

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

1. CALL TO ORDER (7:05 p.m.)

Board of Education President, Gregory C. Miglino Jr, called a Budget Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:05 p.m. The meeting took place at the South Haven School, Montauk Highway, Brookhaven, NY.

Call to Order

Board of Education Members Present:

Victor Correa	Gregory C. Miglino Jr
Lisa Di Santo Grossman	Rob Powell
James Jankowski	Barbara Schatzman
Kevin Kirk	Lee Snead

Roll Call

Absent: Trustee Marian McKenna

Others Present: Interim Superintendent of Schools, Joseph L. Cipp Jr., Interim Asst Superintendent for Business, Michael Buzzeo, Interim Asst Superintendent for HR, Richard Kollar, Asst Superintendent of Educational Support Services, Stanley Pelech, Director of Student Support Services, Jack Colombo, Athletic Director, John Frankie, BHS Principal Nelson Briggs, BMS Principal Brian Ginty, other guests and members of the community.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Wayne White leads the Board and all others present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. COMMENDATIONS

None.

4. PRESENTATION

None.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Shannon Steininger BTA member and resident: Spoke about negotiations and employees being community members.

Patricia Bodkin BTA member and resident: Spoke of differences in the district, then and now.

Theresa Palermo-Robinson BTA member and resident: Invited board members to participate in upcoming community events, Relay for Life, Adirondack chair raffle to benefit Haiti and Chile. Congratulated All County Chorus, Family Math Day participants. Spoke of staff development and need to reach out to African American students. Shared information from a staff development workshop she attended.

June Zegal resident: Expressed her concerns about rising taxes and teacher negotiations. Stated her appreciation of our teachers and commended the Board for the work they're doing during these difficult economic times. Stated that everyone must give.

Wayne White BTA member: Spoke of negotiations and the need to close the gap on minority and special needs students performance. Also spoke of issue with Parent Portal.

Spencer Stickley BTA President and resident: Concerns about cameras videotaping in gyms and libraries at Frank P. Long.

James Scott BTA member and resident : Spoke about security cameras.

Ronald Kinsella Resident: Spoke of teacher salaries and spending.

Janice Kryl BTA Negotiator: Was unaware that the BTA was in fact finding.

Public Participation

A five minute recess was called at 8:45 pm. Interim Superintendent of Schools, Joseph Cipp Jr left the meeting due to a family emergency. Meeting reconvened at 8:50 pm.

6. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

A motion (Schatzman / Jankowski) to approve the following :

- Approval of Minutes, Budget Workshop Meeting of March 3, 2010
- Approval of Minutes, Workshop Meeting of March 10, 2010
- Approval of Minutes, Budget Workshop Meeting of March 17, 2010

Approval of Minutes

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

7. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA

A. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Treasurer's Report

A motion (Schatzman / Jankowski) to approve the Treasurer's Report for February, 2010.

VOTE: 7-0-1 1-Abstain (Correa), Absent (McKenna)

The following resolution is being removed from the agenda due to insufficient data.

Remove from Agenda Contract with CMoriches School

- B. RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the District of Location Contract with the Center Moriches Union Free School District for the 2007-2008 school year at the rate of \$17,726.74 per student.

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

- C. RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with Hicksville Public Schools for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$524.64 per student. (Budget Code: A 2815 448 00)

Approve Health & Welfare Agreement Hicksville Public Schools

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

The following resolution is being removed from the agenda pending additional information. .

Remove from Agenda 2010-2011 School Calendar

- D. RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves proposed school calendar for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

- E. RESOLVED,** that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the 2010-2011 contract proposal with Judy Dodge at the daily rate of \$2,200.00.

Approves contract Judy Dodge 2010-2011

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna).

A motion (Kirk / Snead) to approve the following resolution as amended:

- F. RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the reinstatement of that portion of the attendance policy which was suspended in the fall of the 2009-2010 school year due to Influenza A H1N1.

Reinstates portion of Attendance Policy

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna).

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

- G. RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the discard of the following items:

Approves discard of items Brookhaven School

Building	Item	Serial / Model Number
Brookhaven Elementary School	9 upholstered wooden chairs	n/a

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna).

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

- H. RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education (CSE) Sub-Committee on Special Education (SCSE) & Committee on Preschool Education (CPSE).

Approves Recommendations CSE, SCSE & CPSE

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna).

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

- I. RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves an overnight trip for the Girl’s and Boy’s Track Teams to attend the Penn Relay Carnival at the University of Pennsylvania. The Girl’s Team will leave on April 21, 2010 and return on April 23, 2010. The Boy’s Team will leave on April 22, 2010 and return on April 24, 2010.

