

Minutes of the Work Session/Budget Discussion of the Board of Education, Island Trees Union Free School District, Town of Hempstead, County of Nassau, Levittown, New York. The meeting was held at the Stephen E. Karopczyc School, 74 Farmedge Road, Levittown, New York, on Wednesday, February 6, 2013.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Mahon, President, at 7:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Patricia Mahon, President
Mr. Kenneth Rochon, Vice President (arrived 7:02 PM)
Mrs. Kristen Daum
Mr. Daniel Donahue
Mrs. Kim McDonough
Mrs. Barbara Medellin (arrived 7:03 PM)

ABSENT: Mr. George Storm

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Charles J. Murphy, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Arlene Genden Sage, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education
Mrs. Susan Hlavenka, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Mrs. Concetta Carr, District Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ms. Mahon led the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence for our troops.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS: None

ACTION ITEMS: The Action Items listed on the agenda were reviewed and discussed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Dr. Murphy gave an overview of the BYOD – Bring Your Own Devices policy. The policy was discussed further by the Board.
2. 2013-2014 Budget – Dr. Murphy explained that the budget process would be easy if it wasn't for the pension plan increase (12.5 to 16.25%). To get to tax cap, we have to make a lot of cuts. The district has already reduced the budget by \$600,000. Presentations were made by the Library, Music, Art, P.E. & Athletics, and Technology Departments.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS (OLD & NEW)

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BUSINESS): A resident had a question regarding the budget committee.
A resident had a question regarding the Parent Portal.
A resident had a question regarding the training of teachers on the Parent Portal.
A resident had a question about participation in sports.
A resident had a question about whiteboards.
A resident had a question about the Philadelphia field trip.
A resident had a question about February recess.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: On **Motion** of Mr. Rochon, seconded by Mrs. Medellin, and unanimously carried (6-0), the meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:11PM to discuss collective bargaining issues regarding the Custodial Unit.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: On **Motion** of Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mrs. Daum, and unanimously carried (5-0, Mr. Donahue left at 9:48 PM), the members came out of Executive Session at 10:03 PM.

ADJOURNED: On **Motion** of Mrs. Medellin, seconded by Mr. Rochon, and unanimously carried (5-0), the meeting adjourned at 10:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Concetta Carr
District Clerk

Minutes approved _____