

September 1, 2010

A special meeting of the Board of Education of Port Jefferson School District was held on September 1, 2010 at Edna Louise Spear Elementary School. Present at the 7:32 p.m. call to order by President Robert Frey were Vice-President Mark Doyle, Board members Kathleen Brennan, Dennis Kahn, Robert Ramus and Elisa Scott, Superintendent Max Riley, and District Clerk Janice Baisley. Board member Lauren Hubbard arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Dr. Frey reported on a conversation he had with Mayor Garant and the LIPA consultant.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Scott that as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve the following resolutions appearing on the September 1, 2010 Special Meeting Agenda:

A) Personnel – resolutions numbered 1 – 18

Discussion ensued regarding the program and FTE associated with items A.5. and A.7. Dr. Riley distributed a breakdown of elementary school FTE. Mrs. Brennan asked that A.7. be voted on separately. Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried 7-0 that the Board approve Personnel resolutions numbered 1 – 6 and 8 – 18.

Motion was made by Dr. Hubbard, seconded by Dr. Doyle that the Board approve resolution A.7. Motion carried 5-2 (Mrs. Brennan and Dr. Kahn opposed).

Motion was made by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Dr. Doyle, and carried 7-0 that the Board approve the following resolution appearing on the September 1, 2010 Special Meeting Agenda:

D) Facilities & Operations – resolution numbered 1

Dr. Frey asked if anyone in the audience wanted to speak.

J. Hull

- inquired about parent notification of math test scores and start of AIS

At 8:25 p.m., motion was made by Dr. Hubbard, seconded by Dr. Doyle and carried 7-0 to adjourn.

A. Personnel

1. Resignation – Teaching Assistant

The Board accepts the retirement of Patricia Bennett-Leute, Teaching Assistant, effective August 15, 2010.

2. Resignation – Teacher

The Board accepts the resignation of Myrill Solaski, Teacher, effective August 25, 2010.

3. Appointment – Special Education Teacher

The Board appoints Kandice Brucella as a teacher of General Special Education, Certification Students with Disabilities 7-12, initial expires 8/31/15, and Math 7-12, initial expires 8/31/15, on a probationary basis effective September 2, 2010 ending September 1, 2013, at Level BA Step 1, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

4. Appointment – Leave Replacement Library Media Specialist

The Board appoints Laurie Burke as Library Media Specialist, Certification School Library Media Specialist, permanent, for the 2010-2011 school year on a leave replacement basis (for Christine Austen), at Level MA Step 3, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

5. Appointment – Elementary Education Teacher

The Board appoints Elizabeth McCabe as a teacher of Elementary Education, Certification PreK-K-6, permanent, and Gifted Education Extension, permanent, on a probationary basis effective September 2, 2010 ending September 1, 2012, at Level MA15 Step 4, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers' Association.

6. Appointment - .6 FTE Technology Integration Specialist

The Board appoints Christine Austen as .6 FTE Technology Integration Specialist for the 2010-2011 school year.

7. Appointment - .7 FTE Elementary Education Teacher

The Board appoints Corrine Van Wickler as .7 FTE teacher of Elementary Education, Certification PreK, K-6 permanent, and Math 7-12 permanent, effective September 2, 2010, at Level MA30 Step 4, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

8. Substitutes

a. The Board approves the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year:

Teacher Aide

Katherine Butera
Bernadine Devlin
Rebecca Kopcienski
John Serignese
Michelle Olson
Emily Fleckenstein

Teaching Assistant

Bernadine Devlin – Teaching Assistant Certification Level 1, exp. 8/31/11
Emily Fleckenstein – not to exceed 40 days
Carmela Loccisano – not to exceed 40 days
Geri Marie Raso – not to exceed 40 days
Rebecca Kopcienski – Teaching Assistant Certification Level 1, exp. 8/31/11
John Serignese – Certification Childhood Education 1-6, initial, exp. 1/31/15
Michelle Olson – not to exceed 40 days

