

**Shelter Island School Board of Education
Monday, February 10, 2025**

**Executive Session, 5:00 pm
Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption Public Hearing
Budget Presentation / Regular Meeting at 6:00 pm
Conference Room**

Kathleen M. Lynch, President * Katherine Rossi-Snook, Vice President

Margaret Colligan Dawn Hedberg Tracy McCarthy Karina Montalvo Anthony J. Rando

1. Call to Order

2. Executive Session – *It is expected that the Board of Education will enter Executive Session prior to this scheduled public meeting, to discuss the employment of a particular individual in the District.*

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Shelter Island School Mission Statement – Engage, Explore, Empower

The following statement will be read:

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.

5. Public Hearing on the Proposed Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption

Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption

- a. Brief overview of the proposed Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption from Dr. Doelger
- b. Public will have an opportunity to ask questions regarding the proposed use of the Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption
- c. The Board President may seek a motion to approve and/or accept the following agenda item:

5.1 Veterans Real Property Tax Exemption

WHEREAS, New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a and New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b provide real property tax exemptions from various property taxes for certain classes of veterans, based on an individual property owner's service history; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District, having held a public hearing on this matter wishes to grant such exemptions to eligible property owners as per the revisions to New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a and New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District hereby authorizes the exemptions outlined in the revisions to New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a and New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b, and such exemptions shall be applicable to school taxes in such manner as equal to the provisions set forth by the Town of Shelter Island in any and all Local Laws as adopted by the Town Board as of February 10, 2025, and that refer to New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a and New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b, including those provisions as adopted under the terms of a Local Law adopted by the Town Board on April 29, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District hereby intends that such exemptions shall extend to Gold Star Parents as described in New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-a(7); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District hereby directs the District Clerk to notify the Assessor of the Town of Shelter Island of the adoption of this resolution in such a manner as to impact the tax rolls of 2025.

6. Budget Presentation

6.1 2025-2026 Budget Presentation

7. Visitor Questions (Specific to the agenda)

8. Consent Agenda – The Board President may seek a motion to approve and/or accept the following agenda items –

- 8.1 Approval of Minutes
 - a. Budget/Regular Meeting of January 13, 2025

9. Correspondence - None

10. Student Liaison Report

11. Presentations

- 11.1 Presentation Not Requiring Approval
 - a. Employees of the Month for January 2025 – Catherine Davidson, Luis A. Rodas, & Pamala Wood

12. Personnel - The Board President requests a motion to approve and/or accept the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Personnel Actions: 12.1 – 12.6

- 12.1 Additional Schedule C for the 2024-2025 School Year
 - a. Appoint Jessica King, School Play Choreographer, Level III, at \$2,141.32
- 12.2 Extra Teaching Periods
 - a. Approve Maggie Manarel to teach ten (10) extra periods on a bi-weekly basis retroactively from February 3, 2025 through June 16, 2025, at a rate of \$8,068.25.
 - b. Approve Janine Mahoney to teach ten (10) extra periods on a bi-weekly basis retroactively from February 3, 2025 through June 18, 2025, at a rate of \$12,072.
 - c. Approve Jennifer Gulluscio to teach five (5) extra periods on a bi-weekly basis retroactively from February 3, 2025 through June 18, 2025, at a rate of \$5,880.50.
 - d. Approve Debra Sears to teach five (5) extra periods on a bi-weekly basis retroactively from February 3, 2025 through June 16, 2025, at a rate of \$4,983.75.
 - e. Approve Peter Miedema, to teach ten (10) extra periods on a bi-weekly basis retroactively to January 31, 2025 through June 16, 2025, at a rate of \$12,193.
- 12.3 Sick Days
 - a. Approval to grant 9 additional sick days to Elizabeth Eklund, Elementary Teacher, for the period of February 12, 2025 through March 3, 2025, in accordance with Article XVII of the Shelter Island Faculty Association's collective bargaining agreement.
- 12.4 Leave Replacement
 - a. Appoint Kelsey Northcote as an Elementary Teacher Leave Replacement, effective February 12, 2025 through March 3, 2025, at a salary of \$69,972, prorated to \$3,148.74, Step 1 MA of the 2024-2025 teacher salary scale.
- 12.5 Resignation of Personnel
 - a. Deborah Vecchio, effective June 30, 2025, for the purpose of retirement
- 12.6 Agreement
 - a. BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby approves the agreement between the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Ms. Jennifer Rylott; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement.

