

**MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** October 11, 2023

**Type of Meeting:** Executive Session

**Place of Meeting:** Long Beach Administration Building

**Members Present:** Board President Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.  
Board Member Anne Conway  
Board Member Alexis Pace  
Board Member Nora Bellsey

**Absent:** Board Vice President Sam Pinto

**Others Present:** Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools  
Michael I. DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations  
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration  
Dr. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction  
Mr. Michael Vigliotta, Atty., Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC

Board President Ryan called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:34 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into  
Executive Session

**Motion by:** Board Member Conway  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Bellsey  
**Approved:** 4-0

Board President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:46 PM.

Adjournment

**Motion by:** Board Member Pace  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Bellsey  
**Approved:** 4-0

**MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** October 11, 2023

**Type of Meeting:** Regular Meeting

**Place of Meeting:** Lido Elementary School Multipurpose Rm.

**Members Present:** Board President Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.  
Board Member Anne Conway  
Board Member Alexis Pace  
Board Member Nora Bellsey

**Absent:** Board Vice President Sam Pinto

**Others Present:** Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools  
Michael I. DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations  
Dr. Michele Natali, Asst. Supt. for Personnel & Administration  
Dr. Janna Ostroff, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction  
Mr. Michael Vigliotta, Atty., Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC  
Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
Members of the Public

**I. Superintendent’s Opening Remarks/Call to Order**

Board President Ryan called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

**II. Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Gallagher**

Superintendent’s Report

- None

**III. President Ryan called for Board of Education Comments**

BOE Comments

- None

**IV. President Ryan called for Student Organization Announcements**  
None.

Student Organization Announcements

**V. President Ryan called for Questions and Comments from the Public – Items on Today’s Agenda Only**

Questions/Comments from Public – Items on Tonight’s Agenda Only

- None

**VI. Dr. Gallagher recommended the acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report for August 2023 – no action needed.**

Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report

- VII. Dr. Gallagher recommended the Approval of Minutes for Executive Session and Regular Meeting of September 12, 2023 and Executive Session and Regular Meeting of September 26, 2023.

Approval of Minutes for Exec Session and Regular Meeting of Aug. 29, 2023 and Special Meeting of Aug. 31, 2023

President Ryan called for a motion.

Motion by: Board Member Conway

Seconded by: Board Member Pace

Approved: 4-0

VIII. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

- VIII.1 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Certificated

Presentations of the Superintendent

Approval of: Personnel Matters: Certificated

Board President Ryan called for a motion as amended.

Motion by: Board Member Bellsey

Seconded by: Board President Ryan

Approved: 4-0

- VIII.2 Dr. Gallagher recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated

Approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated

Board President Ryan called for a motion as amended.

Motion by: Board Member Conway

Seconded by: Board Member Pace

Approved: 4-0

**RESOLUTIONS**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions.

**I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(a) Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement**

Name: Lisa Gropper  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Assistant/LBHS  
Effective Date: June 30, 2023

**(b) Resignations**

Name: Catherine Salem  
Assign./Loc. Permanent Substitute Teacher/East School  
Effective Date: September 22, 2023

Name: Claudia Piccolino  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Assistant/LBHS  
Effective Date: September 29, 2023 close of day

**(c) Leave of Absence**

Name: Kirstyn Pappas  
 Assign./Loc: Guidance Counselor/Lido School  
 Effective Dates: October 27, 2023-February 1, 2024  
 Reason: Maternity/FMLA

**(d) Appointment: Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher**

Name: Angela Austin  
 Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher/Lido School  
 Certification: Permanent Special Education N-12  
 Professional School District Leader  
 Provisional School Administrator/Supervisor  
 Effective Dates: October 16, 2023-June 30, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
 Tenure Area: Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions-  
 General Special Education  
 Salary Classification: PhD/Step 2 (\$88,031 per annum)  
 Reason: To fill a vacancy

**I. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(e) Amended Appointment Part Time Pre K Teacher Assistants-Afternoon Shift 25 hours per week September 5, 2023-through June 26, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason	Shift
Jean McKeon	1	\$ 18.81	Lido	Pre K	pm

**(f) Appointment Part Time Teacher Assistant-17.5 hours per week Start date -through June 26, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason	Shift	Start Date
MaryAnn Scott	1	\$ 18.81	East	CSE	pm	10/12/23

