# SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2013

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m., for the possible purpose of considering a motion to enter executive session to discuss capital project legal negotiations. If there is an executive session, the meeting will return to public session at approximately 7:30 p.m. to consider the agenda and all other items which may properly come before the Board of Education. The tentative agenda and supporting information for this meeting will be posted at www.southcountry.org once it becomes available.

- A. Call to Order
  - Executive Session (*if necessary*) Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Emergency Evacuation Procedures Smoke Free School District
- C. Board Consent Agenda Approvals
  No Action
- D. Communications and Announcements
- E. Public Commentary (Agenda Item Only)
- F. Items for Discussion/Action
  - 1. New York State Regents Results
  - 2. Budget Timeline
  - 3. Board Priorities
- G. Board Consent Agenda Curriculum and Instruction *No Action*
- H. Board Consent Agenda Personnel No Action
- I. Board Consent Agenda Business
  - 1. Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance
  - 2. Reserves
    - a. Workers Compensation Reserve
    - b. Unemployment Reserve
    - c. Retirement Contributions
  - 4. Education Services Contract- Eastport-South Manor CSD
  - 5. Consultant Services Agreements:
    - a. Richard W. Johnson, PT
    - b. Leslie E. Packer, PhD. d.b.a. Schoolbehavior.com
- J. Public Commentary (Non-Agenda Items)
- K. Closing Remarks by Board Members
- L. Adjournment

**TAB** #1

# South Country Central School District



# **BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA MATERIALS**

DATE OF BOARD MEETING: October 9, 2013

**OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Business Office** 

**DATE MATERIAL SUBMITTED: October 3, 2013** 

**CATEGORY OF ITEM: Action** 

- 1. Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance
- 2. Reserves
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## **BACKGROUND RATIONALE:**

Not an official record; subject to change

# South Country Central School District



# **BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA MATERIALS**

**DATE OF BOARD MEETING: October 9, 2013** 

**OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Business Office** 

DATE MATERIAL SUBMITTED: September 26, 2013

**CATEGORY OF ITEM: Action** 

TITLE: Maximum Funding of Reserves and Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

**RESOLVED,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the increase of the Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance from \$3,450,000 to \$5,000,000; the additional \$1,550,000 will come from under expenditures and/or excess revenue in the Unassigned Unappropriated Fund Balance.

**RESOLVED,** upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves to increase the maximum funding for the following reserves:

- a. Workers' Compensation Reserve to \$3,000,000
- b. Unemployment Reserve to \$1,100,000
- c. Retirement Contributions to \$4,000,000.

#### **BACKGROUND RATIONALE:**

Not an official record; subject to change

# SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES CONTRACT EDUCATION LAW § 4401(2)(B)

This Agreement is entered into this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July 2013 by and between the Board of Education of the South Country School District (hereinafter the "SENDING DISTRICT"), having its principal place of business for the purpose of this Agreement at 189 Dunton Avenue, East Patchogue, New York 11772, and the Eastport South Manor Central School District (hereinafter the "RECEIVING DISTRICT"), having its principal place of business for the purpose of this Agreement at 149 Dayton Avenue, Manorville, New York 11949.

### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS the SENDING DISTRICT is authorized under the Education Law to contract with other public school districts within the State of New York for the instruction of students with disabilities in those situations where the SENDING DISTRICT is unable to provide for the education of such students with disabilities in special classes in the schools of the SENDING DISTRICT; and

WHEREAS, the RECEIVING DISTRICT is a public school district within the State of New York authorized to provide special education and related services to students with disabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties mutually agree as follows:

### A. <u>TERM</u>:

1. The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, inclusive, unless terminated early as provided for in this Agreement. It is understood that the SENDING DISTRICT is under no obligation to renew this Agreement upon its expiration.

### B. **CONDITIONS**:

In performing services specified in this Agreement, it is understood that:

- 1. This Agreement, and any amendments to this Agreement, will not be in effect unless/ until agreed to in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
- 2. The RECEIVING DISTRICT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the SENDING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts arising from any willful act, error or negligence of the RECEIVING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in relation to the performance of this Agreement.
- 3. The SENDING DISTRICT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the RECEIVING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines

and amounts arising from any willful act, error or negligence of the SENDING DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in relation to the performance of this Agreement.

