

**1. CALL TO ORDER AT 6:00 p.m.**

Board members present: Mr. DiFilippo, Mr. Gershon, Mr. Lafazan, Ms. Neuendorf, Ms. Parker, and Ms. Schlesinger

Board member absent: Ms. Frankel

2. Ms. Schlesinger moved and Mr. DiFilippo seconded a motion that upon convening in public the Board of Education will immediately enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing matters regarding employment history of a particular person, real estate, collective bargaining negotiations.

Dr. Cohen and Dr. Resnick arrived after the meeting was called to order. No official action was taken.

**3. The Budget Information meeting started at 7:28 p.m.**

**Review of the Administrative portion of the Proposed Budget 2015-2016**

Dr. Rogers and Dr. Patricia Rufo conducted the meeting for the 2015-16 budget with a PowerPoint presentation. This is the second of five budget meetings scheduled to take place until the budget vote on May 19, 2015.

Staff members present: Dr. Rogers, Dr. Streitman, Dr. Rufo, Dr. LaMelza, Ms. Kranz, Ms. Costa, Ms. Benjamin

**4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**5. The Monthly Public Meeting reconvened at 8:00 p.m.**

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Resolution No. 9-1, Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 8, January 12, 2015**

MOVED BY: MR. LAFAZAN

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER

MOTION CARRIED (8-0)

**7. FINANCIAL REPORTS,**

**Resolution No. 9-2, Approval of Treasurer's Report, December, 2014**

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. GERSHON

MOTION CARRIED (8-0)

**8. REVIEW OF THE MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Rogers acknowledged 18 National Merit Scholarship Program semifinalists that are now designated as finalists, as well as six presidential scholar award winners, 327 National Honor Society inductees and two teachers selected by the Harvard Club for outstanding teaching. He also acknowledged the award-winning South Woods literary magazine Insight, Syosset High School's Ken Literary Art Magazine, and the opera "Carmen" performed at the high school with help from the Metropolitan Opera House. Dr. Rogers introduced Veronica Ade, high school research coordinator, who presented three Intel semifinalists to the board. The Intel semifinalists in attendance introduced themselves and provided a brief summary of their science projects.

**ELA Presentation**

Dr. Rogers then introduced a student-led English Language Arts presentation that informed the public of the high school English units currently being implemented using Common Core Learning Standards. The presentation included a 9<sup>th</sup> grade project creating a science fiction short story, a 10<sup>th</sup> grade project that

explored and debated science and medical ethics, a presentation of an AP English assignment that explored satire as a rhetorical strategy, and a presentation from students in the Introduction to College Research course.

### **World Language Report**

Next Dr. Rogers introduced David Balsamo who presented a report on the World Language Program committee, which the Board tasked with, among other things, maximizing students' experiences in World Languages. Currently Syosset employs the FLEX (Foreign Language Experience) program at the elementary level to introduce several languages to students, and includes cultural experiences and an appreciation of several target cultures. The committee explored a model employed by some districts, known as the FLES (Foreign Language in Elementary School) program, which focuses on one target language and aims to develop deeper proficiency in that language (usually Spanish).

The committee concluded that the current FLEX program results in the extraordinarily high degree of interest and persistence in World Languages. Over 76% of high school seniors remain enrolled in one or more World Language, and a remarkable 90% of K-12 students are studying a World Language. The presentation was punctuated by high school students Lynn Hur and Rebecca Sobel, both enrolled in AP Spanish, who held a fluent conversation about various books they were reading as an illustration of the high levels of proficiency Syosset students achieve.

At the end of the presentation, the committee recommended to preserve the FLEX program as it currently exists but consider further enhancements through technology and summer opportunities. The Committee's report and presentation have been made available on the district website.

### **Weather Issues, Emergency Shelter and Woodbury Property**

Dr. Rogers discussed the accelerated dismissal plan that was put in place during the recent inclement weather. However, Dr. Rogers discussed some issues that cropped up during the dismissal, which will be addressed by the committee at a future date. Some of the issues included the fact that accelerated dismissal took place during days assigned for state testing, and the fact that buses might need more than one hour of turnaround time to transport students in all the district's buildings.

Dr. Rogers also addressed inquiries from the Board regarding the advisability of opening district schools as emergency shelters for the community. The Superintendent reported that the schools lack adequate backup generators to ensure safety and environmental standards in the event of lost power and need to plan for proper supervision of residents using the shelter.

In addition, Dr. Rogers updated the public on the Woodbury Property to let them know that proposals have been made on the property and are being considered to ensure any future sale is handled at full benefit to the district and the community, and in harmony with the school and neighborhood.

## **9. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR FINANCE**

Committee spokesperson Roberta Dochter introduced their report from the Jan. 14 meeting. The committee viewed the budget drivers and the capital portion of the budget in order to provide feedback on possible savings and revenue. The committee announced its next planned meeting and will report back the minutes at the following Board of Education meeting on March 16.

