I. Call to Order/Pledge - Board President

President Gallagher called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM and led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Report of the Superintendent

Students were recognized for their achievements in music.

Vocal performance - Allyson Golden
Accompanied by Michael Capobianco

• PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES - Dr. Dale Johanson

LISFA AWARDS 2013-2014
Victoria Epstein  Talia Fernandez
Claire Ezratty   Lea Jaffe
Giselle Fernandez

  Teachers: Ms. Nicole Albani, Mr. David Lobenstein, Ms. Felicia Wilson

ALL STATE AWARDS 2013-2014
Allyson Golden- All State Women’s Chorus

  Teacher: Mr. Michael Capobianco
ALL COUNTY AWARDS 2013-2014

**Division 1**
- Stella Ambroise
- Oriana Aponte-Villazan
- Caitlyn Coffin
- Maura Conway
- Catalina Duenas
- Jossmarc Oliva
- Jordan Prince
- Mattias Roth
- Sanaa Seghrouchni
  
  Teachers: Ms. Nicole Albani, Mr. Andrew Frey, Mr. Justin Marks, Ms. Christina Reime, Mr. Craig West

**Division 2**
- Meilin Garfinkel
- Mia Mangels
- Maggie Swegler

  Teachers: Ms. Michelle Bennett, Mr. David Lobenstein, Mr. Douglas Renoud

**Division 3**
- Evan Garcia
- Joshua Kapilian
- Daniel Malul
- Chrysalis Mandell
- Matthew Martinesi

  Teachers: Ms. Elizabeth Altbacker, Ms. Michelle Bennett, Mr. David Lobenstein, Mr. Douglas Renoud

**Division 4**
- Emma Biffer
- Luc Esformes
- Kipling Johnson
- Jonathan Kapilian

  Teachers: Mr. Marino Bragino, Mr. Michael Capobianco, Mr. Justin Marks, Ms. Felicia Wilson

**Division 5 and Jazz**
- Dana Berman
- Alexandra Brodsky
- Emily Crean
- Paul Douglas
- Max Esformes
- Anna Falvey
- Whitney Flaum
- Allyson Golden (2)
- Jonathan Kapilian
- Taylor Martinelli
- Kayla McAvoy
- Chandler McMillan
- Megan Miclotta
- Michaela Rynecki
- Max Tunney
Teachers: Mr. Marino Bragino, Mr. Michael Capobianco, Mr. Justin Marks, Ms. Felicia Wilson

**SPECIAL AWARD**
Max Tunney – NMEA Recognition

There was a 6 minute break at 7:54 PM. Meeting resumed at 8:00 PM.

- **School Property Tax Update Presentation**
  Highlights include: Tax Cap Calculation for 2014-15; Multi-Year Revenue Projection, Property Tax Redistribution, Shifting Burden between Classes of Property, Property Tax Grievance Impact and New Alternative Veterans’ Exemption. Presentation is on-line and on file with the District Clerk.

- **Options for Administration Building**
  Highlights include: New Building, Existing Location, MS Options, Lindell Options

III. **Board Discussion of Work Session Topics**

  - **School Property Tax Update Presentation**
    - Board Member Tangney asked about percentage of exemption ($30/$50/$150)
    - President Gallagher asked about the classes (1 & 2); persistence to spouse in case of death; expansion of group (possible).
    - Board Member Lester asked if the full burden would fall on class 1 & 2 and not commercial (yes); asked if exemptions could be piggybacked (probably).
    - Board Member Mininsky asked how class 2 would impact figure.
    - Vice President Ryan thanked Mr. DeVito and Mr. Weiss for their multi-year planning focus and asked if a resolution was required (yes).

  - **Options for Post-Sandy Location of District Administrative Offices**
    - President Gallagher explained that this is the beginning of the discussion. Asked if MS space was adequate.
    - Board Member Mininsky questioned the costs of demolition at Lindell (included in cost); contractor profits; verification of materials used (included); questioned if 100 hallway not chosen.
    - Board Member Tangney asked questions regarding number of employees on all three floors; displacement of classrooms.
Vice President Ryan does not support the idea of administrators being in the same building as elementary students; voiced concerns about wandering; does not support PPS as part of administration; unsure about Directors. Prefers 100s hallway in MS.

Board Member Lester asked where we stand with FEMA; questioned if reimbursement for classes or administration was the same 90%.

IV. Questions and Comments from the Public on Agenda Items Only

- **School Property Tax Update Presentation**
  - Maureen Vrona – 7 Oswego Ave -EAB- thought presentation was great but disappointed it was not listed properly on the agenda; excellent multi-year planning
  - Mr. Epstein – 170 W. Broadway - Officer, Korean War Veteran; 600 veterans looking for exemption; number will decrease not increase; please support exemption.
  - Eddie Vrona – 7 Oswego Ave – EAB – agrees with veterans exemption which they earned by protecting us.
  - Matthew Adler – 410 E. Broadway – asked how much we were losing this year for GAP? ($3.35 million)
  - Steve Freeman – CTA President – asked about excess funds; noted tax certiorari case was won; requested information on $430K unused funds.
  - Brette Ocampo – 160 Riverside Blvd – has questions about elementary expenditures, $35 loan – RAN; asked if it was all spent; FEMA monies were received.
  - Omar Kharom – 205 Maple Blvd – resident of LB for 86 years – asked when exemptions would become effective (2014-2015); graduated in 2000 when veterans were granted diplomas.
  - Jackie Miller – 53 Buffalo Ave – EAB – asked for confirmation on tax certiorari determination (we won).

- **Options for Post-Sandy Location of District Administrative Offices**
  - Brette Ocampo – 160 Riverside Blvd – asked about the condition of the administration building; $2.2 was original number ($3.35); what is the deadline for FEMA (within a year).
Billy Snow – 733 E. Pine St – expressed his concerns with using Lindell; increase in student population; giving up educational space; will inevitably cost more.

V. President Gallagher Called for Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers’ Association – Steve Freeman – CTA President – questioned SED policy on opting out; voiced concerns about courses and master schedule.
2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – None
3. LBPS Group C Employees Association – Billy Snow, CSEA President congratulated students on musical achievements.
4. Parent/Teacher Association – Gerri Maquet – thanked the presenters; liked detailed budget but process is too drawn out; supports veterans exemptions; having all administrators together is good but should not negatively impact students; asked number of administrators that had to be together; will check HS master schedule.
5. Student Organization – None

President Gallagher announced an executive session for tomorrow.
Board Member Tangney requested a complete list of courses at the HS.

VI. President Gallagher called for a motion to adjourn at 10:07 PM.

Motion by: Board Member Lester
Seconded by: President Gallagher
Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by: ______________________________
Carole Butler, District Clerk
March 11, 2014