

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 2, 2008

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, in the All Purpose Room of the Seaford Harbor School, 3500 Bayview Street, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Bradley Kass - President
Ms. Linda Hurley – Vice President
Mr. John DelGiudice - Trustee
Mr. Richard G. DiBlasio – Trustee
Mr. Michael D. Sapracione – Trustee (arrived at 8:39 p.m.)

Mr. Thomas J. Markle
Mr. Brian L. Conboy
Mr. Kenney W. Aldrich
Mr. Christopher Venator - Attorney

At 7:42 p.m., the President of the Board of Education opened the Regular Meeting. As the first order of business, Mr. Kass led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Kass welcomed everyone and thanked the Harbor for hosting the meeting.

OPENING REMARKS

UTS President Lori Fritsch announced the 4 winners of this year's UTS Essay Contest – "Why I like returning to school in September". Each of the winning essays was read to the audience.

PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITIONS

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to approve the Board of Education Minutes of the February 28, 2008 Workshop Meeting, as amended, the Regular Meeting of March 6, 2008, as amended and the Workshop Meeting of March 13, 2008, as amended.

MINUTES

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to acknowledge acceptance for audit of the Treasurer's Report for the month ended February 29, 2008.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to acknowledge acceptance for audit of the Revenue Report, General Fund, Special Aid Fund, School Lunch Report and Capital Fund for the month ended February 29, 2008.

REVENUE REPORT

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to acknowledge acceptance for audit of the Extracurricular Activity Fund Report for the month ended February 29, 2008.

EXTRACURRICULAR FUND ACTIVITY REPORT

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to acknowledge acceptance for audit of the Appropriation Transfer Report for the month ended February 29, 2008.

**APPROPRIATION TRANSFER
REPORT**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to acknowledge acceptance for audit of the Expenditure Report, General Fund, Special Aid Fund, School Lunch Report and Capital Fund for the period ended February 29, 2008.

EXPENDITURE REPORT

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to approve the Board President to sign the budget transfers as indicated in the Board's documentation.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

At Mr. Kass' request, Kenney Aldrich, Assistant Superintendent for Business, explained what the transfers were and why they were being made.

Bradley Kass -	Aye
Linda Hurley -	Aye
John DelGiudice -	Nay
Richard DiBlasio -	Aye

Motion Carried.

Mr. Markle explained Mr. DelGiudice's "Nay" vote for the budget transfers. Mr. Kass spoke briefly about the decision to make some repairs and the repairs that will be done to the Seaford Avenue School.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Budget Transfers

**PUBLIC COMMENTS –
AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Kass spoke about Agenda Item No. 7 and plans to hold a special workshop meeting for the purpose of discussing the Series 5000 Policies.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by DelGiudice, to table the discussion of Policies 5000 Series.

**TABLE DISCUSSION OF
SERIES 5000 POLICIES**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

None

BOARD REPORTS

Superintendent Thomas Markle briefly spoke about the proposed 2008/2009 budget which will be proposition 1 on the May 20th ballot, and proposition 2 – modification of transportation mileage.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Markle also spoke about full-day kindergarten, staffing and programming at the High School, state aid, trustee seats, voting locations and times.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to accept the recommendation to approve the Personnel Action Report:

PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT

A. Instructional:

P-1: Position Abolition: No Recommended Action

P-2: Position Creation: No Recommended Action

P-3: Resignations:

1. MICHAEL MORRIS

Position	Special Education Teacher
Effective Date	August 31, 2008
Reason	Resignation

P-4: Leaves:

1. MICHELLE SPRECKELS

Position	Elementary Teacher – Grade 4
Assignment	Seaford Manor School
Effective Date	April 28, 2008
Sick Leave	April 28, 2008 – A.M. May 9, 2008
Leave Without Pay	P.M. May 9, 2008 – June 30, 2008
Expiration Date	June 30, 2008
FMLA	April 28, 2008 – September 26, 2008
Reason	Child Care Leave of Absence