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

## **11. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS**

## **12. AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC - NONE**

**13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**14. NEW BUSINESS** - Detailed items are contained in the attachment, which begin on page 4.

Resolutions under the "a" category relate to appointments, transfers, reassignments, resignations, and retirements.

Resolutions appearing under the "b" category relate to the management of the School District, including School District policies. All policies and proposed policies are available for inspection on the District website.

Resolutions appearing under the "c" category relate to matters that relate to purchasing such as bids received as well as other financial operations of the school district.

**15. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Resolution No. 9-27: MOTION** that the school district send correspondence to the Legislatures of New York State advocating for the elimination of the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) as well as the increase in funding from the foundation aid.

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED: DR. COHEN

MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

There was discussion regarding the possibility of changing the day of the week on which board meetings are held.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

The Monthly Board of Education meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Francine Benjamin

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a-1)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3

APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
CERTIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENTS (REVISED)

1. Name: FORT, Brian
- Appointment: Music Teacher – Probationary
- Effective Date: **January 16, 2015**
- Replacing: Donna Schwartz – Resigned
- Tenure Date: **January 16, 2017**
- Salary Placement: M.A. – Step 10 - \$97,368.
- Assignment: Berry Hill Elementary School

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a-1)                                      February 23 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3                                      APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
CERTIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENTS

2.      Name:                                      FRIEDMAN, Molly

Appointment:                                      Elementary Education Teacher – Long-term Substitute

Effective Date:                                      January 27, 2015

Replacing:                                      Markella Drossos – Illness

Salary Placement:                                      B.A. – Step 1 - \$60,065.

Education:                                      SUNY Cortland                                      B.S.      2011  
                                     Cortland, New York

Certification:                                      Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)                                      Feb.      2012  
                                     Initial

Experience:                                      Syosset Central School District                                      Dec.    2014 –  
                                     Syosset, New York                                      Present  
                                     Permanent Substitute  
                                     Tutor                                      Sept. 2014 – Dec. 2014  
                                     Tutor                                      Apr. 2014 – June 2014  
                                     Elementary Education Teacher – LTS                                      Mar. 2014 – Apr. 2014  
                                     Permanent Substitute                                      Feb. 2014 – Mar. 2014  
                                     Tutor                                      Sept. 2013 – Feb. 2014  
                                     Permanent Substitute                                      Sept. 2012 – June 2013

                                    Elmont School District                                      Mar.    2012 –  
                                     Elmont, New York                                      June    2012  
                                     Substitute Teacher  
                                     Student Teacher                                      Sept. 2011 – Dec. 2011

                                    Homer Elementary School                                      Jan.    2011 –  
                                     Homer, New York                                      May    2011  
                                     Practicum Experience

                                    Randall Elementary School                                      Oct.    2010 –  
                                     Cortland, New York                                      Dec.    2010  
                                     Practicum Experience

Assignment:                                      South Grove Elementary School



Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a-1)

February 23 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3      APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
CERTIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENTS

4.      Name:              SAMIOU-HANAKIS, Evelyn

Appointment:        Elementary Education Teacher – Long-term Substitute

Effective Date:        January 27, 2015

Replacing:              Colleen Vereline – Illness

Salary Placement:    M.A. – Step 1 - \$69,575.

Education:              Long Island University                              M.S.    2009  
                                 Brookville, New York

                                 Pace University                                      B.S.    1991  
                                 New York, New York

Certification:        Childhood Education – Grades 1-6              Sept.    2009  
                                 Initial

Experience:            Syosset Central School District                      Dec.    2014 –  
                                 Syosset, New York                                      Present  
                                 Permanent Substitute  
                                 Tutor    Aug. 2014 – Dec. 2014  
                                 Tutor    Sept. 2013 – June 2014  
                                 Tutor    Sept. 2012 – June 2013  
                                 Tutor    Oct. 2011 – June 2012  
                                 Permanent Substitute                              May 2011 – June 2011  
                                 Tutor    Dec. 2010 – May 2011  
                                 Permanent Substitute                              Sept. 2010 – Dec. 2010  
                                 Elementary Education Teacher – LTS        May 2010 – June 2010  
                                 Permanent Substitute                              Mar. 2009 – May 2010

                                 Jericho School District                              Jan.    2009 –  
                                 Jericho, New York                                      Mar.    2009  
                                 Substitute Teacher

                                 Cantiague Elementary School                      Sept.    2008 –  
                                 Jericho, New York                                      Dec.    2008  
                                 Student Teaching

Assignment:              Robbins Lane Elementary School

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NEW BUSINESS (a-1)

