

Minutes of the Special Meeting 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 Geneva N. Gallow School, 74 Farmedge Road, Levittown, New York, on Tuesday, August 25, 2009.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Peter Ray, President, at 7:05 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. Peter Ray, President  
Mr. Carl Bonsignore, Vice President  
Mr. Robert Condela  
Mrs. Christine Holt  
Ms. Patricia Mahon  
Mrs. Kim McDonough  
Mr. Kenneth Rochon

Also Present: Dr. Charles J. Murphy, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Arlene Genden Sage, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education, Ms. Susan Hlavenka, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Mr. Richard Guercio and Mrs. Randy Glasser, General Legal Counsel; and Mrs. Concetta Carr, District Clerk.

Mr. Ray led the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence.

**PLEDGE**

On motion of Mr. Rochon, and seconded by Mr. Bonsignore,

**MINUTES**  
**APPROVAL**

RESOLVED, To approve the following minutes, as presented:

Special Meetings & Executive Sessions – July 9 & August 4, 2009  
Reorganization Meeting – July 7, 2009  
Committee on Special Education – July 7, 14, 30, & August 13, 2009  
Committee on Preschool Special Education – July 14, 30, & August 6, 2009

*Unanimously Carried*            Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Bonsignore, and seconded by Ms. Mahon,

**FIBER OPTIC WIDE AREA**  
**NETWORK AGREEMENT**

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education approves an amendment to an agreement dated October 15, 2004, agreement with Nassau BOCES to provide an additional fiber optic wide area network connection from the Administration Building (Gallow) to the hub at the Island Trees Memorial Middle, and authorizes the Board president to sign such agreement, subject to review and approval of District Counsel.

*Unanimously Carried*            Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Ms. Mahon, and seconded by Mr. Condela,

**REJECTION OF RFP -**

RESOLVED, To reject RFP #673.010.001, dated July 27, 2009, for athletic trainer services

**ATHLETIC TRAINER**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Condela, and seconded by Mrs. Holt,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby abolishes one position in the elementary tenure area.

**ABOLISH POSITION/  
TERMINATE EMPLOYEE  
W/LEAST SENIORITY  
IN TENURE AREA**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the employment of the teacher having the least seniority in the system within the tenure area of the positions abolished shall be discontinued effective August 26, 2009, to wit:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Position</u>
Stephanie D'Alto	Elementary Education	1.0

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Mrs. Holt, and seconded by Mrs. McDonough,

RESOLVED, To authorize a transfer of funds in the amount of \$16,250 to eliminate negative balances in the M Bond Fund.

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS -  
M BOND FUND**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Mrs. McDonough, and seconded by Mr. Rochon,

RESOLVED, That the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$500 from Mr. David Franklin, through the Time-Warner Employee Grant Program, to the Island Trees School District Fine and Performing Arts Dept., increasing budget line 2110.400.12.0000 (Other – Music Dept.) and send a letter from the Board of Education thanking him for his generosity.

**DONATION – TIME WARNER  
EMPLOYEE GRANT PROG.**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Rochon, and seconded by Mr. Bonsignore,

**EMERGENCY REPAIR**

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to approve payment in the amount of \$125.00 to City Wide Sewer & Drain Service, 100 Voice Road, Carle Place, NY 11514, for the emergency plumbing service at the Island Trees Public Library.

**ORDER**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Bonsignore, and seconded by Ms. Mahon,

**SPEC. ED. PROGRAM  
SUB-ALLOCATION  
CONTRACTS 2009-2010**

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to enter into the following Special Education Program Sub-Allocation contracts (Federal Part B Flow Through Allocations 2009-2010) which was reviewed and approved by District Counsel and authorizes the Board President to sign such contracts:

- All About Kids
- The Association for Children with Down Syndrome
- Brookville Center for Children’s Services Inc.
- Cooper Kids Therapy Assoc.
- The Hagedorn Little Village School
- Hicksville Pre-School Program
- Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy Center Inc.
- Marion K. Salomon & Assoc. Inc.
- Metro Therapy Inc.
- Variety Child Learning Center
- AHRC Nassau County
- Developmental Disabilities Institute
- Eden II School for Autistic Children Inc.
- Judge Rotenberg Educational Center, Inc.
- Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Ms. Mahon, and seconded by Mr. Condela,

**CONSULTANT SERVICES  
CONTRACT 2009-2010**

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to enter into a consultant services contract with Andrea M. Pineiro for the 2009-2010 school year, and authorizes the Board President to sign such contract.

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Condela, and seconded by Mrs. Holt,

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to enter into a provider agency services contract with Roslyn School District for the period July 6 through August 14, 2009, for one student, and authorizes the Board President to sign such contract.

**PROVIDER AGENCY  
SERVICES CONTRACT  
SUMMER 2009**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mrs. Holt, and seconded by Mrs. McDonough,

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to enter into the following provider agency services contracts listed below for the 2009-2010 school year, and authorizes the Board President to sign such contracts:

**PROVIDER AGENCY  
SERVICES CONTRACTS  
2009-2010**

- Eden II School/Genesis Programs
- Effective Interventions, Inc.
- Home Care Therapies LLC d/b/a Horizon Healthcare Staffing
- The Rehabilitation Institute (TRI)

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mrs. McDonough, and seconded by Mr. Rochon,

RESOLVED, To authorize the Island Trees Board of Education to enter into a contract with Long Beach City School District, which was reviewed and approved by District Counsel, for the purpose of providing instructional services to children residing in the Island Trees School District during the 2008-2009 school year at the State approved rate, and authorizes the Board President to sign such contract.

