

East Islip School District
Craig B. Gariepy Avenue

Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes of

Mrs. Phillips asked if anyone had any questions regarding the agenda items before putting them before the Board. Mrs. Ferrara asked for clarification of Agenda Items a., b., d., e., f., g., i., j., k., and l. Mr. Fraser, Mr. Chu and Mrs. Phillips clarified the items in question.

ACTION ITEMS: V.) Action Items Recommended by the Supt. of Schools
(Wendell Chu)

TREASURER'S REPORT: a) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2009; Seconded by Mr. Cronin; Opposed by Mr. Raffone and Abstained by Mr. Sargent. Mrs. Phillips voted to approve. Motion carried to approve.

EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUNDS REPORT: b) Motion by Mr. Sargent to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District accept the Extra Classroom Activity Funds Report for the month of July 2009; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: c) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the instructional and educational services contracts with The Center for Developmental Disabilities for educational services to our special education students for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 and Accessible Learning Technology Alternatives for the 2009-10 school year; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

BOCES SUMMER TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT: d) Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the Summer Transportation Contract with BOCES for the 2009 Summer Program; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

OMNI FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.: e) Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District rescind the Renewal Services Agreement with Omni Financial Group, Inc. that was approved at the July 14, 2009 board meeting; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the revised Renewal Services Agreement with Omni Financial Group, Inc. which reflects changes primary to the indemnification and termination clauses that was recommended by Ingerman Smith; Seconded by Mr. Raffone. Mr. Reed – no; Mr. Sargent abstained. Mrs. Phillips voted to approve. Motion carried.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN: f) Motion by Mr. Sargent to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District rescind the contract with Dr. Torelli that was approved at the July 2, 2009 Reorganization meeting at the rate of \$10 per physical; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

Motion by Mr. Sargent to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the revised contract with Dr. Torelli at a \$3 increase for student physicals for the 2009-10 school year; the new rate for physicals is therefore \$13 ; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

REQUEST TO DISPOSE OF FURNITURE: g) Motion by Mr. Cronin to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the disposal of the disposal of 150 student desks, five old teacher desks, and a file cabinet at Connetquot Elementary School. These items are no longer in satisfactory condition and the disposal of eight tables and six chairs from the District Office Boardroom; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

PERSONNEL: h) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve Item #1 in the Certified Personnel Report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve Items 1-9 in the Non-certified Personnel Report as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools; Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL ED. (CSE): i) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following CSE Cases as recommended by the Committee on Special Education (CSE):

Case # 1 – 20070082S through Case # 22 -20070712S in the Continuing Student Category;

Case # 21-20070799S through Case #22-20070797S in the Ineligible Student Category;

Seconded by Mr. Cronin and unanimously approved.

(Copies of all CSE Cases Appended to Minutes)

COMMITTEE ON PRE-SCHOOL SPECIAL ED: j) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following CPSE Cases as recommended by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE):

Case # 2 – 20070330P in the New Student Category;

Case # 1 – 20070334P through Case # 2-20070254P in the Continuing Student Category;

Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved.

Field Trip: k) Motion by Mr. Raffone to approve the Boys' varsity basketball team to tournament

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prohibited due to the confidential nature of personnel matters. However, in this particular case relating to a specific coach, the information pertaining to him at the Board meeting was erroneous.

School employees painted the lines for the fall soccer tournament run by the East Islip Soccer Club. This has been a long standing practice. The East Islip soccer team gives the district thousands of dollars to our students each year so we assist them in this manner. This is similar to providing meeting space for community organizations in our buildings because our custodial staff must clean up meeting areas and bathrooms, etc., after the groups use them. But all of this is positive community gestures. School employees are covered under our insurance during their work hours.

NEW BUSINESS: VII.

- a. Transportation Revote (done at beginning of meeting).
- b. Mr. Chu announced that the Suffolk Association of School Business Officials recently awarded the district a \$500 student scholarship in honor of Mr. Fraser and his work on behalf of children in the East Islip School District.

MOTION by Mr. Sargent to accept the donation of \$500.00 to be utilized for a student scholarship; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved. Mr. Chu added that Mr. Fraser is a leader within the Suffolk County Business Officials Association and just finished his presidency for the State Business Officials Association.

- c. Mr. Gary Gianna thanked the board for putting the transportation proposition up for a revote and stressed that our children must come first. He stated that one bus eliminates thirty-six cars and that everyone should have the chance to ride the bus.
- d. Ms. Joya Perrone reported that her son sustained an injury on his second day of

do not belong in executive session unless called upon by the Board. He also claims that the school attorney does not belong at school board meetings; it is an additional cost. He claims that East Islip's legal fees are high. Mrs. Phillips responded that the district will be sending out a Request for Proposal (RFP) for special education legal services for our district. We are, however, working with attorneys who were approved at the annual reorganization meeting.

k. Mrs. Amy Hughes has a fifth and first grader in the district; the first grader rides, the fifth grader is ineligible. She feels this attributes to buses being empty because she has to drive one child, so she drives both to school.

l. Mr. Ed Paradiso asked for clarification on a Moment of Silence for 9/11; he heard the elementary school students will not be participating in the Moment of Silence. Mr. Chu stated that he was very concerned that our children, pre-kindergarten through grade 6, are not old enough to understand what the Moment of Silence is. What he does want is that every parent has the opportunity to talk with his/her own children. He further stated that he feels it is appropriate at the secondary level to acknowledge 9/11 and that was the basis of his directive to elementary principals. He said we cannot determine what the emotional state would be for our elementary children and that it is important to leave this up to parents. He asks parents to sit down with their children who know how to best speak with them. This is a sensitive issue to Mr. Chu as well; not because we do not care but because this is something that is so sensitive.

m. Mr. Tom Bucci stated that his driveway is one-half mile from John F. Kennedy Elementary School and he has a first and second grader. He was asking how the map is made and stated that the tip of his property appears to be within eligibility to ride. Mr. Fraser said he would look into the matter.

n. Mrs. Ferrara asked what is the cost of the election to be held on November 24th. Mr. Fraser responded that it is approximately \$16,000 and stated that we have to find money from different codes, fund balance. For response to the cost of additional buses, Mr. Fraser said that we would have to request that the board appropriate fund balance to offset the increase in expense so there is no cost to the taxpayer; this year only. Mrs. Ferrara stated that the district cannot increase the budget that was voted on by the community in May.

o. Mr. Flamio requested that at the next Board meeting, we get the amount of money the graduation class of 2009 received in scholarships.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING: VIII. Mrs. Phillips announced the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting would be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 8:00 p.m. This is a change from the regularly scheduled Thursday meetings due a conflict in two board members' schedules. She also announced that a Board workshop would also be scheduled and that date will be announced at the October 6th meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC SESSION: IX. Motion by Mr. Cronin to adjourn the public meeting; Seconded by Mr. Raffone and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:21 p.m.