

**SHELTER ISLAND UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**RE-ORGANIZATIONAL/REGULAR MEETING  
July 12, 2022**

Members Present: Margaret Colligan, Dawn Hedbert, Kathleen M. Lynch, Tracy McCarthy, Karina Montalvo, Katherine Rossi-Snook, and Robert Strauss

Others Present: Brian Doelger, Superintendent; Jennifer Rylott, Director of Pupil Personnel, Data and Instruction; Todd Gulluscio, Director of Athletics, Physical Education, Health, Wellness & Personnel; Jacqueline Dunning, District Clerk; Susan Dempsey, Shelter Island Reporter; Julia Brennan, Shelter Island Gazette; 3 faculty/staff/ student and 1 community residents

Absent: Robert Strauss, and Deborah Vecchio, District Treasurer

The meeting was called to order by Jacqueline Dunning, District Clerk at 6:04 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tracy McCarthy read the following Shelter Island School Mission Statement – Engage, Explore, Empower:

We want our students to cherish our small Island community while applying expanding their learning about, understanding of, and engagement with the wider world. To do this, they must be: ethical and moral individuals; respectful and responsible communicators; creative and analytical thinkers; knowledgeable and literate readers, writers, mathematicians and scientists; participants in and audiences for art, drama, music, athletics, and other artistic, cultural, and social activities; skilled and successful workers and consumers; and committed and active citizens.

Note: the Oath of Office had been administered by the District Clerk to newly elected Board of Education members, Kathleen Lynch, Karina Montalvo and Margaret Colligan prior to this evening’s meeting.

The District Clerk announced that nominations were in order for President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year. Margaret Colligan was nominated by Kathleen Lynch for President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year, seconded by Tracy McCarthy. There being no further nominations, the District Clerk took the roll of the Board of Education.

Margaret Colligan - Yes	Karina Montalvo - Yes
Dawn Hedberg - Yes	Katherine Rossi-Snook - Yes
Kathleen Lynch - Yes	Robert Strauss – Absent
Tracy McCarthy - Yes	

Yes = 6      No= 0      Recusal= 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Margaret Colligan was declared duly elected as President of the Board of Education, Shelter Island Union Free School District for the 2021-2022 school year. The Oath of Office was administered by the District Clerk to President Margaret Colligan.

The District Clerk turned the gavel over to President Colligan.

President Colligan stated that nominations were in order for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year. Katherine Rossi-Snook was nominated by Kathleen Lynch for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year, seconded by Dawn Hedberg. There being no further nominations, the President took the roll of the Board of Education.

Margaret Colligan - Yes	Karina Montalvo - Yes
Dawn Hedberg - Yes	Katherine Rossi-Snook - Yes
Kathleen Lynch - Yes	Robert Strauss – Absent
Tracy McCarthy - Yes	

Yes = 6      No= 0      Recusal= 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Katherine Rossi-Snook was declared duly elected as Vice President of the Board of Education, Shelter Island Union Free School District for the 2021-2022 school year.

*Call to  
Order/Pledge  
of Allegiance*

*Mission  
Statement*

*Oath of Office  
to New BOE  
Members*

*Election of  
President and  
Oath of Office*

*Election of Vice  
President and  
Oath of Office*

At this time, President Colligan administered the Oath of Office to Vice-President Rossi-Snook.

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the following officers are hereby appointed for to the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year:

District Clerk – Jacqueline Dunning  
District Treasurer – Deborah Vecchio  
Claims Auditor – Carol Euring at an annual rate of \$55 per hour

Motion carried unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered by President Colligan to Jacqueline Dunning, District Clerk; and Brian Doelger, Superintendent. The District Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to Ms. Vecchio and Ms. Euring at a later date.