**(g) Appointment: Extended Essay Mentors for International Baccalaureate Diploma Program effective 2023-2024 school year-Rate of Pay \$59.97 per hour**

Jenna Berto	Jonathan Bloom	Karen Bloom
Anthony Cabasino	Christianne Donohue	Kristine Farrell
Tamara Filloramo	Eric Fox	Christine Graham
Rachell Koegel	Lee Krinsky	Marlon Lainez
Elizabeth Levin	Cody Onufrock	Brian Petschauer
Jennifer Quinn	Michelle Schiffer	Samantha Silverman
James Stankard	Toni Weiss	Diane Maier

**(h) Appointment: Advisors for LBHS Co-Curricular Activities 2023-2024 School Year**

HS Club Activity	Name	Stipend \$
Dance	Jessica Baker <i>Rescind Katie Zator</i>	3,297
AVID	Ryan Connolly <i>Rescind Amy Leder</i>	1,649

(i) **Appointment: Advisors for LBMS Co-Curricular Activities 2023-2024 School Year**

MS Club Activity	Name	Stipend
Intramural Golf	Wally Kramme/Joseph Hoffman	2,473

(j) **Appointment: Interscholastic Coaches for the 2023/2024**

SPORT	Coach	Stipend
V Gymnastics Assistant	Christina Franceschini	5,528

I. **CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

(k) **Appointment: Teacher Mentors for the 2023-2024 school year-Stipend: \$1,200**

Brianna Carnevale	Scott Knyper	Dave Lobenstein
Scott Scheinson	Grace Parisi	Daniel D'Ottavio
Stephanie Mena	Heather Fisher	Kurt Allen
Tova Markowitz	Penny India	Nancy Connor
Dana Monti	Darice Bynoe	Justin Sulsky
Christina Causi		

(l) **The following personnel are recommended to be employed in the New York State Education Department's funded Adult Education Programs and GED Program dependent upon funding, funding requirements, and satisfactory performance for the 2023-2024 school year.**

**CERTIFICATED INSTRUCTIONAL**

Name	Pay code	Rate per hour	Max hours	Total
Jennifer Kane	I-6	37.88	256	9,697

(m) **The following Short Term Substitutes are recommended for approval for the dates below. \$241.02 per day**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Rachel Samlin	October 24, 2023-January 31, 2024
Lory Tomici	October 5, 2023-January 26, 2024

(n) **The following Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2023-2024 school year-rate of pay \$150 per day.**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>CERTIFICATION AREA</b>
Eric Finneran	Initial Childhood Education 1-6
Michael Cohen	Permanent Social Studies 7-12
Stacyann Ramsaran	School Psychology (in process)
Angie Corea	Initial Childhood Education (in process)
Jacqueline Riccio	Initial English 7-12 (pending)
Matthew Hartman	Initial Childhood Education 1-6
Dariel Chernoff	Initial Childhood Education (pending)
Michael Lundwall	Permanent Pre K-6

**II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(a) Resignations**

Name: Fraini Pascual  
Assign./Loc. Bus Driver/Transportation Department  
Effective Date: September 15, 2023 Close of day

Name: Nanci Yarwood  
Assign./Loc. Bus Driver/Transportation Department  
Effective Date: October 6, 2023 close of day

Name: Joanna Schnitzer  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Aide/Lido School  
Effective Date: October 5, 2023 close of day

**(b) Leave of Absence**

Name: Ethel Yarwood  
Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Aide/LBMS  
Effective Dates: September 15, 2023-December 22, 2023  
Reason: Medical

**(c) Appointment: Provisional Data Specialist (10 months)**

Name: Patricia Castellani  
Assign./Loc.: Provisional Data Specialist/West School  
Effective Date: October 4, 2023-June 30, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)  
Salary Classification: \$33,477 per annum  
Step: Grade II/Step 5  
Reason: To fill a vacancy  
Comment: Takes a leave of absence from teacher assistant position

**(d) Appointment Part Time Teacher Aides 17.5 hours per week Start date-through June 26, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion). Rate according to contract**

Name	Step	Rate	Location	Reason	Start date
David Gonsalves	1	17.58	Lindell	CSE	10/12/23
Thomas Farrell	1	17.58	LBMS	CSE	9/27/23
Ana Ruiz Fernandez	1	17.58	East	Program	10/12/23

**(e) Recommend** that the Board of Education of the Long Beach Public Schools hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to amend the terms and conditions of employment for the following staff members.