# C. <u>SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:</u>

- 1. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide the services heretofore requested by the SENDING DISTRICT for the student(s) referenced in the attached schedule, incorporated by reference herein, and made a part of this agreement, and for the period set forth above.
- 2. All services provided by the RECEIVING DISTRICT to students under this Agreement shall be in accordance with each student's Individualized Education Program (IEP), as it may be modified from time to time.
  - a. Prompt notice shall be given by the SENDING DISTRICT to the RECEIVING DISTRICT upon any modification of a student's IEP.
  - b. The SENDING DISTRICT shall obtain whatever releases, prescriptions, or other legal documents necessary for the RECEIVING DISTRICT to implement the IEP.
- 3. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall perform all services under this Agreement in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, and regulations, as well as established policy guidance from the New York State Education Department.
- 4. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide conscientious, competent, and diligent services throughout the term of this Agreement.
- 5. The RECEIVING DISTRICT agrees to make relevant personnel available to participate in meetings of the SENDING DISTRICT'S Committee on Special Education (CSE), where appropriate, and at no additional cost, upon reasonable prior notice to the RECEIVING DISTRICT of such meetings.
- 6. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall perform background checks and fingerprinting of all staff directly providing services to students, and comply with all provisions of the Safe Schools against Violence in Education (SAVE) Act to the extent applicable. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide the SENDING DISTRICT with the appropriate proof of clearance for employment by the New York State Education Department upon request.
- 7. The SENDING DISTRICT shall obtain releases or other legal documents necessary for the RECEIVING DISTRICT to render full and complete reports concerning the education and progress of the student(s) covered by the terms of this Agreement. The RECEIVING DISTRICT will render such reports to the SENDING DISTRICT at the same time that such reports are made to the parent(s) of student(s) covered by the terms of this Agreement.

- 8. The SENDING DISTRICT shall have the right to examine any or all records or accounts maintained by the RECEIVING DISTRICT in connection with those students receiving services under this Agreement.
- 9. Upon reasonable prior written notice, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be subject to visitation by the SENDING DISTRICT and/or its designated representatives during the normal business hours of the RECEIVING DISTRICT.
- 10. In the event that the parent or person in parental relation to a student(s) receiving services pursuant to this Agreement initiates litigation in connection with such services, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall promptly give written notice of same to the SENDING DISTRICT.

### D. REPRESENTATIONS:

- 1. The RECEIVING DISTRICT represents that all services under this Agreement will be provided by individuals who are of good character, who are in good professional standing, and who possess current and valid licenses/certifications necessary to perform the services under this Agreement. The RECEIVING DISTRICT represents that no individuals providing services under this Agreement have been found to have engaged in any criminal or professional misconduct or incompetence. Upon the execution of this Agreement, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall provide copies of required licenses/certifications of all professionals providing services to student(s) under this Agreement.
- 2. In the event that the required license/certification of any agent or employee of the RECEIVING DISTRICT providing services under this Agreement is revoked, terminated, suspended, or otherwise impaired, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall immediately notify the SENDING DISTRICT in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.

### E. <u>COMPENSATION</u>:

- 1. The RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be entitled to recover tuition, as set forth in the attached schedule, from the SENDING DISTRICT for each student receiving services pursuant to this Agreement, incorporated by reference herein, and made a part of this agreement.
- 2. The parties understand that the projected rate is subject to change by the State Education Department in accordance with Part 174 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. In the event that the tuition rate is changed for the term of this Agreement, the amount of tuition which the SENDING DISTRICT is required to pay shall be increased or decreased to reflect the adjusted tuition rate for the relevant period of each student's attendance.
- 3. Requests for payment by the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall be made by submission of a detailed written invoice to the SENDING DISTRICT which references the period for which payment is being requested and a breakdown of the total amount due for the period specified. A copy of the tuition worksheet shall accompany each invoice.

4. The SENDING DISTRICT shall pay the RECEIVING DISTRICT within thirty (30) days of its receipt of each invoice by the SENDING DISTRICT.

