

MINUTES

Date of Meeting: January 16, 2024

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Lindell Elementary School Faculty Room

Members Present: Board President Dennis Ryan, Ph.D.
Board Vice President Sam Pinto
Board Member Anne Conway
Board Member Nora Bellsey

Absent: Board Member Alexis Pace

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 5:03 PM to discuss district pending legal and personnel matters.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session

Motion by: Board Vice President Pinto
Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey
Approved: 4-0

Board President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 6:47 PM.

Adjournment

Motion by: Board Vice President Pinto
Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey
Approved: 4-0

MINUTES

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Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place of Meeting: Lindell Elementary School Auditorium

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Board Vice President Sam Pinto
Board Member Anne Conway
Board Member Nora Bellsey

Absent: Board Member Alexis Pace

Others Present: Dr. Jennifer Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools
Michael I. DeVito, Asst. Supt. For Finance and Operations
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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 at 7:00pm and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Dr. Ryan wished everyone a happy new year and offered regrets for Ms. Pace who was not feeling well and unable to attend the meeting. He then turned the meeting over to the Superintendent.

II. Superintendent's Report – Dr. Gallagher

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Gallagher introduced Dr. Ostroff who stated that tonight's Student Showcase was "Computer Science" which is really an interdisciplinary effort – it falls under STEM, Mathematics and Technology, and thanked Ms. Tursi, Ms. Martin and Mr. Pettas, and let everyone know to tune in at the next meeting as well, where they will be showcasing Elementary STEM. Dr. Ostroff then turned it over to Mr. Cabasino and Mr. Kolanovic, who introduced the high school students enrolled in the Computer Science program: Sophia Araque, Henry Ben, Keyi Chen, Troy DeFrancesco, Arsen Hrabko, Matthew Ingoglia and Jake Maloney. They gave a brief overview of district-wide coding, robotics, and digital literacy, to more recently added programs: AP Computer Science (an introductory college-level computer science course) and IB Computer Science (a two-year course focusing on software development and fundamentals of computer systems).

Dr. Gallagher then asked Mr. DeVito to present the “Rollover Budget and Benefits Projection” presentation, stating that the rollover budget is the starting point in the formal budget preparation process, and that over the next few months, he will meet with different district administrators to review needs for 2024-2025 and look at ways to trim down projected costs. The difference between the current budget and next year’s projected budget, assuming other revenue sources remain, will be an increase of 2.48%. Mr. DeVito explained that staff salaries are projected based on next year’s salary schedule, some costs have been increased by 2% to account for likely price increases. He added that there is a large increase in the ERS retirement systems codes based on a projection of increase in staff in Tier 6 and rate increases. The 2024-25 Rollover Budget includes a 10% increase “factor” for health insurance premiums for January 1, 2025.

The complete presentation, “Rollover Budget and Benefits Projection” can be found on the District website and in the office of the District Clerk.

BOE Comments

III. President Ryan called for Board of Education Comments

- Dr. Ryan stated that he enjoyed the humor and spontaneity of the student presentations and asked if it is an elective. Mr. Cabasino said that the students receive science credit. Mr. Ryan asked one of the students if he was intending to pursue a degree in computer science and the student replied that he was interested in cyber science. Dr. Ryan also asked Mr. Cabasino if AI (Artificial Intelligence) is discussed, and Mr. Cabasino replied that they talk about AI in the news. Dr. Ryan also asked about enrollment, and Mr. Cabasino stated that there is a total of 26 students enrolled in both programs. Dr. Ryan stated that he liked that each student seemed to really enjoy their experience in the program.
- Board Member Conway echoed Dr. Ryan, adding that it was the highlight of the meeting, and thanked all of the students for coming. She suggested that Mr. DeFrancesco apply his computer surf program to the local surf webcams.
- Board Vice President Pinto thanked the students and stated that he was happy that these students are forging the path for the next generation of computer science students.
- Dr. Ryan asked Mr. DeVito if he had heard from the State in terms of foundation aid, and Mr. DeVito stated that the Governor’s proposed budget called for a potential reduction in aid of \$3.4 million. Dr. Ryan reiterated that, with the potential reduction in state aid of \$3.4 million and the projected budget variance next year of \$3.7 million, that results in an approximate shortfall of \$7 million and Mr. DeVito agreed.
- Board Member Bellsey thanked Mr. DeVito for simplifying the budget process in his presentation.
- Board Member Conway thanked Mr. DeVito for his transparency and for always putting the students first, and asked Mr. DeVito when he will know for sure (of the potential reduction in aid), and Mr. DeVito stated that the state’s budget isn’t adopted until April 1st, so we won’t know for sure until we get closer to that date.
- Dr. Ryan asked if there was anything the district could do now and Mr. DeVito state that they will take one million dollars from the appropriated fund balance to put towards next year.

