

Glen Cove Board of Education
MEETING
Wednesday, January 5, 2022, 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Via Livestream: www.glencoveschools.org

I. Opening Ceremony

On a motion by Trustee Angela Raimo, second by Trustee Maureen Jimenz, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved into executive session at 6:20 pm. On a motion by Trustee Anne Markoulis, second by Trustee Meghan Lavine, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to adjourn executive session at 7:14 pm.

A. Salute to Flag

Public session was called to order by President Lia Leone. Salute to the flag at 7:31 pm.

B. Roll Call

The following Board of Education members were present:

Lia Leone, Maria Venuto, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Anne Markoulis, Meghan Lavine

II. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting

Minutes of December 15, 2021 - Presented by District Clerk

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of December 15, 2021.

Move: Meghan Lavine Second: Anne Markoulis Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

III. Committee Reports

No Reports

IV. Superintendent Report

A. Updates

1. COVID Update

Dr. Maria Rianna spoke about the distribution of the home Covid test kits. She mentioned that the distribution has been moved to Thayer house from the high school for any families that have not picked them up. Thayer house will distribute from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Additionally, most of the kits have an expiration date that it states January 2022. After speaking to both the Governor's office and Nassau BOCES we have been told that the FDA has indicated that those tests are valid and can be used until the end of April. Also the amount of tests received was based on last year's enrollment numbers and an additional 100 kits are needed. Updated enrollment information has been sent to the Governor's office and we anticipate that we will be receiving tests again (not sure when).

Originally it was intended that distribution to all New York districts was to take place for utilization by the return of the holiday break however Long Island did not receive any kits until sometime Friday or Saturday and did not allow all districts to pick up in time for distribution prior to January 3rd. She went onto thank the Glen Cove police, the highway department and a number of district employees who assisted in the distribution of these kits. Also thanked the parents and the community.

Dr. Rianna addressed the decision due to staffing shortages for the two day move for remote learning and stated that in-person instruction commences tomorrow with the option for kids to access their classes virtually if they choose. This will be in place until the end of next week.

Reminded everyone of the issues concerning bus drivers in the beginning of the year. A notification is received every morning regarding if there's enough bus drivers to run the routes and in the event of any issues parents should put in place what they did back in the fall when issues arose. A robo-call for the individual bus routes will be communicated if there are any issues.

Also in Dr. Rianna's communication of earlier today where she referenced the use of a yellow or purple hand for accessing instruction. She clarified what the hands meant and apologized for any confusion.

Questions from the Board of Education were addressed.

V. Public Participation

This section gives opportunity to residents who wish to raise a question or make a brief statement on agenda items.

Questions and comments were presented by attendees and were addressed by the Board of Education and administration.

VI. Instructional Report

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum Instruction the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education.

Move: Anne Markoulis Second: Meghan Lavine Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

A. Committee on Special Education

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for Initial Placement Programs/Services for cases listed from meetings filed in the office of Special Education and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services.

B. Committee on Preschool Special Education

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Initial Placement Programs/Services for cases listed from meetings.

VII. Business Affairs

A. Finance

No reports

B. Operations

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Maureen Jimenez Second: Angela Raimo Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

1. Corrective Action Plan

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the Corrective Action Plan as developed in conjunction with the external audit for the school year ending June 30, 2021, which will be implemented during the 2021 – 2022 school year.

Move: Maureen Jimenez Second: Angela Raimo Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

VIII. Personnel

A. Certified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following certified matters:

Move: Angela Raimo Second: Maria Venuto Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

1. Requests for Leaves of Absence

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the requests for a leave of absence for the following named persons be approved as specified below.

Name: Eisele, Jeffrey
Position: Science Teacher
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective: 12/24/21-o/a 2/28/22

Comments: Mr. Eisele is requesting an extension of his medical leave.

Name: Laber, Kathleen
Position: Special Education Teacher
Building Assignment: Connolly
Effective: 12/24/21-6/30/22

Comments: Ms. Laber is requesting an extension of her childcare leave.

Name: Liptzin, Stefanie
Position: Elementary Teacher
Building Assignment: Landing
Effective: o/a 2/15/22-o/a 4/11/22

Comments: Ms. Liptzin is requesting a leave of absence for maternity/childcare purposes.

Name: Paleogos, Mary
Position: Elementary Teacher
Building Assignment: Deasy
Effective: o/a 1/18/22-6/30/22

Comments: Ms. Paleogos is requesting a leave of absence in order to accept a position as a Literacy Coach.

Name: Zimmermann, Amanda
Position: Special Education Teacher
Building Assignment: Deasy
Effective: 1/3/22-6/30/22

Comments: Ms. Zimmermann is requesting an extension of her childcare leave.

2. Appointment of Probationary Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person, who is properly certified, be appointed as a Probationary Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District as specified below (salary as per contract, prorated).

Name: Sican Orellana, Andres
Tenure Area: Physical Education
Building Assignment: Deasy/Gribbin
Schedule & Step: BA, Step 1 (prorated)
Probationary Period: 1/3/22-1/2/26*

Certification: Physical Education

Comments: Mr. Sican Orellana is replacing Ms. Zupa, who retired.

*The probationary period expiration dates set forth above are conditional and subject to extension in accordance with law. These probationary appointments are subject to all applicable provisions of the New York Education Law including, without limitation, that, in order to be eligible for tenure, each of the referenced individuals must have received annual composite or overall Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d ratings of Highly Effective (HE) or Effective (E) for at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding school years exclusive of any breaks in service. In addition, if the individuals receive an Ineffective (I) composite or overall APPR rating in his/ her final year of probationary service, s/he shall not be eligible for tenure at that time even if s/he has secured HE or E APPR composite or overall ratings in every other year of his/her probationary service.