### F. <u>INSURANCE</u>:

1. The RECEIVING DISTRICT, at its sole expense, shall procure and maintain such policies of comprehensive general liability, malpractice and other insurance as shall be necessary to insure the SENDING DISTRICT (and the Board of Education) as additional insured, against any claim for liability, personal injury, or death occasioned directly or indirectly by the RECEIVING DISTRICT, its officers, agents, or employees in connection with the performance of the RECEIVING DISTRICT's responsibilities under this Agreement; each such policy shall provide a minimum coverage of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars in the event of injury or death to one person, and Three Million (\$3,000,000.00) Dollars in the event of injury or death to more than one person as the result of the same incident. The insurance is to be underwritten by a licensed and/or admitted New York State Insurer with a minimum Bests rating of A-minus. There should be a thirty (30) day written notice to the SENDING DISTRICT in the event of cancellation or non-renewal. Upon request, the RECEIVING DISTRICT shall supply the SENDING DISTRICT with a copy of said policy / policies.

### G. TERMINATION:

- 1. Either the SENDING DISTRICT or the RECEIVING DISTRICT may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Such notice shall be given in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- 2. The parties agree that either party's failure to comply with any terms or conditions of this Agreement will provide a basis for the other party to immediately terminate this Agreement without any further liability to the party which violated the Agreement except as otherwise set forth herein.
- 3. The Parties agree that the withdrawal or discharge of the Student from the RECEIVING DISTRICT'S program shall provide a basis to immediately terminate this Agreement without any further liability to the party except as otherwise set forth herein.
- 4. In the event the SENDING DISTRICT or the RECEIVING DISTRICT terminates this Agreement with or without cause, such termination of the Agreement shall not discharge the parties' existing obligations to each other as of the effective date of termination.

### H. NOTICES

1. All notices which are required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, as addressed above.

# I. <u>SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:</u>

1. It is expressly understood that this Agreement shall not be assigned or transferred without prior written consent of the other party.

# J. <u>WAIVER OF RIGHTS</u>

1. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce every provision of this Agreement.

### K. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

1. Should any provision of this Agreement, for any reason, be declared invalid and/or unenforceable, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Such remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with the invalid provision(s) eliminated.

### L. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>

1. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws and regulations of the State of New York and applicable Federal laws and regulations

# M. <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT:</u>

- 1. This Agreement, along with the attached "Schedule A," is the complete and exclusive statement of the Agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous, oral or written: proposals, understandings, representations, conditions, or covenants between the parties relating to the subject matter of the Agreement.
- 2. This Agreement may not be changed orally, but only by an agreement, in writing, signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

South Country School District	Eastport South Manor Central School District	
President, Board of Education	President, Board of Education	
Date	Date	

# SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES 189 Dunton Avenue East Patchogue, New York 11772

# CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

### A. TERM:

1. The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 inclusive, unless terminated early as provided for in this Agreement. It is understood that the DISTRICT is under no obligation to renew this Agreement upon its expiration.

# B. <u>SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:</u>

- During the term of this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall provide professional staff to perform Occupational and Physical Therapy services as needed.
- 2. The CONSULTANT shall provide the services set forth in this Agreement to those student(s) referred by the DISTRICT in writing.
- 3. All services provided by CONSULTANT to students under this Agreement shall be in accordance with each student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP), as it may be modified from time to time. Prompt written notice shall be given by the DISTRICT to the CONSULTANT upon any modification of a student's IEP. The DISTRICT shall obtain whatever releases, prescriptions or other legal documents are necessary for the CONSULTANT to perform its services pursuant to this Agreement.
- 4. CONSULTANT shall perform all services under this Agreement in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, and regulations, as well as established policy guidance from the New York State Education Department.
- 5. CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) Act, including, but not limited to background checks and fingerprinting of all staff directly providing services to students. All persons providing services to the DISTRICT pursuant to this Agreement must receive clearance for employment by the New York State Education Department prior to the provision of such services.

