

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 a Business Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting took place at the South Haven School, Montauk Hwy, Brookhaven, NY.

**Board of Education Members Present:**

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

Roll Call

**Others Present:** Superintendent of Schools, Joseph L. Cipp Jr., Asst Superintendent for HR, Nelson Briggs, Asst Superintendent of Educational Services, Stanley Pelech, Assistant Superintendent for Business Alan Phillips, Assistant to the Superintendent of Business Charles Delargy, Director of Student Support Services, Jack Colombo, Principals Kevin O'Connell, Brian Ginty, Linda Rozzi, Kathy Munisteri, Building Services Administrator, Gregory C. Miglino, Jr., School Attorneys Douglas Spencer, Christopher Guercio, BTA President Spencer Stickley, other guests and members of the community.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Brian Ginty leads all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge

2. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Public Participation

*Peter Grossi (Boys Soccer Coach):* Introduced team Captains Ed Gibbons, Andrew Seidman and TJBarnes who expressed their appreciation and thanks to the Board, Superintendent, Mr. Miglino and the community for the new soccer fields.  
*Janice Kryl (BTA):* Inquired about the status of the BTA negotiations.

In honor of School Board Recognition Week, Superintendent of Schools, Joseph L. Cipp, Jr, praised the Board of Education for their leadership and service to the district and community. He acknowledged the tremendous improvements made districtwide, and thanked them for their time and continuing efforts on behalf of the District and Community.

School Board Recognition

3. **PRESENTATION**

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Stanley G. Pelech II, gave a presentation to the Board on what the District is doing to improve student performance on state assessments.

Presentation by Stanley Pelech

Trustee Durney left the room at 7:58 pm, returning at 8:03 pm.

4. **BOARD CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of Minutes 10/6/10

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

A. Approval of Minutes, Workshop Meeting of October 6, 2010.

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

5. **SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA**

A. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Approval of  
Treasurer's Report  
Aug/Sept, 2010

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

- 1. Treasurer's Reports for August and September, 2010

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

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

- B. **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the instructional services contract for the 2009-2010 school year and the 2010-2011 school year with the Center Moriches Union Free School District at the approximate annual rate of \$15,131.00.

Approves Inst.  
Services Contract  
09-10 & 10-11  
Center Moriches  
School District

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

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

- C. **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the consultant services contract for the 2010-2011 school year with Islip Tutoring Service, Inc. (See contract for rate information.)

Approves  
Consultant  
Services Contract  
10-11 Islip Tutoring  
Service

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

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

- D. **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the 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 CSE,  
SCSE & CPSE  
recommendations.

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

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

- E. **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 from the firm Cullen Danowski, LLP and directs its filing with the Commissioner of Education pursuant to Section 170.2R of the Commissioner's Regulations.

Accepts Audit  
Report Cullen  
Danowski, for yr  
ending 6/30/10.

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

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

- F. **RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby establishes Petty Cash Funds and designates the following respective custodians for said funds for the 2010-2011 school year:

Establishes Petty  
Cash Fund  
South Haven  
School - L.Zaccaro

South Haven School.....\$100.00 Lisa Zaccaro

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

A motion ( Kirk / McKenna ) to approve the following as amended, and pulling Personnel Agenda Item #s 906 and 909:  
PERSONNEL

Approves Personnel Changes as amended, pulling #906 & 909

G. **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.

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

6. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board / Supt Discussion Items

- Status on Technology Integration Specialist and suggestion for survey to determine staff training needs.
- Need for policy for parental notification of lockdowns and other safety issues.
- Kreamer Street School Autism Ambassador Program acknowledged.
- Appreciation for Administration attending Board of Education meetings.
- “Evening of Excellence” acknowledged.
- Status on hiring Assistant Principal for Brookhaven Elementary School.
- Apology to parent for oversight in not responding to e-mail re Math Olympiad.

A motion (Schatzman / Durney) to convene to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters( 8:33pm).:

Convene to Executive Session

School Attorneys Douglas Spencer and Christopher Guercio left the meeting at 9:30 pm.

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION (11:00 PM)

Reconvene Public Session.

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

5H. **WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools has preferred charges against the employee named in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3020-a of the New York State Education Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined, by a vote of a majority of all the members of the Board, that probable cause exists for the charges preferred against said employee by the Superintendent of Schools;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that should the employee named in Executive Session either waive his right to a hearing, or be found guilty of Charge I (A): Misconduct – Conduct Unbecoming an Administrator, after a hearing, the Board of Education shall seek his termination from service in the South Country Central School District.

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

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

5I. **WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools has preferred charges against the employee named in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3020-a of the New York State Education Law; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined, by a vote of a majority of all the members of the Board, that probable cause exists for the charges preferred against said employee by the Superintendent of Schools;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that should the employee named in Executive Session either waive his right to a hearing, or be found guilty of Charge I (B): Misconduct – Insubordination, after a hearing, the Board of Education shall seek his termination from service in the South Country Central School District.

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

**A motion ( Kirk / Durney ) to approve the following:**

**5J. WHEREAS** the Superintendent of Schools has preferred charges against the employee named in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3020-a of the New York State Education Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has determined, by a vote of a majority of all the members of the Board, that probable cause exists for the charges preferred against said employee by the Superintendent of Schools;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the employee named in Executive Session is hereby suspended with pay pending a hearing on the charges and the final determination thereof.

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

**PERSONNEL**

**A motion ( Schatzman / Morales ) to approve Personnel Agenda Item #906:**

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

**A motion ( Schatzman / McKenna ) to rescind Personnel Agenda Items #929 and 932, previously voted on this evening:**

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

**MEETING ADJOURNS**

**A motion ( McKenna / Schatzman ) to adjourn (11:20 pm)**

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy Poulos*  
District Clerk

Attachments

Approve  
Personnel  
Agenda  
Item 906

Rescind  
Personnel  
Agenda  
Items 929 & 932

Meeting Adjourned