A motion was made by Tracy McCarthy, seconded by Kathleen Lynch, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following appointment for the 2020-2021 school year -- 11.1:

11.1 Appointments

- a. Attendance Supervisor: Todd Gulluscio
- b. Accountants: Cullen & Danowski, LLP - \$45,500
- c. School Attorney: Ingerman Smith, LLP (For both Board & Labor Counsel Services) at an annual retainer of \$38,860. Other services as required at \$270 per hour, plus all out of pocket disbursements and expenses paid by the firm for any and all work related to the school district.
- d. External Auditors: Nawrocki Smith - \$29,500 (fees indicated in their engagement letter dated June 22, 2021)
- e. Architects/Engineers: BBS Architects, Landscape Architects & Engineers, PC – Fees indicated in their engagement letter dated June 17, 2021
- f. School Insurance Broker: New York State Insurance Reciprocal (NYSIR) - \$48,662.00, plus \$20 MVR Fees
- g. School Student Accident Insurance Broker: J. J. Stanis and Company, Inc. - \$28.79/student
- h. Official Depositories:
  1. JPMorgan Chase Bank:
    - i. Extra Class Account
    - ii. Scholarship Fund
    - iii. Trust & Agency
    - iv. General Fund Account
    - v. Money Market Account
    - vi. School Lunch Checking Account
  2. Capital One Bank
    - i. Capital Checking Account
    - ii. General Fund Checking Account
    - iii. Federal Checking Account
    - iv. Payroll Account
    - v. Money Market Account
    - vi. Capital HVAC Checking Account
  3. CLASS Cooperative Investment Program
    - i. General Fund
    - ii. Health Insurance Reserve
    - iii. Risk Retention Reserve
    - iv. F.I.T. Reserve
  4. Bridgehampton National Bank
    - i. Payroll
- h. Official Newspaper: Shelter Island Reporter
- i. Chief Faculty Advisor: Brian Doelger
- j. Title IX Compliance Officer: Todd Gulluscio
- k. Title VII Compliance Officer: Todd Gulluscio
- l. ADA Compliance Officer: Jennifer Rylott
- m. Liaison for Homeless Children and Youth: Jennifer Rylott

*Appointment  
of Board  
Officers*

*Oath of Office  
to Officers*

*Consent  
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Appointments*

- n. Extra Class Treasurer: Deborah Vecchio
- o. Bond Counsel: Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP (fees indicated in their engagement letter dated March 2, 2021)
- p. Financial Advisor: Munistat (fees as indicated in their agreement dated March 1, 2021)
- q. Asbestos Designee: Michael Dunning
- r. Purchasing Agent: Brian Doelger
- s. Records Management Officer: Deborah Vecchio
- t. Records Access Officer: Jacqueline Dunning
- u. Right to Know Officer: Michael Dunning
- v. Data Privacy Officer: Walter Brigham

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following appointments for the 2020-2021 school year – 12.1:

12.1 Financial Authorization

- a. Superintendent
  - 1. Payroll Certification Officer
  - 2. Approval of payment of salaries, wages and contractual obligations
  - 3. Authorization of Budget Transfers (in accordance with Board Policy)
  - 4. Signatory for State & Federal Grant Applications
  - 5. Approval for Travel, Conferences and Workshops
  - 6. Mileage Reimbursement (rate according to IRS regulations)
  - 7. Approval of Overtime; Tutoring at \$45.93 per hour; Home Instruction at \$72.16 per hour; Temporary Employees, and Substitute Teachers Salary: Uncertified - \$95/day, Certified - \$110/day
- b. Signature required on Checks: Deborah Vecchio and/or Jennifer Rylott
- c. Petty Cash: Cafeteria: Helene Starzee - \$50
- d. Investment of District Money – in accordance with Board Policy
- e. Publishing of Annual Financial Report prior to August 31, 2019 (It is agreed that in conformance with Education Law, the Annual Financial Report shall be published once in the official newspaper of the District prior to August 31, 2021.)

Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Tracy McCarthy, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following agenda items for the 2020-2021 school year: 13.1 – 13.3

13.1 Bonding

- a. Blanket Position Bond in the amount of \$100,000 covering the services of all employees of SIUFSD who handle monies issued by New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal (NYSIR) for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- b. Excess Indemnity on the District Treasurer and Extra-Classroom Treasurer a bond in the amount of \$150,000 covering the services of Deborah Vecchio as the District Treasurer and Extra-Classroom Treasurer of the SIUFSD, as written by New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal (NYSIR) for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- c. Northern Insuring Agency - \$1,899.00

13.2 Third Party Administrator for the following plans:

- a. Disability: Unum Provident
- b. Section 125 Benefit Plan: Preferred Group Plans, Incorporated
- c. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) Plan: Preferred Group Plans, Incorporated
- d. Transportation Fringe Benefit Plan: Preferred Group Plans, Incorporated
- e. 403(b) Plan: Omni Financial Group, Incorporated (fees as indicated in their agreement dated May 19, 2021)

13.3 457(b) Plan for Employees

- a. New York State Deferred Compensation Plan

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following agenda items for the 2020-2021 school year: 14.1 – 14.2

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14.1 Committee Appointments (Mandated members will be present at Committee Meetings.)