- 6. CONSULTANT represents that all services under this Agreement shall be provided by qualified individuals of good character, and in good professional standing. CONSULTANT represents that no individuals providing services under this Agreement are currently charged, nor in the past have been charged with any relevant criminal or professional misconduct or incompetence.
- 7. At the DISTRICT'S request, CONSULTANT shall provide copies of required licenses/certifications of all professionals providing services to student(s) under this Agreement. In the event that the required license/certification of any agent or employee of CONSULTANT providing services under this Agreement is revoked, terminated, suspended, or otherwise impaired, CONSULTANT shall immediately notify the DISTRICT in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- CONSULTANT shall observe and comply with all applicable DISTRICT Policies
  and Regulations while on the grounds of the DISTRICT or providing services
  pursuant to this Agreement.
- CONSULTANT shall provide all services pursuant to this Agreement in a competent, professional, and timely manner.
- 10. CONSULTANT will work cooperatively with the Committee on Special Education (CSE), the Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE), the DISTRICT'S administrative staff and medical staff. The CONSULTANT shall make relevant personnel available to participate in meetings of the DISTRICT'S CSE or CPSE when appropriate, upon reasonable prior notice to the CONSULTANT of such meetings.
- 11. CONSULTANT shall maintain records, logs and/or reports in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, requirements of the New York State Education Department or Health Department and DISTRICT policies and procedures in force during the term of this Agreement. The DISTRICT shall have the right to examine any or all records or accounts maintained and/or created by the CONSULTANT in connection with this Agreement, and upon request shall be entitled to copies of same.
- 12. Both parties to this Agreement understand that they may receive and/or come into contact with protected health information as defined by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The parties hereby acknowledge their respective responsibilities pursuant to HIPAA and shall comply with said Regulations, if applicable.
- 13. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents agree that all information obtained in connection with the services performed pursuant to this Agreement is deemed confidential information. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents shall not use, publish, discuss, disclose or communicate the contents of such information, directly or indirectly with third parties, except as provided for in this Agreement. Both parties further agree that any information received by either party's

employees and/or agents in connection with this Agreement which concerns the personal, financial, or other affairs of the parties, their employees, agents, and/or students will be treated as confidential and will not be revealed to any other persons, firms, organizations, or third parties. In addition, both parties agree that information concerning any student covered by the terms of this Agreement shall not be released except as provided for by applicable law, rule, or regulation, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

- 14. CONSULTANT shall attempt to provide substitute coverage in the event of the absence of the regularly scheduled service provider. The services of the substitute provider shall be in accordance with all terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 15. In the event that the parent or person in parental relation to a student(s) receiving services pursuant to this Agreement initiates litigation in connection with such services, CONSULTANT shall promptly give written notice of same to the DISTRICT.
- 16. The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any of the CONSULTANT'S staff, which the DISTRICT, at its sole discretion, may deem unqualified.

# C. <u>INSURANCE</u>:

- I. CONSULTANT, at its sole expense, shall procure and maintain such policies of commercial general liability, malpractice and other insurance as shall be necessary to insure the CONSULTANT and the DISTRICT, including the Board of Education, employees and volunteers, as additional insured, against any claim for liability, personal injury, or death occasioned directly or indirectly by CONSULTANT in connection with the performance of CONSULTANT'S responsibilities under this Agreement; each such policy shall provide a minimum coverage of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence subject to an annual aggregate of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000).
- 2. The insurance is to be underwritten by a licensed and/or admitted New York State Insurer with a minimum Bests rating of A-minus.
- 3. In the event any of the aforementioned insurance policies are cancelled or not renewed, the CONSULTANT shall notify the District in writing within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or non-renewal.
- 4. Upon the execution of this Agreement, CONSULTANT will supply the DISTRICT with a Certificate of Insurance including the DISTRICT, Board of Education, Employees and Volunteers as Additional Insured, a copy of the Declaration pages of the policies, and a copy of the additional insured endorsement.

