

**Port Chester – Rye Union Free School District Special Meeting  
Port Chester Middle School - Board Room  
September 15, 2011**

Present: Blanca P. Lopez, President; Carolee C. Brakewood, Vice President; Anne Capeci, Trustee James Dreves, Trustee

Also Present: Dr. Edward A. Kliszus, Jr. Superintendent of Schools; Maura McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Frank Fanelli, Assistant Superintendent Grants/Personnel; Jennifer M. Bisaccia, District Clerk

Absent: Robert Johnson, Trustee; Frank Sisca, School Attorney

Ms. Lopez called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Frances Payne, President of the JFK/ELA PTA expressed his concern with respect to class size and mentioned that the teachers are already expressing their stress without the help of aides. He requested the Board consider this issue.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Upon motion by Mr. Dreves, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was approved with Mrs. Brakewood abstaining from items 5 & 6:

- A. RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, at its discretion and in the best interest of the District, elects to forgo the written quote and bid requirements for the following professional service procurements in keeping with Policy 6700R – Purchasing Regulation as noted below:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Appointment Date</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Funded</b>
1	Family Services of Westchester	8/31/11	21st Century After School Programming / Social Work –District-wide	\$200,000	9/1/11-6/30/12	21 <sup>st</sup> Century MS/HS-21 <sup>st</sup> Century “Oasis” / Extended Day
2	Family Services of Westchester	6/29/11	21st Century After School Summer Program – HS	\$20,000	7/1/11 – 8/31/11	21 <sup>st</sup> Century
3	Velez Consulting	8/31/11	21 <sup>st</sup> Century After School Programming - MS	\$100,000	9/1/11-6/30/12	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Grant – MS/HS/Extended Day
4	Velez Consulting	6/29/11	21 <sup>st</sup> Century After School Summer Programming - MS	\$20,000	7/1/11-8/31/11	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Grant
5	Port Chester Council for the Arts	8/31/11	After School Programming – Community Schools Coordinator (ELC ) - Homeless Liaison – District-Wide	\$500,000	9/1/11-6/30/12	Extended Day/21 <sup>st</sup> Century “OASIS”/Title I/Council for the Arts
6	Port Chester Council for the Arts	6/29/11	After School Programming – Community Schools Coordinator (ELC ) - Homeless Liaison – District-Wide	\$20,000	7/1/11-8/31/11	Extended Day/21 <sup>st</sup> Century “OASIS”/Title I/Council for the Arts
7	Guidance Center	8/31/11	Case Worker/Youth Specialist/Social Work– Programming - District-Wide	\$100,000	9/1/11-6/30/12	Title I/Dual Language/Title III
8	Guidance Center	6/29/11	Character Education / Team Building - MS	\$1,700	7/1/11-8/31/11	21 <sup>ST</sup> Century Grant - MS

**BOARD OF EDUCATION ISSUES**

**a. Staffing and Enrollment**

Mr. Fanelli reported on the current enrollment data. He explained what movement is being done to address overcrowding at the elementary level.

Kr. Klizus explained that classes will be balanced and detailed the administrative procedures that are in place for next year.

The Board discussed a variety of possible initiatives that can be performed to address overcrowding.

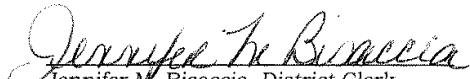
**b. “Today’s Student – Tomorrow’s Teacher” (TSTT) Organization**

Dr. Klizus detailed the program being offered by the TSTT Organization and possible funding options. The Board discussed possible community outreach and support from local organizations. Dr. Klizus said that he will explore grant options as well.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE/COMMENTS**

There was no Board roundtable.

There being no further business at 2:35 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the Board adjourned the meeting.

  
Jennifer M. Bisaccia, District Clerk