

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

**PUBLIC BUDGET  
HEARING/SPECIAL/  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 7, 2012**

Members Present: Stephen Gessner, Thomas Graffagnino, Elizabeth Melichar, Alfred Brigham, Sr.  
Mark Kanarvogel entered at 6:10 p.m.

Members Absent: Linda Eklund; Megan Mundy, Student Liaison

Others Present: Superintendent, Dr. Michael Hynes; Deborah Vecchio, District Clerk; Julie Lane from the Shelter Island Reporter; 2 faculty/staff/students and 1 community resident.

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by President Gessner, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Call To Order

Mr. Thomas Graffagnino read the following Shelter Island School Mission statement – Engage, Explore, Empower: SI School Mission Statement

We want our students to cherish our small Island community while applying and 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.

**Public Budget Hearing Presentation – (6:07 p.m.)**

Dr. Stephen Gessner welcomed everyone to the public budget hearing and read a statement explaining the public budget hearing process and asked if anyone had any comments, questions, or concerns regarding the 2012-2013 budget. Mr. Thomas Graffagnino and Ms. Elizabeth Melichar stated that Dr. Hynes did a phenomenal job and has put forth a budget which came in under the 2% tax cap.

Public Budget  
Hearing  
Presentation

Dr. Stephen Gessner declared the public budget hearing closed at 6:10 p.m. He also reminded the public what time the polls were open and the poll location. He also stated if anyone has any questions regarding the budget vote, they should call the District Clerk.

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Mark Kanarvogel, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education voted to go into an executive session at 6:11 p.m. to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to Section 105(e) of the Public Officers Law.

Executive Session

Motion carried unanimously

The Board came out of executive session at 6:31 p.m.

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Elizabeth Melichar, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby adjourns the Public Budget Hearing and executive session at 6:33 p.m.

Adjourn Public  
Budget  
Hearing/Executive  
Session

Motion carried unanimously

The regular meeting began followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Visitor Questions – None**

Visitor Questions

A motion was made by Mark Kanarvogel, seconded by Alfred Brigham, Sr., BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following:

Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes
  1. Special/Regular Meeting of April 18, 2012
- b. Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2012
- c. Extra Classroom Activity Report for the period ending, March 31, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously

**Correspondence – None**

Correspondence

**Presentation –**

Presentation

**A.** Ms. Janine Mahoney presented to the Board the itinerary for the Philadelphia, PA trip, for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The trip will be a 1-day trip taking place on Monday, June 4, 2012. There will be approximately 41 students and 6 chaperones in attendance(see supplemental file for a copy of the itinerary).

A motion was made by Thomas Graffagnino, seconded by Elizabeth Melichar, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the 1-day Philadelphia, PA trip on Monday, June 4, 2012 for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Motion carried unanimously

Approval of the trip to Philadelphia, PA 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades

**B.** Ms. Janine Mahoney also presented to the Board the Shelter Island High School National Honor Society Relay For Life event which will be held on June 2 – June 3, 2012.

A motion was made by Mark Kanaravogel, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the Shelter Island High School National Honor Society's participation in Relay For Life, Saturday, June 2 – Sunday, June 3, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously

Shelter Island HS National Honor Society's – Relay For Life

**C.** Mr. Garth Griffin spoke to the Board regarding the F.I.T. Center tennis courts and the drainage issue the courts are experiencing. Mr. Griffin also spoke about the batting cage area near the tennis courts. He would like to add a water line and electric. Mr. Griffin thinks the cost can be absorbed by the F.I.T. Center. Mr. Griffin would like permission from the Board of Education to improve the courts. Dr. Hynes asked Mr. Griffin to provide a timeline of the F.I.T. projects.

A motion was made by Mark Kanarvogel, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Personnel actions: 9.1

Consent Agenda Personnel

#### 9.1 Appointment of Personnel

##### Additional Substitute Teachers for the 2011-2012 school year

- a. Lindsay Rando @ \$110 per day
- b. Elizabeth Eklund @ \$110 per day
- c. James Theinert @ \$110 per day

Leave Replacement

- a. Drew Yeager as a leave replacement for Michelle Rice, Special Education Teacher, effective May 8, 2012 to June 22, 2012, at a salary of \$55,159, prorated, Step 1 MA of the teacher salary scale.

Consent    Agenda  
Personnel (con't)

Home Instruction

- a. Approval to pay the following for Home Instruction at a rate of \$59.20 per hour, retroactive to April 2, 2012 – June 22, 2012:

- 1. Brian Doelger - 4 hours per week
- 2. Sharon Gibbs – 2 hours per week
- 3. Laura Leever – 2 hours per week
- 4. Virginia Gibbs – 2 hours per week

Volunteer Coach

- a. Robert DeStefano as a volunteer coach for the Varsity Golf team effective May 8, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously

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

Consent    Agenda  
Program

10.1 CSE/504 Recommendations for the 2011-2012 school year

The Board President may seek a motion to accept the recommendations of the committees.