Approves Trip - Track Teams to Penn Relay Carnival

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

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

- J. RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves an overnight trip for the Girl’s Volleyball Team to travel to Middleton, New York to attend the Minisink Valley Volleyball Invitational. The team will depart from Bellport High School on September 10, 2010 and return on September 11, 2010.

Approves Trip – Girls Volleyball to Minisink Valley Volleyball Invitational

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

A motion (Powell / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

- K. RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of Louis Gambeski to serve as part-time supervisor at the South Haven Academic Center on an as needed basis for when Daniel Nolan is unavailable, for the period commencing March 22, 2010 and ending no later than June 25, 2010 at the rate of three hundred dollars (\$300) per three hour session (8:30AM-11:30AM).

Appoints Louis Gambeski as PT Supervisor as needed – South Haven School

VOTE: *Unanimous* 7-0-1 1-Abstain (Grossman), Absent (McKenna)

A motion (Schatzman / Powell) to approve the following resolution, moving Items 1483, 1486, 1487, 1498, 1499, and 1511 to Executive Session for discussion:

**Personnel
Agenda**

L. PERSONNEL

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim 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. Absent (McKenna)

8. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

**Board
Superintend
net
Discussion
Items**

- Appreciation to staff for Family Math Day and Art Festival.
- Status of translators for upcoming parent teacher conferences.
- Bilingual program – ELL; follow-up with neighboring districts.
- Safe Harbor and teacher integration service.
- Staff Development offerings and areas to address.
- Model Schools for Technology.
- Lighting concerns outside new Middle School Auditorium.
- Superintendent search progress.
- Summer jobs for students through Department of Labor.
- Bellport Football Dinner.

9. ADD ON RESOLUTION

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

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools or his designee to exhaust the South Country Central School District’s resident list of certified eligible candidates for any vacant district position covered by Civil Service Law, as well as any vacant, non-competitive district position, prior to utilizing the county wide open competitive list.

**Filling
Vacant
Positions
Covered by
Civil Service
Law.**

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna).

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Mr. Michael Buzzeo, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Business, presented information to the Board regarding the proposed 2010-2011 budget. Mr. Buzzeo discussed the items listed in the budget proposal handouts. State aid situation, fund balance, ARRA money, technology and bond projects were discussed.

**Budget
Discussion
2010 - 2011**

CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION (10:07 PM)

A motion (Powell /Snead) to move into Executive Session in accordance with Open Meeting Law §105 (f).

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION (1:10 AM).

**Reconvene
Public
Session.**

MOVE ON PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEMS**ITEM 1498 PULLED**

Personnel
Agenda:
Withdraw
Item 1498 ;

A motion (Kirk / Correa) to approve Personnel Agenda Items 1483, 1486, 1487, 1499 and 1511:

Personnel
Agenda -
Approve
Items 1483,
1486, 1487,
1499 & 1511.

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

WALK ON RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Interim Superintendent's recommendation and awards a contract in the amount of \$1,626,000. to JP Daly & Sons to supply and install Interactive Whiteboards in various schools within the District as per specification.

Approves
Contract JP
Daly & Sons
for
Interactive
Whiteboards

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

PETITION RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2010, the Board of Education received a Petition seeking to decrease the number of members sitting on the Board of Education from nine to seven;

Petition to
Decrease Size of
Board Rejected.

WHEREAS, such Petition states, "In an effort to improve the workings of the South Country Central School District Board of Education, we the people would like to decrease the size of the school Board from 9 members to 7 members";

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the language included in the proposition is not free from ambiguity and is otherwise biased and misleading and shall work to confuse the voter;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby rejects such petition as invalid in accordance with NYS Education Law and District policy.

VOTE: *Motion Carries* 7-0-1. 1-Abstain (Grossman), Absent (McKenna)

The Board President read into the record that the Board was informed this evening of the present situation with the Interim Superintendent of Schools in relation to the Teachers Retirement System and that the inability of the Teacher Retirement System to waiver from their salary structure may result in the Interim Superintendent of Schools being relieved of his responsibilities voluntarily on May 12, 2010, for financial reasons outside the scope of the Board of Education.

Record noted re
Interim
Superintendent
of Schools TRS

In addition, it is noted that the Board was further instructed by counsel and had a discussion about restricting access to a member of the community to District buildings and grounds at this time and that the Board will revisit this. Such individual has been informed that to do so will constitute trespassing and has been served.

Restricting
access of
community
member to
District buildings
and grounds.

ADJOURNMENT (1:20 AM)

A motion (Snead / Powell) to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting
Adjourned

VOTE: *Unanimous* 8-0. Absent (McKenna)

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Poulos,

District Clerk,

Attachments: Personnel Agenda

Budget Handout

Relay for Life Information, Staff Development