

Southampton Township Board of Education Work Session (Thursday, February 20, 2025)*Generated by Mary Conroy on Monday, March 24, 2025***1. OUR VISION/OUR MISSION**

Procedural: 1.1 Southampton Township Public School Vision/Mission Statement

Mr. Hicks mentioned we are working with new software-Board Docs

2. WORK SESSION OPENING

Procedural: 2.1 Call To Order/Roll Call - **Mr. Carelli, Mr. Bodine, Mr. Allen, Mrs. Hoey, Mrs. Roseboro, Mr. Hann, Mr. Hart, Mrs. Wright, Mr. Hicks**
Mrs. Geibel, Superintendent, Mrs. Conroy, BA, Mrs. Strawbridge, Solicitor

Procedural: 2.2 Public Notice of Meeting

Procedural: 2.3 Notice that Public Session is Being Audio Recorded

3. ENTER INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSIONDiscussion: 3.1 Resolution to Enter Closed Executive Session- **For Attorney Client Privilege**

Action, Procedural: 3.2 Motion to Approve Resolution to Enter Into Executive Session **made by B. Wright and Seconded by J. Allen**
Voice Vote 9:0 6:10 PM

Action (Consent): 3.3 Motion to Close Executive Session made by **B. Wright and seconded by I. Bodine Voice Vote****4. CALL TO ORDER WORK SESSION**

Procedural: 4.1 Salute to the Flag

Action: 4.2 Approval of Agenda-**Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the agenda with an amendment to discuss the Bond Referendum Mr. Bodine seconded 9:0 Motion Carries-Item to be placed under Unfinished Business #6**

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Procedural: 5.1 As per policies 0164 and 0167, members of the public are invited to submit general comments during this public comment portion of the meeting

Mr. Feely Southampton Twp resident for over 40 years. Attended the February 12th referendum meeting and he is concerned with the discussion about the solar field. He is concerned about Mr. Carelli's motion at the last meeting regarding the solar array removal removal.

Wants to know if any information has been obtained from PSE&G.**Mrs. Geibel explained we have historical data from MN8 and on avg it is 69000-74000 kilowatts per year****Mr. Donner-Southampton Township said it is producing what it guaranteed it would.****6. Unfinished Business- Bond Referendum**

Mr. Hicks explained we had a Feb. 12th meeting and Leisuretowne Meeting last night and explained the referendum Mr. Carelli made a motion to rescind his 2/12/25 motion regarding removing of the solar array after talking to experts. Mr. Hann seconded. Mr. Carelli stated On the record "The board rescinds it's 2/12/25 motion stating it will maintain the solar array. Such motion will be null and void. The board will move forward with the referendum as is including removal of the solar array. Since the board's original decision there has been a change in circumstances include energy costs increasing 17%. The board will hire a credible independent third party to access any energy savings now and future and the board will inform the public of the outcome of the audit. Should we decide to keep the solar the board will invite an additional public vote to keep the solar. If the board decides to remove the solar no additional action will be taken.

ROLL CALL VOTE:9:0 Motion Carries

Action (Consent), Discussion: 6.1 Unfinished Business

Action (Consent), Discussion: 6.2 Unfinished Business-TYPO

7. NEW BUSINESS

Information: 7.1 Announcements and Reminders-**Mrs. Geibel stated Mrs. Noble will present RTI update 2/27/25. Mrs. Geibel explained QSAC paperwork submitted on 2/19/25 process began in September it is very cumbersome. All areas of quality assurance: Curriculum and Instruction, Fiscal, Governance, Personnel. All areas of the school are scored by the county. Then it goes to a state to evaluate. We will receive scores in the summer and they will let us know if we need a DIP-District Improvement Plan. Everyone did a great job. They walked the district and reviewed files in the nurse's office, business office, facilities, personnel and everyone helped and did a great job. Good learning experience. This is done every three years.**

Mr. Hicks gave the referendum dates and the absentee ballot postmarked 3/11/25 by 5 pm

Discussion: 7.2 Workshops-DATES as listed

Discussion: 7.3 Field Trips-Dates as listed

Discussion: 7.4 Curriculum & Policy, J. Hicks, Committee Liaison- **Mr. Allen asked if the pediculosis policy will be separate? Mr. Hicks -Yes on the action agenda it will be separate.**

Mrs. Geibel explained the District Improvement Plan for Curriculum and Instruction**Mrs. Geibel had a change in the report card reporting revision.**

Discussion: 7.5 Summer on the Stage Theater Camp

Discussion: 7.6 Budget, Finance & Facilities, I. Bodine, Committee Liaison
Mrs. Geibel explained using PEA funds for the preschool transportation.

Discussion: 7.7 Public Relations, J. Hoey, Committee Liaison-**Discussed Arts in the Village**
Mrs. Geibel spoke about Pre School registration and parents getting referendum information. Big interest in Pre K.

Discussion: 7.8 Technology, L. Carelli, Committee Liaison-**Gemba project update. Mrs. Geibel explained the test run was done. Explained the next process.**
L.C. asked about the new part time technician and he is doing very well.

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Mr. Donner Southampton Twp. Out of the 14 Million how much is for preschool? Emily S. stated this is not question and answer. The board does not have to answer any questions posed during public comment.
Mr. Donner asked when he will get his OPRA requests answered. Mrs. Conroy told him we were working on it. Mr. Donner asked how long it takes to search an google email data base a letter for OPRA request your an IT guy? Emily S. told Mr. Donner again he cannot question board members this is public comment. And Mr. Donner heard other people getting answers tonight why isn't he? He stated he is going to have to bring everyone in for depositions and tell Parker Mc Cay to get their St together because he is going to sue. He stated his son was a biproduct failure of this school and is not going to let it happen again.**
Mrs. Geibel would like to address the figures that are on the website under the referendum tab. We will have a chart to see the costs. Will be available tomorrow. Shows how it was submitted to state.

9. CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT-

Procedural: 9.1 Close Public Comment

10. ENTER INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion: 10.1 Resolution to Enter Closed Executive Session
Mr. Hicks stated for the public that we will close the meeting and not take any action when we come out of executive.

Action, Procedural: 10.2 Motion to Approve Resolution to Enter Into Executive Session **Motion by B. Wright and seconded by I Bodine at 8:37 PM**

Discussion: 10.3 Leave of Absence(s)

Discussion: 10.4 Employee Recognition Nominees - S. Roseboro, Liaison

Discussion: 10.5 Discussion Items

Action (Consent): 10.6 Motion to Close Executive Session **Motion by L. Carelli and seconded by I. Bodine at 10:13 PM**

11. CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENTS

Procedural: 11.1 Close Public Comment-

12. ADJOURNMENT

Action (Consent): 12.1 Adjournment **MOTON by J. Hoey seconded by J. Allen 9:0 Motion Carries 10:15 PM**