- a. Committee on Special Education (CSE)
  - Chairperson: Jennifer Rylott
  - Alternate Chairperson: Danielle Spears
  - School Psychologist: Danielle Spears
  - School Physician
  - Student's Teacher
  - Student's Special Education Teacher
  - Speech/Language Pathologist: Michelle Weir
  - Guidance Counselor: Martha Tuthill
  - School Nurse: Mary Kanarvogel
  - Parent Member (Only at parent's request. Parent member list available in Academic Office)
  - Additional Service Providers as needed
- b. 504 Committee (504)
  - Chairperson: Jennifer Rylott
  - Alternate Chairperson: Danielle Spears
  - School Physician (as needed)
  - Student's Teacher
  - Speech/Language Pathologist: Michelle Weir
  - Guidance Counselor: Martha Tuthill
  - School Nurse: Mary Kanarvogel
  - Additional Service Providers as needed
- c. Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE)
  - Chairperson: Jennifer Rylott
  - Alternate Chairperson: Michelle Weir / Danielle Spears
  - School Physician (as needed)
  - General Education Teacher and/or Special Education Teacher (depending upon the placement of the child)
  - Parent Member (only at parent's request. Parent member list available in Academic Office)
  - A professional who participated in the evaluation of the child
  - Additional Service Providers as needed
- d. Sub-Committee on Special Education (Sub CSE)
  - Chairperson: Jennifer Rylott
  - Alternate Chairperson: Danielle Spears
  - School Physician
  - Student's Teacher
  - Student's Special Education Teacher
  - Speech/Language Pathologist: Michelle Weir
  - Guidance Counselor: Martha Tuthill
  - School Nurse: Mary Kanarvogel
  - Parent Member (Only at parent's request. Parent member list available in Academic Office)
  - Additional Service Provider as needed
- e. Language Proficiency Team
  - Chairperson: Jennifer Rylot
  - Bryan Knipfing
  - Laura Mayo or Additional ENL Teacher TBD
  - Michelle Weir, as needed
  - Parent Member
- f. Audit Committee
  - Chairperson: Brian Doelger
  - School District Business Personnel

Auditors  
Two (2) Board Members

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- 14.2 504 Grievance Officer  
a. Superintendent

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Tracy McCarthy, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following agenda items for the 2020-2021 school year: 15.1 – 15.6

- 15.1 Budget Vote  
a. Board of Registration at \$142.50 per day:  
1. Angela Corbett  
2. Shirley Ferrer  
3. Phyllis Wallace  
4. Lois Corbett  
5. Lew Corbett  
6. Alternate: Betty Ann Morritt  
7. Alternate: Jean Dickerson  
8. Alternate: Allison Binder  
9. Alternate: Jane Ritzler  
10. Alternate: Annamarie Rampmaier  
11. Alternate: Janet Jernick

- b. Four (4) Poll Workers at \$142.50 per day  
c. Voting Hours: 12:00 pm to 9:00 pm

- 15.2 Impartial Hearing Officer List for 2021-2022 (as set forth by the NYS Education Department)

- 15.3 Monthly Board Meetings Schedule

August 30, 2021	February 15, 2022
September 27, 2021	March 14, 2022
October 18, 2021	April 11, 2022
November 15, 2021	May 9, 2022
December 13, 2021	May 17, 2022 (Annual District & Budget Vote Meeting)
January 18, 2022	June 13, 2022

- 15.4 Policy Manual  
a. Re-adoption of all policies and code of ethics in the Policy Manual

- 15.5 Shelter Island School Emergency Response Plan  
a. Re-adoption of the Shelter Island School Emergency Response Plan

- 15.6 Shared Decision Making Plan  
a. Re-adoption of the Shared Decision Making Plan

Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, the Regular Business Meeting began –

**Visitor Questions - None**

Visitor  
Questions

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board hereby approves the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approval of Minutes  
1. Regular Meeting of June 14, 2021  
2. Special Meeting of June 23, 2021

Motion carried unanimously.