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

- None

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

VI. Dr. Gallagher recommended the acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report for November 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 December 12, 2023 as amended.

President Ryan called for a motion to approve as amended.

Motion by: Board Member Conway

Seconded by: Board Member Bellsey

Approved: 4-0

Approval of Minutes for
Exec Session and
Regular Meeting of
Dec.12, 2023 as
amended

VIII. PRESENTATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

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

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

Motion by: Board President Ryan

Seconded by: Board Vice President Pinto

Discussion: Mrs. Conway thanked the teachers who were retiring for their years of service.

Approved: 4-0

Presentations of the Superintendent

Approval of: Personnel Matters:
Certificated

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

Board President Ryan called for a motion as amended.

Motion by: Board Vice President Pinto

Seconded by: Board Member Conway

Approved: 4-0

Approval of Personnel
Matters: Non-Certificated

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) Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: Beth Prostick

Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Lido School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Debra Rabiner
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Long Beach Middle School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Robert Gallopini
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Long Beach Middle School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Mary Jane Rochford
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/East School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Lauren Breen
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/East School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

Name: Jennifer Diamond
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/East School
Effective Date: June 30, 2024, close of day

(b) Resignations

Name: Nina Arlotta
Assign./Loc. Regular Substitute Reading Teacher/LBMS
Effective Date: January 22, 2024, close of day or earlier at the district's discretion

Name: Angela Austin
Assign./Loc. Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher/Lido School
Effective Date: January 26, 2024, close of day or earlier at the district's discretion

Name: Christine Smith
Assign./Loc. Permanent Substitute/Lido School
Effective Date: January 5, 2024, close of day

(c) Leaves of Absence

Name: Lindsey Meehan
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Lindell School
Effective Dates: June 3, 2024 – June 26, 2024 (on or about)
Reason: Maternity/FMLA

Name: Timothy Donohue
Assign./Loc. Full Time Teacher Assistant/Lido School
Effective Dates: January 24, 2024 – May 14, 2024
Reason: Educational

Name: Brigid Whelan

Assign./Loc. Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lindell School
Effective Dates: January 2, 2024 – January 16, 2024
Reason: Medical

Name: RoseAnn Pinto
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Lindell School
Effective Dates: February 22, 2024 – April 4, 2024 (on or about)
Reason: Maternity/FMLA

Name: Dayna Griffin
Assign./Loc. Special Education Teacher/Long Beach Middle School
Effective Dates: February 26, 2024 – March 15, 2024 (on or about)
Reason: Childcare/FMLA

Name: Sandra Hnis
Assign./Loc. Spanish Teacher/Long Beach Middle School
Effective Dates: March 27, 2024 – June 30, 2024 (on or about)
Reason: Maternity/FMLA

Name: Tara Wesselhoft
Assign./Loc. PE/Health Teacher/Long Beach Middle School
Effective Dates: January 29, 2024 – June 30, 2024 (on or about)
Reason: Childcare

(d) Amended Leave of Absence

Name: Courtney Elliott
Assign./Loc. Elementary Teacher/Lindell School
Effective Dates: November 29, 2023 – January 16, 2024
Original Dates: November 29, 2023 – January 8, 2024
Reason: Medical

