

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

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

Board of Education President Gregory C. Miglino, Jr., 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.

Call to Order

Board of Education Members Present:

Michelle Cavaleri	Kevin Kirk
Victor Correa	Gregory C. Miglino, Jr.
Lisa Di Santo Grossman	Rob Powell
James Jankowski	Barbara Schatzman

Roll Call

Board Members Absent: Marian McKenna

Others Present: Interim Superintendent of Schools, Joseph L. Cipp Jr., Interim Asst Superintendent for HR, Richard Kollar, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, Michael Buzzeo, Asst Superintendent of Educational Support Services, Stanley Pelech, Athletic Director John Frankie, Director of Student Support Services, Jack Colombo, BMS Principal Brian Ginty, Frank P. Long Principal Stefanie Rucinski, Critz Principal Kathleen Munisteri, School Attorney Douglas Spencer, BTA President Spencer Stickley, CSEA President Peter Maddalone, other guests and members of the community.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Newly elected Board of Ed Trustee Michelle Cavaleri, leads all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Miglino acknowledged the newly-elected Board of Education Trustees, Michelle Cavaleri, Owen Durney and Julio Morales.

3. **COMMENDATIONS**

The students named below were acknowledged for their participation in the various Art Exhibitions noted. Art Department Chairperson Suzette Fandale, Brookhaven Elementary School Art Teacher, Michelle Procida, Superintendent Joseph Cipp Jr. and BOE Vice President Kevin Kirk presented those present with Certificates of Appreciation on behalf of the Board.

Commendations

Heckscher Museum of Art Exhibition:

Alicia Blumenthal	Katie Renfroe
Roberto Da Costa	William Rose
Michelle Deehan	Lisa Scatuccio
Jade Doherty	

Bay Area Friends of Fine Art Exhibition:

Adriana Amaya	William Rose
Nicole Brown	Lisa Scatuccio
Nicole Cavaliere	Molly Sheppard
Krzysztof Fieder	Aaron Ware
Megan Lane	

First Annual Brookhaven Town Youthstock 2010:

Alicia Blumenthal
Faye Lawlor
Katie Renfroe

Brookhaven Art Fair Fundraiser:

Viviana Amaya	Kyle Kusa
Cruz Bautista	Remy Leelike
Alicia Blumenthal	Elfe Marschall
Nicole Brown	Katherine O'Connor
Bridgette Clifton	Krista Palafox
Michelle Deehan	William Rose
Jade Doherty	Molly Sheppard
Taylor Edwards	Annelise Trezza

A five minute recess was called at 7:18 pm to allow students to leave. Meeting resumed at 7:23pm.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Andrew Budris (BTA member and resident):* Expressed displeasure with a former BOE member’s campaign ads. Also asked that the BTA negotiation presentation on the district website be removed as it is not current and reflects position from November.
- Dale Hawkins(CSEA member and resident):* Requested the status regarding Montauk Bus Co. hiring exceeded South Country drivers.
- Joann Long-Merrill (resident):* Expressed her opposition to the Building Administrator position and demands the board abolish the position.
- Janice Kryl (BTA member):* Requested response to latest BTA negotiation proposal.
- Jeanne Steck (BTA member):* Questioned undocumented policy regarding accumulated absences and tenure for teaching assistants.
- Regina Seltzer (resident):* Read a statement regarding her opposition to the Building Administrator position.

Public Participation

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the process used for the facilities position. Questions were raised regarding the necessity of the position, the legality of the residency preference, as well as financial and ethical considerations. Mr. Miglino responded that the board filled the position based upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, following the advice of Civil Service and counsel, and it has been in the budget for over twenty years. All was done openly and in the best interest of both the school district and community.

School Attorney Douglas Spencer addressed those present, stating that the process utilized by the district regarding this position was reviewed by his office and found to be both legally acceptable and appropriate. Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, Rich Kollar went through Civil Service, following all appropriate channels. With respect to the residency preference, Mr. Spencer stated that the district relies upon provisions that are in both Civil Service law and state law, as well as local regulations and rules from the Suffolk County Department of Civil Service, which permits preference in hiring those residents that live within the municipality / school district. Regarding the ethical considerations raised about Mr. Miglino being appointed to that position while still an active member of the board, Mr. Spencer noted that Mr. Miglino’s appointment is effective July 1, 2010, when he is no longer a member of the Board of Education. Between the time of his appointment and the time that he begins his service in this position, he is not collecting a paycheck, there are no ongoing negotiations regarding any contractual provisions or any collective bargaining negotiations so there really is no conflict by the board in appointing Mr. Miglino to this position at this time.

5. BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Minutes of April 21, 2010 Business Meeting.

VOTE: Motion carries. 7-Yes, 1-Abstain (Jankowski), Absent (McKenna).

**Approval of Minutes
4/21/10**

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

B. Minutes of May 5, 2010 Budget Hearing.

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

Approval of
Minutes –
Budget
Hearing
5/5/10

6. SUPERINTENDENT CONSENT AGENDA

A. A motion (Schatzman / Kirk) to approve the budget transfer request and treasurer’s report for April 2010.

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

Approval of
Budget
Transfer
Request and
Treasurer’s
Report
April, 2010

B. A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for the 2008-2009 school year with the Riverhead Central School District for 5 students at the rate of \$7,028.50 per student.

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

Approves
service
provider
contract -
Riverhead
School
District
2008-2009
school year

C. A motion (Kirk / Correa) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with Bilinguals, Inc. (See service provider worksheet for rate information.)

