

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

June 11, 2019

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 June 11, 2019 at the Paul D. Schreiber High School, Port Washington, New York. Mrs. Sloan called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Mrs. Karen Sloan, Mrs. Nora Johnson, Mrs. Emily Beys, Ms. Rachel Gilliar,  
Mr. Lawrence Greenstein, Mr. Dave Kerpen, Mrs. Elizabeth Weisburd

**Also Present:** Dr. Kathleen Mooney, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Mary Callahan, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Elaine Fenick, Human Resources Administrator;  
Dr. Wafa Westervelt, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; Howard Miller, Esq., Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC; Dr. Ira Pernick

### **Executive Session**

The Board of Education voted 7 – 0 to go into executive session at 6:35 p.m., for the purpose of a specific student infraction and to obtain legal advice from District’s outside counsel.

### **Reconvene**

When the Board of Education reconvened in open session at 8:08 p.m., there were approximately 125 members of the public in attendance.

### **I. Flag Salute**

### **II. Roll Call**

**Present:** Mrs. Karen Sloan, Mrs. Nora Johnson, Mrs. Emily Beys, Ms. Rachel Gilliar,  
Mr. Lawrence Greenstein, Mr. Dave Kerpen, Mrs. Elizabeth Weisburd

**Also Present:** Dr. Kathleen Mooney, Superintendent of Schools; Ms. Mary Callahan, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Elaine Fenick, Human Resources Administrator;  
Dr. Wafa Westervelt, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

### **III. Adoption of Agenda**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board of Education unanimously adopted the June 11, 2019 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. General Information

**VIII. Approval of Minutes as follows:**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board of Education unanimously approved the minutes of the June 3, 2019 and June 10, 2019 meeting.

**IX. Discussion Item**

1. Outgoing Presidents

**X. Committee Reports**

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

**XI. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Budget and Fiscal**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Kerpen, the Board of Education unanimously approved items 1 through 16 as listed below:

1. Approve the Treasurer's Reports and Extra Classroom Activity Reports, dated March 31, 2019 and April 30, 2019.
2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donations totaling \$1,276.00 to be applied to the Boyle Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donations totaling \$6,900.00 to be applied J.D. Blumenfeld Memorial Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation in the amount of \$20,000 to be applied to the Dejana Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
5. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation in the amount of \$1,000 to be applied to the Rein Lumi Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donations totaling of \$1,800 to be applied to the Jennifer Marra Cronin Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
7. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation in the amount of \$50.00 to be applied to the Dr. EK & Joyce Johnson Family Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.
8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be applied to the Dan Biro Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.

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9. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 to be applied to the Jan Havasy Scholarship Fund at Schreiber High School.

10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education awards the printing bids listed below to Tobay Printing Company, Inc., 1361 Marconi Blvd., Copiague, NY, 11726, the lowest responsible bidder, for the 2019-2020 school year:

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Port Washington Budget Notice Postcard

Port Washington Budget Newsletter

11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education awards the printing bid listed below to Richner Communications, 2 Endo Blvd., Garden City, NY, 11530, the lowest responsible bidder, for the 2019-2020 school year:

Port Washington Budget Continuing Education Brochure

12. RESOLVED that the Board of Education awards the printing bids listed below to Small World Media, 14 Greenvale Lane, Syosset, NY, 11791, the lowest responsible bidder, for the 2019-2020 school year:

Port Washington Pride Brochure

Schreiber Times

13. RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PORT WASHINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called “Notes”) of Port Washington Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called “District”), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$19,500,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called “Law”).

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.

(b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

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- (c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.
- (d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute arbitrage certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon, which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

14. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the 2017 summer transportation contracts between the Port Washington Union Free School District and contractors listed below for transportation services for the time period of July 1 – August 31, 2017:

Baumann Bus Company	\$42,641.10	Out of District/Special Needs
First Student	\$57,513.53	Out of District/Special Needs
Guardian Bus Co.	\$1,595.00	Out of District/Special Needs
Pierce Coach Line	\$11,345.40	3 In-District Buses/ESL Program
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$113,095.03</b>	

15. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the use of BAN premium of \$658,000 to offset the interest expense payment in the BAN Interest appropriation code of the 2018-2019 budget.