**Name**

Risa Centenni  
Lorrene Dolan  
Barbara O'Brien  
Brian Oper  
Kelliann Santaniello  
Mary Elizabeth Stark

**II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

**(f) Completion of Probationary Appointments**

The staff members listed below have completed their probationary appointments and have received a satisfactory evaluation and are hereby recommended for permanent appointment.

Name: Blaine Garde  
Assign./Loc.: Cleaner/LBHS

Name: Risa Centenni  
Assign./Loc.: Secretary I/Business Office

Name: Xu Quansheng  
Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation Department

**(g) The following Per Diem Substitute is recommended for approval for the 2023-2024 school year.**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>
Deborah Schwarz	Teacher Assistant
Caitlin Casey	Nurse
Lauren Franceschini	Nurse
Jamal Cartez Williams	Cleaner

**(h) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE LONG BEACH SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Long Beach Public Schools and the Long Beach School Employees Association, dated October 11, 2023.

**(i) MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT: LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE LONG BEACH SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Long Beach Public Schools and the Long Beach School Employees Association, dated September 22, 2023.

**Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items IX.3 through Item IX.7.**

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board President Ryan  
**Seconded by:** Board Member Conway  
**Approved:** 4-0

**VIII.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF LEGAL SETTLEMENT – ALTRIA/PHILIP MORRIS**

<b>Acceptance of Legal Settlement – Altria/Philip Morris</b>
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**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby approves the global confidential Government Entity Settlement Agreement with Altria Group, Inc. Philip Morris USA, Inc., Altria Client Services LLC, Altria Enterprises, LLC and Altria Group Distribution Company (collectively "Altria"); and Plaintiff's Leadership in

MDL No. 2913 and JCCP No. 5052 on behalf of all Settling Government Entity Plaintiffs, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District to execute said settlement agreement.

**VIII.4 Dr. Gallagher recommended the AWARD OF BID - MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOFTOP HVAC REPAIR**

**Award of Bid – Middle School Roof Repair**

**WHEREAS**, the District placed a legal notice advertising a bid for Repair/Replace Long Beach Middle School Rooftop H & V Unit in the official district papers on September 21, 2023, and provided bid documents to Comfort Kool, Eastern Industrial Services and JNS Heating Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the District, in accordance with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law, invited bids on the Repair/Replace Long Beach Middle School Rooftop H & V Unit which bids were opened publicly on September 28, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, JNS Heating Services was the lowest priced responsible bidder, see below, on the Repair/Replace Long Beach Middle School Rooftop H & V Unit bid;

MIDDLE SCHOOL ROOFTOP HVAC REPAIR BID – Opened 9/28/2023 @11:00AM	
Contractor	Bid Amount
Comfort Kool	No Bid
Eastern Industrial Services	\$83,000
JNS Heating Services	<b>\$21,500</b>

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby determines that JNS Heating Services was the lowest priced responsible bidder on the Repair/Replace Long Beach Middle School Rooftop H & V Unit bid and approves the award of the Repair/Replace Long Beach Middle School Rooftop H & V Unit contract to JNS Heating Services, and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to execute said agreement on its behalf.

**VIII.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF PIGGYBACK AGREEMENT – BAYSHORE**

**Approval of Piggyback Agreement - Bayshore**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District is authorized to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, and the contracting of services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of those items, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 103(16); and

**WHEREAS**, the Bay Shore Union Free School District awarded to Renu Contracting & Restoration, Inc. a contract pursuant to a December 22, 2022 Invitation to Bid for General Building Maintenance involving New Construction, Reconstruction, and Demolition (the "Renu Contract") which contract is for the labor, materials, equipment and any other appurtenances necessary for new construction, reconstruction and demolition and which has been extended by its terms to other governmental entities

and political subdivisions in accordance with General Municipal Law section 103(16), the term of which runs from February 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has received and seeks to accept a pricing proposal from Renu Contracting & Restoration, Inc., dated April 19, 2023, for new construction, reconstruction and demolition pursuant to the above referenced contract bid award ("Pricing Proposal").

