MINUTES

Date of Meeting: January 14, 2016

Type of Meeting: Executive Session

Place of Meeting: Long Beach Middle School - Main Office Conference Room

Members Present: President Roy Lester
Vice President Stewart Mininsky
Board Member Dennis Ryan
Board Member Darlene E. Tangney
Board Member Maureen Vrona

Others Present: Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent
Dr. Kenneth Graham, Asst. Superintendent, C & I
Mr. Michael DeVito, Chief Operating Officer
Dr. Michele Natali, Executive Director, HR
Ms. Sue Fine, Attorney, Harris Beach, PLLC

Vice President Mininsky called for a motion to go into executive session at 5:46 PM to discuss specific personnel and legal matters.

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

President Lester called for a motion to adjourn the executive session at 7:30 PM.

Motion by: President Lester
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by Carole Butler, District Clerk
January 28, 2016
## MINUTES

**Date of Meeting:** January 14, 2016  
**Type of Meeting:** Regular Meeting  
**Place of Meeting:** Long Beach Middle School Auditorium  
**Members Present:**  
- President Roy J. Lester  
- Vice President Stewart Mininsky  
- Board Member Dennis Ryan  
- Board Member Darlene E. Tangney  
- Board Member Maureen Vrona  
**Members Absent:** None  
**Others Present:**  
- Mr. David Weiss, Superintendent  
- Mr. Michael I. DeVito, Chief Operating Officer  
- Dr. Kenneth Graham, Asst. Superintendent, C & I  
- Mr. Sean Murray, Director, Elementary Curriculum  
- Mr. Justin Sulsky, Teacher  
- Dr. Deborah Lovrich, Director, STEM  
- LBHS Science Research Students  
- Ms. Carole Butler, District Clerk  
- Members of the Community

### I. Pledge of Allegiance/Call to Order/Opening Remarks

President Lester called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM, led the community in the Pledge of Allegiance and thanked everyone for the assistance in getting the Lido/MS complex up and running on Wednesday, after three (3) transformers blew down on Tuesday evening. Mr. DeVito and Mr. Weiss thanked Mr. Lahey, Mr. Hoffman and the custodial staff as well. Mr. Lester also noted the Martin Luther King Jr. Day parade at 11 AM on Monday, January 18, and the celebration following the parade.

### II. Report of the Superintendent

Mr. Weiss reported that a microburst had knocked down the three (3) transformers; we received a portable generator with limited electricity but with the ability to heat all of the rooms. Instructions ran fully. A second generator arrived in the afternoon but afterschool programs were canceled and MS parent-teacher conferences were rescheduled to the last week in January. The kids were troopers; there was no need to send them home.
Presentation – Enrichment Programs – Introduced by Dr. Kenneth Graham
LARC/SPIRIT – Mr. Sean Murray and Mr. Justin Sulsky; Science Research – Dr. Deborah Lovrich

Highlights include: What are LARC and SPIRIT programs, Goals, Teaching through thematic units of inquiry and essential questions, and Other opportunities within the LARC/SPIRIT programs. Science Research – MS program, LBHS Courses, Enrollment, Science Research II, III, and IV, Gender Distribution, Science Competitions, Research Projects Awards and Future Directions. Four students spoke about the Science Research Program: Leah Shokrian, Savannah Kile, Fey Villagomez, and Justin Weissberg.

The presentation is available on the district web site and in the office of the District Clerk.

III. President Lester called for Board of Education Comments

- Board Member Ryan noted that presentation matters a lot and congratulated the students on their achievement; questioned the LARC program regarding pull-out and missing of work (no problem); lack of change in LARC curriculum topics (tools have changed – Google apps); suggested robotics as a new area; asked how program is evaluated; follow up of students (not currently); regarding science research – asked if our students were being trained to compete in Intel and Siemens competitions (we have no institutions to affiliate with); asked if more money was needed in the program; questioned social science research option (no because of lack of interest).