**A. Budget and Fiscal – Continued**

16. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the following transfers in the amount of \$27,401.00:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
\$27,401	A1621-161-00	A1621-161-34	Transfer money to pay Broderick for the districtwide prioritization abatement specs, bid documents and air monitoring during the encapsulation of asbestos ceiling plaster at Schreiber H.S.

**B. Facilities**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Kerpen, the Board of Education unanimously approved items 1 through 4 as listed below:

1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the disposal of the items listed below deemed outdated and beyond repair:

<b>Description of Item</b>	<b>Location Building/Room No.</b>	<b>Asset Tag No.</b>
Street/Parking Lot Sweeper	Grounds Garage	#201289

2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the disposal of Cassette Video Tapes, (as per list submitted to the business office) deemed obsolete from the Schreiber High School Library.
3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the disposal of 807 grade six through grade eight age-appropriate books, deemed outdated and/or damaged from the Weber Middle School Library.
4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the disposal of books listed below, deemed outdated and/or damaged from the Schreiber High School Social Studies Department:

81 – The Americans, by Gerald Danzer

**C. Curriculum**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Kerpen, the Board of Education unanimously approved items 1 through 4 as listed below:

1. Acceptance of recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Education for March 8, 11 – 15, 18 – 22, 25 – 29; April 1 – 5, 8 – 10, 12, 15 and April 29, 2019 to be reviewed by the Board, and arrangements to be made for the special education programs, services and parent notification.
2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consultant service agreements between the Port Washington Union Free School District and agencies listed below

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providing special education services for the 2019-2020 school year per students' IEP:

Gayle E. Kligman Therapeutic Resources

North Shore Speech-Language Associates

Career & Employment Options, Inc.

Dr. Francine Guastello

3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the agreement between the Port Washington Union Free School District and the school listed below for special education services provided during the 2019-2020 school year as per students' IEP:

Anderson Center for Autism

The Nicholas Center for Autism

Milestones In Home Care, Inc.

Cooper Kids Therapy Associates

The Summit School

SCO Family of Services/Tyree

Tiegerman School

All Island Kids Therapy, LLC

Creative Tutoring, Inc.

PBS Consulting & Psychological Resources, PC

New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc.

4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Service Agreement to provide health and welfare services to students residing in the Port Washington Union Free School District and attending non-public schools in the following School District during the 2018-2019 school year:

Westbury Union Free School District

New Hyde Park Garden City Park Union Free School District

Manhasset Union Free School District

Great Neck Union Free School District

**D. Personnel**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mr. Kerpen, the Board of Education unanimously approved items 1 through 27 as listed below:

1. Approve the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- a. Linda Barone Manzo, Social Studies Teacher, Weber, effective 6/30/19

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- b. Susan Ethier, Special Education Teacher, Sousa, effective 6/30/19
- c. Rosina Savarese, Special Education Teacher, Schreiber, effective 6/30/19
2. Approve the resignation of the following administrator with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Andrew Akapnitis, Director of Guidance, Schreiber, effective 6/30/19
3. Approve the resignation of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Jeannine Reed, Foreign Language Teacher, Schreiber, effective 6/30/19
4. Approve the appointment of the following administrator with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Meg Sheenan, Assistant Principal, Guggenheim/Sousa, \$134,862 (ESAP Step 2) effective 7/22/19 with a probationary period to end 7/21/23
  - b. Dale Bennett, Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Administrative Annex, \$135,741 (AA/AD Step 1) effective 7/1/19 with a probationary period to end 6/30/23
5. Approve the probationary appointment of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Tyler Mason-Draffen, Music Teacher, Daly, \$66,479 (MA Step 1) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23
  - b. Erik Haughn, Special Education Teacher, Schreiber, \$66,479 (MA Step 1) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23
  - c. Vittorio Pulice, English Teacher, Schreiber, \$84,286 (MA Step 6) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/22
  - d. Kristin Stelfox, Social Studies Teacher, Schreiber, \$70,040 (MA Step 2) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23
  - e. Alexandra Cimino, Reading Teacher, Sousa, \$66,479 (MA Step 1) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23
  - f. Marcin Rusinkiewicz, World Languages Teacher, Schreiber, \$75,382 (MA+45 Step 1) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23
  - g. Daniela Venegas, Social Worker, Weber, \$66,479 (MA Step 1) effective 9/1/19 with a probationary period to end 8/31/23 (pending School Social Worker certification by 8/31/19)
6. Approve the leave coverage appointment of the following instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Andrea Becker, School Psychologist, Daly, \$73,601 (MA Step 3) effective 9/1/19 to no later than 6/30/20