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

Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Kenneth Lewis, Jr., seconded by Mark Kanarvogel, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Business actions:  
11.1 – 11.3

Consent    Agenda  
Business

11.1 Bid

a. In accordance with Bid Proposal #101-12 for Asphalt Concrete Paving and Resurfacing received from Corozzini Asphalt to excavate designated area (new walking path) and remove material from site at a cost of \$42 per square yard for approximately 755 square yards.

11.2 Donations & Budgetary Increases

a. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept a donation of \$995 from the Shelter Island Educational Foundation to be used for an AP Art Course.

b. Authorization to increase the budget line of Curriculum Development, AO.2010.401.00.0000.5, in the amount of \$995, to Be offset by a donation from the Shelter Island Educational Foundation.

c. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept a donation of \$402.17 from the Shelter Island Education Foundation to be used for a Literature Display.

d. Authorization to increase the budget line of Guidance Materials & Supplies, AO.2810.450.00.0000.5 in the amount of \$402.17, to be offset by a donation from the Shelter Island Education Foundation.

e. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept a donation of \$2,700.00 from the Shelter Island Education Foundation to be used for the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Philadelphia Trip.

f. Authorization to increase the budget line of Field Trip Fees, AO.2110.419.00.0000.5 in the amount of \$2,700.00, to be offset by a donation from the Shelter Island Education Foundation.

11.3 Contract

a. Accept the contract for transportation services, for a passenger coach, for one field trip as follows and authorize the Board President to execute said contracts:

1. Hampton Jitney of Southampton, NY, for June 4, 2012 in the amount of \$2,494.

Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Mark Kanarvogel, seconded by Alfred Brigham, Sr., BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Facility action(s):  
12.1

Consent Agenda  
Facility

12.1 Musical Instrument - Marimba

WHEREAS, the Shelter Island Union Free School District owns a certain musical instrument, namely a marimba, that it no longer has any use for, and

WHEREAS, the Riverhead Central School District owns certain musical instruments, namely drums, that it no longer has any use for, and

WHEREAS, the Riverhead Central School District has a need for a marimba and the Shelter Island Union Free School District has a need for drums, and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Education of these two districts agree that it would be in the best interests of the taxpayers of both districts to arrange to trade ownership of said instruments,  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District hereby declares the marimba in question to be surplus property of the district and directs the Superintendent to dispose of the instrument by arranging to give it to the Riverhead Central School District, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

THAT upon passage of a similar resolution by the Riverhead Central School District Board of Education, hereby authorizes the district to accept drums for said marimba.

Motion carried unanimously

**Items For Consideration –**

**A.** The Board of Education discussed a date for the Re-organizational Meeting in July. The suggested date is July 9, 2012.

Items For  
Consideration

A motion was made by Elizabeth Melichar, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves to set the date for the Board of Education Re-organizational Meeting for Monday, July 9, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Approval to set date, Re-organizational meeting

**Old Business – None**

Old Business

**Administrator's Report –**

Administrator's Report

**A.** Dr. Hynes discussed the timeline with the Board of Education regarding interviewing candidates for the 5 teaching positions available for the 2012-2013 school year. Dr. Hynes stated that he will be extremely diligent with this process.

**B.** Dr. Hynes stated that Mosaic Associates Architects, McClave Construction, and John Fleming, ES BOCES, will do a presentation regarding the summer construction timeline at the June 11, 2012 Board of Education meeting.

**C.** Dr. Hynes stated that this week is Teacher Appreciation Week. He thanked those that were in attendance, as well as all of those who teach nationally.

**Board Member Reports –**

Board Member Reports

**A.** Ms. Elizabeth Melichar, on behalf of the Shared Decision Making Committee, thanked Mike Dunning and Dr. Hynes for recent work done to the faculty bathroom. She also reported that the Policy Committee will be meeting to discuss the Dignity For All Students Act, which needs to be in place by July 1, 2012.

**B.** Mr. Mark Kanarvogel reported that the newly installed walking path is being used by many students and community members.

**C.** Mr. Thomas Graffagnino reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee will be meeting tomorrow, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.

**Visitor Comments – None**

Visitor Comments

A motion was made by Elizabeth Melichar, seconded by Thomas Graffagnino, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education voted to go into an executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss the employment of a particular individual(s) in the district pursuant to Section 105(f) of the Public Officers Law.

Executive Session

Motion carried unanimously

The Board came out of executive session at 8:03 p.m.

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

Adjournment

Motion carried unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Deborah Vecchio  
District Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District is Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.