3. Appointment of Teacher on Special Assignment

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed to a Special Assignment for the Glen Cove City School District effective on or around January 18, 2022 through June 30, 2022, as specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: Paleogos, Mary
Assignment: Literacy Coach (K-2)
Building Assignment: Deasy

Comments: Ms. Paleogos is replacing Ms. Odone, who resigned.

4. Appointment of Regular Substitute Teachers

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as Regular Substitute Teachers for the Glen Cove City School District as specified below.

Name: DiCaterino, Alexandria
Building Assignment: Deasy
Salary: MA, Step 1
Effective: o/a 1/18/22-6/30/22 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certifications: Childhood Ed (1-6)

Comments: Ms. DiCaterino is continuing as the leave replacement for Ms. Paleogos, who accepted a position as a Literacy Coach.

Name: Gallace, Bridget
Building Assignment: Connolly
Salary: MA, Step 3
Effective: 12/24/21-6/30/22 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certifications: Early Childhood Ed (B-2); Childhood Ed (1-6); SWD (B-2, 1-6 & 5-9)

Comments: Ms. Gallace is continuing as the leave replacement for Ms. Laber, who extended her childcare leave.

Name: Hudson, Taylah
Building Assignment: Landing/Connolly
Salary: \$136/day (first 30 working days); BA, Step 1 (31st working day, prorated)
Effective: 1/3/22-6/30/22 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certifications: Physical Education

Comments: Ms. Hudson is replacing Ms. Riso, who accepted the position of Interim Director of Athletics, Health & Physical Education.

Name: Silverman, Amanda
Building Assignment: Middle School
Salary: MA, Step 1
Effective: 12/24/21-o/a 2/28/22 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certifications: Childhood Education (1-6)

Comments: Ms. Silverman is continuing as the leave replacement for Mr. Eisele, who extended his medical leave.

5. Appointment of Per Diem Substitute Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Per Diem Substitute Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2021-2022 school year (salary - \$125/day).

Altamirano, Nicole

6. Appointment of K-5 Instructional Support Teachers

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as K-5 Instructional Support Teachers for the Glen Cove City School District, effective the 2021-2022 school year (salary - \$75.00/hr.)

Altamirano, Kenneth
Duignan, Stephanie
Ricciardi, Dora
Scicchitano, Valerie

7. Resignation

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the resignation of the following named person be approved as specified below.

Name: Smith, Stephen
Position Title: AJH Wrestling Coach
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective Date: 12/22/21

B. Classified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following classified matters:

Move: Maureen Jimenez Second: Anne Markoulis Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

1. Appointment of Information Technology Assistant

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed provisionally as an Information Technology Assistant for the Glen Cove City School District, as specified below (salary – \$42,500/yr., prorated).

Name: Rodriguez, Jhohan
Building Assignment: District
Effective: 1/3/22

Comments: Mr. Rodriguez is replacing Mr. DiGiacomo, who resigned.

2. Appointment of Security Guard

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed permanently as a Security Guard for the Glen Cove City School District, as specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: Thomas, Kirsten
Building Assignment: Landing
Effective: 1/6/22

3. Changes in Hours

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that a change in hours for the following named persons be approved, as specified below.

Name: Bradshaw, Amanda
From: 20 hours per week
To: 25 hours per week
Effective: 1/6/22-6/24/22 (or sooner)*

Name: Hernandez, Sandra
From: 20 hours per week
To: 25 hours per week
Effective: 1/6/22-6/24/22 (or sooner)*

*Comments: These employees' hours are being increased until and unless the current vacancies in the cafeteria are filled.

4. Request for Leave of Absence

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the request for a leave of absence for the following named person be approved as specified below.

Name: DeLuca, Dana
Position: Clerical
Building Assignment: Carriage House
Effective: 1/5/22-o/a 3/1/22

Comments: Ms. DeLuca is requesting a leave of absence for medical reasons.

5. Resignations

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the resignations of the following named persons be approved as specified below.

Name: Medina, Kimberly
Position: School Monitor
Building Assignment: Gribbin
Effective: o/a 2/26/22

Name: Merlos, Maria
Position: School Monitor
Building Assignment: High School
Effective: 12/31/21

6. Retirement

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the resignation, for the purpose of retirement, of the following named person, be approved as specified below.

Name: Mago, Meera
Position: Senior Clerk
Building Assignment: Thayer House
Effective: 1/11/22 (end of day)

Dr. Maria Rianna acknowledged the retirement of Ms. Mago and thanked her for her years of service.

IX. Unfinished Business

Nothing reported.

X. New Business

Nothing reported.

XI. Board Comments

Trustee Angela Raimo thanked administration and the police department in the organization of handing out the Covid testing kits.

Ms. Victoria Galante also thanked everyone that helped.

President Lia Leone thanked the teachers, teacher's assistants and food service as well as staff.

XII. Public Participation

This section gives opportunity to residents who wish to raise a question or make a brief statement on matters including, but limited to, agenda items.

Questions and comments were presented by attendees and were addressed by the Board of Education and administration.

XIII. Executive Session (if necessary)

XIV. Adjournment

The Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to adjourn at 8:42 pm. Next meeting scheduled for January 19, 2022 in the high school auditorium at 7:30 pm.

Move: Meghan Lavine Second: Angela Raimo Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis

Respectfully submitted by:

Ida Johnson
District Clerk

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