

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Thursday, November 16, 2017, in the All-Purpose Room of the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Bruce A. Kahn - President  
Ms. Stacie Stark - Vice President  
Ms. Janice Baldwin - Trustee  
Ms. Natalie Pedisich – Trustee

ABSENT: Mr. Patrick Rail - Trustee

Dr. Adele V. Pecora  
Mr. John A. Strifolino  
Ms. Elisa Pellati  
Mr. Christopher Venator – Attorney

At 7:37 p.m., the President of the Board of Education opened the Workshop Meeting. As the first order of business, Board President Bruce Kahn led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPEN MEETING**

None

**OPENING REMARKS**

Topics covered in Dr. Pecora's Administrative Report dated November 9, 2017 included:

**ADMINISTRATIVE  
REPORT**

November 7, 2017 Superintendent's Conference Day Presentations

- Presentations
- Staff Development

NYASCD Conference

Staff Development

Winter Parent Athlete Meeting

- Kim Laube's Presentation

Kim Laube will be making another presentation on Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

- Program District-wide/open to all; a Shout point will be going out
- Cristina Schmohl, our public Relations Specialist who we hired through BOCES, will not be working with BOCES after December.
- Looking to hire someone through Syntax

Areas covered in the Technology Steering Committee Update by Lisa Dunn, Fred Kaden and John Strifolino included:

**PRESENTATIONS  
TECHNOLOGY  
STEERING COMMITTEE  
UPDATE**

Personalized Digital Learning Initiative:

Professional Development

- Mentoring
- Consultation
- Practice
- Study Improve
- Reflection
- Learning
- Capacity Building
- Model Schools
- Building Level
- Ed Camp

School Visitations; few more expected

Device Update

- Receiving feedback on devices

Parent Orientation

User Agreements

Pilots

- Will do an analysis

What's Next

- Model School Days

Ms. Stark asked about the schools already visited and if it was just High School students who had computers or did their Middle Schools have them as well.

Mr. Kahn thanked Ms. Dunn, Mr. Strifolino and Mr. Kaden for their presentation. He also asked that they go back to the Steering Committee and thank them for all their work. The Board expressed their appreciation for the way this is being handle and the plan for the rolling out of the Initiative.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A resident asked what are the top 3 devices in the running

Areas covered in the discussion on policy review included:

**WORKSHOP TOPIC:  
POLICY REVIEW**

Mr. Kahn briefly spoke about New York State School Boards Association and the quarterly updates they send the District related to policy updates. He went on to explain how it works, options open to the District related to updating and procedures to update policies and regulations

Discussion continued related to updates suggested by New York State School Boards' Association, current District policy and suggested language changes/additions to be made to:

Policy No. 2160 – School District Officer and Employee Code of Ethics  
Policy No. 2330 – Executive Session  
Policy No. 4321-12 – Use of Timeout Rooms, Physical Restraints and Aversives (Policy and Regulation)  
Important to have  
First Reading of this policy tentatively set for December meeting  
Policy No. 9700 – Staff Development  
Policy No. 6240 – Investments (Policy and Regulation)

Mr. Kahn briefly spoke about letters that went out to specific community members with reference to their property bordering the Harbor School and encroaching on school property. He went on to speak about the proposition on the May 2017 budget vote ballot related to one of these properties.

Ms. Stark briefly spoke about topics discussed at the District-wide Safety Committee Meeting which was held earlier today.

**DISTRICT-WIDE SAFETY  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

Areas included Stacie Stark's debriefing of the 2017 New York State School Boards Association Convention included:

**WORKSHOP TOPIC:  
2017 NYSSBA  
CONFERENCE  
DEBRIEFING BY  
STACIE STARK**

Held in Lake Placid, NY

Very organized; attended 5 sessions:

- Whole Child Education: Recess and Play
- Using Technology to Support Rigor and Engagement for All Students
- Bargaining with Teachers Under the Tax Cap
- Special Education 101
- School Budgets: It's More Than Just Numbers

The 2018 Convention will be held in New York City. Mr. Kahn advised that at budget time will discuss adding funds to attend the 2018 NYSSBA Convention.

Closing remarks by the Administration and Board

**CLOSING REMARKS**

- ◆ Thank you to Mr. Strifolino, Ms. Dunn and Mr. Kaden
- ◆ Happy Thanksgiving
- ◆ Whole Technology roll-out system is wonderful; happy we are taking our time and doing the research
- ◆ Parents from PTSA meeting advised they liked the Kim Laube presentation

At 8:36 p.m., a motion was made by Ms. Stark, second by Ms. Baldwin, to adjourn the Workshop Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with the Aides' and Custodial Units, one specific personnel matter and one pending litigation.

**ADJOURN WORKSHOP  
MEETING**

No Discussion.  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Stark, second by Ms. Pedisich, to adjourn Executive Session at 9:02 p.m.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

No Discussion.  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carmen T. Ouellette  
District Clerk