

**BUSINESS MEETING PAGE 023 AUGUST 26, 2015
SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Chris Picini called a Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:35 p.m. The meeting took place at the District Central Office, 189 Dunton Ave, East Patchogue, NY.

Board of Education Members Present

Rocco DeVito

Lisa Di Santo

Carol Herrmann

Antoinette Huffine

Regina Hunt (*arrived 6:45 pm*)

Julio Morales

Chris Picini

Danielle Skelly (*arrived 6:45 pm*)

Allison Stines

Others Present: Superintendent Dr. Joseph Giani, Nelson Briggs, Sam Gergis, Cherieese Pemberton, Sara Cioffaletti, School Attorney John Sheahan.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion (Herrmann / Stines) to convene to executive session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss BTA negotiations and an employee disciplinary matter.

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 7-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Hunt, Skelly).

Public session reconvened at 7:30 pm.

Board member Julio Morales led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES / SMOKE FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board President Picini discussed the exits to be used in the event of an emergency and noted that we are a smoke-free District, with smoking prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds.

C. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA –APPROVALS

A motion (Huffine / DeVito) to approve the following:

1. Minutes - Business Meeting of August 5, 2015

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain (Morales).

A motion (Herrmann / Hunt) to approve the following:

2. Treasurer's Report –July, 2015.

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

D. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Superintendent's Report

- A tour of the facilities is scheduled for this Friday.
- Student Support Services has moved into the Brookhaven Annex.
- The work at Frank P. Long is complete, and extended hours were implemented to allow teachers to set up their rooms.
- The Family Engagement Center suffered a setback due to damage sustained from a truck accident, further complicated by an asbestos issue. The District is looking into the possibility of installing a gate at the entrance to the parking lot.

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- South Haven School is currently closed for further inspection, repair and cleaning in preparation for future use.
- Thanks to Senator Croci for securing an additional \$35 K in unrestricted state aid for our District. Dr. Giani will meet with cabinet and administrative council to determine best use of funds.
- The August graduation ceremony was well received with twenty two students and their families participating.
- Our Universal Pre-K program has a total of 136 students enrolled, with a minimum target of 157 to make MOE. Current enrollment is; 100 at Brookhaven (108 target), 30 at Bellport United Methodist (36 target) and 4 at Family Service League (20 target). We will know by September 26th if we have enough to run the program with the Family Service League.
- In response to Mr. Kinsella's inquiry, school building flags are raised when school in session.
- All summer mailings have gone out.

2. Trustees Report

- Thanks to Administration for putting together the August graduation ceremony, which was very well received by all.
- Happy that the schedules and calendars were mailed out early this year.
- Thanks to Sara Cioffaletti for making the agenda packets so clear and user friendly.
- Thanks to Mr. Hogan and staff for a well-run and organized 9th Grade Orientation.
- Request to include maps of the High School and Middle School buildings with the schedules.
- The William Floyd Board of Education President has a radio show on 103.9 where local schools are highlighted. We have been invited to participate.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

1. Greater Bellport Brownfield Opportunity Steering Committee
The Board will obtain additional information from Brookhaven Town before appointing a member.
2. Substitute Plan was discussed.

A motion (Skelly / Stines) to approve the following:

3. Code of Conduct

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby accepts the revision to the Code of Conduct, incorporating the Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Eligibility.

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

4. Board of Education Retreat will be postponed to a later date.
5. 2015-16 School Calendar will be left as is, using a snow day to resolve the extra day issue.

G. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A motion (Herrmann / DeVito) to approve:

1. CSE/SCSE Minutes
2. CPSE Minutes

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain (Morales)

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A motion (Herrmann / DeVito) to approve:

3. 2015-2016 District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP)
4. 2015-2016 School Comprehensive Education Plan (SCEP)

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

A motion (Skelly / Hunt) to approve:

5. 2015-2016 District Professional Development Plan

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

H. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL

A motion (Herrmann / Skelly) to approve items # H1 through H5, & H7 through H10:

1. Resignations & Leave of Absence
2. Instructional New Appointments
3. Non-Instructional New Appointments
4. Long-Term Substitutes
5. Salary Schedule & Position Changes
7. Extra Duty Assignments
8. Responders & Guards
9. Rates for Substitutes and Long-Term Substitutes
10. Substitutes

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

A motion (Skelly / DeVito) to approve item # H 6.1 through H6.72:

6. Additional Work

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

A motion (Huffine / DeVito) to approve item # H6.73:

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VOTE: *Motion carries.* 8-Yes, 1-No (Picini).

I. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – BUSINESS

A motion (DeVito / Skelly) to approve:

1. Consultant Services Contract- Neil Lederer
2. Budget Transfer Request Form
3. Memorandum of Understanding- St. Joseph's College
4. Health and Welfare Services Agreement- West Islip School District

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5. Best Value Contracts

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase and procurement of apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies and services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of such apparatus, materials, equipment and supplies, the cost of which exceeds \$20,000, on the basis of the “best value” exception to the competitive bidding requirements of the General Municipal Law and consistent with all other applicable requirements of the General Municipal Law.

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

J. PUBLIC COMMENTARY (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Darlene Mercurio (*resident*): Commented on “opting out” and Common Core.

Ron Kinsella (*resident*): Commented on having crossing guards at High School – Beaver Dam Rd.

K. CLOSING REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Thank you to Dr. Pemberton.
- Request to look into Cope Officers monitoring walkers crossing Station Rd at Frank P Long.
- Robotics program.
- Possibility of District doing a community forum or legislative breakfast.
- Earlier mailing of schedules and calendars.
- Roll out of Scholar Chip and Chrome Book programs.

L. ADJOURNMENT

A motion (Herrmann / Hunt) to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm:

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 9-Yes, 0-No.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Poulos

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District Clerk