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SOUTH COUNTRY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Chris Picini called a Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. The meeting took place at the South Haven School, 2714 Montauk Highway, Brookhaven, NY.

Board of Education Members Present

Victor Correa	Julio Morales
Rocco DeVito	Chris Picini
Lisa Di Santo Grossman	Rob Powell
Carol Herrmann	Barbara Schatzman (<i>arrived 7:34 pm</i>)
Jeannette Mistler (<i>arrived 7:45 pm</i>)	

Board Members Absent: Vanessa Vaughan, *Student Ex-Officio*.

Others Present: Superintendent Dr. Joseph Giani, Nelson Briggs, Charles Delargy, Margaret Evers, Bob McIntyre, Dr. Vicki Mingin, Kerri Carson, Tim Hogan. .

Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee DeVito led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

B. EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE / SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board President Picini discussed the exits to be used in the event of an emergency and reminded all present that the South Country School District is a smoke-free District, with smoking prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds.

C. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVALS

A motion (Powell / Herrmann) to approve the following:

1. Minutes- Public Hearings of February 26, 2014
2. Minutes – Business meeting of February 26, 2014.

VOTE: *Motion carried.* 5-Yes, 0-No, 2-Abstain (Correa, DeVito), Absent (Mistler, Schatzman).

D. COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Giani

- A letter will be going out tomorrow regarding snow day make-ups.

Board of Education

- Congratulations to Ensign Alex McKenna, a 2008 graduate of Bellport High School and graduate of the United States Military Academy at Anapolis who recently received his Wings of Gold, a prestigious accomplishment.
- Board President Picini reported on the NYS Capital Conference in Albany which afforded him the opportunity to meet with a host of NYS Legislators and other school officials on LI to discuss the issues facing LI schools.
- Mr. Gerry O'Hara, community member and teacher at Bellport Middle School, was honored by the Board for saving the life of a student who was choking.

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E. PUBLIC COMMENTARY (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY)

None.

F. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / ACTION

1. A Budget Presentation on Student Personnel Services, Budget Expense and Revenue Update, was given by Assistant Superintendent for Business, Charles Delargy, followed by discussion with the Board.
2. The Board agreed to schedule an additional Budget Workshop meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 7pm.
3. It was agreed that the Board Update and Board Agenda will now be posted on the secured Board of Education page on our new website, alleviating the need for weekly deliveries. Correspondence will also be sent electronically, with deliveries made on an as needed basis. A hard copy of the agenda will be made available for the Board on the evening of the meeting.

G. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

A motion (DeVito / Powell) to approve the following items:

1. CSE / SCSE Minutes
2. CPSE Minutes

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

H. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – PERSONNEL

A motion (Morales / DeVito) to approve the following, as noted on the attached personnel agenda:

1. Additional Work

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

I. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA – BUSINESS

A motion (Mistler / Powell) to approve the following Business Items:

1. Consultant Services Agreement- Accessible Learning Technology Alternatives
2. CSDNET Proposal.
3. Agreement with BTA - Snow Make-up Day Schedule.
4. Agreement with BTAA – Snow Make-up Day Schedule.

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

J. PUBLIC COMMENTARY (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

None.

K. CLOSING REMARKS BY BOARD MEMBERS

- Congratulations to the Bellport HS Dance Team for winning 2nd place in Hip-Hop and 9th place overall at the High School Dance Competition in Orlando.
- Question on the status of the South Haven School for next year.
- Comments from the community on our new District website are encouraged via the suggestion box.
- Thank you to entire custodial and maintenance staff for doing an outstanding job with our grounds and facilities during this difficult winter season.
- Acknowledgement to staff members Mrs. Fell and Mrs. Brandi of Verne Critz Elementary School for their wonderful presentation on “Lego Story Starter” at the Suffolk ASSET Conference.
- Copiague School District hosted an excellent Community forum, showcasing their schools and programs. Our District should look into the possibility of holding a similar one.

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- NYSSBA is holding a free workshop on April 11th on Student Achievement. All Board members are encouraged to attend. Mr. William Daggett is the speaker.

L. ADJOURNMENT

A motion (Mistler / Herrmann) to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Poulos

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District Clerk

Attachments