

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Thursday, March 26, 2015, in the All Purpose Room of the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Bruce A. Kahn - President
Mr. Brian W. Fagan – Vice President
Ms. Susan Ruona - Trustee
Ms. Stacie Stark - Trustee

ABSENT: Ms. Jeanmarie Wink - Trustee

Mr. Brian L. Conboy
Mr. John Striffolino
Ms. Elisa Pellati
Mr. Christopher Venator – Attorney

At 7:30 p.m., Bruce Kahn, President of the Board of Education, opened the Workshop Meeting. As the first order of business, Mr. Kahn led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN MEETING

Topics covered in Mr. Conboy's Administrative Report dated March 20, 2015 included:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Shoutpoint sent out to community and staff concerning the stomach virus effecting some students at the Harbor School

- Some mis-information was being shared concerning what the students were suffering from and where it began
- Some residents called News 12; some residents called the Nassau County Department of Health
- Mr. Conboy advised that he was able to speak to the Department of Health and describe our protocols with them
- Nassau County Health Department sent some people down to check out our cafeteria operation
- Gave our Kitchen an A rating based on the cleanliness and operation of our Harbor School cafeteria
- He briefly explained the cleaning process going on at the school and recommended anyone showing signs of the virus should stay at home

Technology presentation this evening

Resolution on this evening's agenda concerning Kindergarten Transportation proposition

Need for Executive Session this evening to discuss contract negotiations with the teachers

Anaphylaxis Policy Committee work is completed

- Power Point presentation/report to the Board from Committee will be given at the April 21st Board Meeting

Board President Bruce Kahn briefly spoke about the issue of transportation for students living south of Sunrise Highway which was brought up by one of the residents at the last Board meeting. He advised that due to the time of year and time constraints concerning this year's budget there is no practical way to look into it sufficiently for this year but would look into it for next year. Mr. Kahn advised that Board Trustee Stacie Stark would be working with Ms. Cervini, our Transportation Coordinator and Administration to see where we stand and if it would be possible to go forward with it next year.

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Motion by Mr. Fagan, second by Ms. Ruona, to approve the budget transfers as detailed in the Board's documentation.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. Fagan, second by Ms. Ruona, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION–KINDERGARTEN
MILEAGE PROPOSITION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorize the following proposition be placed on the May 19, 2015 ballot:

“That the Seaford Union Free School District modify its mileage limitation for transporting kindergarten students from the current no mileage limitation to .75 miles, which is the same as the transportation limitation for students in grades 1 through 5, at no anticipated cost differential to the District.”

No Discussion
Bruce Kahn - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
Susan Ruona - Aye
Stacie Stark - Aye
Motion Carried.

Mr. Kahn thanked the members of the ACT Committee (Advisory Committee for Technology) – Tom Karounos, Mike Conte, Sean Urban and Rob Necco

Areas covered in the Power-Point presentation on the Technology Budget for the 2015-2016 by Fred Kaden, Director of Technology:

**POWER-POINT PRESENTATION
2015/2016 TECHNOLOGY BUDGET**

Thank you to the Board and Community for their support
Technology Five-Year Plan Highlights

Year 1 – 2012/2013

- New Instructional & Administrative computers at the secondary level

Year 2 – 2013/2014

- New Instructional & Administrative computers at the elementary level

Year 3 – 2014/2015

- Wireless installed in the High School
- All K-8 classrooms have SMART technology

Year 4 – 2015/2016

- iPad Carts in every building (was supposed to be done in Year 3)
- Saturated wireless installed throughout District
- Enhancing & Future-Proofing the Network (i.e. core router, edge switches)
- Replacing the virtual server
- Every classroom will have SMART technology

2015/2016 Technology Budget - The increase in the budget relates to:

- Equipment
- Increase in BOCES
 - Equates to just the cost of wireless
 - Switches/virtual server included
 - Just got off three-year lease

If everything is approved we will be up-to-date in our Five-Year Plan

In response to Board Trustee Brian Fagan's question, Mr. Strifolino spoke about the current curriculum and the incorporation, enhancement and use of technology within it. Mr. Kaden briefly explained some of the ways technology is being used by our students both in the classroom and in other areas.

Mr. Kahn asked Mr. Kaden if the BOCES contracts could be ready right after the budget vote. He stated that in the past, the contracts hadn't been available until the summer creating a delay in having the equipment installed for the beginning of school. Mr. Kaden advised that he had spoken to BOCES and they were just waiting for one piece of documentation to start working on the contracts which he would get to them by the end of this week. Mr. Kaden advised Mr. Kahn that the Board would have the contracts before the budget vote so they could review it, and have any questions answered. Mr. Conboy advised that through one of our cosers, Nassau BOCES did an audit of our computer infrastructure. Mr. Conboy and Mr. Kaden briefly spoke about the Smart Schools Bond and some of the Technology needs of the District which those funds could cover.

Closing remarks by the Administration and Board

CLOSING REMARKS

- ◆ Thank you to the members of the Technology Committee
- ◆ Reminder about the Middle School Drama production Friday and Saturday evenings
- ◆ Happy Passover; Happy Easter
- ◆ Next Board Meeting will be April 16th
At this time still do not know the final State Aid number; will be adopting the final budget number at the April 16th meeting

At 8:00 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Fagan, second by Ms. Ruona, to adjourn the Workshop Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations with the UTS.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

**ADJOURN WORKSHOP
MEETING**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Fagan, second by Ms. Stark, to adjourn Executive Session at 8:37 p.m.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen T. Ouellette
District Clerk

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Vice District Clerk