- Vice President Mininsky was very impressed especially since the students spoke without notes; asked if there were any enrichment programs in the arts (art clubs in MS/HS – SPIRIT all students receive one period per cycle).

- Board Member Vrona congratulated students; she was enthralled and impressed with how articulate students were about the value of the science research program not just the research; asked what percentage of students continued in the program (lose students as demands become more taxing in HS); asked about percentage of students in LARC (6 sections – 15-20 per class); happy with SPIRIT program, computer skills; requested data on participation.

- Board Member Tangney thanked presenters and noted how special it was to hear from the students who exhibited knowledge, confidence and pride and exemplify everything a student we hope would be; asked about LARC process (all 2nd graders take 3 assessments, 94 or higher on 2 of 3 subtests, 96% on one and 90% on another); asked if we retest (parents can request it; students already accepted do not get retested).

- President Lester asked how many students were in LARC (15-20 per class – 2 per grade; all students have SPIRIT); commented that BOCES has enrichment, is there anything for science (one school slated to be closed); asked how we are doing with “Superbowl” of competitions controlled by the media (we used to do it but it is a changed pool with schools having connections with institutions, universities); asked
how we measure science research success; is there real world measurement (we
could do a study); thanked students for their presentation.

Report of the Superintendent (Continued)
Presentation – 2016-17 Revenue Projections Based on 3 Versions of State Aid
Received – Michael DeVito

Presentation can be located on the District website or in the office of the District
Clerk.

Three versions of state aid projections were presented. Version 2 is the most
accurate. Goal is to work on sustainability; even at full funding will still need to use
reserve funds.

IV. President Lester called for Questions and Comments from the
Public - Items on Tonight’s Agenda Only
• Janet Johnson - 154 E. Penn Street – asked how the HS would manage to get
students to institutions and/or universities for science research (we could get a bus
for 10+ students); noted that some of the students did not have unique research.

V. Student Organization Announcements
None

VI. Presentation of Treasurer’s Report for November 2015.
No action required.

VII. Approval of Minutes of Executive Sessions and Regular
Meeting for December 2, and December 10, 2015.
President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Ryan
Seconded by: Board Member Vrona
Approved: 5-0

VIII. Presentations of the Superintendent:

VIII.1 Superintendent Weiss recommended the approval of
Personnel Matters: Certificated.
President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney
Approved: 5-0
VIII.2 Superintendent Weiss recommended the approval of Personnel Matters: Non-Certificated.

President Lester called for a motion.

Motion by: Vice President Mininsky
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney
Approved: 5-0
RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following personnel actions.

VIII.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

Name: Barbara Hirsch
Assign./Loc: School Media Specialist (Library)/West/East and Lido Schools
Effective Date: June 30, 2016 close of day

(b) Resignations

Name: Dashaun Moye
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lindell School
Effective Date: December 23, 2015 close of day

Name: Jordan Zabary
Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/LBHS
Effective Date: December 23, 2015 close of day
Comment: Will continue as substitute teacher for the district

Name: Ann Marie Riffle
Assign./Loc: Per Diem Teacher Assistant/Lindell School
Effective Date: December 11, 2015 close of day

Name: Kelley McDonald
Assign./Loc: Per Diem Teacher Assistant/Lindell School
Effective Date: December 23, 2015 close of day
VIII.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(c) Amended Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Melissa Zimmerman
   Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/East School
   Effective Dates: December 24, 2015-March 17, 2016
   Original Dates: January 11, 2016-April 3, 2016
   Reason: Maternity

2. Name: Lisa Pignataro
   Assign./Loc: Elementary Teacher/West School
   Effective Dates: October 9, 2015-March 18, 2016
   Original Dates: October 9, 2015-January 3, 2016
   Reason: Maternity

3. Name: Jacqueline Kupferman
   Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/East School
   Effective Dates: February 1, 2016-June 30, 2016
   Original Dates: September 3, 2015-February 1, 2016
   Reason: Maternity