February 23 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3      APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
COMPLETION OF ASSIGNMENT –  
LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

5.      Name:            O'ROURKE, Kelly  
Appointment:        English Teacher – Long-term Substitute  
Effective Date:      January 23, 2015  
Reason:                Completion of Assignment  
Service was Begun:   September 1, 2014  
Assignment:          Syosset High School

APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
RETURN FROM LEAVE OF ABSENCE

6.      Name:            RABOY, Patrice  
Appointment:        English Teacher  
Effective Date:      January 26, 2015  
Service was Begun:   September 1, 2007  
Assignment:          Syosset High School



Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a-1)

February 23 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3      APPROVAL OF STAFF CHANGES –  
HOMEBOUND

7.      Name:              Syosset Home Tutoring

Effective:              November 6, 2014

Grade/School:        12<sup>th</sup> Grade/Syosset High School  
(10 hrs/weekly)

8.      Name:              Syosset Home Tutoring

Effective:              December 15, 2014

Grade/School:        9<sup>th</sup> Grade/Syosset High School  
(10 hrs/weekly)

9.      Name:              Syosset Home Tutoring

Effective:              January 14, 2015

Grade/School:        8<sup>th</sup> Grade/H.B. Thompson Middle School  
(4 hrs/weekly)

10.     Name:              Syosset Home Tutoring

Effective:              January 28, 2015

Grade/School:        12<sup>th</sup> Grade/Syosset High School  
(10 hrs/weekly)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a-1)

February 23 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-3

**CIVIL SERVICE  
STAFF CHANGES**

**NON-COMPETITIVE  
APPOINTMENT**

1. OROZCO, Lisa, Teacher Aide LPN, H. B. Thompson, 200 Day Salary Schedule, Group Y, Step 4, \$34,535, includes credit for prior experience, effective January 20, 2015, probationary period to July 22, 2015.

**COMPETITIVE  
APPOINTMENT &  
REASSIGNMENT**

2. TOZER, Stephen, Athletic Trainer Provisional, Syosset HS, reassigned to Athletic Trainer, Syosset HS, appointed from the Nassau County Civil Service Eligibility List #64-944, no salary change, effective January 5, 2015, probationary period to July 7, 2015.

**RESIGNATION**

3. Adamec, Linda, Clerk Typist PT Sub, effective January 8, 2015, for personal reasons.

MOVED BY: DR. RESNICK

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 2)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-4                                      APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE –  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHILDCARE 2014/2015  
SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS,                                      the following staff members have each applied for a  
leave of absence during the 2014/2015 school year, and

WHEREAS,                                      the requests are in accordance with contractual provisions  
and District practice,

BE IT RESOLVED,                                      that the following requests for leave of absence be approved:

1.            Name:                                      BRAVERMAN, Marla  
              Appointment:                      ESL Teacher  
              Effective Date:                      January 13, 2015 through June 30, 2015  
              Service was Begun:                    September 1, 1999  
              Assignment:                            Syosset High School
  
2.            Name:                                      SCHAFFER, Jessica  
              Appointment:                      World Language Teacher  
              Effective Date:                      January 23, 2015 through June 30, 2015  
              Service was Begun:                    January 13, 2003  
              Assignment:                            Syosset High School

MOVED BY: MR. GERSHON

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 3)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-5                                      APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

WHEREAS,                                      the following staff members have each applied for a family medical leave of absence during the 2014/2015 school year, and

WHEREAS,                                      the requests are in accordance with contractual provisions and District practice,

BE IT RESOLVED,                                      that the following requests for leave of absence be approved:

1.            Name:                                      PISACANI, Regina  
              Appointment:                      Elementary Education Teacher  
              Effective Date:                      January 5, 2015 through January 7, 2015 (Revised)  
              Reason:                                      Family Medical Leave  
              Service was Begun:                  September 6, 2000  
              Assignment:                              Berry Hill Elementary School
  
2.            Name:                                      VERELINE, Colleen  
              Appointment:                      Elementary Education Teacher  
              Effective Date:                      February 23, 2015 through April 24, 2015  
              Reason:                                      Family Medical Leave  
              Service was Begun:                  April 8, 2002  
              Assignment:                              Robbins Lane Elementary School

MOVED BY: MS. PARKER

SECONDED BY: DR. RESNICK  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 4)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-6                                      APPOINTMENT OF PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE STAFF

RESOLVED,                                      that the following permanent substitute staff will be employed  
for the 2014/2015 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE TYPE</u>
INGLESE, Mallory	Permanent Substitute
KENNEDY, Michelle	Permanent Substitute
O'ROURKE, Kelly	Permanent Substitute
RODMAN, Melissa	Permanent Substitute

