

**Glen Cove Board of Education Meeting  
Wednesday, May 5, 2021, 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm  
Glen Cove High School**

Meeting will be livestreamed at [www.glencoveschools.org](http://www.glencoveschools.org)

BUDGET HEARING - 7 PM

I. Opening Ceremony

On a motion by Trustee Gail Nedbor-Gross, second by Trustee Maria Venuto, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved into executive session at 5:37 pm. On a motion by Trustee Mary Murphy, second by Vice-President Karen Ferguson, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to adjourn executive session at 7:00 pm.

A. Salute to Flag and Moment of Silence

Budget Hearing was called to order by President Lia Leone. Salute to the flag at 7:07.

Victoria Galante, Assistant Superintendent of Business presented the 2021-2022 Budget Hearing via PowerPoint presentation. Dr. Maria Rianna also went over state aid including foundation aid, federal stimulus funding, property tax relief credit and the Moody's rating. Handouts were available for all attendees. All questions from the Board of Education were addressed.

Public session followed.

B. Roll Call

The following Board of Education members were present:

Present: Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson, Gail Nedbor-Gross, Mary Murphy, Maria Venuto

Absent: Rose Sekelsky

II. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting

Minutes of April 20, 2021 - Presented by District Clerk

RESOLVED, on the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of April 20, 2021 as amended to reflect the addition of the Board of Education members names who received achievements and recognition awards through trainings by NYSSBA announced during the Superintendent's Report at the above stated meeting.

Move: Maria Venuto Second: Karen Ferguson Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson

III. Committee Reports

No Reports

IV. Superintendent Report

President Lia Leone started by thanking all the PTA's as well as all the teachers. Acknowledged and congratulated Dr. Rianna on being elected to New York State Council of Superintendent's and working directly with the commissioner on issues of funding and education.

Dr. Maria Rianna thanked the board for their support in allowing her to advocate for

monies on the district's behalf. Dr. Rianna thanked all the teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week for all they've done during this difficult year due to Covid. Additionally thanked custodial staff, administration, nurses, security, clerical and food service throughout the district as well as our tv studio.

#### A. Updates

##### 1. COVID-19 UPDATE

Dr. Maria Rianna stated that the district is waiting on guidance from the commissioner as to what are guidelines will be for next school year.

##### 2. Presentation: ECG Update Regarding Energy Performance Contract

ECG (Education's Choice for Smarter EPC's), the awarded bid winner of the Energy Performance Contract presented via a PowerPoint. Handouts were available for everyone in attendance and questions from the Board of Education were addressed.

##### 3. Special Education District Plan Presentation

Ms. Allison Hernandez, Director of Special Education, presented via PowerPoint. Handouts were available for audience members and questions from the Board of Education were all 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 addressed by the Board of Education and administration as they were presented on agenda items only.

#### VI. Instructional Report

##### 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 from the committee on special education filed in the office of special education and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services.

Move: Karen Ferguson Second: Gail Nedbor-Gross Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson

##### B. Committee on Preschool Special Education

No Reports

##### C. Adoption of Special Education District Plan

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Glen Cove City School District Plan of Service for Special Education.

Questions from the Board of Education were addressed.

Move: Mary C. Murphy Second: Maria Venuto Status: Passed

VII. Business Affairs

A. Finance

No Reports

B. Operations

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made the Assistant Superintendent for Business, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following items.

Move: Gail Nedbor-Gross Second: Maria Venuto Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson

1. Budget Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2020 – 2021 budget transfer:

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)

Account Code	Account Name	Transfer In	Transfer Out
A2280.491	BOCES Vocational - Special Ed	\$150,000.00	
A2250.151	Home Tutoring		\$75,000.00
A2250.490.25	BOCES Speech - DW		\$50,000.00
A2250.162.03	Teacher Assistants - Salary		\$25,000.00
TOTAL		\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00

2. Agreement - Twilight Program

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Twilight Alternative High School Program Agreement between the Glen Cove City School District and Nassau BOCES for the 2021 – 2022 school year as outlined on the contract filed in the office of Curriculum/Instruction and authorizes the President of the Board to sign such upon approval.