4. Name: Gizelle Conroy
   Assign./Loc: School Psychologist/LBMS/Long Beach Hebrew Academy
   Effective Dates: January 29, 2016-June 30, 2016 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)
   Reason: Maternity

(d) Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Christina Dillard
   Assign./Loc: Special Education Teacher/LBMS
   Effective Dates: February 1, 2016-June 30, 2016
   Reason: Maternity

2. Name: Julia Bella
   Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lido School
   Effective Dates: January 4, 2016-February 29, 2016
   Reason: Personal

3. Name: Katelyn Gaynor
   Assign./Loc: Part Time Teacher Assistant/Lindell School
   Effective Dates: February 1, 2016-May 1, 2016 (Monday -Thursday)
   Reason: Education
   Comment: Reduced to one day per week

4. Name: Deborah Sokol
   Assign./Loc: School Nurse/Long Beach Hebrew Academy
Effective Dates: December 31, 2015-February 11, 2016
Reason: Maternity

VIII.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(e) Amended Appointment: Part Time Special Education Teacher (.2)

Name: Cornelius Campbell
Assign./Loc: Part Time Special Education Teacher (.2)/LBHS
Effective Date: December 11, 2015-June 30, 2016 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)
Salary Classification: .2 of MA+30/Step 5 ($16,494* per annum)
*Corrected salary/Subject to negotiations

(f) Appointment: Extension Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher

Name: Julie Braddish
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute Special Education Teacher/East School
Certification: Permanent Special Education
Effective Dates: February 1, 2016-June 30, 2016 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)
Tenure Area: Education of Children with Handicapping Conditions
General Special Education
Salary Classification: MA/Step 1 ($67,154* per annum) prorated
Reason: Replacement for Jacqueline Kupferman
*Subject to negotiations

(g) Appointment: Extension Regular Substitute School Psychologist

Name: Caryn Cantley
Assign./Loc: Regular Substitute School Psychologist/LBMS (.6)/Hebrew Academy of Long Beach (.4)
Certification: Permanent School Psychologist
Effective Dates: January 29, 2016-June 30, 2016 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)
Tenure Area: School Psychologist
Salary Classification: PhD/Step 2 ($81,888* per annum) prorated
Reason: To replace Gizelle Conroy
*Subject to negotiations

(h) Substitute Part Time .6 School Social Worker

Name: Seraphina D’Anna
Assign./Loc: School Psychologist/Lindell School
Rate: $225 per day
Reason: To replace .6 of Deborah Arden

(i) Appointment Part Time Temporary Teacher Assistants 17.5 hours per week January 15, 2016 through June 24, 2016 (or earlier at the district’s discretion) According to CSE recommendation or 504 plan. Rate according to contract. *Subject to negotiations

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<th>Certification</th>
<th>Grade II/Step</th>
<th>Hourly Rate*</th>
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VIII.1 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(j) Appointment: January Regents Test Preparation for the 2015-2016 school year-rate of pay $74.50* per hour.*Subject to negotiations

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>Toni Weiss</td>
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<td>Arkaidy Simonovsky</td>
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<td>Michelle D’Andrea</td>
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<td>David Prince</td>
<td>Trigonometry</td>
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(k) Appointment: Extended School Day Program-2015-2016 School Year Rate of Pay- $74.50* per hour.*subject to negotiations as needed

Randie Baier-substitute teacher

(l) Appointment: Extended School Day Program-2015-2016 School Year Rate according to contract-*subject to negotiations as needed

Sue Maslioja-substitute teacher assistant

(m) Appointment: Interscholastic Coaches/2015-2016-*Subject to negotiations

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<td>Michael Santoro</td>
<td>JV Girls Badminton</td>
<td>$5,561stipend</td>
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<td>Juan Piedrahita</td>
<td>Strength and Conditioning/Spring</td>
<td>$3,398 split stipend*</td>
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<td>Lori DeVivio</td>
<td>Special Olympics Basketball</td>
<td>$56.07 p/h/max 35 hours</td>
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<td>Stacey Duman</td>
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<td>Sean Miller</td>
<td>Special Olympics Track</td>
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<td>Stephanie Esposito</td>
<td>Special Olympics Track</td>
<td>$56.07 p/h/max 20 hours</td>
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(n) The following Per Diem Substitute Teacher is recommended for approval for the 2015-2016 school year