**DELETE:**

D'AMICO, Mia	Permanent Substitute
FRIEDMAN, Molly	Permanent Substitute
HENRY, Kathleen	Permanent Substitute
KANE, Riana	Permanent Substitute
MALLIA, Virginia	Permanent Substitute
SAMIOU-HANAKIS, Evelyn	Permanent Substitute

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. NEUENDORF  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 5)                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-7              APPOINTMENT OF TUTOR STAFF

RESOLVED,                      that the following tutor staff will be employed  
for the 2014/2015 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE TYPE</u>
GOONAN, Emily	Tutor
MULLE, Maureen	Tutor
WHEELER, Jamie	Tutor

MOVED BY: DR. RESNICK

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 6)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-8                                      APPOINTMENT OF PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE STAFF

RESOLVED,                                      that the following per diem substitute staff will be employed  
for the 2014/2015 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE TYPE</u>
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KANE, Riana	Per Diem Substitute
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**DELETE:**

SCHWARTZ, Jean	Per Diem Substitute
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MOVED BY: MR. GERSHON

SECONDED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 7)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-9                                      APPOINTMENT OF TEACHING ASSISTANT SUBSTITUTE STAFF

RESOLVED,                                      that the following teaching assistant substitute staff will be employed for  
the 2014/2015 school year.

NAME

EMPLOYEE TYPE

JANSON, Deborah  
TRAMONTANA, Josephine

Teaching Assistant Substitute  
Teaching Assistant Substitute

MOVED BY: MS. PARKER

SECONDED BY: DR. RESNICK  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)



Meeting No. 9 NEW BUSINESS (a - 8) February 23, 2015  
 RESOLUTION NO. 9-10 COACHING RECOMMENDATIONS – SPRING 2015

RESOLVED, that the following coaching recommendation for the Spring 2015 athletic season be approved:

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>		<u>YR.</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>PTS.</u>	<u>STIPEND</u> <u>2014/ 2015</u>
<u>VARSITY &amp; JV SPORTS - BOYS</u>						
Baseball, V Head	FITZGERALD, Patric	k		20	1.3	159 \$8830.
Baseball, V Asst.	MORRITT, Thomas		06	1.2	135	\$6920.
Baseball, JV	DE PALO, Anthony		12	1.3	135	\$7497.
Baseball, JV2	BARCAVAGE, Dan		04	1.1	135	\$6343.
Golf, V Head	STROHMAYER, Dean		11	1.3	115	\$6386.
Golf, JVB	JOSEFAK, Michael		09	1.3	98	\$5442.
Lax, V Head	CALABRIA, John		16	1.3	169	\$9385.
Lax, V Asst.	WAXER, Brett		14	1.3	144	\$7997.
Lax, V Asst.	MURTHA, Mike		15	1.3	144	\$7997.
Lax, V Asst.	*ENGELKE, Mike		02	1.0	144	\$6151.
Lax, JV Head	FINNEGAN, Tom		26	1.3	144	\$7997.
Lax, JV Asst.	TAGLIA, Joe		09	1.3	127	\$7053.
Lax, JVB Head	*BARROS, Peter		03	1.1	144	\$6766.
Lax, JVB Asst.	FIASCONARO, Matthew		01	1.0	127	\$5425.
Tennis, V Head	FISHER, Shai		11	1.3	115	\$6386.
Tennis, JV	MARRACELLO, Otto		02	1.0	98	\$4186.
Track, V Head	CAFIERO, Rich		12	1.3	158	\$8774.

\*Not employed by Syosset

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February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-10

COACHING RECOMMENDATIONS – SPRING 2015 (CONTINUED)

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>PTS.</u>	<u>STIPEND 2014/ 2015</u>
<u>VARSITY &amp; JV SPORTS</u>					
<u>BOYS</u>					
Track, V Asst.	MEYERS, Chris	16	1.3	134	\$7441.
Track, V Asst.	WILKENS, Katherine	03	1.1	134	\$6296.
<u>GIRLS</u>					
Badminton	ST. JOHN, Jamie	14	1.3	115	\$6388.
Badminton, JV	PANUTHOS, Katherine	03	1.1	98	\$4605.
Golf, Girls	NARANJO, Steve	15	1.3	115	\$6386.
Lax, V Head	*LO MONACO, Lauren	08	1.3	169	\$9385.
Lax, V Asst.	POWELL, Kim	08	1.3	144	\$7997.
Lax, JV Asst.	CAROLAN, Michael	06	1.2	127	\$6510.
Softball, V Head	POWELL, Rich	20	1.3	159	\$8830.
Softball, V Asst.	LENZI, Mary	07	1.2	135	\$6920.
Track, V Head	SCHUMACHER, Doug	19	1.3	158	\$8774.
Track, V Asst.	SPITERI, Mike	10	1.3	134	\$7441.
<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS</u>					
Baseball, SW 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	GIUDICE, Chris	01	1.0	87	\$3690.
Baseball, SW 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	SAWICKI, Chris	01	1.0	87	\$3690.
Lax, HBT 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	CARDONA, Greg	04	1.1	93	\$4370.

