

SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
189 No. Dunton Avenue, East Patchogue, New York 11772
MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER (7:00 p.m.)

Board of Education President, Gregory C. Miglino Jr, called a Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting took place in the Board Room of the South Haven School, 2714 Montauk Highway, Brookhaven, NY.

Call to Order

Board of Education Members Present:

- Victor Correa, Lisa Di Santo Grossman, James Jankowski, Kevin Kirk, Marian McKenna, Gregory C. Miglino Jr, Barbara Schatzman, Lee Snead

Roll Call

Members Absent: Trustee Rob Powell.

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools Raymond Walsh, Interim Asst Superintendent for Business, Michael Buzzeo, Interim Asst Superintendent for HR, Richard Kollar, Interim Director of Student Support Services, Jack Colombo, Asst Superintendent of Educational Support Services, Stanley Pelech, Bellport High School Principal Nelson Briggs, Athletic Director John Frankie, Principals Brian Ginty, Stefanie Rucinski, Lisa Greiner, other staff members, guests and members of the community.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Stanley Pelech leads the Board and all others present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Miglino noted that the Board of Education sent condolences to the family of Legislator Edward Romaine on the passing of his son, Councilman Keith Romaine.

Condolences on the passing of Councilman Keith Romaine

3. COMMENDATIONS

Athletic Department Updates

Athletic Director John Frankie reported on the following fall sports teams accomplishments and acknowledged the following students;

Commendations

Table with 2 columns: Sport Name and Student/Achievement Details. Rows include Varsity Football, Volleyball, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Girls Varsity Tennis, Boys Golf, and Girls Soccer.

Boys Soccer	In playoffs 7-6 record. Senior Nick Greco and Junior Steven Seidman were selected All League; Senior Noel Benivedes, All Conference and Senior and MVP Connor Fedge All County. Chris Ciervo, Academic All County.
Gymnastics	Stephanie Von Bartheld, Sophomore, All League (All Around)

- The following seniors were selected as the top two Phys –Ed Students.

Connor Fedge	Ranked 4 th in his class with 4.15 GPA, All County Soccer, All County Basketball and Projected All County in Lacrosse. He is looking at Columbia, Dartmouth, or Hamilton Colleges.
Grace Healy	Ranked 2 nd in class with a 4.3 GPA, All County Soccer, All League MVP in Track, and projected All County in Lacrosse. She will play lacrosse at Brown University in the fall.

- Trustee Kevin Kirk acknowledged and presented certificates of appreciation and honor to the following High School students for their outstanding achievements :

Megan Lane	Outstanding Music Student - NYSSMA- Mixed Chorus, Alto II
Paul Celentano	Outstanding Music Student – NYSSMA - Wind Ensemble, French Horn & Commended Student in 2010 National Merit Scholarship Program.
Lianna Hosein-Sarro	Outstanding Arts Student - Ballet
Viviana Amaya	Outstanding Music Student - NYSSMA- Mixed Chorus, Soprano I
Katherine O’Connor	Outstanding Math Student – Perfect Score Suffolk County Senior High Math League Contest, National Merit Semi-Finalist, AP Scholar with Distinction, Math Prize for Girls Competition

- Mr. Miglino acknowledged the following Bellport High School Alumni who were inducted into the St. Joseph’s College Hall of Fame:

David Edwards	Bellport HS Class of 1990, Basketball
Bernie Hoyt Jr	Bellport HS Class of 1991, Baseball

4. PRESENTATION

Mr. Miglino gave a presentation on the H1N1 virus to the board.

Presentation on H1N1 Virus

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Toni Huffine: Inquired as to which Board of Education seats will be vacated in May. Suggested the district look at student teachers from local colleges for filling any teacher substitute shortages due to flu.

Public Participation

Spencer Stickley (BTA President): Spoke of the Math Team accomplishments at Bellport Middle School. Asked if the board would consider moving the meeting venue for BOE meetings due to space limitations at South Haven for a large crowd. Applauded the board’s efforts in negotiations and expressed hope that future negotiation meetings would be fruitful.

Trustee Kevin Kirk Read a statement he prepared to respond to the concerns expressed by the BTA at the past board meetings. He noted that this is his personal opinion only. Would like to see the contract settled in a fair manner but stressed the need to consider the current economic climate.

Theresa Palermo: (BTA Vice President): Addressed Mr. Kirk and expressed her frustration with negotiations and the need to move to middle ground.

Ronald Kinsella: Stated that he lives on a fixed income and expressed his concerns about tax increases and the teachers negotiations.

Mr. Miglino stated that the Board is committed to negotiate a fair contract and that they must balance the concerns of the teachers and the community at large.

6. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA

A. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A motion (Kirk / Schatzman) to approve the Treasurer’s report for October, 2009.

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Treasurer’s
Report
October
2009

B. A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the 2009-2010 educational services contract with the Daytop Preparatory School at the rate of \$98 per student.

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Daytop
Preparatory
School

C. A motion (Schatzman / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Deer Park Union Free School District at the rate of \$720.40 per student

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Health &
Welfare
Service
Agreement
with Deer
Park School
District

D. A motion (McKenna / Correa) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Bay Shore Union Free School District at the rate of \$685.80 per student

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Health &
Welfare
Service
Agreement
with Bay
Shore
School
District

E. A motion (Snead / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education (CSE) Sub-Committee on Special Education (SCSE) & Committee on PreSchool Education (CPSE)

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

CSE, SCSE
& CPSE
recommend-
ations.