**Correspondence – None**

Correspondence

**Presentations**

Presentation

Disney Field Trip

Ms. Jennifer Gulluscio, Disney Trip Coordinator, explained to the members of the Board of Education that the incoming 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade classes would travel together to Disney since the COVID-19 pandemic forced the 9<sup>th</sup> grade class to miss the trip during the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Gulluscio reported that the students would depart on Monday, December 6, 2021 and return on Friday, December 10, 2021 and the trip will cost approximately \$1,200.00 per student. Ms. Gulluscio noted that the incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade missed many fundraising opportunities due to the pandemic and are trying to catch up. At this time, there was discussion about various ways to raise the funds. Prior to the closing of the presentation, Ms. McCarthy asked that trip insurance be purchased just in case COVID causes travel restrictions to be put in place again. Ms. Gulluscio agreed that she would look into trip insurance.

### Personnel

A motion was made by Tracy McCarthy, seconded by Kathleen Lynch, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Personnel actions: 20.1 – 20.7

#### 20.1 Special Class Math/ELA

- a. Appoint Valerie Grosso as the Special Class Math/ELA Teacher, effective retroactively to July 5, 2021 through August 13, 2021, at \$67,246, Step 1 MA of the 2021-2022 teacher salary scale, prorated to \$2,694.84, not to exceed 51 hours.

#### 20.2 Extra Compensation

- a. Michele Albano to provide student services for the period of June 28, 2021 through August 31, 2021, at her daily rate, not to exceed 2 hours.
- b. Mary Kanarvogel to provide health services for the period of June 28, 2021 through August 31, 2021, at her daily rate, not to exceed 10 hours.

#### 20.3 Childcare Leave

- a. Approve a contractual childcare leave of absence for Brittney Russo, Science 7-12 Teacher, to commence on or about November 5, 2021 through June 24, 2022; with said period credited towards the employee's FMLA leave of absence.

#### 20.4 Non-Aligned Personnel Employment Agreements

- a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the annexed agreements between the Shelter Island Union Free School District and non-aligned personnel; and  
  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute said agreements.

#### 20.5 Settlement Agreement

- a. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Shelter Island Union Free School District, having received and reviewed a Settlement Agreement and General Release concerning an instructional employee known to the Board, hereby approves such Settlement Agreement and General Release and authorizes and directs the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education President to execute such Settlement Agreement on behalf of the Board.

#### 20.6 CPR Training

- a. Approve Mary Kanarvogel to provide Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED Certification, Healthcare Provider and First Aid Training for the 2021-2022 school year, with compensation as follows.
  - Adult, Child, Infant CPR/AED Certification at \$45 per coach/employee
  - Healthcare Provider and First Aid Training at \$60 per person

#### 20.7 District Clerk Pro Tem

- a. Appoint Deborah Vecchio, as District Clerk Pro Tem, at a rate of \$30 per hour, to serve in the absence of the District Clerk, when necessary, for the 2021-2022 school year.
- b. Appoint Superintendent, as District Clerk Pro Tem, when necessary, for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

### Program

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Program actions: 21.1 – 21.4

- 21.1 CSE/504 Recommendations for the 2020-2021 School Year
  - a. Committee on Special Education
  - b. 504 Committee
- 21.2 CPSE/CSE/504 Recommendations for the 2021-2022 School Year
  - a. Committee on Preschool Special Education
  - b. Committee on Special Education
  - c. 504 Committee
- 21.3 District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP)
  - a. Approve the 2021-2022 District Comprehensive Improvement Plan
- 21.4 Post Season Sports for 2021-2022 School Year
  - a. Authorization to approve Shelter Island School sports teams to travel to and participate in post season tournament play

Motion carried unanimously.