(e) Appointment: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher

Name: Collyn-Ann Possidel
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Elementary Teacher/Lindell School
Certification: Permanent N-6
Permanent Special Education N-12
Effective Dates: January 29, 2024-June 30, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)
Tenure Area: Elementary
Salary Classification: MA/Step1(\$72,177 per annum) prorated
Reason: To fill a vacancy

(f) Appointment: Regular Substitute Special Education Elementary Teacher

Name: Kara Doherty
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Special Education Elementary Teacher/Lido School
Certification: Initial Students with Disabilities K-12
Initial Childhood Education 1-6
Effective Dates: January 27, 2024-June 30, 2024 (or earlier at the district's discretion)

Tenure Area: Special Education
Salary Classification: MA/Step2 (\$74,919 per annum) prorated
Reason: To fill a vacancy

(g) Appointment: Interscholastic Coaches for the 2023/2024 school year

SPORT	COACH	Stipend
Varsity Assistant Track-Girls	Daniel Vaeth <i>Rescind Katherine Dascher</i>	6,185

(h) Appointment: Coaches for Special Olympics/Challenger – 2023/2024 school year, rate of pay \$59.97 per hour, max hours 70.

Dayna Griffin – Special Education Teacher
Andrea Hinke – Special Education Teacher

(i) Approval of Applications for Participation in Group A Study Programs-Winter/Spring 2023-2024. The following staff members have applied for funding for coursework as indicated under the appropriate provision of their contract. Recommend approval of the tuition/fees.

Name	Allocation	Name	Allocation
Nicole Petrullo	\$580	Daniel Bailey	\$360
William Papetti	\$1245	Chelsea Way	\$1000
Danielle Lopez	\$800		

(j) Approval of Applications for Participation in Group B Study Programs- Winter/Spring 2023-2024. The following staff members have applied for funding for coursework as indicated under the appropriate provision of their contract. Recommend approval of the tuition/fees.

Name	Allocation
Maria Saraceni	\$238
Sally Keiser	\$568
Anna McGovern	\$2694

(k) Appointment: The following Per Diem Long Term Substitute Teacher is recommended for approval for the dates below. \$241.02 per day

Name	Dates
Joshua Wolin Guidance Counselor	January 11, 2024 – March 14, 2024 (on or about)

(l) 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
Michelle Dodd-Gould	1	\$ 18.81	LBMS	CSE	AM	1/10/24

(m) The following Per Diem Substitute Teachers are recommended for approval for the 2023-2024 school year.

NAME	CERTIFICATION AREA
Sophia Reichert	Initial Early Childhood Education B-2 (in process) Initial Childhood Education 1-6 (in process)
Allison Rochford	Visual Arts, Initial

II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Leaves of Absence

Name: Brian Sandmeier
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Teacher Aide/LBMS
Effective Date: January 2, 2024 – January 19, 2024
Reason: Educational Leave

Name: Ashrafun Nessa
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Teacher Aide/LBMS
Effective Date: January 2, 2024 – January 20, 2024
Reason: Family Illness

(b) Appointment: Provisional Confidential Financial Analyst II

Name: Keri Cohen
Assign./Loc.: Provisional Confidential Financial Analyst II/Business Office
Effective Date: January 10, 2024
Salary Classification: \$80,000 per annum - prorated
Reason: To fill a vacancy
Comment: Takes a leave of absence as a Probationary Payroll Clerk

(c) Appointment: Probationary Payroll Clerk

Name: Theresa Stavola
Assign./Loc.: Probationary Payroll Clerk/Business Office
Effective Date: January 10, 2024
Probationary End Date: January 9, 2025
Salary Classification: \$50,012 per annum – prorated
Step: Grade VI/Step 5
Reason: To fill a vacancy
Comment: Takes a leave of absence as a Probationary Account Clerk

(d) Appointment: Provisional Dispatcher

Name: Cindy Algarin
Assign./Loc.: Provisional Dispatcher/Transportation Department
Effective Date: January 2, 2024
Salary Classification: \$73,329 per annum - prorated
Step: Grade VI/Step 4
Reason: To fill a vacancy
Comment: Takes a leave from current position

II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(e) Appointment: Provisional Assistant Dispatcher

Name: Dora Salinas

Assign./Loc.: Provisional Assistant Dispatcher/Transportation Department
 Effective Date: January 3, 2024
 Salary Classification: \$65,775 per annum - prorated
 Step: Grade V/Step 6
 Reason: To fill a vacancy
 Comment: Takes a leave from current position

(f) Appointment: Probationary Cleaner/Nights

Name: Daniel Fowler
 Assign./Loc.: Night Cleaner/Lido Complex
 Effective Date: January 10, 2024
 Probationary End Date: January 10, 2028
 Salary Classification: \$41,069 per annum-prorated
 Step: Grade I/Step 3
 Reason: To fill a vacancy

(g) Appointment: Provisional Secretary I

Name: Alison Acosta
 Assign./Loc.: Provisional Secretary I/Lindell School
 Effective Date: January 10, 2024
 Salary Classification: \$43,338 per annum-prorated
 Step: Grade IV/Step 5
 Reason: To fill a vacancy
 Comment: Takes a leave of absence as a Teacher Aide

(h) 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	Comment
Laura Bavasso	1	17.58	East	CSE	1/10/24	
Lisa Romanelli	1	17.58	Lindell	504	1/10/24	
Stephen Salerno	1	17.58	LBMS	CSE	1/18/24	
Hannah Clarke	1	17.58	Lido	CSE	1/17/24	
Jaysha Teemer	6	21.76	LBMS	CSE	1/17/24	Reinstated

(i) Appointment: Temporary Data Specialist 17.5 Hours/week

Name: April McLeod
 Assign./Loc.: Temporary Data Specialist/Lido School
 Effective Date: January 10, 2024
 Step: Grade II/Step 5
 Salary Classification: \$33,477 per annum/prorated
 Reason: To fill a vacancy

II. NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

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

Name	Position
Tara Murphy	Nurse
Caroline Ferrante	Clerical
Christine Fowler	Clerical

Annette King Clerical

(k) 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: Christine O'Driscoll
Assign./Loc.: Administrative Assistant/ Administration
Effective Date: January 1, 2024

Name: Jaime McQuillan
Assign./Loc.: Secretary I/ LBMS PPS
Effective Date: January 27, 2024

Name: Kerry Ennis
Assign./Loc.: Secretary I/ Lido PPS
Effective Date: January 27, 2024

VIII.3 Dr. Gallagher recommended a STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE

Approval of a Stipulation of Settlement and Release

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby approves a Stipulation of Settlement and Release with regard to a student discussed in executive session and identified in Confidential Attachment "A" dated January 5, 2024, and authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on its behalf.

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

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

VIII.4 Dr. Gallagher asked the BOARD TO ANNOUNCE ITS DECISION REGARDING A SUPERINTENDENT SUSPENSION APPEAL

Superintendent Suspension Appeal Decision

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby denies the appeal of the suspension of a student identified in Confidential Attachment "A" dated December 19, 2023 and authorizes the Board President to notify the parent/guardian of its decision in writing.

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

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

Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.5 through Item VIII.7.

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

Motion by: Board President Pinto

Seconded by: Board Member Conway

Discussion: Mrs. Conway thanked the CSEA for their donation of the pop-up tent for Special Olympics

and Mr. Pinto seconded that.

Approved: 4-0

Award of Bid –
Compactor and Rolloff
Container Services

VIII.5 Dr. Gallagher recommended the AWARD OF BID – COMPACTOR AND ROLLOFF CONTAINER SERVICES

WHEREAS, the District placed legal notice advertising a bid for Compactor and Rolloff Container Services in the official district papers on December 14, 2023, and provided bid documents to Jamaica Ash and Rubbish Removal Co., Inc. and Winter Brothers; and

WHEREAS, the District, in accordance with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law, invited bids on Compactor and Rolloff Container Services which bids were opened publicly on December 21, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Jamaica Ash and Rubbish Removal Co., Inc. was the lowest priced responsible bidder on the Compactor and Rolloff Container Services bid as follows:

COMPACTOR & ROLLOFF CONTAINER BID OPENED 12/21/23	
VENDOR	BID
Jamaica Ash & Rubbish Removal	\$3318
Winter Bros.	\$3400 + \$125 per ton

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby determines that Jamaica Ash and Rubbish Removal Co., Inc. was the lowest priced responsible bidder on the Compactor and Rolloff Container Services bid and approves the award of the Compactor and Rolloff Container Services contract to Jamaica Ash and Rubbish Removal Co., Inc., and authorizes the District Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations to execute said agreement on its behalf.