**SPEC. ED. SERVICES  
CONTRACT 2009-2010**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Rochon, and seconded by Mr. Bonsignore,

RESOLVED, To approve the contract with Nassau BOCES for summer special education transportation from July 6 to August 14, 2009, and authorizes the Board president to sign such contract.

**SUMMER TRANSPORTATION  
CONTRACT W/BOCES**

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Bonsignore, and seconded by Ms. Mahon,

**TRANSPORTATION  
CONTRACTS 2009-2010**

RESOLVED, To approve the contracts for transportation for the 2009-2010 school year, to the following bus companies, and authorizes the Board president to sign such contracts, subject to review and approval of District Counsel:

1. WE Transport Inc.
2. Acme Bus Corp.
3. Suburban Bus Transportation Company
4. Any Time Bus Company
5. Plainedge U.F.S.D.

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Ms. Mahon, and seconded by Mr. Condela,

**PERSONNEL REPORT**

RESOLVED, To approve, as presented, the Personnel Report dated August 25, 2009, items 1 through 269 inclusive.

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

On motion of Mr. Condela, and seconded by Mrs. Holt,

**USE OF BUILDINGS**

WHEREAS community and school organizations have applied for use of district facilities for the 2009-2010 school year, and

WHEREAS the required insurance certificates have been received and all other requirements of policy and regulation of Island Trees and New York have been met, and

WHEREAS the principals and athletic director have certified that the use of these facilities will not interfere with the instructional program or co-curricular activities in our schools.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the requested use of buildings or fields is approved subject to the limitations of policy and regulation, as presented.

*Levittown Fire District*  
Training Seminar for Fire Dept.

No Fee

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<i>ABA Sports – Island Trees USSSA</i> Softball Games and Practices	\$500.00
<i>Island Trees Youth Football</i> Youth Football Games	No Fee
<i>Levittown Athletic Club</i> Board and General Meeting	No Fee
<i>Island Trees Baseball</i> Registration	No Fee
<i>Island Trees Soccer Club</i> Soccer Club Board Meetings Coaches Meeting/Uniform Distribution Referee Clinic Soccer Games and Practices	No Fee
<i>Levittown Red Devils Cheerleading</i> Cheerleading Practice	No Fee
<i>M.F. Stokes PTA</i> School Store PTA Meetings Meet the Teacher	No Fee
<i>Girl Scouts of Nassau County</i> Girl Scout Registration Girl Scout Meeting Girl Scout Meetings for Cadet Troop #3538 Troop Meetings Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3118 Girl Scout Service Team Meeting Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3630 Daisy Girl Scouts Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3162 Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3635 Girl Scout Meetings Troops #3196 & 3516 Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3227 Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3120 Girl Scout Meetings Troop #3280	No Fee

*Girl Scouts of Nassau County-The Plains Association*

Girl Scout Leader Meetings No Fee

*Cub Scout Pack 600*

Leaders Meetings

Cub Scout Meetings

Cub Scout Den Meetings Webelos 2 – Den 2

Pack Meeting

Den Meetings No Fee

*Boy Scouts of America – Theodore Roosevelt Council*

Volunteer Fellowship, Instruction, Planning  
& Adult Leadership Training No Fee

*Island Trees Football*

Var. Football Team Alumni Breakfast/Brunch No Fee

*Girls High School Soccer Coaches Assoc.*

Coaches Meeting No Fee

*Unanimously Carried*      Ayes    7      Nays    0

**FOR DISCUSSION**

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The following items were discussed at the meeting:

1. Final Remedy Island Trees High School Pipe Tunnel – Lauren Stiles from Twomey, Latham, Shea, Kelley, Dubin & Quartararo LLP, and Paul Lageraan from H2M gave a report on the encapsulation remedy of the pipe tunnel at the Island Trees High School. They explained what the steps are leading to the completion of the encapsulation. They were also available to answer questions from the audience.
2. Summer Construction/Bond Update – Dan Sabia, Director of Facilities, and Michelle Crazz and Renee Marcus from H2M gave an item by item update on the summer construction/bond projects.
3. Michael F. Stokes School Roof - regarding repair of leaks.
4. Intercom/Phone System at the Island Trees Memorial Middle School – this item was tabled until the Work Session on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

5. Security - cameras

**OLD BUSINESS**

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None

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A resident had a question regarding the high school robotics class.

A resident asked:

- 1. which tenure position was eliminated
- 2. what was the arson issue at the Sparke playground

Mrs. McDonough, Board member, recommended that we look at the weekend security coverage of the district.

On motion of Mr. Rochon, and seconded by Mr. Bonsignore,

**RFP AWARD -  
ATHLETIC TRAINER**

RESOLVED, To award the following RFP #673.010.002, dated August 17, 2009, to NY Physical Therapy & Wellness, 150 Gardiners Ave., Levittown, NY 11756, to serve as the athletic trainer for the District, and the Board approves the agreement and authorizes the Board President to sign such agreement contingent upon review and approval by District Counsel.

*Unanimously Carried*            Ayes    7            Nays    0

On motion of Ms. Mahon, and seconded by Mr. Condela, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 8:48 PM, to discuss the following items:

**TO EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

- 1. Personnel issues regarding:
  - a. an employee's status
  - b. Occupation Therapist
- 2. UTIT Contract update
- 3. Remedial Architects
- 4. Custodial Negotiations

Executive Session began at 9:02 PM

**EXEC. SESSION**

On motion of Mr. Bonsignore, seconded by Mr. Rochon, and

**RETURN TO**



unanimously carried, the members came out of Executive Session at 10:11 PM.

**REGULAR SESSION**

On motion of Mr. Bonsignore, seconded by Mr. Condela and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted,

Concetta Carr  
District Clerk

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_