### D. <u>COMPENSATION</u>:

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- The DISTRICT shall pay CONSULTANT \$45 per 30 minute session (individual).
- A session includes screening, evaluation, consultation, team and/or CSE meeting, and treatment.
- 3. The CONSULTANT shall submit invoices for payment on a monthly basis. All invoices shall include the services provided, the total hours, the dates that the invoice covers, and the total amount due for the period specified. The DISTRICT shall pay CONSULTANT within thirty (30) days of the DISTRICT'S receipt of such invoice. CONSULTANT shall abide by the DISTRICT calendar. DISTRICT shall not be liable for work performed under this Agreement when class is not otherwise in session. DISTRICT shall not incur any additional expense for the preparation of progress reports or other related assessment materials, other than a full evaluation.
- 4. The DISTRICT shall not incur any charges should CONSULTANT, its employees and/ or agents fail to attend a session for any reason whatsoever. Should a student be absent or unable to attend a session, for any reason whatsoever, the DISTRICT shall not be responsible for payment of the fee associated with such services provided the DISTRICT provides reasonable notice of the same. The DISTRICT will endeavor to notify CONSULTANT of a student's absence whenever practicable.
- 5. The DISTRICT shall give the CONSULTANT notice of any invoice disputes within twenty (20) days of its receipt of the invoice, and reserves the right to withhold payment pending the resolution of the dispute.
- Neither CONSULTANT nor any of its personnel shall share or accept any fee or gratuity for services provided pursuant to this Agreement except as expressly set forth in this Agreement.
- 7. CONSULTANT shall bear the cost of all expenses incurred as the result of doing business, including, but not limited to all fees, fines, licenses, bonds or taxes as well as the cost of all tools, vehicles or other equipment necessary for the implementation of services pursuant to this agreement.

# E. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>

### 1. Termination:

- a. Either the CONSULTANT or the DISTRICT may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Such notice shall be given in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- b. The parties agree that CONSULTANT'S failure to comply with any terms or conditions of this Agreement will provide a basis for the DISTRICT to

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immediately terminate this Agreement without any further liability to CONSULTANT.

c. In the event the CONSULTANT or the DISTRICT terminates this Agreement with or without cause, such termination shall not discharge the parties' existing obligations to each other as of the effective date of termination.

# Independent Contractor:

- a. CONSULTANT will be engaged as an Independent Contractor, and therefore be solely responsible for the payment of rederal and state income taxes applicable to this Agreement.
- b. Neither CONSULTANT nor any of its employees, agents, or assigns will be eligible for any employee benefits whatsoever relative to this contract including, but not limited to, Social Security, New York State Worker's Compensation, unemployment insurance, New York State Employee's Retirement System, health or dental insurance, or malpractice insurance, or the like.
- c. The DISTRICT, if required by Federal or State requirements, will submit a Form 1099 and IT 2102.1 respectively at year-end to the Federal Government for all individuals having a gross income exceeding \$600, which thereupon will be reported for income tax purposes.

# 3. Defense / Indemnification:

a. CONSULTANT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, demands, actions, lawsuits, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts arising from any willful act, omission, error, recklessness or negligence of the CONSULTANT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in connection with the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement. The obligations pursuant to this provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

### 4. Notices

a. All notices which are required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, addressed as follows:

To District:

Superintendent of Schools South Country Central School District 189 Dunton Avenue East Patchogue, New York 11772 To Consultant:

Richard W. Johnson, PT 12 Technology Drive, Unit 2 East Setauket, New York 11733

- It is expressly understood that this Agreement shall not be assigned or transferred without prior written consent of the other party.
- 6. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce every provision of this Agreement.
- Should any provision of this Agreement, for any reason, be declared invalid and/or unenforceable, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Such remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with the invalid provision(s) eliminated.
- 8. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws and regulations of the State of New York and applicable Federal laws and regulations. Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be litigated in the Courts of Nassau County, New York.
- This Agreement, is the complete and exclusive statement of the Agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous, oral or written: agreements, proposals, understandings, representations, conditions or covenants between the parties relating to the subject matter of the Agreement.
- 10. This Agreement may not be changed orally, but only by an Agreement, in writing, signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
- 11. This Agreement, and any amendments to this Agreement, will not be in effect until agreed to in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CONSULTANT	DISTRICT
By: Phy. Ye	Ву:

# SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Administrative Offices 189 Dunton Avenue East Patchogue, New York 11772

### **CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT**

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principal place of business for the purpose of this Agreement at 189 Dunton Avenue East
Patchogue, New York 11772, and Leslie E Packer PhD, doing business as SchoolBehavior.com
(hereinafter "CONSULTANT"), having its principal place of business for the purpose of this
Agreement at 940 Lincoln Place, North Bellmore, NY 11710.

### A. TERM

The term of this Agreement shall be from \_\_\_\_\_ through June 30, 2014 inclusive, unless terminated early as provided for in this Agreement. It is understood that the DISTRICT is under no obligation to renew this Agreement upon its expiration.