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

Approves
service
provider
contract –
Bilinguals
Inc. 2010-
2011

D. A motion (Kirk / Schatzman) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with CEO Career & Employment Options, Inc. (See service provider worksheet for rate information.)

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

Approves
service
provider
contract –
CEO Career
&
Employment
Options, Inc.
2010-2011

E. A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with Complete Rehab. (See service provider worksheet for rate information.)

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

Approves
service
provider
contract –
Complete
Rehab.
2010-2011

F. A motion (Jankowski / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with LIDC. (See service provider worksheet for rate information.)

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

Approves
service
provider
contract –
LIDC
2010-2011

G. A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with Metro Therapy. (See service provider worksheet for rate information.)

Approves
service
provider
contract –
Metro-
Therapy
2010-2011

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

H. A motion (Jankowski / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2010-2011 with St. James Tutoring at the hourly rate of \$45.00 per student.

Approves
service
provider
contract –
St. James
Tutoring
2010-2011

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

An omnibus motion (Jankowski / Kirk) to approve the following resolutions, Items I through M:

Approves
following
contracts
Items I - M
#: East
Islip School
District
service
provider
2009-2010

I. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2009-2010 with East Islip Union Free School District for 2 students at the rate of \$200.00 per student.

J. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the service provider contract for 2009-2010 with UCP of Greater Suffolk, Inc. at the approximate rate of \$56,000.00 per student.

#J: UCP of
Greater
Suffolk
service
provider
2009-2010

K. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the District of Location Contract with the West Islip School District for the 2009-2010 school year at an approximate rate of \$2,450.00 per student.

#K: District
of Location
W Islip
Schools
2009-2010

L. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement for 2009-2010 with Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District for 148 students at the rate of \$558.10 per student.

#L: Health
Welfare
Services-
Pat-Medford
Schools
2009-2010

M. RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement for 2009-2010 with Commack Union Free School District at the rate of \$504.38 per student.

#M: Health
Welfare
Services-
Commack
Schools
2009-2010

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

N. A motion (Jankowski / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to enter into a contract for receipt of Federal Part B Flow- Through allocations with Bilinguals, Inc. Bilinguals Inc. provides the district with special education services.

Approves
contract for
receipt of
federal Pt B
Flow
Through
allocations
- Bilinguals
Inc.

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

O. A motion (Jankowski / Schatzman) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to enter into a contract for receipt of Federal Part B Flow- Through allocations with Kids Therapy Services, LLC. Kids Therapy Services, LLC provides the district with special education services.

Approves contract for receipt of federal Pt B Flow Through allocations - Kids Therapy Services.

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

P. A motion (Jankowski / Kirk) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares items listed on the attached “Schedule A” located at Bellport Senior High School as surplus and disposes of such items in the best interest of the District.

Declares Surplus & Approves Disposal Items - BHS

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

Q. A motion (Schatzman / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares items listed on the attached “Schedule A” located at Kreamer Elementary School as surplus and disposes of such items in the best interest of the District.

Declares Surplus & Approves Disposal Items – Kreamer St.

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

R. A motion (Jankowski/ Schatzman) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim 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 recommendations CSE, SCSE & CPSE

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

S. A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

PERSONNEL

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Interim 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 Items

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 5-Yes, 0-No, 3- Abstain (Grossman, Powell, Schatzman)
Absent-(McKenna)

7. BOARD / SUPERINTENDENT DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Procedures for Board members to speak with School Attorney.
- Decision re Ethics resolution.
- Sign at Bellport Middle School. Moveable sign also being purchased for events.
- Placing extra curricular activities on agenda before school starts to avoid delays.
- Issues at Frank P. Long re clusters – clarification and concerns re services done inclusion program.

Board / Superintendent Discussion Items

- Rumor page on district website.
- Re-align use of space old BMS auditorium.
- Training of security staff in dealing with our younger population.

Public
Participation

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Seeing there was enough time, public participation was re-opened at 8:45 pm.

Theresa Palermo: Asked if tenure information from Monday's meeting was available.

Toni Huffine: Spoke regarding Board President Miglino.

Eileen Selts: Asked for a moment of silence for Memorial Day and to honor Bellport resident and student, James E. Lundin, who died in 2007 in service to his country.

The Board and all present observed a moment of silence for James E. Lundin.

A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to move into Executive Session in accordance with Open Meeting Law §105 (f). 8:48 pm).

Convene to
Executive
Session

Trustee Schatzman left the meeting at 10:25 pm.

Reconvene
Public
Session

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION (11:49 PM).

WALK ON RESOLUTIONS

Approves
Minutes –
Budget Vote
5/18/10

A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to approve the minutes of the Budget Vote, May 18, 2010:

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

A motion (Jankowski / Cavaleri) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, upon consideration of the appeal of MK, the Board of Education hereby affirms the findings of Independent Investigator, Neil Lederer and denies the appeal in all respects and directs the District Clerk to notify said employee of the Board's determination.

Affirms
findings of
Independent
Investigator-
Denies
appeal of
MK

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 6-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain (Miglino), Absent-(McKenna, Schatzman)

A motion (Correa / Jankowski) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, upon consideration of the appeal of JC, the Board of Education hereby affirms the findings of Independent Investigator, Neil Lederer and denies the appeal in all respects and directs the District Clerk to notify said employee of the Board's determination.

Affirms
findings of
Independent
Investigator-
Denies
appeal of
JC.

VOTE: *Motion carries.* 6-Yes, 0-No, 1-Abstain (Miglino), Absent-(McKenna, Schatzman)

A motion (Kirk / Jankowski) to adjourn the meeting. (11:55pm)

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

Meeting
Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Poulos,
District Clerk,

Attachments