P-5: Terminations: No Recommended Action

P-6: Tenure Appointments:

1. YVONNE BENDZLOWICZ

Position	Music Teacher
Effective Date	April 3, 2008
Tenure Area	Music

P-7: Other Appointments:

A) Instructional:

1) DANIELLE Di STEFANO

Position	Elementary Teacher
Type of Appointment	Regular Substitute
Assignment	Seaford Manor School
Certification	Initial – Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) Initial – Literacy (Birth-Gr. 6)
Effective Date	April 28, 2008
Expiration Date	June 30, 2008
Tenure Eligibility	N/A
Tenure Area	Elementary
Salary	MA Step 1 = \$55,366 pro-rated plus benefits
Reason	To replace Michelle Spreckels

PERSONNEL (cont'd)

2.	<u>LAURI GOLDMAN</u>	
	Position	Reading Teacher
	Type of Appointment	Regular Substitute
	Assignment	Seaford Manor School
	Certification	Permanent - Reading
	Effective Date	March 31, 2008
	Expiration Date	June 30, 2008
	Tenure Eligibility	N/A
	Tenure Area	Reading
	Salary	MA Step 1 = \$55,366 pro-rated plus benefits
	Reason	To replace Regina Weber

P-8: Other:

- a) Recommend the Board of Education approve extending the expiration date of Carin Hoy's unpaid Child Care Leave of Absence through June 30, 2008.
- b) Recommend the Board of Education approve extending the expiration date of Anita Dougherty's Extended Sick Leave for Major Personal Illness at ¾ pay through June 30, 2008.
- c) Recommend the Board of Education approve extending the expiration date of Mary Moy's Regular Substitute appointment (replacing Anita Dougherty) through June 30, 2008.
- d) Recommend the Board of Education approve revising the dates of Suzanne Mauri-Elefante's Child Care Leave of Absence as follows:
 - Revised Sick Leave: February 4, 2008 – April 9, 2008
 - Revised Leave Without Pay: April 10, 2008 – June 30, 2008
 - Expiration Date: June 30, 2008
 - FMLA: February 4, 2008 – May 14, 2008
- e) Recommend the Board of Education approve rescinding the leave of absence granted to Renee Hauser-Enea effective March 3, 2008 – May 7, 2008.
- f) Recommend the Board of Education approve rescinding the appointment of Christine Cozzolino as a Regular Substitute Teacher at Seaford Harbor School effective March 6, 2008 through May 7, 2008 replacing Renee Hauser-Enea.
- g) Recommend the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Middle School extracurricular appointment for the 2007-2008 school year effective February 12, 2008:

Barbara Sherwin Jazz Ban Director \$ 605

PERSONNEL (cont'd)

B. NON-INSTRUCTIONAL:

P-1: POSITION ABOLITION: No Recommended Actions

P-2: POSITION CREATION: No Recommended Actions

P-3: RESIGNATIONS: No Recommended Actions

P-4: LEAVES: No Recommended Actions

P-5: TERMINATIONS: No Recommended Actions

P-6: TENURE APPOINTMENTS: N/A

P-7: APPOINTMENTS:

1. Laurie Prodan

Position: Clerk/Greeter
Civil Service Title: Clerk – PT (ACA)
Type of Appointment: Part-time
Location: Harbor Elementary
Salary: \$10.02
Code: 2110-163-00-0000
Reason: Replacement
Effective Date: Upon approval of her application by the Civil Service Commission

2. Theresa Farrell

Position: Teacher Aide
Civil Service Title: Teacher Aide – PT
Type of Appointment: Part-time
Location: Harbor Elementary
Salary: \$10.02 per hour
Code: 2110-165-00-0000
Reason: Replacement
Effective Date: Upon approval of her application by the Civil Service Commission