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- b. Dr. Wendy Goldstein, School Psychologist, Weber, \$91,408 (DOC Step 3) effective 9/1/19 to no later than 6/30/20
7. Approve the appointment of the following part-time instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- a. Lillian Sears, .4 Speech Teacher, St. Peters, \$49,384 (40% of \$123,460 MA+45 Step 18) effective 9/1/19 to no later than 6/30/20
- b. Charlotte Szczurowski, .6 Speech Teacher, Salem, \$47,722 (60% of \$79,537 MA+30 Step 3) effective 9/1/19 to no later than 6/30/20
8. Approve the establishment of the following instructional positions with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
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| Elementary with      |      |
| bi-lingual extension | +1.0 |
| ENL                  | +1.3 |
| ESTEAM               | +0.6 |
| Social Studies       | +1.0 |
| Special Education    | +1.0 |
| World Language       | +0.2 |
9. Approve the annual appointment of the following instructional staff for the 2019-2020 school year with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- a. Kevin Baudo, Middle School Athletic Coordinator, \$8674
- b. Sharon Frank, Teacher Mentor Coordinator, \$2947
10. Approve the appointment of the following annually appointed department chairs for the 2019-2020 school year with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- a. Dena Bocchino, English, Weber, \$8850
- b. CarrieAnn Lindstadt, Science, Weber, \$8850
- c. Emily Roberts, World Language, Weber, \$8850
- d. Kalliopi Bielawski, Mathematics, Weber, \$8850
11. Approve the appointment of the following instructional staff to the position of Level Leader for the 2019-2020 school year, with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- Daly – Three Units
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| Laura McLaughlin | Kindergarten |
| Kathy Ann Mattia | First Grade  |
| Julie Phillips   | Second Grade |
| Jaelyn Ryan      | Third Grade  |



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Melissa Voyer Fourth Grade

Susan O'Brien Fifth Grade

Guggenheim – Three Units

Christine Bray & Deena Williams Kindergarten

Virginia Verdirame-McMahon & Angela Pfeiffer First Grade

Loren Maroof & Teresa Marussich Second Grade

Melissa Riordan Third Grade

Maribeth Betsch & Dennis Trottier Fourth Grade

Michael Duda & Marci Haworth Fifth Grade

Manorhaven – Three Units

Claudia Aliano-Levin Kindergarten

Jennifer Lenney First Grade

Lorraine Bellmann Second Grade

Armanda Berkery Third Grade

Nina Evans Fourth Grade

Lourdes Perez Fifth Grade

Salem – Three Units

Lisa Castillo & Karen Brockett Kindergarten

Cynthia Swenson First Grade

Lisa Keogh Second Grade

Julie Katz Third Grade

Jena Swerdloff Fourth Grade

Nicole DiCarlo Fifth Grade

Sousa – Three Units

Jill Lowe Kindergarten

AnnMarie Pullicino First Grade

Maria Buffolino Second Grade

Diana Conway Third Grade

Suzanne Potucek Fourth Grade

Karen Silver Fifth Grade

12. Approve the appointment of the following instructional staff to the position of Lead Teacher for the 2019-2020 school year, with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
- a. Gregory Silak, Weber, Special Education, \$4852