### Finance

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Tracy McCarthy, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Finance actions: 22.1 – 22.3

- 21.1 Financial Reports
  - a. Treasurer's Report – May 2021
  - b. Extra Class Report – May 2021
  - c. Appropriation Status Report
  - d. Revenue Status Report
- 21.2 Budget Transfers & Journal Entries
  - a. Accept and approve the Budget Transfers and Journal Entries, for the period of June 9, 2021 – June 30, 2021, in accordance with Board Policy that the Superintendent has approved, as well as any transfers that need Board specific approval.
- 21.3 District Credit Cards for the 2021-2022 School Year
  - a. Authorize Maryann Impastato and Helene Starzee, to use the District's American Express credit cards (account number xxx-xxxx5-11006), for purchases of approved supplies and services, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The individual card numbers are as follows: Maryann Impastato (xxx-xxxx5-11063) and Helene Starzee (xxx-xxxx5-11071).

Motion carried unanimously.

### Business

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Business actions: 23.1 – 23.2

- 23.1 2021-2022 Contracts
  - a. Authorize the extension of transportation contract #C416602 with Sunrise Bus, Incorporated, for Summer Route, Cutchogue-East, in the amount of \$10,999.99. The term of said contract shall be retroactive to July 6, 2021 through August 13, 2021; and authorize the Board President and Superintendent to execute said agreement.
  - b. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Mattituck-Cutchogue Union Free School District, for student services. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.
  - c. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Cunningham Air Duct & Chimney Services, of Bayport, NY, for two annual kitchen exhaust duct cleanings, at a cost of \$1,370.00. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.
  - d. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Cummins Power Systems, LLC, of Ronkonkoma, NY, for generator maintenance, at a

cost of \$2,476.51. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.

- e. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Shelter Island Environmental, for garbage disposal servicing, in the amount of \$589.34 per month. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.
- f. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Eclipse Elevator Company, LLC, of Patchogue, NY; for annual maintenance, at a cost of \$1,449.00. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the School Maintenance Crew Leader to execute said agreement.
- g. Approve the inter-municipal cooperation agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and the Board of Education of the Oysterponds Union Free School District for a School Guidance Counselor (.2) position for the Elementary School, at a cost of \$15,674.80. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.
- h. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Tele-Verse Communications of Holtsville, NY, for maintenance of the phone system in the amount of \$3,244.00. The term of said agreements shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.
- i. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Parkway Pest Services of New Hyde Park, NY, for pest control services, at a cost of \$3,000.00. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.

#### 23.2 Taping of Board of Education Meetings

- a. Authorization of the taping of up to seven (7) Board of Education Budget Meetings during the 2021-2022 school year, at a cost of \$250 per taping. (Exact dates to be determined at a future meeting.)

Motion carried unanimously.

At this time, Dr. Doelger introduced and welcomed Veronica Stelzer, the new elementary school guidance counselor the district will share with Oysterponds School District.

#### **Facility**

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Tracy McCarthy, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Facility actions: 24.1 – 24.2

#### 24.1 Excessing of Chromebooks (repair cost exceeds value/replacement cost)

- a. 12 Chromebooks – Shelter Island Serial #20140123, #20140118, #20140121, #20140120, #20140106, #20140108, #20140107, #20140100, #20110118, #20110119, #20090853, #20090858
- b. 1 Windows Laptop – Shelter Island Serial #20100320

#### 24.2 Excessing of Textbooks (outdated and will be donated to charity by National Junior Honor Society)

- a. 13 copies of Campbell Biology, AP Edition, Student Edition
- b. 36 copies of Holt NY Biology the Living Environment, Student Edition
- c. 2 copies of Holt NY Biology the Living Environment, Teacher Edition

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **Items for Consideration - None**

#### **Old Business - None**

#### **Director of Athletics, Physical Education, Health, Wellness & Personnel Report**

Mr. Todd Gulluscio reported that the plan for the 2021-2022 school year is to have a regular year of athletics; with the fall season beginning in late-August. Mr. Gulluscio also announced that the District will receive the NYSPPSAA School of Distinction Award for the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.