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<td>Theodore Schaper</td>
<td>Initial Music</td>
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<td>Marlon Lainez</td>
<td>Initial Art (in process)</td>
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<td>Matt Baccarella</td>
<td>Initial Physical Education</td>
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(o) Reclassifications:

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<td>Lauren Andersen</td>
<td>Teacher/Special Ed</td>
<td>MA+20</td>
<td>2/1/16</td>
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<td>Mary Miller</td>
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<td>Daniel D’Ottavio</td>
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<td>Melissa Pecere</td>
<td>Teacher/Special Ed</td>
<td>MA+70</td>
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<td>Franklin Parker Ramsey</td>
<td>Teacher/S&amp;HH</td>
<td>MA+10</td>
<td>2/1/16</td>
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VIII.2 NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(a) Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

1. Name: Valerie Hutchinson Parker
   Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation
   Effective Date: June 30, 2016 close of day

2. Name: Debra Hodge
   Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation
   Effective Date: June 30, 2016 close of day

3. Name: Wayne Hoffman
   Assign./Loc.: Head Custodian/Lido/Middle School Complex
   Effective Date: June 30, 2016 close of day

(b) Leaves of Absence

1. Name: Oscar Melendez
   Assign./Loc.: Bus Driver/Transportation
   Effective Dates: January 4, 2016 pm-February 1, 2015 (or earlier at the district’s discretion)
   Reason: Medical
   Comment: Medical leave w/o pay

2. Name: Maureen Dugan
   Assign./Loc.: Part Time Lunch Aide/Lindell School
   Effective Dates: January 4, 2016-February 22, 2016
   Reason: Personal
   Comment: Leave w/o pay

3. Name: Tara Collins
   Assign./Loc.: Part Time Food Service Worker/LBHS
   Reason: Medical

(c) Appointment: Probationary General Mechanic-Carpenter

Name: Matthew Taylor
Assign./Loc.: General Mechanic-Carpenter/Buildings and Grounds
Effective Date: January 19, 2016
Probationary End Date: January 19, 2020
Salary Classification: $50,471* per annum (prorated)
Grade/Step: Grade IV/Step 1
Reason: To replace Robert Ferrara
VIII.2 NON CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

(d) Appointment: Part Time Food Service Workers (17.5 hours per week)

Name: Alena Van Valkenberg
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Food Service Worker/LBHS
Effective Date: January 15, 2016
Salary Classification: $12.23* per hour
Grade/Step: Grade I/Step 1
Reason: To replace Juana Reese

Name: Devika Ramjattan
Assign./Loc.: Part Time Food Service Worker/West School
Effective Date: January 15, 2016
Salary Classification: $12.23* per hour
Grade/Step: Grade I/Step 1
Reason: To replace Gail Gillespie

(e) The following Per Diem Substitutes are recommended for approval for the 2015-2016 school year

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<td>1. Joyce LaCombe</td>
<td>Teacher Assistant</td>
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<td>2. Maureen Canetti</td>
<td>Special Education Aide</td>
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<td>3. Tara Lamarre</td>
<td>Special Education Aide</td>
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<td>4. Franklin Lopez</td>
<td>Teacher Assistant</td>
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<td>5. Ciera Morse</td>
<td>Teacher Assistant</td>
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<td>6. Michael Spiritis</td>
<td>Teacher Assistant</td>
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(f) BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to approve the substitute rate change as follows:

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<th>Position</th>
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<th>Proposed Rate</th>
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<td>Food Service Worker</td>
<td>$8.88</td>
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<td>Lunch Aide</td>
<td>$8.80</td>
<td>$9.00</td>
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As per NYS Department of Labor Minimum Wage increase effective December 31, 2015
VIII.3 Superintendent Weiss recommended the ADOPTION OF POLICY #8280 - INSTRUCTION FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS.

