## **REVISED MINUTES\*\*\***

Date of Meeting: January 6, 2009

Type of Meeting: Emergency Meeting

Place of Meeting: Administration Building – Conference Room

Members Present: Vice President Roy Lester

**Board Member Franklin Alvarado** 

**Board Member Lynn Gergen Board Member Dennis Ryan** 

Members Absent: President Patrick Gallagher

Others Present: Dr. Robert Greenberg, Superintendent

Mr. Michael DeVito, Chief Operating Officer

Ms. Eileen Lilly, District Clerk

Ms. Trish Barbato, Central Council Co-President

## I. Pledge and Opening Remarks

Vice President Lester

 Called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM and led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

# II. Vice President Lester called for Questions and Comments from the Public.

Ms. Barbato asked for an explanation of the Local Government Efficiency Grant.

Questions and Comments from the Public

Call to Order

Vice President Lester responded that the purpose of this resolution is to secure a grant that enables us to further the back office services collaborative effort among local districts, Nassau BOCES and Nassau County.

#### III. Board Comments\*\*\*

There was a discussion about a letter in the Herald. The Board decided not to respond to it.

**Board Comments\*\*\*** 

## IV. Presentations of the Superintendent

Dr. Greenberg recommended approval of the following resolution:

Resolution #79
To Authorize a Joint
Application for a Local
Government Efficiency
Grant

## 1. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A JOINT APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT

**WHEREAS**, Nassau County, the Board of Cooperation Educational Services (BOCES) of Nassau County, the Long Beach City School District, and other school districts within the County desire to create and implement plans for consolidation of school district support services to improve operating efficiencies and save tax dollars, and to seek to implement such plans as may have great potential for saving tax dollars; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that, notwithstanding the approval of this resolution in support of a grant application, the participation of any school district in any portion of this effort to consolidate support services will be strictly voluntary; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Long Beach City School District would like to join in submitting an application for a Twenty-First Century Demonstration Project Grant under the New York State Local Government Efficiency Grant Program;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District (the "Board")

- Authorizes the lead applicant contact person to submit an application on behalf of the Board for financial assistance to the 2008-09 Local Government Efficiency Grant Program, and to execute all financial and administrative processes and instruments relating to the Grant Program.
- 2. Authorizes BOCES of Nassau County to act as the "Lead Applicant" for the grant application, and Tom Stokes, Deputy County Executive for Budget and Finance, to act as the "Lead Applicant Contact Person" on the grant application form.

- 3. Agrees to act as a "Co-Applicant" and hereby authorizes the Superintendent to Schools to execute all financial and administrative processes and instruments relating to the grant program. Other coapplicants will include Nassau County, Nassau BOCES and a majority of the school districts within Nassau County. A list of all participating school districts will be included in the grant application.
- 4. Joins in a grant application to be submitted for a Local Government Efficiency Grant award that would enable the applicant and co-applicants to identify and implement cooperative back office functions that allow school districts to save money while maintaining high quality educational programs. The project will provide for shared or consolidated back office functions in several areas, including information technology and telecommunications, cooperative purchasing, audit services, and nonpublic pupil transportation. The project name is the "Nassau School and Municipal Savings Initiative."
- 5. Agrees that the amount of the grant applied for shall not exceed \$1,000,000, with a maximum local match of up to \$111,111.
- 6. Understands that it is anticipated that the local match sum referenced in Item 5, above, will be funded via already existing grant funds and, if such funds should for any reason not become available, the maximum local match to be requested from the Board for participation in the grant activities, shall not exceed \$1,000 and such sum shall not be due and payable unless the Board shall pass an enabling resolution.
- 7. Will work with the lead applicant and other co-applicants to prepare and execute any necessary inter-municipal agreements setting forth individual responsibilities related to Nassau School and Municipal Support Services Partnership.

Vice President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Alvarado
Seconded by: Board Member Gergen

Approved: 4-0

Vice President Lester called for a motion to adjourn the public session and go into an executive session to discuss pending and proposed legal matters at 7:03 PM.

Motion to Adjourn
Public Session and
Go into Executive
Session

Motion by: Board Member Alvarado Seconded by: Board Member Gergen

Approved: 4-0

Vice President Lester called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 8:15 PM.

Motion by: Board Member Gergen Seconded by: Board Member Ryan

Approved: 4-0

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session

Minutes submitted by

Eileen Lilly, District Clerk January 8, 2009