**Director of Pupil Personnel, Data and Instruction Report**

Ms. Jennifer Rylott reviewed the District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP) priorities for the 2021-2022 school year – continue to increase the percentage of students taking state assessments in order to regain our good standing, continue to improve curriculum and learning in the district, and continue to focus on a balanced approach of education with a major focus on the social and emotional growth of our children; and discussed how each priority will be achieved.

Ms. Rylott then reviewed the new Multi-Tiered System of Supports Manual (MTSS), formerly known as the Response to Intervention (RTI) Manual. Ms. Rylott stated that MTSS is similar to RTI in many ways, but differs in that MTSS has a much broader scope; focusing on academic as well as social and emotional areas. With MTSS, once a general education teacher identifies an area of concern, they will then reach out to a specialist for support to create and implement a plan for the general education teacher to implement with the student, if needed. The specialists in the district are as follows: Danielle Spears, Michele Albano, Maggie Manarel, Jennifer Gulluscio and Michelle Weir.

**Superintendent Report**

Dr. Doelger congratulated Margaret Colligan and Katherine Rossi-Snook on their appointments as President and Vice-President, and also congratulated Kathleen Lynch on having completed two years as President.

Dr. Doelger shared that the whole faculty, staff, grades 6-12 student population, and members of the Board of Education are reading the same book over the summer – The Red Bandanna, by Tom Rinaldi and in the fall, adults and students will be broken out into small groups to discuss the book.

Dr. Doelger stated that Governor Cuomo and the Department of Health changed the masking guidelines for summer school; making masks optional for all students and vaccinated adults. Dr. Doelger stressed that this was only for summer school and we will receive new guidance for fall 2021.

Dr. Doelger reviewed the many events and field trips held at the end of the 2020-2021 school year and stated that it was a great school year, especially since we were open full time nearly the entire year.

Dr. Doelger stated that the SCOPE Summer Enrichment program is going well and noted that there are 50 students enrolled.

In closing, Dr. Doelger marveled at how it was one year ago that we held the first in-person board meeting since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. Dr. Doelger proudly stated that so much progress has been made from that meeting to tonight’s meeting and how it all worked out nicely. Dr. Doelger also stated that the Board of Education made it very clear last year that they wanted to open in-person and that’s exactly what we did. In closing, Dr. Doelger thanked the Board of Education, Mary Kanarvogel, R.N., and his administrative team for their hard work in helping make it happen.

**Board Member Reports**

Ms. Karina Montalvo stated that she feels very confident about the coming school year.

Ms. Katherine Rossi-Snook remarked that the Elementary Field Day video created by SITV, under the direction of Mr. Christopher Conrardy, Technology Teacher, was spectacular. Ms. Rossi-Snook also shared that she believes there could be more elementary parent presence and engagement at events if the school provides childcare. This would allow both parents to attend events and would save parents money. In closing, Ms. Rossi-Snook asked that the 2020-2021 morning drop-off procedure remain the same for the same 2021-2022 school year.

Ms. Kathleen Lynch thanked Margaret Colligan and Katherine Rossi-Snook for agreeing to take on the roles of President and Vice President and wished them both luck.

Ms. Margaret Colligan stated that whenever Brian spoke about the 2020-2021 school year, he mentioned how our children were always happy no matter the restrictions. Ms. Colligan considered this proof that our children wanted to attend school in-person.

**Visitor Comments**

Ms. Julia Brennan of the Gazette stated that last year at this time the district saw a surge in enrollment and asked what enrollment looks like now. Dr. Doelger responded that some families are staying, some families are undecided, and most families are returning to New York City. Ms. Jennifer Rylott noted that many families have sent emails praising the school and stating how difficult a decision it was to go back to the City. Unfortunately, the

parents were working remotely for the past year and were now called back to their offices so they had no choice other than to move back.

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Tracy McCarthy, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education voted to go into an executive session at 7:26 pm to discuss the employment of particular individuals, pursuant to Section 105(f) of the Public Officers Law.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Kathleen Lynch, seconded by Katherine Rossi-Snook, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby adjourns the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

  
Jacqueline Dunning  
District Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District is Monday, August 30, 2021, at 6:00 pm, in the Gymnasium.

Visitor  
Comments  
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Executive  
Session

Adjournment