### B. <u>SERVICES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:</u>

- 1. During the term of this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall provide the following consulting services to the DISTRICT, including, but not limited to staff development workshops and training programs, and individual case consultation with resepct to those student(s) referred by the DISTRICT in writing.
- 2. All services provided by CONSULTANT to students under this Agreement shall be in accordance with each student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP), as it may be modified from time to time. Prompt written notice shall be given by the DISTRICT to the CONSULTANT upon any modification of a student's IEP. The DISTRICT shall obtain whatever releases, prescriptions or other legal documents are necessary for the CONSULTANT to perform its services pursuant to this Agreement.
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standing. CONSULTANT represents that no individuals providing services under this Agreement are currently charged, nor in the past have been charged with any relevant criminal or professional misconduct or incompetence.

- 6. At the DISTRICT'S request, CONSULTANT shall provide copies of required licenses/certifications of all professionals providing services to student(s) under this Agreement. In the event that the required license/certification of any agent or employee of CONSULTANT providing services under this Agreement is revoked, terminated, suspended, or otherwise impaired, CONSULTANT shall immediately notify the DISTRICT in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- 7. CONSULTANT shall observe and comply with all applicable DISTRICT Policies and Regulations while on the grounds of the DISTRICT or providing services pursuant to this Agreement.
- 8. CONSULTANT shall provide all services pursuant to this Agreement in a competent, professional, and timely manner.
- 9. CONSULTANT will work cooperatively with the Committee on Special Education (CSE), the Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE), the DISTRICT'S administrative staff and medical staff. The CONSULTANT shall make relevant personnel available to participate in meetings of the DISTRICT'S CSE or CPSE when appropriate, upon reasonable prior notice to the CONSULTANT of such meetings.
- 10. CONSULTANT shall maintain records, logs and/or reports in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, requirements of the New York State Education Department or Health Department and DISTRICT policies and procedures in force during the term of this Agreement. The DISTRICT shall have the right to examine any or all records or accounts maintained and/or created by the CONSULTANT in connection with this Agreement, and upon request shall be entitled to copies of same.
- 11. Both parties to this Agreement understand that they may receive and/or come into contact with protected health information as defined by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). The parties hereby acknowledge their respective responsibilities pursuant to HIPAA and shall comply with said Regulations, if applicable.
- 12. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents agree that all information obtained in connection with the services performed pursuant to this Agreement is deemed confidential information. Both parties, their employees, and/or agents shall not use, publish, discuss, disclose or communicate the contents of such information, directly or indirectly with third parties, except as provided for in this Agreement. Both parties further agree that any information received by either party's employees and/or agents in connection with this Agreement which concerns the personal, financial, or other affairs of the parties, their employees, agents, and/or

students will be treated as confidential and will not be revealed to any other persons, firms, organizations, or third parties. In addition, both parties agree that information concerning any student covered by the terms of this Agreement shall not be released except as provided for by applicable law, rule, or regulation, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

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- 1. CONSULTANT, at its sole expense, shall procure and maintain such policies of commercial general liability, malpractice and other insurance as shall be necessary to insure the CONSULTANT and the DISTRICT, including the Board of Education, employees and volunteers, as additional insured, against any claim for liability, personal injury, or death occasioned directly or indirectly by CONSULTANT in connection with the performance of CONSULTANT'S responsibilities under this Agreement; each such policy shall provide a minimum coverage of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence subject to an annual aggregate of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000).
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- 3. In the event any of the aforementioned insurance policies are cancelled or not renewed, the CONSULTANT shall notify the District in writing within thirty (30) days of such cancellation or non-renewal.
- 4. Upon the execution of this Agreement, CONSULTANT will supply the DISTRICT with a Certificate of Insurance including the DISTRICT, Board of Education, Employees and Volunteers as Additional Insured, a copy of the Declaration pages of the policies, and a copy of the additional insured endorsement.

### D. <u>COMPENSATION</u>:

1. The DISTRICT shall pay CONSULTANT in accordance with the following fee schedule, , following the presentation of detailed invoices by CONSULTANT to the DISTRICT:

Fee
\$175/hour, travel time not billed. No charge for bried (< 15 min.) phone consults with District personnel.