Teacher

Stacey Bresin – Certification Childhood Education 1-6 initial, exp. 8/31/11
Emily Fleckenstein – not to exceed 40 days
Jessica Carotenuto – Certification Students w/ Dis. Birth-Gr.2 and 1-6, Early Educ. Birth-Gr.2 and Elem. Gr. 1-6 initial, exp. 1/31/15
Matthew Matura – not to exceed 40 days
Krista Armiento – Certification Childhood Education 1-6 initial, exp. 1/31/15
Jason Crockett – Certification Music initial, exp. 8/31/15
Susan White – Certification Visual Arts initial, exp. 8/31/14
Keegan Blaney – Certification Students w/ Dis. Gr.1-6, Childhood Education 1-6 initial, exp. 8/31/15

Nurse

Renee Almodovar – licensed registered professional nurse, exp. 8/31/12

b. The Board rescinds the appointment of Michelle Olson as a substitute teacher for the 2010-2011 school year.

9. Request for Leave of Absence

The Board grants the request of Vanessa Salzman for a childcare leave of absence from on or about December 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, in accordance with Article IX.F. of the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

10. Revised Request for Leave of Absence

The Board approves the revised request from Tara Sladek-Maharg for a leave of absence for the 2010-2011 school year, in accordance with Article IX.F.3 “Special Cases” of the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association, for the purpose of completing her dissertation.

11. Revised Appointment Leave Replacement

The Board approves the appointment of Jennifer Sandtorv, NYS Certification – Social Studies 7-12, initial, expiration 8/31/13, as a teacher of Social Studies on a leave replacement basis for the 2010-2011 school year, at Level BA Step 1, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association, subject to Board approval of Personnel Resolution A.10. hereinbefore.

12. Coaching / Athletics

a. The Board rescinds the appointment of James Poulianos as Varsity Boys' Soccer Coach for the 2010-2011 school year.

b. The Board approves the appointment of the following coaches for the 2010-2011 school year:

John Poulianos	Varsity Boys' Soccer Coach
Jennifer Sandtorv	MS Field Hockey Coach
Karin Holvik	Lifeguard

13. Appointment – Co-Curricular Positions

The Board approves the following elementary co-curricular appointments for the 2010-2011 school year:

- a. Garden Club – Brian Kendrick, Ellen Boehm
- b. Intramurals – Lorraine Novellino, Francoise Schachner
- c. Chess and Scrabble Club – Francoise Schachner
- d. Student Government – Michelle Smith, Dana St. Pierre
- e. Drama Club – Mary LaSita, Lorraine Serabian
- f. Computer Club – Kim Berg, Amy Castaldo
- g. Yearbook – Mary Hydek, Lorraine Serabian

14. Additional Assignments

The Board approves the following additional assignments for the 2010-2011 school year, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association:

- a. Edward Pisano – one additional class, Electronic Music, 6 periods per cycle
- b. Matthew Sefick – one additional class, SAT Verbal, first semester, 6 periods per cycle
- c. Eva Grasso – one additional class, Public Speaking, second semester, 6 periods per cycle

15. Change in FTE

The Board approves the status of Linda Moran as .5 FTE Business teacher, effective September 1, 2010, and .5 FTE long term substitute Computer Teacher, effective September 1, 2010, at Level MA Step 10, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

16. Change in FTE

The Board approves the appointment of Gregory Gorniok as .6 FTE Science teacher on a leave replacement basis for the 2010-2011 school year, and .1 FTE long term substitute Computer Teacher effective September 1, 2010, at Level MA Step 6, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

17. Change in FTE

The Board approves the appointment of Christina Carlson as .6 FTE Special Education teacher, effective September 1, 2010, and .2 FTE long term substitute computer teacher for the period September 1, 2010 through no later than January 21, 2011, at Level MA Step 2, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

18. Reclassification

The Board approves the reclassification of Lori Russo from teaching assistant to teacher aide effective September 1, 2010.

