

BUSINESS MEETING PAGE 027 SEPTEMBER 9, 2015
SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice President, Carol Herrmann, 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

Julio Morales (*arrived 6:45 pm*)

Danielle Skelly

Allison Stines

Board Members Absent: Chris Picini

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

Public session reconvened at 8:15 pm.

Board member Rocco DeVito led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURES / SMOKE FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Trustee Herrmann 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 (Skelly / Hunt) to approve the following:

1. Minutes - Business Meeting of August 26, 2015.

2. Claims Report – June 1, 2015.

3. REFIT Breakfast Forum

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attendance of Board President Chris Picini at REFIT's Annual Breakfast Forum on Monday, October 19, 2015 and authorizes the associated costs pursuant to District policy.

4. Student Ex-Officio Board Member – Natalie Maida.

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

D. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Superintendent's Report

- School opening went smoothly.
- Superintendent Conference Day a great success.
- School calendar print error – 3rd quarter ends April 15th, not April 22nd.
- Setback with Family Engagement Center but hopefully will be occupied by the end of October.
- UPK – the Family Service League withdrew due to lack of enrollment.

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2. Trustees Report

- Welcome to Student Ex-Officio member, Natalie Maida.
- Bellport High School's opening went well. Ice cream social successful and Club Day is next week.
- Impressed with how prepared and how great the buildings looked for opening day. Thank you to custodians, principals and all staff for their hard work.
- Kreamer Street's opening day featured a red carpet with paparazzi. Great job..exciting opening.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTARY

None.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

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

1. Greater Bellport Brownfield Opportunity Steering Committee

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Antoinette Huffine as its representative on the greater Bellport Brownfield Opportunity Area Grant Steering Committee.

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 6-Yes, 2-No (Hunt, Skelly), Absent (Picini).

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

2. Consolidated Calendar Revision

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

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

3. Universal Pre-K Program

- a) **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the award of the Universal Pre-Kindergarten contract to Family Service League.
- b) **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards the Universal Pre-Kindergarten contract for a half day program without transportation, in compliance with the terms of the Request for Proposal and subject to review by counsel as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Number of Pupils</u>	<u>Cost per Pupil</u>
Bellport United Methodist	Up to 72	\$2,200.00

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

4. Board of Education Retreat scheduled by consensus for December 2nd.
5. Secondary Grading Protocol presented by Dr. Pemberton.

G. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A motion (Huffine / Stines) to approve:

1. CSE/SCSE Minutes

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

H. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL

A motion (DeVito / Hunt) to approve items # H1 through H10:

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

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

Dr. Giani introduced Amy Krawczyk, who was just approved as a Special Education teacher at Bellport High School.

I. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – BUSINESS

A motion (Huffine / DeVito) to approve:

1. Concussion Management

RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the following Chief School Medical Officers for concussion management program appointments with St. Charles Hospital for the 2015-2016 school year, at no cost to the District:

Hayley Queller, MD	Mark Haray, MD
Jennifer Gray, DO	Kristen Stoner, MD
Jennifer Semel, MD	Danielle DeGiorgio, MD
Anuja Korlipara, MD	Luga Podesta, MD

2. Consultant Services Contract- Helping Hands Children Services
3. Consultant Services Contract- Therapy Center for Children
4. Donations from DonorsChoose.org
5. Letter of Agreement- CoDanceCo

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

J. PUBLIC COMMENTARY (Non-Agenda Items)

Jim O'Neill: (*resident*): Commented on concerns about process for try outs and cuts for Middle School sports. (soccer)

Darlene Mercurio: (*resident*): Commented on Common Core matters.

K. CLOSING REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Thank you to DonorsChoose, Swezey Knapp Foundation and the South Country Education Foundation for their generous donations. Happy to see Dancing Classrooms program funded again.
- Concerns regarding Common Core.
- Questions on lunch grants / Title I funding.

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- Request for list of new registrants this year.
- Student Lunch Survey.
- Title IX compliance.
- Security Guards - pleased with dress code.
- Condense school supply lists.
- Check bus routes – number of students on buses.
- Improve handling of BHS schedule changes.
- Suggestion to resident to meet with District Representative to address concerns.

L. ADJOURNMENT

A motion (Stines / Hunt) to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 pm:

VOTE: *Motion carries unanimously.* 8-Yes, 0-No, Absent (Picini).

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Poulos

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District Clerk

Attachments