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 November 15, 2023 with We Transport, Inc. in connection with Day Hospital at Blythedale Hospital in the sum of \$90,000, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the contract on behalf of the District.

VIII.7 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION – SPECIAL OLYMPICS TENT AND BANNER

Acceptance of Donation

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts a donation from Long Beach Unit of C.S.E.A. of a pop-up

tent and banner for use at High School Special Olympics events.

- VIII.8 Dr. Gallagher recommended the SECOND READING OF AMENDED POLICY #8450 HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION**
No action needed.

Second Reading of Policy
#8450 Homebound
Instruction

Dr. Gallagher recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.9 through Item VIII.12.

Board President Ryan called for a motion.

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

- VIII.9 Dr. Gallagher recommended the ADOPTION READING OF AMENDED POLICY #8230 SCHOOL COUNSELING /GUIDANCE PROGRAMS**

Adoption of Policy #8230
School Counseling/
Guidance Programs

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby adopts revised Policy #8230 School Counseling/Guidance Programs.

- 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

- VIII.11 Dr. Gallagher recommended the PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES**

Approval of Payment of
Legal Bills: Legal Services

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 February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024; \$367.50 for general counsel legal services for the period of December 6, 2023 through December 12, 2023; \$3,583.33 for the monthly retainer for labor counsel legal services for the period of February 1, 2024 through February 29, 2024; and \$612.50 for labor counsel legal services for the period of December 18, 2023 through December 27, 2023.

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

Approval of Use of Schools
Applications

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>Dates Requested</u>
L.I. Swimming Club	Swimming Practice	High School Pool	Weekdays Jan. 2 – Feb. 23, 2024 6:45pm – 8:45pm Saturdays Jan. 20 – Feb. 17, 2024 11:00am – 2:30pm
Cub Scout Pack 51	Cub Scout Meetings	Lindell Cafeteria	First Tuesday of Each Month Jan. – June, 2024 6:15pm – 7:45pm
Long Beach Lacrosse Club	Lacrosse Practice	Middle School Gymnasium	Mondays and Wednesdays Feb. 5 – Feb. 28, 2024 7:00pm – 9:00pm
Long Breach Football Club	Winter Training	Long Beach Middle School Gym	Tues. & Thurs. Jan. 16 – Feb. 29, 2024 6:30pm – 9:30pm

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

Board of Ed – Additional Comments

- Board Member Conway thanked everyone for a smooth transition back to school; some things that stick out in her mind was the wrestling event, which was amazing and well attended.

VIII. Questions and Comments from the Public

Questions and Comments from the Public

- A member of the public, who is a parent of an elementary school student, began by thanking the Long Beach administration and spoke regarding an incident at his child’s school. He stated that was clear in his interactions with the school administration and Board that we all share a common goal; expressed concern regarding the school’s “policy” of not reporting a “general” threat of violence in the school; expressed a concern that the district’s lack of transparency leads to an increase in panic among parents. This member of the public read a prepared statement, which Dr. Ryan asked be forwarded to the District Clerk. (Please note that, to date, the statement has not been received). Dr. Gallagher responded stating that she has had conversations with the Board and Counsel regarding this matter and believes we all want the same thing, and that her office will be in touch to sit down and discuss and come to an understanding.

IX. Announcements

Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – Keith Harvey said Happy New Year
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – Keith Biesma said Happy New Year
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – None
4. Parent/Teacher Association – None

X. Adjournment

Adjournment

President Ryan called for a motion to adjourn at 7:46 PM.

Motion by: Board Vice President Pinto

Seconded by: Board Member Conway

Approved: 4-0

Minutes submitted by:

Lori Dolan, District Clerk
January 16, 2024