B. Finance

C. Education

D. Facilities & Operations

1. Requests for Transportation

- a. The Board approves the requests of Cameron Cohen, Saoirse Cohen, Jillian Sullivan, and Jillian Storms for transportation to the Port Jefferson Village After-School Program for the 2010-2011 school year at no additional cost to the district.
- b. The Board approves the request of John Desan for transportation to the Stony Brook School for the 2010-2011 school year at no additional cost to the district.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

September 14, 2010

The regular monthly business meeting of the Board of Education of Port Jefferson Union Free School District was held on September 14, 2010 at Edna Louise Spear Elementary School. Present at the 7:30 p.m. call to order by President Robert Frey, were Vice President Mark Doyle, Board Members, Kathleen Brennan, Dennis Kahn, Robert Ramus, and Elisa Scott, Superintendent of Schools, Max Riley, and District Clerk, Janice Baisley. Board Member Lauren Hubbard arrived at 10:35 p.m.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. Ramus that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 10, 2010. Dr. Kahn amended the minutes to reflect his vote for Vice-President as Kahn. Minutes as amended carried 6-0.

Dr. Frey announced the open forum.

M. Marks

- transportation routes/safety

M. Boehm, C. Fee, A. Lennon

- condition of field hockey field

E. Boehm

-condition of field hockey field

S. Cohen

- Gifted & Talented program

Dr. Frey asked Dr. Riley to respond to Mr. Cohen by the end of the week.

S. Accardo

- transportation routes/safety

208 E. Broadway

- communication

- transportation routes/safety

T. Tsunis

- priorities for High School

- parent portal

- transportation routes/safety

L. Steiner

- asked board members if they were aware of the route changes

Board members responded.

R. Aiello

- transportation routes/safety

C. Engelhart

- transportation routes/safety
- traffic at the high school

I. Prohovnik

- procedure to avoid reoccurrence

N. Cerullo

- poor communication
- parent participation

L. Lioio

- transportation routes/safety

J. Postal

- transportation routes/safety

A. Witrock

- transportation routes/safety

106 South Street

- transportation routes/safety

R. Rajapakse

- transportation routes/safety
- transportation cost comparison

J. Hull

- transportation routes/safety
- grades 4 & 5 math program

L. Alter

- parent notification of test scores

S. Jones

- personal 504 matter

J. Laffey

- administration to be held accountable

D. Okst

- transportation / use of seat belts

L. Liebert

- transportation / access to bus routes

D. Ramus

- PTA meetings regarding routes / misinformed

K. Sprou

- transportation routes/safety

T. Tsunis

- HS SDM team plan on student drop-off

J. Booker

- agenda item / laptop distribution
- changing bus routes
- weed control on field
- batting cage

9 Soundview

- transportation routes/safety

R. Potter

- dropping students older than Kindergarten at bus stop without a parent present

M. Marts

- Board must face bus situation

J. Postal

- transportation routes

B. Scannell

- lacrosse follow-up

Dr. Frey asked Dr. Riley to send Mr. Scannell a copy of the timeline prepared by Ms. Ferry.

J. Russell

- introduced herself as PTA president

D.Scott

- transportation routes/safety
- teaching left-handed students

L. Lioio

- encouraged parents to attend Board meetings

A. Rubino

- transportation routes/safety

J. Kaiser

- transportation routes/safety
- elimination of YMCA pre-k program

I. Prohovnik

- accountability
- new programs without matrix

C. Famularo

- have student rep give his report

Student Representative, Matthew Strauss – no report

A. Leung

- transportation routes/safety
- parent notification of math scores
- SEAL program / meet with new teacher

M. Collins

- check bus roster before mailing

At 10:05 p.m., open forum concluded.

Dr. Kahn indicated that he would like to make a motion to change the bus stops back to last year's routes. Dr. Frey asked first to hear from the other board members. Each of the Board members present posed their opinion and concurred that immediate action needed to be taken.

Motion was made by Dr. Kahn to return the bus routes to what they previously were and in addition the facilities committee and administration will have an advisory board created to review the stops and before any decisions are made they be brought to the Board. Dr. Frey amended motion that the bus routes be substantially changed to what they were with minor adjustments as suggested with obvious concerns for safety. Mr. Ramus suggested a timeframe be included. Dr. Frey added as expeditiously as possible. Mr. Ramus seconded amended motion adding that the Board receive an answer tomorrow as to when change will occur. Amended motion carried 6-0.

Break 10:20 – 10:40 p.m.

REPORTS

Superintendent of Schools – no report

Board President – Dr. Frey reported on the following:

- Request from Bruce Miller for a meeting with the Board regarding LIPA
- Dr. Riley's announcement of his intent to resign/retire August 2011.

Mr. Ramus expressed concern with the newspaper knowing of Dr. Riley's announcement before members of the Board were informed.

Committee Reports were made by:
Mark Doyle - Education
Mark Doyle – Audit
Dennis Kahn – LIPA
Lauren Hubbard – School Visitation

The following resolutions appearing on the September 14, 2010 consent agenda were presented for Board approval:

- A. Personnel - resolutions numbered 1-7
- B. Finance - resolutions numbered 1-2
- C. Facilities and Operations – resolution numbered 1
- D. Education - resolutions numbered 1-5

Dr. Frey brought forth Personnel Items A.1 – 7.

Mr. Ramus asked that item A.7. be voted on separately.

Mr. Kahn asked that items A.3 and 4 be voted on separately.

Dr. Frey posed that all items appearing under Personnel will be voted on separately.

Motion was made by Dr. Kahn, seconded by Mrs. Brennan and carried 7-0 that item A.1. on the consent agenda be approved.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Hubbard that item A.2. on the consent agenda be approved. Mrs. Brennan requested that this item be moved to executive session for discussion. Item moved to executive session.

Motion was made by Dr. Kahn, seconded by Mrs. Brennan that items A.3. and A.4. on the consent agenda be approved. Discussion ensued. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion was made by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Dr. Hubbard and carried 7-0 that item A.5. on the consent agenda be approved.

Motion was made by Dr. Hubbard, seconded by Dr. Doyle and carried 7-0 that item A.6. on the consent agenda be approved.

Motion was made by Mr. Ramus, seconded by Dr. Doyle that item A.7. on the consent agenda be approved. Discussion ensued. Amended motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Hubbard that A.7. be approved for two months with the proviso that administration meet with parents to explain the program and a 4220 plan be provided to the Board for approval at its November meeting which includes how laptops are integrated into the curriculum and assessment goals. Amended motion carried 7-0.

Motion was made by Dr. Hubbard, seconded by Mrs. Scott that item B.1. on the consent agenda be approved. Mrs. Brennan questioned a specific expense. Mr. Flower will forward the information to her. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Hubbard that item B.2. on the consent agenda be approved. Discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion was made by Dr. Hubbard, seconded by Mrs. Brennan that item C.1. on the consent agenda be approved. Discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion was made by Mr. Ramus, seconded by Dr. Kahn and carried 7-0 that items D.1 – 4 on the consent agenda be approved.

Motion was made by Dr. Kahn, seconded by Mr. Ramus that item D.5. on the consent agenda be approved. The district clerk informed the Board that the cost of the services to be provided by Phoenix House was reduced to \$1,600. Discussion ensued regarding the Peace Day program and a 4220 plan addressing character education being incorporated into the instructional program. Motion failed 3-4 (Mrs. Brennan, Dr. Kahn, Mr. Ramus, Mrs. Scott opposed).

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Frey reported that board policy 6690 states that no less than three board members will serve on the audit committee; and, Elisa Scott will serve as a third board member.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Mr. Ramus, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried 7-0 to table review of the policies being presented for a first reading under new business:

1. 0600 – Administrative Organization
2. 6832 – District-Owned Cellular Telephones
3. 9240 – Recruiting and Hiring

Dr. Frey announced the second open forum.

T. Tsunis

- process for selecting a Superintendent, insure community involvement
input

J. Kaiser

- budget committee / budget planning

J. Hull

- laptop initiation / computer instruction at the elementary school

At 1:05 a.m., motion was made by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mrs. Scott and carried 7-0 that the Board adjourn to executive session to discuss a personnel matter.

The district clerk left the meeting and Dr. Riley acted as Clerk pro tem.

At 1:30 a.m., the Board reentered general session.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Dr. Kahn and carried 7-0 that item A.2. on the Consent Agenda be approved.

At 1:32 a.m., motion was made by Mr. Ramus, seconded by Dr. Doyle and carried 7-0 to adjourn.

