

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

1. CALL TO ORDER (7:02p.m.)

Board of Education President Gregory C. Miglino, Jr., called a Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:02 p.m. The meeting took place at the South Haven School, Montauk Hwy, Brookhaven, NY.

Call to Order

Board of Education Members Present:

Roll Call

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

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, Athletic Director John Frankie, BHS Principal Nelson Briggs, BMS Principal Brian Ginty, Frank P. Long Principal Stefanie Rucinski, BTA President Spencer Stickley, CSEA President Peter Maddalone, other guests and members of the community.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

James Vaughan, Bellport Village Trustee, and former BOE Trustee, leads the Board and all others present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

3. COMMENDATIONS

The following students were acknowledged for volunteering their talents at the South Country School District Art Festival, held on March 20, 2010. Art Department Chairperson Suzette Fandale, Superintendent Joseph Cipp Jr. and BOE Vice President Kevin Kirk presented those present with Certificates of Appreciation on behalf of the Board.

Commendations

	Bellport High School	
Rachel Adler	Megan Lane	Ashley Mahoney
Nicole Brown	Faye Lawler	Sarah Martinez
Olivia Canning	Alexis Lucena	Brittany Miller
		Annelise Trezza
	Bellport Middle School	
Elfe Marschall	Amanda Cioffi	Halle Grossman

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peter Maddalone CSEA President: Spoke on behalf of the Bus Drivers and asked if the Board would consider any other options instead of termination.

Public Participation

Patricia Callihan, Resident: As a bus matron on the our buses, she expressed concerns about safety on the buses and the layoff of the district drivers.

Lorraine McCray, Resident & Teacher: Would like the district to look into a recycling program districtwide.

Debra Carleton, BTA: Responded to Lee Snead's article in South Shore Press.

Spencer Stickley, BTA President: Commented on Budget Hearing, cafeteria fund, suspended students, Race to the Top monies, support of our bus drivers.

Kristen Ward, BTA: Co-teaches with Deanna Fortunato. Spoke in support of her tenure.

Kristian Brown; Spoke in support of Mrs. Fortunato.
Giannia D’Esposito: Spoke in support of Mrs. Fortunato.
Susan Bugden (BTA) Worked with Mrs. Fortunato spoke in favor of her tenure.
Pam Sica; Spoke in support of Mrs. Fortunato

5. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

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

Approval of Minutes

Minutes: Workshop meeting of April 7, 2010,
 Budget Workshop Meeting of April 15, 2010.

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

6. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA

A. A motion (McKenna / Kirk) to approve the budget transfer request.

Budget Transfer

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

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

WHEREAS, section 459-c of the New York Real Property Tax Law provides that a public school district may grant a partial exemption from taxation to the extent of fifty per centum of the assessed valuation of real property which is owned by certain persons with limited income who are disabled meeting the requirements set forth in section 459-c of the New York Real Property Tax Law, and

Adoption of Income Eligibility Levels for Partial Exemption for Persons with Disabilities – Real Property Tax Law

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the South Country Central School District has held a public hearing to discuss this matter in public session, and received public comment,

RESOLVED, pursuant to section 459-c of the New York Real Property Tax Law, the Board of Education of the South Country Central School District approves a partial exemption of taxation of the assessed valuation of real property owned by individuals who meet the requirements of section 459-c of the New York Real Property Tax Law,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby adopts the following income eligibility levels for the partial exemption for persons with disabilities pursuant to Real Property Tax Law, Section 459-c, effective January 1, 2010, and authorizes the District Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Department of the Assessor in the Town of Brookhaven.

Percentage of Assessed Value Annual Income Exempt from Taxation:

Under \$29,000	50%
\$29,000 to \$30,000	45%
\$30,000 to \$31,000	40%
\$31,000 to \$32,000	35%
\$32,000 to \$32,900	30%
\$32,900 to \$33,800	25%
\$33,800 to \$34,700	20%
\$34,700 to \$35,600	15%
\$35,600 to \$36,500	10%
\$36,500 to \$37,400	5%

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution is duly put to a vote on roll call:

Victor Correa	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Lisa Di Santo Grossman	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Kevin Kirk	Voting <i>Yes</i>
James Jankowski	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Marian McKenna	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Gregory C. Miglino, Jr.	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Rob Powell	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Barbara Schatzman	Voting <i>Yes</i>
Lee Snead	Voting <i>Yes</i>

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the amended Consultant Services Contract with All Suffolk Auto School originally approved on April 7, 2010 Board of Education meeting at the adjusted rate of \$260.00 per student.

Approves
Amended
Contract with
All Suffolk
Auto School

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

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

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 for a total cost of \$17,726.74.

District of
Location
Contract –
CMoriches
School District
WITHDRAWN

Motion stands withdrawn with carryover to next board meeting for additional information

An omnibus motion (Snead / McKenna) to approve the following resolutions, Items E through H:

Approves
Omnibus
Motion Items
E-H:

E. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Smithtown Central School District for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$759.53 per student.

Health/Welfare
Service
Agreement -
Smithtown
Schools

F. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Central Islip Union Free School District for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$846.30 per student.

Health/Welfare
Service
Agreement -
C.Islip Schools

G. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Sachem Central School District for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$829.71 per student.