\*Not employed by Syosset

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a - 8)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-10                      COACHING RECOMMENDATIONS – SPRING 2015 (CONTINUED)

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>STAFF MEMBER</u>	<u>YR.</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>PTS.</u>	<u>STIPEND 2014/ 2015</u>
<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS</u>					
Lax, SW 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	KASSEBAUM, Matt	07	1.3	93	\$5164.
Tennis, HBT	MANASERI, Joe	01	1.0	63	\$2691.
Tennis, SW	SCHANARS, Doug	09	1.3	63	\$3498.
Track, HBT	ACQUARO, Mike	12	1.3	87	\$4831.
Track, HBT Asst.	*MOTSCHWILLER, Kristen	05	1.2	71	\$4272.
Track, SW	COLLINS, John	07	1.2	87	\$4459.
Track, SW Asst.	QUINN, Barbara	05	1.2	71	\$3639.
Lax, HBT 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	DE LUCCA, Ray	14	1.3	93	\$5164.
Lax, SW 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	CHOINSKI, Alyssa	01	1.0	93	\$3972.
Softball, HBT	*SHURGIN, Ilysa	02	1.0	87	\$3716.
Softball, SW	SCHWARTZ, Kara	14	1.3	87	\$4831.

MOVED BY: MS. NEUENDORF

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER  
 MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

\*Not employed by Syosset

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a- 9)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-11

APPOINTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION STAFF – SPRING

RESOLVED,

that the following continuing education staff will be employed for the 2014/2015 school year.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
EGRIE, Cristina	Swim Coach	\$25/hr
	Lifeguard	\$18/hr
HILDEBRANDT, Michael	Lifeguard	\$18/hr
LYNCH, Carol	Swim Coach	\$25/hr
MARCUS, Kathryn	CPR for the Professional – Review	\$25/pp
	Lifeguard Training – Review	\$35/pp
ST. JOHN, James	Badminton	\$35/hr
TOZER, Terri	CPR for the Professional – Review	\$25/pp
	Lifeguard Training – Review	\$35/pp
TORZILLI, Marybeth	Swim Coach	\$25/hr
	Lifeguard	\$18/hr
ANTONIOU, Martine	French	\$35/hr
BARD, Shain	Drawing	\$35/hr
	Acrylic & Oil Painting	\$35/hr
BARON, Sandie	Discover your iPad	\$40/hr
BATES, Richard	Tennis Intermediate	\$35/hr
	Tennis Advanced	\$35/hr
BERNHARD, Christine	Sweet Beginnings and Endings	\$40/hr
CARRA, Lawrence	Basketball Coach	\$25/hr
	Volleyball Coach	\$25/hr

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RESOLUTION NO. 9-11

APPOINTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION STAFF – SPRING  
 (CONTINUED)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
CHILLEMI, Frank	Photography	\$40/hr
	Guitar	\$40/hr
CRONIN, Joseph	Tai Chi	\$30/hr
	Syosset Woodbury Park Senior Citizen Center	
CRUSCO, Richard	Basketball Coach	\$25/hr
FEELEY, Juliet	Mah Jongg	\$30/hr
FRICANO, Maria	A Complete Italian Dinner	\$40/hr
FRASCA, Francesco	Spanish Beginner	\$38/hr
	Spanish Intermediate	\$38/hr
	Italian Intermediate	\$38/hr
GREENBERG, Judy	Handmade Cards	\$30/hr
GUTIERREZ, Candida	Ballroom Beginner	\$70/hr
	Ballroom Intermediate	\$70/hr
HADAR, Lisa	Bridge Advanced Beginner	\$38/hr
HOPKINS, Angelique	Zumba Fitness	\$50/hr
HOWELL, Donna	Knitting Beginner & Beyond	\$26/hr
KIMOTO, Lisa	Buying & Selling on e-Bay	\$42/hr
	Cool Apps for the iPad	\$50/hr
KUKAR, Manju	Vegetarian Dishes from India	\$40/hr
KUNDLA, Linda	Yoga for Mid-Life	\$50/hr
LOGAN, Peter	Volleyball Advanced	\$35/hr
	Volleyball Recreational	\$35/hr
LONG, Elizabeth	Yoga	\$50/hr

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a- 9)