CONSENT AGENDA

9/14/10

A. Personnel

1. Appointment – Teaching Assistant

The Board appoints Bernadine Devlin as Teaching Assistant, NYS certification Teaching Assistant Level 1, Exp. 8/31/11, on a probationary basis, effective September 1, 2010 ending August 31, 2013, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Paraprofessionals Association.

2. Appointment – Substitutes

The Board approves the appointment of the following substitutes for the 2010-2011 school year:

Teacher –

Kristin Bedell - NYS certification Biology 7-12, initial exp.8/31/13,
Math 7-12 initial exp. 8/31/13, General Science 7-12, initial extension
exp. 8/31/13, and Childhood Education 1-6, initial exp. 1/31/13

Teaching Assistant -

Michelle Lautato (not to exceed 40 days)

3. Appointment - .4 FTE Dean of Students

The Board approves the appointment of Christine Austen as .4 FTE Dean of Students, for the 2010-2011 school year, at the rate of \$14,000.00

4. Appointment - .4 FTE Dean of Students

The Board approves the appointment of Robert Morgan as .4 FTE Dean of Students, for the 2010-2011 school year, at the rate of \$14,000.00

5. Appointment – Co-Curricular Positions

The Board approves the following co-curricular appointments for the 2010-2011 school year in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association:

Elementary School:

Jacqueline Gandolfo Homework After-School Club

High School:

Christina Carlson & Kristyn Rickmers Junior Class Co-Advisors

Middle School:

Nancy Matura 7th Grade Trip Coordinator

Kristin Britt & Megan Ryan 8th Grade Trip Co-Coordinators

Ed Pisano Concert Band 7/8

Francesca Jourawleff Concert Orchestra 7/8

6. Change in FTE

The Board approves an additional .1 FTE for Gregory Gorniok increasing his long term substitute Computer Teacher FTE to .2 effective September 1, 2010, at his normal PJTA rate of pay.

7. Laptop Distribution Supervisors

The Board approves the establishment of four (4) stipend positions of Laptop Distribution Supervisor at the rate of \$3,000 per position per school year.

B. Finance

1. Financial Reports

The Board accepts the financial reports.

2. Approval of Services

The Board approves the agreement with Cost Management Services, Inc. for the 2010-2011 school year, for the provision of services related to Medicaid reports, collection and document billing data for IEP Plans and services recommended.

C. Facilities and Operation

1. Surplus Property

The Board declares the following items as surplus property; and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to dispose of same in the best financial interest of the district:

(4) Softball/Baseball backstops

- (1) Running Back Blaster Machine
- (1) Tackling push back machine
- (1) Water-horse
- (6) Football pads and blockers
- (2) Gymnastic mats
- (7) Wood workbenches
- (20) copies Chemistry: The Central Science, Brown and LeMay, Prentice Hall, 2000 edition, ISBN 0-13-010310-1
- (13) copies Chemistry: The Central Science, Brown and LeMay, Prentice hall, 1988 edition, ISBN 0-13-129792-9
- (9) copies Conceptual Physics, Addison Wesley, 1987 edition, ISBN 0-675-07069-4
- (50) copies Physics Principles and Problems, Murphy, Charles Merrill, 1986 edition, ISBN 0-675-07069-4
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- (39) copies Earth Science: A Study of a Changing Planet, ISBN 0-205-09841-X
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D. Education

1. CSE Recommendations

The Board accepts the recommendations of the Committees on Special Education.

2. Public School Tuition Contract

The Board approves the Public Tuition Contract for Special Education Services between the Center Moriches Union Free School District and the Port Jefferson Union Free School District, for a specific student for the 2010-2011 school year, as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

3. Approval of Services

The Board approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the district and St. James Tutoring, Inc. for the provision of tutoring services for the 2010-2011.

4. Approval of Services

The Board approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the district and Creative Tutoring, Inc. for the provision of tutoring services for the 2010-2011 school year.

5. Approval of Services

The Board approves the following services for the October 8, 2010 Peace Day Celebration:

- a. Robert Fortier, workshop facilitator, at a cost of \$400.00
- b. Phoenix House, workshop facilitators, at a cost of \$2,250.00
- c. Andrew Sora, workshop facilitator, at a cost of \$325.00
- d. Sunshine Prevention Center, workshop facilitators, at a cost of \$1,200.00