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves the Renu Contracting & Restoration, Inc. April 19, 2023 Pricing Proposal for such Long Beach City School District work which arises during the term of the Renu Contract and which the Superintendent or designee determines to be within the scope of work authorized in the Renu Contract, provided any such work shall be governed by the terms set forth in the Renu Contract with the Bay Shore Union Free School District referred to above.

**VIII.6 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT – TRANSPORTATION**

Approval of Agreement  
Transportation

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves a transportation contract dated September 11, 2023 with Nassau Kids, LLC in connection with Yeshiva Ketana, TAG and Darchei Torah PM only in the total sum of \$5,610.00, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the contract on behalf of the District; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves the transportation contract dated August 25, 2023 with Nassau Kids, LLC in connection with Wang Yeshiva University for Girls in the total sum of \$6,050.00, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the contract on behalf of the District.

**VIII.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF DISPOSITION OF OBSOLETE TEXTBOOKS**

Approval of Disposition of  
Obsolete Textbooks

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the disposal of obsolete textbooks which are no longer useful or necessary for school district purposes and of no value to the School District as indicated on a list attached to and made part of this resolution.

**VIII.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the SECOND READING OF REVISED POLICY #6121 SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE WORKPLACE**  
No action required.

Second Reading of Policy  
#6121 Sexual Harassment  
in the Workplace

**VIII.9 Dr. Gallagher recommended the FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY #3420 NON-DISCRIMINATION AND ANTI-HARASSMENT IN THE DISTRICT**  
No action required.

Second Reading of Policy  
#3420 Non-Discrimination  
and Anti-Harassment in  
the District

**Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.10 through Item VIII.12.**

**Board President Ryan called for a motion.**

**Motion by:** Board Member Bellsey

**Seconded by:** Board Member Pace

**Approved:** 4-0

**VIII.10 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION AND COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Acceptance of CSE/CPSE Recommendations
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**VIII.11 Dr. Gallagher recommended the PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES**

Approval of Payment of Legal Bills: Legal Services
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**A) VOLZ & VIGLIOTTA, PLLC**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC for the monthly retainer for general counsel legal services for the period of November 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023; and \$3,583.33 for the monthly retainer for labor counsel legal services for the period of November 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023.

**VIII.12 Dr. Gallagher recommended the APPROVAL OF USE OF SCHOOLS APPLICATIONS**

Approval of Use of Schools Applications
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**BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the use of schools as attached, not to conflict with District events. However, please note that events may have to be modified and/or rescheduled based on building schedule.

**APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOLS**

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Facility Requested</u>	<u>Date Requested</u>
City of Long Beach	Recreational Basketball/Volleyball	Lindell Gymnasium	Mon. Wed. Fri. 10/4/2023 – 6/7/2024 6:30pm – 9:30pm
City of Long Beach	Recreational Wrestling	Lido Multipurpose Rm. A	Mon. and Wed. 12/4/2023 – 3/27/2024 6:30pm – 9:00pm
City of Long Beach	Recreational Basketball/Pickleball	Lido Gymnasium	Tues. and Thurs. 1/2/2024 – 4/18/2024 6:00pm – 9:00pm

City of Long Beach	Recreational Basketball/Pickleball	West Gymnasium	Tues. and Thurs. 11/9/2023 – 4/18/2024 6:00pm – 9:00pm
CYO TriParish	Boys and Girls Basketball	Lindell Gymnasium	Tues. and Thurs. 10/5/2023 – 3/14/2024 6:30pm – 9:30pm
O’Neill Theatre	Rehearsals and Performance	High School Auditorium	Tues. through Fri. 1/2/2024 – 1/5/2024 6:30pm – 9:00pm

**Board of Ed – Additional Comments**

**VII. Board of Education – Additional New/Old Business, if any**

- Dr. Ryan reminded the public that this weekend is Homecoming and the Wall of Fame Ceremony. All are invited.

**Questions and Comments from the Public**

**VIII. Questions and Comments from the Public**

None

**IX. Announcements**

**Announcements**

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers’ Association – None
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – None
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Ms. McNicholas stated that parents are very impressed by Transportation.

**X. Adjournment**

**Adjournment**

President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn at 7:05 PM.

Motion by: Board President Ryan  
 Seconded by: Board Member Conway  
 Approved: 4-0

Minutes submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lori Dolan, District Clerk  
 October 11, 2023