3. Contracts - Student Services

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the student service contracts as summarized below and authorizes the President of the Board to sign such contract upon approval:

Provider: Life's WORC Family Center for Autism  
 Address:  
 1517 Franklin Avenue  
 P.O. Box 7587  
 Garden City, NY 11530  
 Service: Multiple Special Education Services  
 Rate: Fee list filed in the office of special education

Provider: Devereux  
 Address:  
 2012 Renaissance Blvd.  
 King of Prussia, PA 19406  
 Service: Tuition  
 Rate: \$56,443 for 10 months, \$9,407 for 2 months

Provider: Brookville Center for Children's Services  
 Address:  
 189 Wheatley Road  
 Brookville, NY 11545  
 Service: Tuition and Related Services  
 Rate: \$57,071 for 10 months tuition, \$9,512 for 2 months tuition  
 Fee list filed in the office of special education

Provider: Jonathan Vega  
 Address:  
 27 East Walnut St.  
 Central Islip, NY 11722  
 Service: Nursing Services-LPN  
 Rate: \$32 per hour

Provider: The Charlton School/Ketchum-Grande Memorial School  
 Address:  
 322 Lake Hill Rd  
 PO Box 47  
 Burnt Hills, NY 12027  
 Service: Tuition  
 Rate: \$44,941 for 10 months, \$ 7,490 for 2 months

Provider: Achieve Beyond  
 Address:  
 225 Broadhollow Road Suite 402  
 Melville, NY 11747  
 Service: Multiple Special Education Services  
 Rate: Fee list filed in the office of special education

Provider: Beyond Boundaries Therapeutic Services SLP,OT,PT,LMSW  
 DBA: Kidz Educational Services  
 Address:  
 1400 Old Country Road, Suite C103N  
 Westbury, NY 11590  
 Service: Multiple Special Education Services  
 Rate: Fee list filed in the office of special education

#### 4. Donation - Good Sports

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, a donation of baseball cleats, softball cleats and baseball batting gloves valued at \$10,922 from Good Sports.

President Lia Leone acknowledged the above donor and thanked them.

#### 5. Cooperative Bid Award

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards the Nassau County School Buildings Association 2021-2022 Cooperative Bid for Playground Installation, Repair and Inspection, opened on Thursday, April 8, 2021 to the following contractors:

1. Playground Purchase and Installation
  - A) Burke: American Recreational Products
  - B) Gametime: NZL Equipment Inc.
  - C) Landscape: NZL Equipment Inc.-Install Only
  - D) Playcraft Systems: No Bids
  - E) Play & Park Structures: NZL Equipment Inc.

2. Playground Site Preparation
  - NZL Equipment Inc.

3. Playground Removal & Disposal
  - A) Pea Gravel: NZL Equipment Inc.
  - B) Wood Fiber: NZL Equipment Inc.
  - C) Structures: American Recreational Products
4. Playground Repair  
Playground Medic
5. Playground Inspections  
NZL Equipment Inc.
6. Playground Safety Surfaces – Materials and Install
  - A) Rubber Tile:  
NZL Equipment Inc.  
American Recreational Products-Sole Source for Burke
  - B) Engineered Wood Fiber: NZL Equipment Inc.
  - C) Blown-in EWF: NZL Equipment Inc.
7. Playground Safety Surfaces-Materials & Install
  - A) Poured In Place Rubber-New Install: NZL Equipment Inc.
  - B) Poured in Place Rubber-Repair: NZL Equipment Inc.
8. Playground Safety Surfaces-Materials Only
  - A) Rubber Tile:  
NZL Equipment Inc.  
American Recreational Products-Sole Source for Burke
  - B) Engineered Wood Fiber: Playground Medic
  - C) Wear Mats: NZL Equipment Inc.
9. Playground Sub-Base  
NZL Equipment Inc.

#### 6. Website Redesign

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the redesign of the Glen Cove City School District website by Blackboard, through BOCES, in order to receive additional aid.

#### 7. Ecosystem Appointment

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Glen Cove City School District ("School District") solicited requests or proposals from energy services companies for the design and implementation of Energy Conservation Measures at all district facilities ("Project") on an Energy Performance Contract basis; and

WHEREAS, the School District received three (3) proposals in response to the request for proposals from Ecosystem, Energy Systems Group, and Johnson Controls; and

WHEREAS, based upon review and evaluation of the proposal, the School District Administration and ECG Engineering, P.C., recommend that Ecosystem proceed with a Comprehensive Energy Audit ("CEA") of the district facilities to determine the specific scope of Energy Conservation Measures that might be installed under an energy performance contract; and

WHEREAS, Ecosystem shall proceed with a CEA at no obligation or cost to the School District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Glen Cove City School District herewith appoints Ecosystem as the winner of the request for proposals contest.