President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Tangney
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

VIII.4 Superintendent Weiss recommended the SECOND READING OF POLICY #7513 ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICINE.

No Action Required.

VIII.5 Superintendent Weiss recommended the SECOND READING OF POLICY #7521 STUDENTS WITH LIFE-THREATENING HEALTH CONDITIONS

No Action Required.

VIII.6 Superintendent Weiss recommended the FIRST READING OF REVISED POLICY #8270 COMPUTER NETWORK AND INTERNET ACCEPTABLE USE FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

No Action Required

VIII.7 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL OF STIPULATIONS OF SETTLEMENTS.

A) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby approves and authorizes the Board President to execute an agreement and an addendum with the family of a student whose number is 16431.

B) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby approves and authorizes the Board President to execute an agreement with the family of a student whose number is 260449.

C) BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Long Beach City School District hereby approves and authorizes the Board President to execute an agreement with the family of a student whose number is 19050.

President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Ryan
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
VIII.8 Superintendent Weiss recommended the **ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT-IN-AID BUDGET RESOLUTION.**

*WHEREAS,* the Long Beach City School District (“District”) has received $50,000 from New York State in the form of a “grant in aid;” and

*WHEREAS,* the District will use the grant in aid to fund the 1:1 Chromebook Initiative program; and

*WHEREAS,* the District is required to increase its budget to reflect the additional monies; and

*WHEREAS,* such increase will have no effect upon the tax rate to community taxpayers;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the District’s budget is hereby increased by $50,000 to reflect receipt of the above-described “grant in aid” from New York State to fund a 1:1 Chromebook Initiative.

President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney
Approved: 5-0

VIII.9 Superintendent Weiss recommended the **REJECTION OF BID.**

*WHEREAS,* the Long Beach City School District (“District”) placed legal notice advertising a bid for Printing of Mathematics Module Booklets in the official District paper on October 22, 2015 and sent bid documents to 5 vendors; and

*WHEREAS,* the District, in accordance with Article 5-A of the General Municipal Law, invited sealed bids for Printing of Mathematics Module Booklets, which bids were opened publicly on November 2, 2015; and

*WHEREAS,* the District determined that the Printing of Mathematics Module Booklets bid requires additional clarification;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby rejects the bid for Printing of Mathematical Module Booklets received on November 2, 2015.

President Lester called for a motion.
Motion by: Board Member Vrona
Seconded by: Board Member Tangney
Approved: 5-0
Superintendent Weiss recommended in a combined vote Items VIII.10 through VIII.12.

VIII.10 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF CSE/CPSE.

VIII.11 Superintendent Weiss recommended the PAYMENT OF LEGAL BILLS: LEGAL SERVICES

A) HARRIS BEACH PLLC

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of $4,349.00 to the firm of Harris Beach PLLC for the monthly retainer and extraordinary legal services rendered during the period of November 1, 2015 through November 30, 2015.

B) INGERMAN SMITH, LLP

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes expenditures in the amount of $8,953.32 for legal services rendered during the period of November 1, 2015 through November 30, 2015.

VIII.12 Superintendent Weiss recommended the APPROVAL OF USE OF SCHOOLS.

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the use of schools, as attached, not to conflict with District events. However, please note that events may have to be modified/rescheduled based on building construction schedules.

APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

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<td>Relay for Life</td>
<td>Informational Meeting</td>
<td>LBMS Auditorium</td>
<td>Tues, Jan. 19, 2016 7 PM – 8 PM</td>
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<td>Camp Invention</td>
<td>Summer Camp</td>
<td>LBHS Cafeteria, 5 Classrooms, 2 Rooms, Athletic Field 6</td>
<td>June 27 – July 1, 2016 Monday – Friday 9 AM – 3 PM</td>
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<td>Long Beach Lido Little League</td>
<td>Team Photos</td>
<td>LBHS Cafeteria</td>
<td>May 3-5, 2016 Tues, Wed, Thursday 4:30 PM – 10 PM</td>
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<td>Long Beach USA Wrestling Club</td>
<td>Tournament</td>
<td>LBHS Gymnasium</td>
<td>Sun., Feb. 7, 2016 6:30 AM – 4:00 PM</td>
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<td>Girl Scouts</td>
<td>Meetings</td>
<td>East School Room</td>
<td>Dec. 19, 2015 through June 1, 2016 Wednesdays (2x)</td>
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President Lester called for a motion on Items VIII.10 through VIII.12.
Motion by: Board Member Ryan
Seconded by: Vice President Mininsky
Approved: 5-0

IX. Board of Education – Additional New/Old Business, if any

- Board Member Ryan asked about the symposium on assessment schedule (Tuesday, February 23 in the MS); commented on the inconsistent postings of the “no guns, rifles signs” in the different schools (required for after-school programs – displayed at discretion of principal).
- Dr. Ryan wants to re-examine the 20% grade of Regent’s score (Mrs. Tangney supports re-evaluation, Mrs. Vrona wants to speak to HS administration first, re-open the conversation, VP Mininsky agrees with Mrs. Vrona, and President Lester hears that a single day assessment is not good for grades). Mr. Weiss noted that assessment and Regents scores are two different topics.
- Board Member Tangney wants to review a policy on grading at the next Policy Review Committee (probably the meeting after that since social media policies are being reviewed at January 21 meeting).
- Dr. Ryan wants to include all constituencies; wants discussion on “opting out” to help parents make an informed decision.
- President Lester asked if it could be combined at the forum (no).

X. Questions and Comments from the Public

- Michael Abneri – 94 Regent Drive – Lido – thanked the Board for their consideration on the Regents issue; asked if this was just for last year or the following year; also discussed letter from Lido Civic Homes Association regarding the use of the tennis courts.
- Lisa Smith – 26 Matlock St – thanks for listening and keeping Regents issue alive; provided a handout to the board members and administrators.
- Matt Adler – 410 E. Broadway – asked if change in physical education schedule was related to 6 day cycle (no); asked who was running the assessment symposium and whether it was a one-sided presentation (no); parents already organized a robotics team whose first competition is January 30th; requested procedures for parents who want their children to opt out.
- Keith Harvey – CTA President – asked about the Budget Advisory Committee charge for this year (bidding process).
XI. Announcements

1. Long Beach Classroom Teachers' Association – President Harvey thanked presenters, congratulations to retirees, best of luck to everyone, forum for testing seems to have changed; would appreciate honest discussion from all sides.

2. Administrative, Supervisory and PPS Group – President Epstein thanked Wayne Hoffman, echoing sentiments from Dr. Ryan; comments are appreciated; we won state wrestling championship; girls' gymnastics is a model program - broke 23 year record; listed in top 10 teams in Newsday.

3. LBSEA Long Beach Employees' Association – Group C – President Rea congratulated retirees Hirsch, Hoffman, and bus drivers who have 30 years each; agree with Mr. Lester that $9 per hour is too low especially for part time employees.

4. Parent/Teacher Association – CCPTA Co-Presidents Andrea Wayne and Gerri Maquet – thanked facilities staff for yesterday, congratulated presenters, retirees, asked if letter was going out for Parent/Teacher conferences on January 26; thanks for Regents weighting consideration; parents who spoke tonight about physical education; PTA would need all sides presented and it is more informational now; everyone is interested in law; Mr. Epstein is a model Director, amazing, concerned about athletics and academics, great leadership.

XII. President Lester called for a motion to adjourn at 10:06 PM.

Motion by: Vice President Mininsky
Seconded by: Board Member Ryan
Approved: 5-0

Minutes submitted by: Carole Butler, District Clerk
January 28, 2016