Health/Welfare
Service
Agreement -
Sachem
Schools

H. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Three Village Central School District for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$734.64 per student.

Health/Welfare
Service
Agreement -
Three Village
Schools

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

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement with the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District for the 2009-2010 school year at the rate of \$558.10 per student.

Health/Welfare
Service
Agreement -
Patchogue
Medford
Schools –
RESCINDED

Motion is rescinded to carryover to next meeting. Interim Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Mr. Buzzeo, will provide additional background information.

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares items listed on the attached schedule “A” located at Bellport High School as surplus and disposes of such items in the best interest of the District.

Declares
Surplus Items
at BHS

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

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares items listed on the attached schedule “A” located at Verne W. Critz Elementary School as surplus and disposes of such items in the best interest of the District.

Declares
Surplus Items
at VW Critz

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

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the low bid of Key Signals, Inc. for Fire Alarm System Maintenance. The amount of the bid is \$10,000.00 per year and \$90.00 per hour for work above the scope of the contract.

Accepts bid –
Key Signals
Inc for Fire
Alarm System
Maintenance

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

(Trustee McKenna requests that the Board be notified in advance via Board Gram of bids. President Miglino advised that they will be posted on the website as well.)

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

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a field trip request for 25 students from the National Junior Honor Society to travel to New York City on May 14, 2010. There is no cost to the District for this trip.

The above item is being removed from the agenda as it is under the Superintendent’s jurisdiction.

N. A motion (Kirk / Snead) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards a contract to Rolands Electric in the amount of \$4,499,785 for Security Alterations, Security Controllers and Security Cameras at various schools.

Correction re
Rolands
Electric –
Security
Alterations,
Security
Controllers &
Security
Cameras

*Note- This resolution constitutes a correction to the minutes of April 15, 2010. The original resolution awarding the contract to Rolands was incorrectly reported to be in the amount of \$4,449,785.

VOTE: *Motion carries. 7-Yes, 1-No (McKenna), 1-Abstain (Powell).*

O. A motion (Snead / Schatzman) to approve the following resolution, moving Items #1588 & 1592 to Executive Session for discussion:

Approves Personnel Agenda, moving Items 1588 & 1592 to Executive Session

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

Gregory Miglino disclosed that he is Item #1592 on the agenda, and Item will be voted on separately.

Gregory Miglino left the room at 8:35 pm and returned at 8:38 pm.

7. BOARD / SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Assistant Superintendent of Business, Michael Buzzeo, reviewed busing figures presented in the transportation budget as requested by the Board.
- Mr. Buzzeo will verify and report back to the board on what amounts are given to teachers for their bid orders. It had been reported as \$50.
- Discussion of field trip opportunities and management at the building level. Superintendent will look into this.
- Instituting district-wide recycling incentives. Ideas and suggestions should be forwarded to Lisa Grossman.
- Post content of Connect Ed calls on website to ensure calls are not missed and all residents can access.
- Progress on 55/25 MOA .
- Request for ethics resolution in light of personnel agenda.
- Disposing of discarded items in best interest of community.

Board /Supt. Discussion Items

WALK ON RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoints Alison Neumann of Bellport as Election Chairperson for the May 18, 2010 School District Election, at a rate of \$14.50 per hour.

Appointment of Election Chairperson

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

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoints Kathleen Leone of Brookhaven and Mary Dunbar of East Patchogue as Election Inspectors for the May 18, 2010 School District Election, at a rate of \$12.50 per hour.

Appointment of Election Inspectors

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

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

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the Interim Superintendent’s recommendation and awards a contract in the amount of \$1,672,000 to Madhue Electric for electrical contract work (generators) at various schools.

**Awards Contract
Madhue Electric**

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 7-Yes, 1-No (McKenna), 1-Abstain (Powell).

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

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the Interim Superintendent’s recommendation and awards a contract in the amount of \$4,595,000 to Triple M Roofing Corp for new Photo Voltaic Systems at various schools.

**Awards Contract
Triple M Roofing
for Photo Voltaic
Systems**

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 6-Yes, 1-No (McKenna), 2-Abstain (Grossman, Powell).

It was noted that the support documentation for the above resolution contains a typo and that Triple M Roofing is the lowest responsible bidder.

Trustee Grossman wanted it noted for the record that there are too many last minute walk-ons for construction items involving large sums of money. She would like advance notification.

A motion (Kirk / Snead) to move into Executive Session in accordance with Open Meeting Law §105 (f). (9:05 pm)

**Convene to
Executive Session**

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

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION (10:36 PM).

**Reconvene Public
Session**

PERSONNEL

A motion (Correa / Snead) to approve Personnel Agenda, Item # 1588:

**Approve Personnel
Agenda Item #1588**

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

A motion (Snead / Kirk) to approve Personnel Agenda, Item # 1592:

**Approve Personnel
Agenda Item #1592**

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 5-Yes, 2-No (Grossman, Powell), 2-Abstain (Miglino, Schatzman).

Trustee Schatzman wanted it noted for the record that she is abstaining not because of the need for the position or the individual involved, but because of the process.

A motion (Schatzman / Snead) to adjourn the meeting. (10:40pm)

Meeting Adjourned

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

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Poulos,

District Clerk
Attachments