

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
ISLAND PARK UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ISLAND PARK, NEW YORK**

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, duly called and held on Monday, August 20, 2018 in the Conference Center. Jack Vobis, President, called the Regular Business Meeting to order at 7:00 pm

ROLL CALL

JACK VOBIS, President	ROSMARIE T. BOVINO, Superintendent of Schools
DIANA CARACCILO, Vice President	ROBERT COHEN, District Counsel
TARA BYRNE, Trustee	ALBERT CHASE, Interim School Business Official
KATHLEEN McDONOUGH, Trustee	VINCENT RANDAZZO, Assistant Superintendent
RAY MILEY, Trustee	MARIANNE DeCICCO, District Clerk

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION:

Update from Robert Cohen, Counsel for the District with reference to the Board of Education of IP UFSD v. Long Island Power Authority, et al Robert Cohen, Counsel for the District

I come to you tonight to speak to you about some bad news. I am sure those of you who have seen the District's website know and read the decision, but we received a negative decision from Judge Emerson in the lawsuit against LIPA and National Grid. Just to go back, you will recall that there are five related cases before the Judge; ours is one of the five. She rendered a decision I the first case which involves Northport-East Northport and the Port Jefferson School Districts. What she decided in that case was that the school districts were not intended third party beneficiaries to the LIPA Agreements, what we call the Power Supply Agreement (PSA); that even if we were intended third party beneficiaries she doesn't read the PSA as preventing LIPA or National Grid from bringing tax certiorari actions against the school districts and the other municipalities that have the large power plants within their boundaries. Representations that were made twenty years ago when they were trying to get all of this passed were too vague and uncertain to be enforced. That even if they were clear, they were only policy that was subject to change and not a binding promise or contract. She did not like the promissory estoppel argument either. Basically she found again those two school district on all of the claims that were made against LIPA and National Grid.

Please understand that no decision has come down in our case yet. However, the Judge did make it very clear when she issued these decisions that the ultimate decision in our case is going to come out the same way. What does that mean? That means that unless we appeal, the case is over. So we are reviewing this decision and looking with the Board at various grounds for appeal. Again, there is nothing technically for us to appeal yet. But when the order comes down, we will be prepared to make that decision very quickly. Our recommendation at least preliminarily is to take the appeal and to file a notice of appeal. We think that there are basis to challenge the Judge's decision. This is where we are with regard to the court's decision.

Let me speak to you about the timing of the decision. The timing of the decision really caught us by surprise. In the conference we had in July, the Judge and the parties were discussing mediation and indeed there is going to be mediation with the Town of Huntington and Northport School Districts that we can have input in and receive reports on regularly. The Judge was supportive of the mediation and said that she would not issue her decision unless she thought that it would help the mediation and the settlement

process. No one expected that she would release her decision in August when the first medication session is not scheduled until September 26. The timing was a surprise. The Judge believes that it will help settlement. This remains to be seen. There is still a mediation process that is going on and that we will participate within and provides us with some opportunity to work up a compromise, if possible.

Finally, I wanted to let you that the tax certiorari proceedings are much more advanced in Suffolk County than they are here, in Nassau County. A trial is scheduled for the Town of Huntington for December. In Nassau County, the trial is not scheduled yet. We still are two steps away from being in a position where there is a reduction in valuation for Barrett and a reduction in taxes. We believe the fight is not over. There are appealable issues here. We will be involved in the mediation and we will continue to try our best for the District and its taxpayers.

Mr. Cohen opened the floor to questions from the Board and residents.

Dr. Rosmarie T. Bovino, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Bovino discussed the policies that are presented on this evening's Agenda with reference to the school lunch program. She stated that there will be a new policy next month with reference to the prohibition against meal shaming. She explained that the purpose of the policy is to provide student access to full lunch meal each day. Every child is entitled to receive a full lunch. She stated that parents do have the right to opt their child out of receiving a meal but the law provides students to have full access. Dr. Bovino stated that she will be explaining the policy and opt out process at the next PTA Meeting and the September 24 Board meeting. She reiterated that if you do not want your child to receive a meal you can opt out but it is that law that every student is entitled to receive it.

Dr. Bovino informed the public that all Nassau County high schools have updated their Code of Conduct to include a five day out of school suspension for any type of vaping or having any vaping equipment in their possession in school. We have added language in our Code of Conduct that prohibits the use and equipment but we did not impose a five day out of school suspension. The punishment is at the discretion of the Administration and Board of Education. We will take into the account the ages of our students. We are educating the students about vaping and will do much more this year to inform them about the dangers involved with vaping.