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RESOLUTION NO. 9-11

APPOINTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION STAFF – SPRING  
 (CONTINUED)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
LU, Jindgi	Dahn Yoga	\$50/hr
MALONE, Joseph	Microsoft Excel Part I	\$40/hr
	Microsoft Excel Part II	\$40/hr
	Microsoft Power Point	\$40/hr
	Microsoft Word Part I	\$40/hr
	Microsoft Word Part II	\$40/hr
MC CARTHY, Kerry	Theatre Workshop	\$30/hr
OCASIO, Wanda	Acrylic Painting	\$35/hr
RESSA, Helene	Knitting/Crocheting	\$21/hr
	Syosset Woodbury Park Senior Citizen Center	
ROTHBARD, Darcy	Creative Writing	\$35/hr
SCHIAVONE, Rosemarie	Iyengar Yoga – Monday	\$68/hr
	Iyengar Yoga – Tuesday	\$68/hr
	Iyengar Yoga – Wednesday	\$68/hr
SILBER, Paulette	Gentle Yoga for Joints	\$60/hr
	Meditation	\$60/hr
	Tai Chi	\$60/hr
SPIRO, Janet	Zumba	\$50/hr
	Zumba Tone	\$50/hr
SPIRO, Lawrence	Piano	\$40/hr
SPRY, Carol	Water Aerobics	\$50/hr
	Pilates	\$50/hr
STROUD, Jerry	Tennis Beginner	\$35/hr
	Tennis Intermediate	\$35/hr
VAN HORN, Charles	Watercolor Painting	\$36/hr

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a- 9)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-11

APPOINTMENT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION STAFF – SPRING  
(CONTINUED)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
VAN HORN, Lucy	Easy Gourmet Dishes	\$40/hr
YOUNG, Stephanie	Crocheting Advanced	\$26/hr
	Crocheting Intermediate	\$26/hr
	Jewelry Workshop	\$30/hr

MOVED BY: MS. PARKER

SECONDED BY: DR. RESNICK  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9                                      NEW BUSINESS (a- 10)                                      February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-12                      APPOINTMENT TO SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS –  
H.B. THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL (REVISED)

RESOLVED,                                      that the following appointments to special assignments in  
H. B. Thompson Middle School, as listed below, be and hereby are  
approved for the 2014/2015 school year. All are within  
the budgeted guidelines.

<u>ADVISOR</u>	<u>CLUB</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>STIPEND 2014/2015</u>
ROSEN, Alicia	School Newspaper	01	\$2349.60

**DELETE:**

AQUILA, Joanne	School Newspaper	02	\$2349.60
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MOVED BY: MR. GERSHON

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)



Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a- 11)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-13

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

BE IT RESOLVED,

that the Board of Education, having reviewed a certain Settlement Agreement pertaining to a Section 75 proceeding initiated on December 15, 2014, hereby approves such Settlement Agreement and directs the Board President to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board.

MOVED BY: DR. RESNICK

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (a- 12)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-14

MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT  
EMPLOYEE

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,

pursuant to Education Law Section 913, that a non-instructional employee, whose identity is known to the Board of Education, is directed to report for a psychiatric examination in order to determine the capacity of such person to perform his/her duties. The examination will be conducted by Dr. Allen Reichman at his office located at 24 Lorraine Court, Roslyn, New York on March 5, 2015 at 12:15 p.m. and/or any subsequent days that Dr. Reichman may require.

MOVED BY: MS. NEUENDORF

SECONDED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

New Business (b-1)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-15      COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION MINUTES

WHEREAS, the Committee on Special Education and Sub-CSE is responsible for identification and education of children with disabilities, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received and reviewed the minutes of the CSE and Sub-CSE minus the names of the students, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education may request the CSE and Sub-CSE to reconsider any of these recommendations, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education has reviewed and approves of said minutes and will arrange for the implementation of the submitted CSE records:

**COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION MEETINGS**

December 18, 19; January 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16, 20, 22

**SUB-COMMITTEES ON SPECIAL EDUCATION MEETINGS**

Syosset High School – December 11, 16; January 9, 13

Berry Hill Elementary – October 30; November 10, 20, 24

Baylis Elementary – October 8, 17, 21

Robbins Lane Elementary – December 11, 19

South Grove Elementary – January 9

Walt Whitman Elementary – January 9

MOVED BY: DR. RESNICK

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER

MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

New Business ( b-2 )

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 9-16 COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

WHEREAS, The Committee on Preschool Special Education is now directly responsible to the Board of Education for its findings under Chapter 243, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education must arrange for all special placements for services for Children of the Syosset Central School District, and

WHEREAS, each member of the Board of Education has received a copy of said recommendations, minus the names of the children presented, for their information, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby resolves to arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education meeting of:

January 6, 2015

January 8, 2015

January 13, 2015

January 22, 2015

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. NEUENDORF

MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (b-3)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-17 AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND A  
CONFERENCE

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the following Conference that the Superintendent would like to attend.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves that the Superintendent attend the following professional conference, with expenses paid from appropriate budgetary allocations:

LEAF Workshop  
Supporting Strong Instructional Practice  
featuring Dr. Richard Elmore  
February 11, 2015  
The Marriott  
Albany, New York

MOVED BY: MR. LAFAZAN

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (b-4)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-18      RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SYOSSET CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY, COUNTY OF NASSAU, STATE OF NEW YORK, SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Syosset Central School District, in the Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. A public hearing of the qualified voters of the Syosset Central School District, in the Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, State of New York (the "School District"), shall be held at the Auditorium of the South Woods Middle School, 99 Pell Lane, Syosset, New York, on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 7:30 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of presenting to the voters the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and to discuss any other items to be voted upon at the Annual Budget Vote and Election.

Section 2. The Annual Budget Vote and Election of the School District and the Syosset Public Library shall be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in the three (3) Election Districts established by the Board of Education. The voting at the Budget Vote and Election shall be by voting machines as provided by Education Law and the polls shall remain open from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. prevailing time.

Section 3. The business to be acted upon at the Annual Budget Vote and Election shall be stated in the Notice thereof, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notice of Public Hearing, Budget Vote and Election to be published in the Syosset-Jericho Tribune and Syosset Advance; newspapers which have a general circulation within the School District. Said publication to be made four (4) times within the seven (7) weeks preceding the date of the Budget Vote and Election, with the first publication to be on April 3, 2015.

Section 4. All voting shall be by ballot on voting machines, or as otherwise indicated herein, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to have the necessary ballot labels printed for the said voting machines, in form corresponding as nearly as may be with this resolution and the requirements of the Education Law.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 6. Said Notice shall contain the following information and be in substantially the following form:









Meeting No. 9  
Resolution No. 9-18

NEW BUSINESS (b-4)

February 23, 2015

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SYOSSET CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF OYSTER BAY, COUNTY OF NASSAU, STATE OF NEW YORK, SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION (Page 5)

appropriate grounds by making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 2035 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Office of the District Clerk of the Board of Education at South Woods Middle School, 99 Pell Lane, Syosset, New York, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., prevailing time, by Monday, April 20, 2015, except as to a question or proposition required by law to be stated in the published or posted notice of the meeting which shall be filed in sufficient time to permit notice of the proposition to be included with the Notice of the Public Hearing, Budget Vote and Election required by Section 2004 of the Education Law; must be typed or printed in the English language; must be directed to Office of the District Clerk; must be signed by at least 176 qualified voters of the District (representing 5% of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election of the Board of Education); and must legibly state the name of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, which is unlawful, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition, or where other valid reason exists for excluding the proposition from the ballot.

#### SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICTS

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Election Districts have been established in the School District. The boundaries of the Election District are as follows:

- Election District 13: Residents who live in the Robbins Lane and South Grove elementary school attendance zones will vote at Robbins Lane Elementary School, 157 Robbins Lane, Syosset, New York.
- Election District 22: Residents who live in the A.P. Willits and Baylis elementary school attendance zones will vote at H.B. Thompson Middle School, 98 Ann Drive, Syosset, New York.
- Election District 23: Residents who live in the Walt Whitman, Berry Hill and Village elementary school attendance zones will vote at Syosset High School, 70 Southwoods Road, Syosset, New York.

Ms. Francine Benjamin, District Clerk

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER

There was discussion regarding Amending the Resolution.

**Resolution No. 9-19: MOTION** to amend the MOTION to change the time of the election and budget vote to go from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. as opposed to 10:00 p.m.

MOVED BY: MS. NEUENDORF

SECONDED: MR DIFILIPPO

MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

VOTE ON THE AMENDED MOTION

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER

MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (b-5)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-20 APPROVAL OF STUDENT CLUB CHARTERS 2014-2015

WHEREAS, Sections 172.2 of the Commissioners Regulations require that the Board of Education make regulations for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of extra classroom activities and for the safeguarding, accounting and audit of all monies received, and

WHEREAS, as part of these regulations, all school clubs that are established in grades five through twelve will be required to submit a school charter for Board of Education approval, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign student club charters and that in his absence or unavailability, Dr. Patricia Rufo, Assistant Superintendent for Business, as the Board's designee, is authorized to sign charters, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all 2014-2015 student club charters are approved by the Board of Education.

MOVED BY: MR. LAFAZAN

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (b- 6)

February 23, 2015

Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require that the District adopt policies in the areas listed below.

