

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

**BUDGET/REGULAR
MEETING**
March 12, 2013

Members Present: Stephen Gessner, Thomas Graffagnino, Linda Eklund, Elizabeth Melichar, and Marilyn Pysher

Others Present: Dr. Michael Hynes, Superintendent; Jennifer Rylott, Academic Administrator; Jacqueline Dunning, District Clerk; Deborah Vecchio, District Treasurer; Julie Lane, Shelter Island Reporter; 8 faculty/staff/student and 1 community residents

Absent: Mark Kanarvogel; Alfred Brigham, Sr.; and Katy Binder, Student Liaison

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by President Gessner.

A motion was by made by Marilyn Pysher, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education voted to go into an executive session at 6:04 pm to discuss the employment of particular individuals in the district pursuant to Section 105(f) of the Public Officers Law.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board came out of executive session at 6:34 pm.

The budget workshop began, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Michael Hynes welcomed everyone to the second of three budget presentations that will be held in preparation of the 2013-2014 school budget. Dr. Hynes provided a re-cap of the last budget meeting which included difficult times for budgeting, tax cap review, highlights from 2012-2013 and the 2013-2014 proposed budget for salaries & benefits, instructional staff, co-curricular services, transportation and athletics.

The topics presented at this meeting included Special Education, Other Schools: Occupational Education, Charter and Summer Schools, Pupil Services: Guidance, Psychological, Health, Library/Instructional Media and Computer Aided Instruction, Teaching: Equipment, Contractual Expenses, Materials & Supplies, Textbooks, Data Processing, Curriculum Development and BOCES.

Dr. Hynes stated that the next meeting will cover Board of Education, District Office, Auditing, Treasurer, Legal, Central Printing, Business Office, Operations & Maintenance of Plant, Inter-fund Transfers, Debt Services, and Expense Budget Summary & Revenue Projection.

Marilynn Pysher 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.

Visitor Questions – None

Call to Order

Executive Session

Pledge of Allegiance

Budget Presentation

*Shelter Island
School Mission
Statement*

Visitor Questions

A motion was made by Elizabeth Melichar, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board hereby approves the following:

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. Budget Workshop/Regular Meeting of February 28, 2013

Motion carried unanimously

Correspondence

Dr. Stephen Gessner stated that the Board received six (6) letters.

Presentation

Habitat for Humanity

Ms. Janine Mahoney reported that the National Honor Society students who participated in the Fall Cardboard Campout raised enough money to earn themselves a Habitat for Humanity build day on Saturday, March 16, 2013. The students will hang vinyl siding, along with four (4) adult volunteers. Everyone is excited to learn a new skill.

The Board of Education thanked Janine and all those involved for providing this very important community service.

Spring Sports Update

Mr. Richard Osmer, Shelter Island School Athletic Director presented a brief overview of the success of the winter sports season. He highlighted the fact that the Varsity Boys' Basketball Team made it to the Suffolk County Playoffs for the first time in eleven (11) years. Mr. Osmer then reported that the Spring season is off to a good start and for the first time in over twenty five (25) years, the school have a Junior Varsity Girls' Softball Team.

Broadway Trip

Ms. Libby Lisanckie, Shelter Island High School Student spoke about the Broadway Trip. She said it is a great reward for the musicians and performers in our school and that it is a great way to inspire and motivate these students even further.

Mr. Keith Brace, Band Teacher reported that over 3,000 students in Suffolk County performed in the Suffolk County Music Educators Association over the weekend. Of the 3,000 students, Shelter Island sent 14. These are the type of students who are rewarded with the Broadway Trip.

Ms. Jessica Bosak explained that the Shelter Island Educational Foundation donates the money for the trip. This year, the group will see "Once" on May 8, 2013. There will be 36 students and 4 adult chaperones.

Scoreboard, Backstop & Dugout Update

Mr. Cori Cass, Shelter Island Bucks General Manager gave a quick status update for the Scoreboard, Backstop and Dugouts. The Dugouts have been cleared with the State Education Department. They will consist of concrete walls with a wooden roof. The scoreboard installation is still in the planning stage. The League approved the backstop and installation should begin within the next week.

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Elizabeth Melichar, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby authorizes the installation of a Scoreboard, Backstop and Dugout by the Shelter Island Bucks, Hampton Collegiate Baseball League.

Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Correspondence

Presentation

Personnel

A motion was made by Marilyn Pysker, seconded by Stephen Gessner, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Personnel actions: 9.1

9.1 Appointment of Personnel

Additional Substitute Teachers for the 2012-2013 School Year at \$110 per Day (Certified or 4 Year Degree)

- a. Hope Kanarvogel
- b. Karyn Pennacchia
- c. Mallory Wissemann

Additional Substitute Custodians for the 2012-2013 school year at \$10 per hour

- a. Justin Moore, pending clearance for employment by the NYS Department of Education (fingerprint initiative)

Motion carried. Thomas Graffagnino recused himself.

Program

A motion was made by Linda Eklund, seconded by Elizabeth Melichar, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Program actions: 10.1

10.1 CPSE/504 Recommendations for the 2012-2013 School Year

- a. Committee on Pre-School Special Education
- b. Section 504 Committee

Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Reports

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Linda Eklund, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Financial Reports:

- a. Treasurer's Report for the month of January
- b. Appropriations Status Report for the month of February

Motion carried unanimously.

Business

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Elizabeth Melichar, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent on the following Business Actions: 12.1 – 12.2

12.1 Contracts

- a. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Islip Tutoring Service, Incorporated, for student services. The term of said agreement shall be retroactive to September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013; and authorize the Superintendent to execute said agreement.

12.2 Donation

- a. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept the donation of a scoreboard, backstop and dugouts from the Shelter Island Bucks, Hampton Collegiate Baseball League.

Motion carried unanimously.

Facility – None

Items for Consideration - None

Old Business – None

Academic Administrator’s Report - None

Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Hynes acknowledged that two Board seats were up this year. He asked the Board if they had any thoughts about reducing the Board from 7 members to 5 members.

Dr. Hynes spoke about the security meeting that was held after the last Board Meeting. All members believe the new procedures are working well. To address the concern of the parent who spoke at the last Board Meeting, the committee agreed that for any irregular incidents, the adults involved should be mindful of and sensitive to the age of the child. The committee also agreed that the Lobby entrance for students and visitors is working well.

Dr. Hynes announced that this year’s play, “Legally Blonde” will be held on April 11 – 14, 2013. Tickets will be on sale soon. He also pointed out that if you’re in the school at night, you’ll see the students working very hard on this production.

Board Member Reports

Elizabeth Melichar reported that the Policy Committee is meeting to finalize the Field Trip Policy. It will presented for the third and hopefully final reading at the next Board of Education Meeting.

Student Liaison Report - None

Visitor Comments - None

Adjournment

A motion was made by Marilyn Pysher, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby adjourns the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Jacqueline Dunning
District Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District is Budget Workshop #3, Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at 6:30 pm, in the Library.

*Consent Agenda
Business
(continued)*

Facility

*Items for
Consideration*

Old Business

*Academic
Administrator’s
Report*

*Superintendent’s
Report*

*Board Member
Reports*

*Student Liaison
Report*

Visitor Comments

Adjournment