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13. Approve the appointment of the following staff to the Summer Driver Education Program with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Neil Miller, Instructor, \$68 per hour, not to exceed 102 hours
14. Approve the appointment of the following staff for the Summer Band Program with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Aaron Prindle, Director, \$2000
15. BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Port Washington Union Free School District approves an increase for non-aligned staff for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached exhibit.
16. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies the Stipulation of Agreement between Employee #2923 and the Port Washington Union Free School District, dated 5/22/19.
17. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby appoints Mary Callahan as Interim Superintendent of Schools for the period of July 1, 2019 through and including July 14, 2019.
18. WHEREAS, by duly enacted resolution of the Board of Education on March 12, 2019, the Board accepted the resignation of Gregory Renga effective June 30, 2019; and WHEREAS, Mr. Renga has submitted a new letter of resignation effective June 29, 2019;  
NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education hereby rescinds its March 12, 2019 resolution and accepts the resignation of Gregory Renga, *nunc pro tunc*, effective June 29, 2019.
19. Approve the resignation for the purpose of retirement of the following non-instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Melissa Derasmo, Teacher Assistant, Weber Middle School, effective 6/30/19
  - b. Mary Jane Downing, Teacher Assistant, Guggenheim Elementary, effective 6/30/19
  - c. Alfonsina Gardella, Teacher Assistant, Manorhaven Elementary, effective 7/1/19
  - d. Patricia Loveland, Sr. Stenographer, Manorhaven Elementary, effective 5/31/19
  - e. Carol Macchia, Sr. Typist Clerk, Pupil Personnel Services, effective 5/31/19
  - f. Caryn Poliseo, Teacher Assistant, Guggenheim Elementary, effective 6/30/19
20. Approve the resignation of the following non-instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Anne Doscas, Educational Assistant, Sousa Elementary, effective 5/14/19
  - b. Jeanne Fico, Teacher Assistant, Weber Middle School, effective 5/15/19

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- c. Carrie Licht, Educational Assistant, Daly Elementary, effective 5/6/19
21. Approve the annual appointment of the following non-instructional staff for the 2019-2020 school year with the Recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Dawn Bollerman, District Medical Coordinator, \$6393
22. Approve the appointment of the following non-instructional staff with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Michelle Becker, Educational Assistant, full-time 10 months, Sousa Elementary \$23,137 (pro-rated) effective 5/15/19
  - b. Lauren Brue, Educational Assistant, full-time 10 months, Sousa Elementary \$23,137 (pro-rated) effective 5/14/19
  - c. Alfonso Diglio, Groundskeeper, full-time 12 months, Districtwide \$45,693 (pro-rated) effective 6/12/19
  - d. Anne Doscas, Teacher Assistant, full-time 10 months, Sousa Elementary \$31,765 (pro-rated) effective 5/15/19 with a probationary period to end 5/14/23
  - e. Jonathan Johnert, Information Tech Aide I, full-time 10 months, Weber Middle School \$32,013 (pro-rated) effective 6/14/19
  - f. Fauzia Hanif, Teacher Assistant, full-time 10 months, Weber Middle School \$31,765 (pro-rated) effective 6/17/19 with a probationary period to end 6/16/23
  - g. Angela Viscardi, Typist Clerk, full-time 12 months Pupil Personnel Services, \$34,910 (pro-rated) effective 6/28/19
23. Approve the appointment of the following non-instructional summer Facilities staff, as per the attached list, with the recommendation of the Superintendent.
24. Approve the appointment of the following student workers with the recommendation of the Superintendent:
  - a. Brianna Mastandrea, Administration Building, \$12.55 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week.
  - b. Madeline McAuliffe, Administration Building, \$12.55 per hour, not to exceed 20 hours per week.
25. Approve the appointment of the following instructional and non-instructional substitutes, as per the attached list, with the recommendation of the Superintendent.
26. Approve the appointment of the following sponsors of Extra Assignments for the 2019-2020 school year (one unit for re-appointments equals \$2,760, one unit for first/second year appointments equals \$2,460):

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- a. Elena Gnezda, 1<sup>st</sup> Manorhaven, Homework Club, Year, 0.50 units, \$1,230
  - b. Danielle Lally, Schreiber, Drama Workshop, Year, 1.00 units, \$2,760
27. Approve the re-appointments of the following sponsors of Elementary School Clubs, Summer Intramurals and Schreiber and Weber Clubs for the 2019-2020 school year, as per the attached lists (one unit for re-appointments equals \$2,760, one unit for first/second year appointments equals \$2,460).

**XII. Board Policy**

The Board of Education approved the following policy for first reading, with the recommendation of the Superintendent:

- a. Policy 1221 Relations with Community and Parent Organizations

**XIII. Calendar**

On motion made by Mrs. Sloan, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, the Board of Education unanimously approved item 1 as listed below:

- 1. Approve the proposed Board of Education meeting dates for the 2019-2020 school year.

**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 9:24 p.m.

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Mary Callahan

District Clerk

Approved Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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