

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

SPECIAL MEETING
January 26, 2009

Members Present: Thomas Graffagnino, Kathleen Reilly, Mark Kanarvogel, Linda Eklund, Arthur Williams

Members Absent: Rebecca Mundy, Kenneth Lewis, Jr.

Others Present: Superintendent, Sharon Clifford; Assistant Superintendent, Donna Guiffre; District Clerk, Deborah Vecchio; School District Business Leader, Sam Schneider, Jake Williams, Shelter Island Reporter; 5 community members and 3 faculty/staff/student members

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Vice President Graffagnino, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Call To Order

A motion was made by Kathleen Reilly, seconded by Mark Kanarvogel, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education voted to go into a brief executive session at 5:04 p.m. to discuss a specific personnel matter. Executive Session
Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Linda Eklund, seconded by Arthur Williams, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby adjourns executive session and reconvened the Special Meeting at 5:20 p.m. Reconvene Meeting
Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Mark Kanarvogel, seconded by Arthur Williams, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the following: Approval to not extend Superintendents contract

WHEREAS, the employment contract for the Superintendent of Schools currently expires June 30, 2012; and

WHEREAS, a provision in the Superintendent's employment agreement requires the Board to meet and consider extending the term of the contract by one additional year by January 30th; and

WHEREAS, the term of the contract automatically extends by one additional year if the Board fails or refuses to vote on an extension, provided the Superintendent provides written notice to the Board by January 1st that its consideration in this regard is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has not provided this notice; and

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WHEREAS, the Superintendent provided the Board with a letter dated January 20, 2009 in which she waived this provision of her employment agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to ensure that there is no confusion in regard to the term of the Superintendent's contract.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, having met to consider extending the term of the Superintendent's employment for an additional year notwithstanding the Superintendent's failure to provide notice of the Board's obligation to meet and consider extending the term of the contract by one additional year by January 30th, votes not to extend the contract beyond its current termination date of June 30, 2012.

Motion carried unanimously

Mr. Graffagnino stated that the above resolution is not a vote of no confidence by the Board. Mr. Williams also stated that it does not prohibit the Board from renewing the contract in the future; it is dealing with one provision of the contract at this time.

Mrs. Sharon Clifford stated she is enjoying working with this Board and is not asking for an extension. She appreciates how the board handled this and now it has been made clear.

A motion was made by Linda Eklund, seconded by Arthur Williams, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Alan Garrison, JH Girls Basketball coach, effective January 26, 2009.

Resignation of A.
Garrison, JH Girls
Basketball coach

Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Arthur Williams, seconded by Linda Eklund, to adjourn the meeting. Adjournment

Motion carried unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Deborah Vecchio
District Clerk

The next meeting of the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District is Monday, February 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

