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the following bid:

Hustler Mower Four (4) Year Lease/Purchase – Bid #091808-1 to All Island Equipment Corp. in the amount of \$44,375.04 for four years. The annual cost is \$11,093.76; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

**b.** Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following bid:

Kitchen Equipment for East Islip High School – Bid #091908-1 – to Elite Food Service Equipment Co. Inc. for the 2008-09 school year; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

DONATIONS: h) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the donations as outlined below:

- from the Cronin Family - several items including stuffed animals, baby dolls and clothes, Lincoln Logs, puzzles and much more to be used for the Toddler High program at the High School.

- from JFK Elementary - the amount of \$1,059.87 which was obtained from the Irwin Simon Spring Fundraiser. These funds will be used to purchase a laminating machine for the JFK building the increase to code 2110-200-04-0000, Equip/Hardware JFK, in the amount of \$1,059.87;

Seconded by Mr. Reed. Mr. Cronin abstained. Motion carried.

DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE COPY MACHINE AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS: i) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the disposal of an obsolete copy machine and musical instruments It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the disposal of an obsolete Pitney Bowes Copy machine located at the high school and the removal of the following musical instruments from the music department's inventory. These instruments will be donated to the Art Department for use as still life models or other renewable resources.

Wood Clarinet #245051	Alto Saxophone #73256
Wood Clarinet #25289	Alto Saxophone #258868
Wood Clarinet #59039	Bassoon #69273
Wood Clarinet #5027A	Bassoon #69275
Bass Clarinet #10150	Bassoon #97200
Cornet #M19100	Cornet #C18184

Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved.

PERSONNEL: j) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve Items #1-14 in the Certified Personnel Report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved.

Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve Items #1-191 in the in the Non-Certified Personnel Report, with a correction to heading on the per diem substitute category, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL ED. (CSE): k) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following CSE Cases as recommended by the Committee on Special Education (CSE):

Case # 1 – 20070370S through Case # 20 - 20070498S in the Continuing Student Category;  
 Case # 21-20070678S through Case # 24 0 200700105 in the Ineligible Student Category;  
 Case # 25 - 200700285 through Case # 31 – 20070677S in the New Student Category;  
 Case # 32 – 20070432S in the Declassified Support Services Category;

Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

(Copies of all CSE Cases Appended to Minutes)

COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL ED. (CPSE): l) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the following CPSE Cases as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE):

Case # 20070232P - 1 through Case # 20070238P-9 in the New Student Category;  
 Case # 20070081P - 6 through Case # 20070179P - 10 in the Continuing Student Category;  
 Case # 20070233P - 3 through Case # 20070243P - 8 in the Ineligible Student Category;

Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

(Copies of all CPSE Cases Appended to Minutes)

FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC READINGS: BOARD POLICY 6645 CAPITAL ASSETS ACCOUNTING:  
m) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the first of two public readings, for approval, Board Policy 6645 Capital Assets Accounting; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: VI. There was no unfinished business discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: VII. a. Mrs. Alice Sutton, expressed concern with security issues at the recent FTK Carnival and asked that security be more attentive to what some of the children are doing while at the carnival. Mrs. Sutton also expressed her concern with there being only one handicapped parking space in front of the East Islip Middle School. Mr. Chu said he would look into both matters.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING: VIII. Mr. Lamm announced that a Board of Education work session would take place on October 30, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. and that the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting would take place on Monday, November 10, 2008, at 8:00 p.m., both in the district office boardroom.

MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC SESSION: IX. Motion by Mr. Cronin to adjourn the public meeting; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Carol Feudi, Contingent District Clerk

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