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

Members of the public addressed concerns pertaining to:

- Tax Reserve Funds
- Notifications to residents about special meetings
- Policies and training with reference to Meal Shaming

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Old Business:

Resolution #65 – 2018-2019 – Proposed Revisions to Policy #1605.1 – Policy Against Workplace Discrimination or Harassment (Second Reading/adoption):

On a motion duly made by Kathleen McDonough seconded by Ray Miley, resolved that the Board of Education approve the second reading/adoption of the proposed revisions to Policy #1605.1 – Policy Against Workplace Discrimination or Harassment to the Policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education. Upon vote, motion unanimously carried.

New Business:

On a motion duly made by Kathleen McDonough, seconded by Tara Byrne, resolved that the Board of Education waive the readings of Resolutions #102 through #133a. Upon vote, motion to waive readings unanimously carried.

On a motion duly made by Kathleen McDonough, seconded by Ray Miley, resolved that the Board of Education approve Resolutions #102 through #133a. Upon vote, motion to approved unanimously carried.

Resolution #102 - 2018-2019 – Financial -Audit Committee Members:

Resolved that the Members of the Board of Education (Jack Vobis, Diana Caracciolo, Tara Byrne, Kathleen McDonough and Ray Miley), Mrs. JoEllen Sarnelli, Mr. Mark Berotti and Mr. Richard Schurin serve as the Audit Committee required by Chapter 263 of the Laws of 2005 for the 2018-2019 School Year.

Resolution #103 – 2018-2019– Instructional Placement for Special Education and Pre-School Special Education Students:

Resolved that the Board of Education arrange to provide the special education programs and services recommended by the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Education, dated August 20, 2018. Note: In the event the Board of Education disagrees with any of the recommendations of the Committee concerning the placement or program for any of these pupils, a recommendation should be sent to the Committee that the case be reconsidered.

Resolution #104 - 2018-2019 - Personnel Approval of Annual Half-time Family & Consumer Science Teacher:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following annual half-time appointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Salary Placement</u>	<u>Duration*</u>
Elizabeth Peckham	Fam. & Consumer Sci.	MA+20, Step 17 (Halved)	8/29/18-6/24/19

Certification: Home Economics & Nursery, K & Gds 1-6

*Duration is contingent upon satisfactory service and staffing needs of the District.

Resolution #105 – 2018-2019 – Personnel – Grade Leaders, Team Leaders and Special Subject Leaders:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Grade Leaders, Team Leaders and Special Subject Leaders for the 2018-2019 school year. Stipend for said appointment is \$2,431 and is based on the Agreement between the Island Park Faculty Association and the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

- Pre-K – Paige Collman, Jean Nappi and Kellie Rubino (shared stipend)
- Kindergarten – Toni Ann Hodge
- First Grade – Alissa DeLucia
- Second Grade – Kathleen O’Driscoll
- Third Grade – Wendy Axelrod
- Fourth Grade – Patricia Pozin
- Fifth Grade – Heidi Lazare
- Sixth Grade – Matthew Thode
- Seventh Grade – Peter Gillen
- Eighth Grade – Gabriel D’Auria
- Special Subjects (FXH) – Cheryl Trumpy
- Music Coordinator (4-8) – Marie Sambolin

Resolution #106 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Professional Learning Community (PLC) Facilitators appointments:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Professional Learning Community (PLC) Facilitators for the 2018-2019 school year. Stipend for said appointment is \$3,000 as part of the district’s professional development and technology plans, as well as curriculum development and inservice programs.

Grade 3 – Denise Benedetto
Grade 4 – Lisa Roberts
Grs 5-8 ELA – Gabriel D’Auria
Grs 5-8 Science – Karen Davis
Grs 5-8 Social Studies – Dean Bacigalupo
Grs 5-8 Mathematics – Emilie Bligh
Grs 5-8 – Special Areas – Theresa Augello

Resolution #107 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Substitute Teacher Rate:

Resolved that the Board of Education increase the daily rate for substitute teacher effective 9/1/2018 as follows:

<u>Salary</u>
\$100 – 1 st 19 days
\$105 – 20 th day on

Resolution #108 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Appointment of Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Advisors:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the recommended Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Advisors for the 2018-2019 school year. Such appointments are made annually upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the approval of the Board of Education. Stipend for said activities is based on the Agreement between the Island Park UFSD Board of Education and the Island Park Faculty Association.

Resolution #109 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Teacher in Charge Appointment:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Catherine Gerbino as the Teacher in Charge for After School Athletic Activities for the 2018-2019 school year. Such appointment is made annually upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the approval of the Board of Education. Stipend for said position is \$7,180 as per the Agreement between the Island Park Faculty Association and the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #110 - 2018-2019 – Personnel –After School Assistance for FXH School:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Barbara Ried as the After-School Assistant at the Hegarty School for the 2018-2019 school year. Stipend for said duties is \$47.38 per hour as per the Agreement between the Island Park Faculty Association and the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #111 – 2018-2019 – Personnel –After School Assistance for LOMS School:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Gabriel D’Auria as the After-School Assistant at the LO Middle School for the 2018-2019 school year. Stipend for said duties is \$47.38 per hour as per the Agreement between the Island Park Faculty Association and the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #112 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Civil Service – P/T Positions:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following part-time Civil Service appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary Placement</u>	<u>Effective Date*</u>
Ashley Barnett	Cashier (pt)	\$16.00/per hour	8/20/2018
Nancy Ehrman	Cashier (pt)	\$16.00/per hour	8/20/2018

*Duration is contingent upon satisfactory performance and staffing needs of the District.

Resolution #113 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Approval of Security Aides for the 2018-2019 Recreation Programs:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Lynne Closs, Stephanie Bonheur, Sherri Dubler and James Penzavecchia as well as Louis Sanchez (pt), and Edward Rollo (sub) as Security Aides for the 2018-2019 Recreation Programs (as needed) at their current hourly rate.

Resolution #114 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Recreation Programs (Afternoons/Evenings and Saturdays):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following Recreation staff to work the 2018-2019 Recreation Programs:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Recreation Title</u>	<u>Hourly Rate</u>
Peggy Leone	Chaperone	\$25.00
Alexa Alongi	Recreation Monitor	\$15.00
Nicholas Savarese	Recreation Aide	\$12.00
Katie Cleary	Recreation Aide	\$11.00
Christopher Saggio	Recreation Aide	\$11.00
Emily Wirtz	Recreation Aide	\$14.00
John Diego Diaz	Recreation Aide	\$11.00
Hope Rodriquez	Student Worker	\$11.00
Katie McMahan	Student Worker	\$11.00
Thomas Cipolla	Student Worker	\$11.00
Matthew Cody	Student Worker	\$11.00
Kristina Perrone	Student Worker	\$11.00
Devon McKenna	Student Worker	\$11.00
Jenna DeBellis	Student Worker	\$11.00
Kaitlyn Whitman	Recreation Aide	\$11.00

Resolution #115 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Recreation Coaches:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following individuals as Recreation Coaches*: Dominick Barone, Keith Manginelli, James Cundari, Michael Medrano and Peggy Leone. Stipend for said duties as coach is \$33.28 per hour. *All coaches possess NYS Teaching and Coaching Certifications, AED, CPR and First Aid certifications.

Resolution #116- 2018 – 2019 – Recreation Vendor:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following vendor to provide youth swimming lessons to the Island Park Schools Recreation Program for 2018-2019 school year as follows:

Barry and Florence Friedberg JCC
 15 Neil Court Oceanside, NY 11572 516-766-4341
 Service: Youth Swimming
 Lessons Fee: \$75 per child/10 one-hour group sessions

Resolution #117 - 2018-2019 – Recreation Vendor:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following vendor to provide programs to the Island Park Schools Recreation Program for the 2018-2019 school year at the rate indicated:

Donald Papa d/b/a “Into the Light” (Yoga Instruction)
\$85.00/ group session

Resolution #118 - 2018-2019 – Recreation Personnel – Appointments:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following recreation appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title Salary</u>	<u>Sessions/Program Dates</u>
Elizabeth Peckham	Sewing Instructor \$40/per hour	30 sessions/September 4 thru June 30
Michael Giardino	Lego Instructor \$40/per hour	40 sessions/Sept 24 thru June 30
Alexa Alongi	Lego Instructor \$40/per hour	40 sessions/Sept 24 thru June 30

Resolution #119 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Recreation Vendors:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the following vendors to provide programs to the Island Park School Recreation Program for the 2018-2019 school year at the same costs as the 2017-2018 Agreements:

Kenrick McPhoy d/b/a Empire Safety Council Inc. (Defensive Driving)
\$25.00 per student/6 hour classes

Sammi Hoops (Fitness Hula Hoop Classes)
\$60.00/per group session

Lisa Dexter (Group Instructor, Pound Fitness)
\$50.00/ per group session

Long Island Foundation for Tennis (Youth Tennis Instruction)
\$75.00/ per group session

Andrea Wool (Group Instructor, Zumba Fitness)
\$75.00/ per group session

Resolution #120 - 2018-2019 – Personnel – Role of the Chief Emergency Officer:

Resolved that as per Education Law Section 2801-a, the Board of Education appoint the Superintendent of Schools or her designee as Chief Emergency Officer, responsible for coordinating communication between staff and law enforcement and first responders and for ensuring staff understands the district-level safety plan.

Resolution #121 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Internal Claims Audit Reports:

Resolved that the Board of Education accept the Internal Claims Audit Reports for July 2018 as prepared by the Internal Claims Auditor, Stanley Packman.

Resolution #122 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Budget Transfers:

Resolved that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the budget transfers dated June 29, 2018.

Resolution #123 - 2018-2019 – Financial - Acceptance of Financial Reports:

Resolved that the Board of Education accept and approve the Treasurer’s monthly financial report and collateral statements for June 30, 2018, Trial Balance 7/1/18-7/31/18; Appropriation Status Report 7/1/18-7/31/18; Revenue Budget Status 7/1/18-7/31/18 and:

Warrant #1 – General Fund – July 11, 2018
Warrant #1 – Cafeteria Fund – July 11, 2018
Warrant #1 – Federal Fund – July 11, 2018
Warrant #1 – Capital Fund – July 11, 2018
Warrant #1 – Capital B Fund – July 11, 2018
Warrant #3 – General Fund – July 24, 2018
Warrant #2 – Cafeteria Fund – July 24, 2018
Warrant #2 – Federal Fund – July 24, 2018
Warrant #2 – Capital Fund – July 24, 2018
Warrant #2 – T & A Fund – July 24, 2018
Warrant #1 – T & A Fund (Payroll) – July 2018

Resolution #124 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Final Nassau BOCES eLOI Cooperative Agreement:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Island Park UFSD approve the District's final AS-7 expenditure of \$2,806,462.86 via the Nassau BOCES Electronic Letter of Intent (eLOI) for the 2017-2018 School Year.

Resolution #125 - 2018-2019 – Financial – Initial BOCES eLOI Cooperative Agreement:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Island Park UFSD approve the District's 2018-2019 Preliminary Electronic Letter of Intent (eLOI) for a Cooperative Educational Services Agreement with Nassau BOCES in the estimated amount of \$2,056,141.56.

Resolution #126 – 2018-2019 - Personnel – Agreement Between Island Park Board of Education and the Secretary to the Superintendent:

Resolved that the Board of Education (1) authorize the Superintendent of Schools to execute a two-year Agreement, for the years 2018-19 and 2019-2020, between the Secretary to the Superintendent and the Island Park Board of Education and, (2) approve funding as needed to carry out the terms of the Agreement.

Resolution #127 – 2018-2019 – Revision to Policy #1900 – Parent Involvement (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading revision of Policy #1900 – Parental Involvement to the Policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #128 – 2018-2019 – Revision to Policy #3308 Student Wellness (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the revision to Policy #3308 Student Wellness to the Policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #129 – 2018-2019 – Change of the name of Section 5500 – School Lunch Program (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the change of name of Section 5500 – School Lunch Program to **School Meals Program** to the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #130 – 2018-2019 – Revision of name of Section 5501 and additions/revisions/deletions (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the name change of Section 5501 – Federal Lunch Program to **National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs** and additions/revisions/deletions contained therein to the policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #131 – 2018-2019 – Revision of name of Section 5502 – Á La Carte Sales and additions/revisions/deletions (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the name change of Section 5502 – A La Carte Sales to **Á la Carte Sales** and additions/revisions/deletions contained therein to the policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #132 – 2018-2019 – Proposed New Policy #5503 – School Food Service Fund (First Reading):

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the first reading of the proposed new Policy #5503 – School Food Service Fund to the policies of the Island Park Schools Board of Education.

Resolution #133(a) – 2018-2019 – 2018-2019 Goals and Objectives – District Governance:

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the Goals and Objectives in each of the categories:

1) Instructional, 2) Personnel, and 3) Finance, Facilities and School Safety developed by the Superintendent in collaboration with the Assistant Superintendent and the Board of Education for the 2018-2019 school year.

On a motion duly made by Diana Caracciolo, seconded by Tara Byrne, resolved that the meeting be adjourned. Upon vote, motion unanimously carried. Said meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne DeCicco, District Clerk