13. Program - The Board President requests a motion to approve or accept the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Program Actions: 13.1 – 13.3

- 13.1 CSE Recommendation for the 2024-2025 School Year
 - a. Committee on Special Education
- 13.2 Policies to Be Deleted
 - a. Policy 3120 – Relations with the Municipal Governments (addressed in another policy)
 - b. Policy 3130 – Senior Citizens (addressed in another policy)
 - c. Policy 3273 – Soliciting Funds from School Personnel (addressed in another policy)
- 13.3 2025-2026 School District Calendar
 - a. Approve the 2025-2026 School District Calendar

14. Finance – The Board President requests a motion to approve and/or accept the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Finance Actions: 14.1 - 14.2

14.1 Financial Reports

- a. Treasurer’s Report – November 2024
- b. Treasurer’s Report – December 2024
- c. Extra Class Report – November 2024
- d. Extra Class Report – December 2024
- e. Appropriations Status Report
- f. Revenue Status Report
- g. Claims Audit Report – December 2024
- h. Claims Audit Report – January 2025
- i. Payroll Audit Report – December 2024
- j. Payroll Audit Report – January 2025

14.2 Budget Transfers & Journal Entries

- a. Accept and approve the Budget Transfers and Journal Entry Reports for the period of January 8, 2025 - through February 5, 2025, that in accordance with Board Policy, the Superintendent has approved, as well as the transfers that need specific Board approval.

15. Business – The Board President requests a motion to approve and/or accept the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Business Action: 15.1 - 15.2

15.1 Contracts

- a. Approve the agreement between the Board of Education of the Shelter Island Union Free School District and Southampton Union Free School District of Southampton, NY, for health and welfare services. The term of said agreement shall be September 4, 2024 through June 26, 2025; and authorize the Board President to execute said agreement.

15.2 Donation

- a. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept a donation of \$5,000 from the Shelter Island Educational Foundation for the Broadway Field Trip and Master Music Field Trip; and authorize an increase to the budget line of Field Trip Fees, A.2110.419.00.0000 in the same amount.
- b. Authorize the Shelter Island School District to accept a donation of \$5,000 from GENYouth, Incorporated for a milk dispenser in the cafeteria; and authorize an increase to the budget line of Food Service Equipment, C.2860.200.00.0000 in the same amount.

16. Facility – The Board President requests a motion to approve and/or accept the recommendations of the Superintendent on the following Facility Action: 16.1

16.1 Excessing Equipment

- a. DELL 2700 Heat Computer – Shelter Island Serial #20190025 (replaced with existing equipment)

17. Item for Consideration - None

18. Old Business - None

19. Director of Athletics, Physical Education, Health, Wellness & Personnel Report

20. Assistant Superintendent Report

21. Superintendent Report

22. Board Member Reports

23. Visitor Comments

24. Adjournment

DRAFT Shelter Island Union Free School District Calendar

2025 – 2026

(To be approved at the February 10, 2025 Board of Education Meeting)

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July 2025	
4	July 4 th Holiday – 12 Month Employees
September 2025	
1	Labor Day – School Closed
2	First Day of School for Faculty/Staff
3	First Day of School for Students
23-24	Rosh Hashanah – School Closed
October 2025	
2	Yom Kippur – School Closed
13	Columbus Day – School Closed

November 2025	
4	Superintendent's Conf. Day – No School for Students
11	Veterans Day – School Closed
26-28	Thanksgiving Recess – School Closed
December 2025	
22-31	Winter Recess – School Closed
January 2026	
1-2	Winter Recess – School Closed
19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – School Closed
February 2026	
16-20	Mid-Winter Recess – School Closed
17	Lunar New Year – School Closed

March 2026	
13	Teacher Workshop Day – No School for Students
April 2026	
3-10	Spring Recess – School Closed
May 2026	
22	Reserved as Snow Day (Vacation Day if Not Used)
25	Memorial Day – School Closed
June 2026	
18	Commencement Ceremony
19	Juneteenth – School Closed
26	Last Day of School
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