

East Islip School District
 Craig B. Gariepy Avenue
 Islip Terrace, New York 11752
 December 9, 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 & Special
 Education
 Robert M. Tartaglia, Plant & Facilities Administrator
 Marie Rogers - District Clerk

Approximate Attendance: 50 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, which can be accessed through the district's website.

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

- Mr. Chu reported how proud we all are of the girls' varsity soccer team, who made the final four in New York State, a tremendous accomplishment. In addition, the girls' varsity bowling team, under the direction of Coach Harold Cooley, just enjoyed their 100th win; as a matter of fact just experienced their 102nd win. Mr. Chu reported that since 2001, Mr. Cooley's bowling teams won 265 games, 28 losses and one tie, a tremendous success. Mr. Chu also reported that he recently attended, and personally enjoyed, two middle school holiday concerts.
- William Nofi, Director of Technology, shared, through a PowerPoint presentation, the progress of the updated technology throughout the district. The updates are a result of the District-Wide Technology Committee's Plan, which is now in Year 1 of the 3-year plan. Mr. Nofi also shared what the Committee is planning for its next phase of updates. He added that this technology plan could be found on the district's website.
- Alise Becker-Santa, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction/Personnel, presented a review of the District-wide Achievement Data for the 2007/08 School Year using a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation showed a comparison of test results from the

same grades of students over a three-year period, which district staff utilizes to improve, modify, etc., the curriculum to meet the needs of our students. Mrs. Becker-Santa thanked the teaching staff, administration and her office staff for their help and support.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: IV.) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2008, pp. 26-31; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

Mr. Lamm asked if anyone had any questions regarding the agenda items before putting them before the Board. A member of the audience asked for clarification of Agenda Item d. when it came up for approval.

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: a) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 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)

SPECIAL EDUCATION: b) 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 contract with Anderson Center for Autism for services provided to our special education students for the 2008-09 school year; the contract with Education and Assistance Corp. for tutoring/home instruction services provided to East Islip students for the 2008-09 school year; the contract with Syosset Home Tutoring, Inc. for homebound tutoring services provided to our special and regular education students for the 2008-09 school year; the contract with St. James Tutoring Inc. for services provided to our homebound special and regular education students for the 2008-09 school year; the contract with Islip Tutoring Service, Inc. for educational services provided to an East Islip student at The Sagamore Children's Center for the 2008-09 school year; the contract with Daytop Preparatory School for services provided to one of our special education students for the 2008-09 school year; and, the Service Agreement with Bilinguals Inc. for therapeutic/educational services provided to our special education students for the 2008-09 school year; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

403(b) RETIREMENT PLAN DOCUMENT: c) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District adopt the East Islip Union Free School District 403(b) Retirement Plan and authorize the President of the Board to sign the agreement; Seconded by Mrs. Lyons and unanimously approved. Per Board Trustee Glenn Reed's request Mr. Fraser will consult our attorneys regarding the possibility of revising the form to exclude Attorneys and BOE members in the definition of "employees."

MANOR TRANSPORTATION CONSULTING SERVICE: d) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the use of Manor Transportation Consulting Services to prepare and coordinate the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for district wide transportation at a cost of \$3,000; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.

CHANGE ORDERS FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS: 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 change orders received from Buildings and Grounds as outlined:

PROJECT NUMBER	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
58-05-03-03-0-007-010	\$20,000.00	Original light fixtures that were LIPA qualified for their rebate are no longer qualified for this rebate. Due to this change an alternate light fixture with increased energy efficiency was selected. An additional five fixtures will be needed for each classroom. Discovered condition.
58-05-03-03-0-007-010	\$15,000.00	Upon removal of old ceilings and fixtures, it was found that the wiring, connectors and splice boxes needed to be brought up to code.

Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

DONATIONS: f) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the donation from For The Kids Foundation a donation in the amount of \$4,254.00 which have been awarded to Early Childhood Center, \$552.38, Code 2110-533-05-6000; High School \$3,202.00, Code 2110-200-09-6000; John F. Kennedy, 500.00 Code 2110-533-04-60000; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.

- Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the donation from Ms. Fran Sharkey, a district resident, a donation of two computers and a printer, valued at approximately \$245, to the district to be used for district wide projects; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.
- Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the donation from TeleSession Corporation on behalf of Caryn Silver, one of our retired teachers, a donation of approximately sixty computers, several copy machines and any additional software required to make these computers useable. Their purpose for this donation is to establish a “Club” program at the High School for students to learn about computer repair and maintenance. TeleSession will also be covering all cost of refurbishing the equipment (this may include the cost of any supplies needed to upgrade the machines and the cost of supervision by one or two teachers as club advisors); Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved.

APPROPRIATION CHANGES: g) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the following appropriation changes:

LOCATION	FROM	TO	AMOUNT	RATIONALE
Buildings & Grounds	1621-510-00-1504 Glass & Glazing Supplies	1620-464-00-0000 Reconditioning & Cleaning	\$7,500.00	To increase reconditioning and cleaning code.
District Office	2250-132-00-0000 Home Inst. Salaries	2110-449-00-1007 Pro/Tec Home Tutor Reg. Ed	\$20,000.00	For home tutoring services from tutoring agencies

Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

PERSONNEL: h) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve Items #1-5 in the Certified Personnel Report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mrs. Phillips and unanimously approved. Mr. Chu introduced Kristen Kohler, new Math & Science Director for the district, who was appointed this evening. He also recognized and congratulated Jennifer Rand, special education teacher at the Early Childhood Center, who was awarded tenure this evening.

Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the following Items in the in the Non-Certified Personnel Report, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools – Items 1-15; 17, and 19-28; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve that the following Items in the in the Non-Certified Personnel Report be tabled, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools – Items 16, 18 and 29; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

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

Case # 1-20070438S through Case # 37-20070487S the Continuing Student Category;

Case #38-20070691S through Case # 45-20070639S in the New Student Category;

Case # 46-200700105 through Case # 51-20070641S in the Ineligible Student Category;

Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

(Copies of all CSE Cases Appended to Minutes)

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

Case # 20070247P - 1 through Case # 20070252P – 14 in the New Student Category;

Case # 20070114P - 3 through Case # 20070219P - 9 in the Continuing Student Category;

Case # 20070246P – 2 through Case # 20070248P – 11 in the Ineligible Student Category;

Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

(Copies of all CPSE Cases Appended to Minutes)

2009/2010 SCHOOL CALENDAR: k) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the 2009/2010 East Islip School District School Calendar; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

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

NEW BUSINESS: VII. Mrs. Gregorio referred to the \$1.6 million dollars the district set aside last year for special education monies we owed the State and asked if the district was billed yet. She also asked the cost of the special education agreements approved tonight and if they were included in this year's budget as well as the cost for the transportation consulting service. Carl Fraser replied that we did not receive the bill from the State as of yet and that the district does have monies set aside for the agreements. The cost of the transportation consulting service is \$3,000 and is partly BOCES aidable.

Mrs. Nadine Kurtz, parent at Ruth C. Kinney Elementary School, and PTA President there for the past two years, read a letter she prepared commending the teachers of RCK. She commended them for always going above and beyond everyone's needs and for the help and support they provided for her children. She stated that she was proud to be a part of the RCK staff.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING: VIII. Mr. Lamm announced that a Board of Education work session would be held on December 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., to discuss special education and transportation, and, the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting would take place on Tuesday, January 13, 2008, at 8:00 p.m. in the district office boardroom.

MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC SESSION: IX. Motion by Mrs. Phillips to adjourn the public meeting; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Carol Feudi, Contingent District Clerk

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