

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

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

Call to Order

Board of Education President Victor Correa, called the Annual Budget Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting took place at the Bellport High School Auditorium, 205 Beaver Dam Road, Brookhaven, NY .

Board of Education Members Present:

Victor Correa	Kevin Kirk
Michelle Cavaleri	Julio Morales
Owen Durney	Rob Powell
Lisa Di Santo Grossman	Barbara Schatzman

Roll Call

Absent: District Clerk, Nancy Poulos.

Others Present: Superintendent of Schools, Joseph L. Cipp Jr., Assistant Superintendent for HR, Nelson Briggs, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, Stanley Pelech, Assistant Superintendent for Business Alan Phillips, Business Administrator Charles Delargy, Principals Stefanie Rucinski, Linda Rozzi, Bernie Soete, other guests and members of the community.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge

High School Principal, Bernie Soete, leads all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES**

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BOE Candidates

Board President Victor Correa announced that the School Budget Vote and Trustee Election is being held Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at the Bellport Middle School Gymnasium from 7am to 9pm. The following candidates vying for seats on the Board of Education were then introduced:

Victor Correa (incumbent)
Antoinette Huffine
Biaggia (Jeannette) Mistler
Barbara Schatzman (incumbent)

4. **BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Budget
Presentation

Assistant Superintendent for Business, Alan Phillips, gave a presentation on the 2011-2012 Budget.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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Participation

Mary Mojallali (resident): Questioned if retiring teachers were being replaced.

Alan Kusa (Resident): Had questions on enrollment, CPI figures, wage freeze for Central Office, and Business Department.

Ron Kinsella (resident): Inquired about Caithness money, employee salaries and fund balance.

Antoinette Huffine: Had questions regarding fund balance, Business Department positions, pay freeze for Central Office.

Christopher Deutch: Inquired about LIPA rebate, solar panels.

Dee LaBalbo Kempf: Questioned unemployment money.

6. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA

A motion (/ Durney /McKenna) to approve the following:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Bernie Soete is hereby appointed to the position of Acting Principal, Bellport High School, for the period of April 28, 2011 to June 30, 2011, unless earlier terminated by him or the Board of Education, at an annual salary of one hundred and forty thousand dollars (\$140,000.00), and paid as applicable pro-rata, for those periods of service less than one full work year.

Appoints Bernie Soete Acting Principal BHS

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

7. BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION

BOE Discussion

Mr. Phillips answered questions from the Board on various budget items.

A motion (Schatzman / Kirk) to convene to Executive Session for the purpose of personnel matters. (8:21 pm).

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

Reconvene Public Session 9:09 pm.

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

PERSONNEL

C. 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.

Approves Personnel Agenda

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

The audience was reminded that the PTA is sponsoring a "Meet the Candidates" on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 7pm at Bellport Middle School.

A motion (Kirk / Schatzman) to adjourn (9:13 pm).

Meeting Adjourns

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

Respectfully submitted, based upon notes taken by Sara Cioffaletti, District Clerk Pro-tem.

Nancy Poulos

District Clerk
Attachments