2. Donald Barto

Position: Security Manager, PT
Civil Service Title: Supervising Security Aide
Type of Appointment: Part-time
Location: District
Salary: \$41,000 per year
Code: 1620-164-00-0000
Reason: Replacement
Effective Date: Upon approval of his application by the Civil Service Commission

P-8: OTHER: No Recommend Actions
No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to grant tenure to. to Yvonne Bendzlowicz, Chorus Director, effective April 2008

TENURE

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

PERSONNEL (cont'd)

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to approve the appointment of Don Barto to the newly created position of Security Manager/Part Time.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to approve the following:

CONTRACTS

1. Recommend that the President of the Board of Education sign a License Agreement between the Seaford School District and SCOPE Education Services for the After School Child Care Program for the 2008-2009 school year.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to approve acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings of: 2/14, 2/26, 3/13. Preschool meetings of 3/12, 3/13; CSE Meetings of: 2/12, 2/27, 3/4, 3/7, 3/10, 3/17, 3/26. Amendments of: 3/25.

CPSE/CSE

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

None

DONATIONS

None

FUNDRAISING

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to approve the following:

FIELD TRIPS

1. Recommend that the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip to the Bronx Zoo on April 18, 2008.
2. Recommend that the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip to Carnegie Hall for selected students to perform with famous choral conductor on May 31, June 1 and June 2, 2008.
3. Recommend that the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip to Six Flags in New Jersey on May 22, 2008 to participate in Physics Day.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

None

POLICIES – 1ST/2ND READING

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to accept the Use of Facilities as detailed in the Board's documentation.

USE OF FACILITIES

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to declare obsolete the following:

OBSOLETE ITEMS

1. Recommend that the Board of Education declare the Harbor library books listed in the Board's documentation as obsolete.
2. Recommend that the Board of Education declare the Manor A/V equipment indicated in the Board's documentation as obsolete.
No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to adopt the following resolution regarding the Seaford School District Budget for the 2008/2009 school year:

**ADOPTION – 2008/2009
BUDGET**

RESOLVED, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent of Schools, that the Seaford School District budget for the 2008/2009 school year in the amount of Fifty-one million forty-nine thousand seventy-eight (\$51,049,078) dollars be approved by this Board and presented to the community for voting purposes under Proposition #1.

Bradley Kass - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Motion Carried.

Mr. DelGiudice spoke about the steps taken to create this budget and all the individuals involved and expressed thanks to those involved. Mr. Kass thanked the Budget Advisory/Citizen's Advisory Committee for their time and input.

Comments, Questions and/or Concerns Raised by the Public included:

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Status of lease for the Seaford Avenue School with BOCES
- Conflict of interest
- Seaford Avenue School
- Space for Central Administration
- Costs of legal services for impartial hearings vs. costs of challenged programs/services
- Obsolete items – Suggestion to donate obsolete books to a charity or hold a book sale to benefit another party
- Request to have healthy items added to cafeteria choices
- Change Health to a four-year course
- Full-Day Kindergarten registration and plans if enrollment increases
- Space at the Harbor for September
- Harbor floor plan

Closing remarks by the Administration and Board

CLOSING REMARKS

- Availability of Harbor and Manor floor plans
- Budget numbers
- Emails concerning baseball field usage
- Mr. Kass announced that he would not be running for re-election in May
- Mr. DiBlasio spoke about Mr. Kass and expressed his appreciation for all that Mr. Kass has done over the course of the last 3 years as Board President. Mr. DiBlasio stated that he will be running for re-election in May.
- April 21st deadline for submitting candidate packets
- Update on the Energy Performance Contract
- Update on Capital Project
- Upcoming fire inspections
- Thank you to the Harbor PTA for this evening's refreshments
- Apologies to the Manor School for the conflict created by changing the date of the board meeting.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DiBlasio, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:40 p.m.

ADJOURN

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen T. Ouellette
District Clerk

Linda Hurley,
Vice District Clerk