

BELLMORE-MERRICK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022 – 8:00 PM

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 6, 2022 (See attached)
April 26, 2022 (See attached)
- IV. TREASURER’S REPORT – March 31, 2022 (Previously sent)
- V. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
 - A. Presentations
National Forums and New York State Essential Elements Schools to Watch
Merrick Avenue Middle School

 - Student Representatives
Julie Moehringer Calhoun High School
Amanda Montalbano Meadowbrook Alternative Program
Nicole Rosen Kennedy High School
Anthony Scotto Mephram High School

 - Future Dates
May 5 Calhoun Grey Concert
Mephram Concert II
May 12 Middle School Concert I
Merrick Avenue Arts Expo
May 17 School Budget Vote
May 18 Mephram Thespian Honor Society Induction
High School Science Research Symposium
Kennedy Concert I & Spring Arts
May 19 Grand Avenue Arts Expo
Middle School Concert II
Mephram Battle of the Classes
May 20-21 Calhoun On Tour Season Finale
May 23 Mephram Art Show
May 24 Science Performance Begins
Middle School Honor Society Induction
Mephram Art Show
May 25 Senior Awards Night
Challenge Day at Calhoun
May 26 Cultural Arts Luncheon
On Tour Thespian Dinner
May 30 Memorial Day-Schools Closed
June 1 Board of Education Meeting

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Agenda Items Only*

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VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Information Item

We will be honoring our school district’s retirees at our June 1, 2022 regular meeting.

B. Special Education

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the recommended Special Education vendors for the 2022-2023 school year. (See attached)

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following Special Education placements as recommended by the Committee on Special Education (CSE): 000011701, 000011739, 000012204, 000012277, 000012938, 000013017, 000015473, 000513040, 000513330, 000513393, 063210001, 083090001, 131261470, 131261474, 181910066, 201600062, 201700032, 201800115, 201800179, 202000054, 202100008, 202100166, 202110594 and 370001277. (See attached)

VIII. PERSONNEL REPORT – May 4, 2022

(See attached)

- A. Tenure Recommendations
- B. Terminations
- C. Resignations
- D. Appointments
- E. Recommendation for Continued Employment
- F. Salary Reclassification
- G. Assigned Services – Non-Athletics – Cancellation
- H. Assigned Services – Non-Athletics
- I. Assigned Services – Non-Athletics – 2022/2023 School Year
- J. Assigned Services – Athletics

IX. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

- A. Bills and Corresponding Warrant dated May 4, 2022 – *Information only* (Previously sent)
- B. Bids (Previously sent)
- C. Budget Summary dated April 30, 2022 – *Information Only* (Previously sent)

D. 2022-2023 Budgeted Reserves and Property Tax Report Card

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve for the payment of sick leave for retirees in the 2022-2023 school year in an amount up to \$600,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Employee Retirement Reserve for payment of employer retirement expense to the New York State Employee Retirement System in the 2022-2023 school year in an amount up to \$1,758,398.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Teachers' Retirement Reserve Sub-Fund for payment of employer retirement expense to the New York State Teacher' Retirement System in the 2022-2023 school year in an amount up to \$1,000,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Workers Compensation Reserve for payment of Workers Compensation expense in the 2022-2023 school year in an amount up to \$450,000.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the withdrawal of funds from the Reserve for Tax Reduction to reduce taxes and fund appropriations in the 2022-2023 school year in an amount up to \$1,200,000.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the submission to the State Education Department and publication of the 2022-2023 Property Tax Report Card.
(See attached)

E. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick CHSD approve the following budget transfers to cover 2021-2022 school year expenses:

From: A1620.400-00-8300 (Fuel Oil)	\$ 65,000.00
To: A1620.425-00-0000 (Repairs – Building and Grounds)	\$ 65,000.00
To cover emergency costs for HVAC repairs.	

From: A2250.472-00-0000 (Spec ED Private School Tuition)	\$43,037.00
To: A2250.471-00-0000 (Public School Tuition Spec ED)	\$43,037.00
To cover costs for Public School Tuition-Special Ed.	

From: A5540.400-00-0000 (Contract Transportation)	\$350,000.00
A5581.490-00-0000 (BOCES Transportation)	\$160,000.00
To: A5540.410-00-0000 (Out of District Transportation)	\$510,000.00
To cover Transportation costs.	

From: A2250.490-00-0000 (BOCES Spec Ed)	\$350,000.00
To: A2250.400-08-4300 (Contractual Spec Ed-Related Services)	\$350,000.00
To cover costs for Special Ed related services.	

From: A2250.490-00-0000 (BOCES Spec Ed)	\$45,000.00
To: A2250.472-00-0000 (Spec Ed Private School Tuition)	\$45,000.00
To cover costs for Private School Tuition-Special Ed.	

F. Federal Single Audit

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept the Federal Single Audit Report for the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District for the year ended June 30, 2021.
(See attached)

G. Transportation Contract Extensions

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the extension of school bus transportation contracts with First Student, We Transport Inc., BOCES Transportation and Suburban Bus Transportation, Inc. for Summer 2022, and school year 2022-2023 at full C.P.I., and, as has been done for prior extensions, continue the waiver of the performance bond for the period of the contract extensions. The extension parameters listed include large buses, vans, matron service and field and athletic trips.

H. Textbook Distribution

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an agreement with Textbook Central for centralized textbook distribution services for the 2022-2023 school year. Costs are dependent upon the number of participants and are stated with the contract.
(See attached)

I. Resolution - Settlement of Litigation

WHEREAS, Mieczyslaw Szozda and Genowefa Szozda commenced litigation against the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District, and multiple other defendants; and

WHEREAS, in connection with said lawsuit the School District asserted various defenses to the claims alleged by Mieczyslaw Szozda and Genowefa Szozda against the School District; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to settle their claims to avoid further litigation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District hereby authorizes settlement of the action titled “Mieczyslaw Szozda and Genowefa Szozda, Plaintiffs, -against- CBS Corporation, f/k/a Viacom Inc., successor by merger to CBS Corporation, f/k/a Westinghouse Electric Corporation, et al., [including but not limited to] . . . Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District” venued in New York State Supreme Court, County of New York, Index No. 190325/2020 in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Release and Settlement Agreement and Release Medicare Addendum between the parties, said agreements having been reviewed and approved in Executive Session with the Board and counsel for the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President and/or Superintendent of Schools to execute the above-mentioned agreements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the School District’s attorneys of record to execute any and all other documents necessary to effectuate said settlement and/or discontinue of the action.

J. Education Data Service, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve an agreement with Education Data Service, Inc. for software licensing and maintenance services for the NY/Island Cooperative supply bids at a cost of \$9,480, and Skilled Trades & Ancillary services at a cost of \$2,000 for the 2022-2023 school year. (See attached)

K. New York/Island Cooperative Bid

WHEREAS, it would be in the joint interest of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District and the following school districts (*SEE ATTACHED LISTING*) to participate in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, services, materials and equipment, as advertised by and awarded by the Clarkstown Central School District acting as the Lead Agency, as provided by General Municipal Law Section 119-0, and,

WHEREAS, each BOARD retains the legal authority to contract with the successful Vendor(s) and shall not be bound by purchase contracts or other agreements made by the other BOARD(S),

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District hereby agrees to participate with the attached named school districts in such cooperative bids. (See attached)

X. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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XIII. MOTION TO CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING – 2022-2023 SCHOOL BUDGET

XIV. POTENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Budget Vote: Tuesday, May 17, 2022
Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, June 1, 2022