F. A motion (Schatzman / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Children’s Residential Project Agreement with Maryhaven Center of Hope. The cost will be 100% of the approved SED tuition rate. (The 2008-2009 tuition rate was \$48,433 for a non-residential placement.)

VOTE: Unanimous 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Children’s
Residential
Project
Agreement
with
Maryhaven
Center of
Hope

G. A motion (Kirk / Schatzman) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the following items at Kreamer Street Elementary school as surplus and disposes of such items in the best interest of the district:

- 2 metal teacher desks
- 2 small two drawer filing cabinets
- 2 overhead projectors.

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Surplus items at Kreamer St Elementary

H. PERSONNEL

A motion (Snead / Kirk) to approve the following resolution, with Item # 1168 to be voted on separately.

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignations, terminations, leaves of absence, position abolitions, employment appointments, tenure appointments, and salary changes in accordance with applicable provisions of Education Law and Civil Service Law, as cited in the Personnel Changes attachment.

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Personnel Agenda Items

A motion (Kirk / Snead) to approve Item 1168 of the Personnel Agenda:

VOTE: *Motion carries;* 6-Yes (Correa, Grossman, Jankowski, Kirk, Miglino, Snead), 0-No, 2-Abstain (McKenna, Schatzman), 1-Absent (Powell).

Personnel Agenda Item #1168

A brief recess was called at 8:32 pm. The meeting reconvened at 8:40pm.

Recess

7. BOARD SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Point of Sale Lunch Program.
- Improving communication via district website, especially on building levels.
- Superintendent Conference Day feedback.
- Board members discussed the possibility of temporarily changing the venue for board meetings. Safety concerns were discussed. Board president is not prepared to change the venue at this time.

Discussion Items

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Janet Kessler: Asked Board to consider venue change for parking safety issues.
- Donna Warshaw: Parking situation is unsafe – would like to see venue changed temporarily.
- Owen Durney: Does not feel meeting venue should be changed.

Public Comments

CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION (9:07 pm)

A motion (McKenna / Kirk) to move into Executive Session in accordance with Open Meeting Law §105 (d).

Executive Session

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0: 8-Yes, 0-No, 1-Absent (Powell)

Trustee Marian McKenna left the meeting at 10:00 pm.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION (12:07 AM)

Trustee Schatzman absent. (12:07 am)

Mr. Miglino advised that the board accepts the recommendation of Wiedersum Associates and will move to bid out the thin film solar panel additional roofing.

WALK ON AGENDA ITEMS

A motion (Kirk / Snead) to approve the following change orders subject to available funding:

Change order
FPL Frendolph

ITEM #	Description	Contractor	Amount	Building
1	Supply box of Vet flooring for Principal's office, patch & re-install flooring for electrical & data, remove and add tiles.	Frendolph Construction	\$750.	FPL

VOTE: *Unanimous* 6-0. 6-Yes, 0-No, 3-Absent (Powell, McKenna, Schatzman)

A motion (Kirk / Snead) to approve the following change orders subject to available funding:

Change order
MS Holbrook
Fence

ITEM #	Description	Contractor	Amount	Building
2	Install fence enclosure at auditorium stage.	Holbrook Fence	\$990.	MS

VOTE: *Unanimous* 6-0. 6-Yes, 0-No, 3-Absent (Powell, McKenna, Schatzman)

A motion (Snead / Correa) to approve the following change orders subject to available funding:

Change order
FPL Theatrical
Services &
Supplies

ITEM #	Description	Contractor	Amount	Building
3	Remove & reinstall curtains on stage for protection during summer work.	Theatrical Services & Supplies	\$860.20	FPL

VOTE: *Unanimous* 6-0. 6-Yes, 0-No, 3-Absent (Powell, McKenna, Schatzman)

A motion (Kirk / Correa) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a stipulation of agreement with the Bellport Teachers Association with reference to posting of positions at the South Haven School and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to sign the same.

Stipulation
of
Agreement
BTA

VOTE: *Unanimous* 6-0. 6-Yes, 0-No, 3-Absent (Powell, McKenna, Schatzman)

Trustee Schatzman returned to meeting (12:10 am).

A motion (Schatzman / Snead) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a stipulation of settlement and release resolving the matter of Payne vs. South Country Central School District, Index No. 08CV3902 and authorizes the President of the Board to execute the same on behalf of the Board.

Stipulation
of
Settlement

VOTE: *Unanimous* 7-0. 7-Yes, 0-No, 2-Absent (Powell, McKenna)

GPS Systems

The Board previously authorized the installation of GPS systems in all vehicles subject to pricing. Mr. Miglino advised the board that the net cost of the system after transportation aid, will be approximately \$1,500 to \$2,000. The Business Manager has been directed to install the GPS systems in all district vehicles. It is also noted that should the district decide to excess vehicles for any reason, the vendor will purchase back from us the product at 80% of the value up to one year into the contract.

**GPS
Systems in
district
vehicles**

ADJOURNMENT (12:15 AM) A motion (Schatzman / Snead) to adjourn the meeting.

Adjournment

VOTE: *Unanimous* 7-0. 7-Yes, 0-No, 2-Absent (Powell, McKenna)

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Poulos,
District Clerk

Attachments: Personnel Agenda