A. Certified

RESOLVED, on the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following certified matters:

Move: Maria Venuto Second: Mary C. Murphy Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson

1. 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: Gallace, Bridget  
Building Assignment: Connolly  
Salary: MA, Step 2 (prorated)  
Effective: 2/2/21-o/a 6/1/21 (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: Hernandez, Ariana  
Building Assignment: Middle School  
Salary: MA, Step 1 (prorated)  
Effective: 3/23/21-6/30/21 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certification: ESOL

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

Name: Zalin, Andrea  
Building Assignment: Deasy  
Salary: MA, Step 1 (prorated)  
Effective: 12/3/20-6/30/21 (or sooner at the discretion of the Board of Education)

Certification: Speech & Language Disabilities

Comments: Ms. Zalin is continuing as the leave replacement for Ms. Cairo, who has extended her childcare leave.

2. Appointment of Spring Coach

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Coach for the Glen Cove City School District, effective the Spring Season of the 2020-2021 school year, as specified below (stipend as per contract).

Name: Zangari, Alyssa  
Sport: JH Girls Lacrosse

3. 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: Alvarez-Corrigan, Catherine  
 Position Title: ELA Teacher  
 Building Assignment: High School  
 Effective: 4/21/21-4/27/21

Comments: Ms. Alvarez-Corrigan is requesting an extension of her medical leave.

#### 4. Resignations

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

Name: Mahnken, Vanessa  
 Position Title: English Teacher  
 Effective: 6/30/21

Name: Rant, Gina  
 Position Title: Teaching Assistant  
 Effective: 4/16/21 (end of day)

#### 5. 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: Cornelis, Laurie  
 Position Title: Special Education Teacher  
 Effective: 6/30/21

#### 6. Termination

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

Name: Nuncio Miranda, Ana Carolina  
 Position Title: La Fuerza Program Teacher  
 Effective: 4/15/21 (end of day)

Comments: Ms. Nuncio Miranda is being terminated due to insufficient enrollment.

Dr. Rianna acknowledged the retirement of Laurie Cornelis and thanked her for her years of service and dedication to the district.

#### B. Classified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following classified matters:

Move: Maria Venuto Second: Mary C. Murphy Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson

##### 1. Temporary Increase in Hours (Food Service Helpers)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that a temporary increase in hours of employment be approved for the following named persons, effective May 6, 2021 through on or before June 25, 2021, as

specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: DiMaggio, Alexis  
Building Assignment: Landing  
From: 13.75 hours per week  
To: 20 hours per week

Name: Rogers, Jane  
Building Assignment: Landing  
From: 13.75 hours per week  
To: 20 hours per week

Comments: The additional hours of employment are needed in order to accommodate the increase in students returning to in-person instruction.

## 2. 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: Hidalgo, Yissel  
Position Title: School Monitor  
Building Assignment: Gribbin  
Effective: 4/27/21-TBD

Comments: Ms. Hidalgo is requesting a leave of absence for personal reasons.

## 3. 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: Gomez, Serfidis  
Position/Assignment: School Monitor  
Effective Date: 4/16/21 (end of day)

## 4. Termination

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

Name: Sarro Avalos, Maria Teresa  
Position/Assignment: La Fuerza Program Monitor  
Effective Date: 4/16/21(end of day)

Comments: Ms. Sarro Avalos is being terminated due to insufficient enrollment.

## IX. Unfinished Business

Trustee Karen Ferguson questioned the status of a meeting regarding the back gate with EMS; status of the activity calendar; took a NYSSBA workshop "Policies & Practices after Covid" will be sharing with the policy committee members.

## X. New Business

Trustee Gail Nedbor-Gross requested clarification on the high school access roads for the upcoming election of May 18, 2021.

## XI. Board Comments

## XII. Public Participation



This section gives opportunity to residents who wish to raise a question or make a brief statement on matters including, but not limited to, agenda items.

Questions and comments were addressed by the Board of Education and administration as they were presented on any items.

XIII. Executive Session (if necessary)

XIV. Adjournment

The Board of Education unanimously (5/0) moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:33 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2021 in the Glen Cove High School Auditorium at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Ida Johnson  
District Clerk

  
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Ida Johnson - District Clerk

Move: Karen Ferguson Second: Gail Nedbor-Gross Status: Passed

Yes: Gail Nedbor-Gross, Maria Venuto, Mary C. Murphy, Lia Leone, Karen Ferguson