RESOLUTION NO. 9-21 FIRST READING:

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (REVISED)  
SEXUAL HARASSMENT (REVISED)  
DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS (REVISED)  
SCHOOL DISTRICT RECORDS (REVISED)  
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT (REVISED)  
DISPLAY OF THE FLAG (REVISED)  
INTERPRETERS FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED PARENTS (REVISED)  
BOARD MEMBER, SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS, AND EMPLOYEE  
CODE OF ETHICS (REVISED)  
PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES UNDER THE IDEA  
AND NY EDUCATION LAW ARTICLE 89-432 (REVISED)  
ALLOCATION OF SPACE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND  
SERVICES - NEW  
CONFIDENTIALITY AND ACCESS TO INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATIONAL  
SERVICES PROGRAMS (REVISED)  
AVAILABILITY OF ALTERNATIVE FORMAT INSTRUCTIONAL  
MATERIAL FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES – NEW

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Syosset Central School District has an active policy concerning new policy statements or a change in existing policy statements, and

WHEREAS, that the SECOND READING of the Equal Opportunity (Revised), Sexual Harassment (Revised), Dignity for all Students (Revised), School District Records (Revised), Parental Involvement (Revised), Display of the Flag (Revised), Interpreters for the Hearing Impaired Parents (Revised), Board Member, School District Officers, and Employee Code of Ethics (Revised), Programs for Students with Disabilities under the Idea and NY Education Law Article 89-432 (Revised), Allocation of Space for Special Education Programs and Services – New, Confidentiality and Access to Individualized Educational Services Programs (Revised), Availability of Alternative Format Instructional Material for Students with Disabilities – New shall occur at the meeting of the Board of Education on March 16, 2015.

MOVED BY: DR. COHEN

SECONDED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

THIS WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE MARCH 16, 2015 MEETING. COPIES OF THE PROPOSED POLICIES ARE ATTACHED AND AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE.



Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (c-2)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-23 AUTHORIZATION FOR SERVICE CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, the Syosset Central School District wishes to initiate and/or continue service contracts with vendors for essential supplemental computer, administrative and facilities services that affect the ongoing operations of the district as per the attachment, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign contracts with the various vendors and that, in his absence or unavailability, Dr. Patricia Rufo, Assistant Superintendent for Business, as the Board's designee, is authorized to sign contracts, and be it further

RESOLVED, that purchase orders for contracts for the 2014-2015 school year be issued to the vendors on the attached list. Resources for the above are within the General Fund.

MOVED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER

SECONDED BY: MS. NEUENDORF  
 MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Service Contracts  
 2014-2015

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
John McGowan & Sons	5-Yard Payloader Service	\$500.00/per hour
Gold Coast Golf Center, Inc.	Professional Clinic Golf Instructions for Adult Continuing Education Classes Golf Beginner Golf Intermediate On-Course Golf – 4 classes	\$50.00/per hour – Not to exceed \$400.00 \$50.00/per hour – Not to exceed \$400.00 \$70.00/per hour – Not to exceed \$2,100.00

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (c-3)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-24 ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION

WHEREAS, the Syosset Central School District has received a donation of \$151.60,  
and

WHEREAS, the Target Take Charge of Education fundraising program wishes to make  
this donation, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Syosset Central School District accepts with appreciation the  
donation of \$151.60.

NEW BUSINESS (c-4)

Resolution No. 9-24 ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION

WHEREAS, the Syosset Central School District has received a donation of one (1)  
wheelchair, and

WHEREAS, the Gross family wishes to make this donation, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Syosset Central School District accepts with appreciation the  
donation of one (1) wheelchair. Approximate value of \$500.00.

MOVED BY: DR. RESNICK

SECONDED BY: MS. PARKER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)



Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (c-5)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-25 DISPOSAL OF BROKEN, SURPLUS AND/OR OBSOLETE  
EQUIPMENT AND BOOKS

WHEREAS, equipment and books have been determined to be broken, surplus and/or obsolete, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the School District to dispose of such broken, surplus and/or obsolete equipment and/or books, be it

RESOLVED, that such broken, surplus and/or obsolete equipment and books will be disposed of in a manner that serves the best interest of the Syosset Central School District. Be it further

RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, or his designee is hereby authorized to proceed with the disposal of surplus, broken and/or obsolete equipment, supplies and books.

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. NEUENDORF  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Meeting No. 9

NEW BUSINESS (c-6)

February 23, 2015

Resolution No. 9-26 APPROVAL FOR EMERGENCY REPAIRS

WHEREAS, the water supply pipes to the Walt Whitman school are frozen, preventing adequate water flow to the building; and

WHEREAS, the School District has determined that the lack of adequate water supply threatens the health, safety and welfare of its students and staff; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education declares the repair of the frozen pipes at the Walt Whitman School to be an emergency as a result of the aforesaid; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the repair of the Walt Whitman water supply as an ordinary contingent expense of the Board and authorizes the Superintendent, or his designee, to enter into an agreement for the repair of said water supply at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

MOVED BY: MR. DIFILIPPO

SECONDED BY: MS. SCHLESINGER  
MOTION CARRIED: (8-0)

Attachment from Resolution No. 9-21 New Business (b-6)



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