- 2. The CONSULTANT shall submit invoices for payment on a monthly basis. All invoices shall include the services provided, the total hours, the dates that the invoice covers, and the total amount due for the period specified. The DISTRICT shall pay CONSULTANT within thirty (30) days of the DISTRICT'S receipt of such invoice. CONSULTANT shall abide by the DISTRICT calendar. DISTRICT shall not be liable for work performed under this Agreement when class is not otherwise in session. DISTRICT shall not incur any additional expense for the preparation of progress reports or other related assessment materials, other than a full evaluation.
- 3. The DISTRICT shall not incur any charges should CONSULTANT, its employees and/ or agents fail to attend a session for any reason whatsoever. Should a student be absent or unable to attend a session, for any reason whatsoever, the DISTRICT shall not be responsible for payment of the fee associated with such services. The DISTRICT will endeavor to notify CONSULTANT of a student's absence whenever practicable.
- 4. The DISTRICT shall give the CONSULTANT notice of any invoice disputes within twenty (20) days of its receipt of the invoice, and reserves the right to withhold payment pending the resolution of the dispute.
- 5. Neither CONSULTANT nor any of its personnel shall share or accept any fee or gratuity for services provided pursuant to this Agreement except as expressly set forth in this Agreement.
- 6. CONSULTANT shall bear the cost of all expenses incurred as the result of doing business, including, but not limited to all fees, fines, licenses, bonds or taxes as well as the cost of all tools, vehicles or other equipment necessary for the implementation of services pursuant to this agreement.

### E. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>

1. Termination:

- a. Either the CONSULTANT or the DISTRICT may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Such notice shall be given in accordance with the requirements for all notices pursuant to this Agreement set forth below.
- b. The parties agree that CONSULTANT'S failure to comply with any terms or conditions of this Agreement will provide a basis for the DISTRICT to immediately terminate this Agreement without any further liability to CONSULTANT.
- c. In the event the CONSULTANT or the DISTRICT terminates this Agreement with or without cause, such termination shall not discharge the parties' existing obligations to each other as of the effective date of termination.

## 2. Independent Contractor:

- a. CONSULTANT will be engaged as an Independent Contractor, and therefore be solely responsible for the payment of federal and state income taxes applicable to this Agreement.
- b. Neither CONSULTANT nor any of its employees, agents, or assigns will be eligible for any employee benefits whatsoever relative to this contract including, but not limited to, Social Security, New York State Worker's Compensation, unemployment insurance, New York State Employee's Retirement System, health or dental insurance, or malpractice insurance, or the like.
- c. The DISTRICT, if required by Federal or State requirements, will submit a Form 1099 and IT 2102.1 respectively at year-end to the Federal Government for all individuals having a gross income exceeding \$600, which thereupon will be reported for income tax purposes.

### 3. Defense / Indemnification:

a. CONSULTANT agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the DISTRICT, its officers, directors, agents, or employees against all claims, demands, actions, lawsuits, costs, damages and expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts arising from any willful act, omission, error, recklessness or negligence of the CONSULTANT, its officers, directors, agents or employees in connection with the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement. The obligations pursuant to this provision shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

### 4. Notices

a. All notices which are required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed to have been given if delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, addressed as follows:

To District:

South Country Central School District

189 Dunton Avenue

East Patchogue, NY 11772

To Consultant:

Leslie E. Packer, PhD.

940 Lincoln Place

North Bellmore, NY 11710-1016

- 5. It is expressly understood that this Agreement shall not be assigned or transferred without prior written consent of the other party.
- 6. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce every provision of this Agreement.
- 7. Should any provision of this Agreement, for any reason, be declared invalid and/or unenforceable, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Such remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect as if this Agreement had been executed with the invalid provision(s) eliminated.
- 8. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws and regulations of the State of New York and applicable Federal laws and regulations. Any dispute arising under this Agreement shall be litigated in the Courts of Nassau County, New York.
- 9. This Agreement, is the complete and exclusive statement of the Agreement between the parties, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous, oral or written: agreements, proposals, understandings, representations, conditions or covenants between the parties relating to the subject matter of the Agreement.
- 10. This Agreement may not be changed orally, but only by an Agreement, in writing, signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

11. This Agreement, and any amendments to this Agreement, will not be in effect until agreed to in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year first above written.

CONSULTANT	DISTRICT
Joses Stack 14)	
By:	By: