

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of South Huntington Union Free School District was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, in the Performing Arts Center at Walt Whitman High School, 301 West Hills Road, Huntington Station, New York.

**Present:**      **Board Members:**

President  
Vice President

Mr. Kaden  
Mrs. Archer  
Mr. Ciappetta  
Mrs. LaCara  
Mr. Lupinacci  
Mr. Teresky  
Mrs. Vassallo

**Staff:**

Superintendent of Schools  
Asst. Supt. for Personnel & District Services  
Asst. Supt. for Instruction & Curriculum  
Asst. Supt. for Business  
Asst. Supt. for Student Services  
Deputy District Clerk

Dr. Shea  
Mr. Romanelli  
Mrs. Rogers  
Mrs. Occhiogrosso  
Ms. Harris  
Mrs. Zerbo

**Absent:**      District Clerk

Mrs. Hammond

**Call to Order:**      Mr. Kaden opened the Business Meeting at 7:40 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**SHTA Essay Winners:**      Dr. Shea introduced Mr. Carbone, President of the SHTA to present the SHTA Essay winners. This year's topic was "Why I Love My (subject/grade)Teacher." Students were presented with a Certificate and a Savings Bond.

**Student Leader Awards Presentation:**      Dr. Shea introduced Mr. Polansky. Mr. Polansky stated that the Student Leaders did a wonderful job this school year. Mr. Polansky introduced Carrie Eastwood, Freshman Class Advisor. Ms. Eastwood praised their efforts, one of which was winning second place for their Homecoming Float. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.

Mr. Polansky introduced Crystal Haramis, Sophomore Class Advisor. Ms. Haramis stated the sophomore class conducted fundraisers and were proud of decorating the sophomore hallway. Ms. Haramis thanked the students for a pleasant experience in her first year as Sophomore Class Advisor. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.

Mr. Polansky introduced Thomas Donlon, Junior Class Advisor. Mr. Donlon thanked the students for their efforts with the Junior Prom and for their many fundraisers. Mr. Donlon thanked the students for a wonderful year. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.

Mr. Polansky introduced Caren Zitzman, Senior Class Advisor. Ms.

<b>Student Leader Awards Presentation: (Cont.d)</b>	<p>Zitzman praised the Senior Class as the best group of seniors and stated that they were true leaders. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.</p> <p>Mr. Polansky introduced Liz Kenney, GSO Advisor. Ms. Kenney praised the students for their hard work, dedication and for their efforts in raising \$3,600 for Project Hope. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.</p> <p>Mr. Robins introduced Bridget Berbrick, Stimson Middle School Advisor who praised the students for diligence and hard work in serving the community. Ms. Berbrick stated the students held fundraisers and food drives. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.</p> <p>Dr. Shea introduced Roberta Lewis, Principal of Silas Wood Sixth Grade Center. Ms. Lewis stated she had the privilege to work with the three youngsters this year. Ms. Lewis stated that Silas Wood had great spirit. Each student came forward to be acknowledged.</p>
<b>Principal's List Recognition:</b>	Mr. Polansky then presented certificates to the recipients of the Principal's List 2009. Mr. Polansky stated that this unified group maintained a 95% or higher average in their high school career. Mr. Polansky then presented each recipient with their certificate.
<b>Salutatorian-Valedictorian Recognition:</b>	Mr. Polansky then recognized South Huntington's Salutatorian, Alyssa Melillo and Valedictorian Tehreem Rehman.
<b>Recess:</b>	Mr. Kaden called for a short recess.
<b>Adoption of Agenda:</b>	Motion by Mrs. Archer, seconded by Mr. Ciappetta , be it Resolved that the revised agenda be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.
<b>Motion on Minutes through Schedule of Bills (Warrants):</b>	Motion by Mr. Lupinacci, seconded by Mrs. LaCara, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District approve the following items:
<b>Minutes:</b>	Minutes of Board meeting held on April 28, 2009
<b>Schedule of Investment Accounts:</b>	Schedule of Investment Accounts, as of March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1327.
<b>Treasurer's Report:</b>	Treasurer's Report, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1328.
<b>Monthly Trial</b>	Monthly Trial Balance and Bank Reconciliation, March 2009, copy made

<b>Balance and Bank Reconciliation:</b>	part of these legal minutes, pp. 1329-1344.
<b>Monthly Collateral Reconciliation:</b>	Monthly Collateral Reconciliation, as of March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1345.
<b>Revenue Status Report, General Fund:</b>	Revenue Status Report, General Fund, for March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1346.
<b>Revenue Status Report, Special Aid Fund:</b>	Revenue Status Report, Special Aid Fund, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1347.
<b>Revenue Status Report, Capital Fund:</b>	Revenue Status Report, Capital Fund, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1348.
<b>Revenue Status Report, School Lunch Fund:</b>	Revenue Status Report, School Lunch Fund, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1349.
<b>Budget Status Report (Expenditures) General Fund:</b>	Budget Status Report (Expenditures), General Fund, for March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1350-1353.
<b>Budget Status Report (Expenditures) School Lunch Fund:</b>	Budget Status Report (Expenditures), School Lunch Fund, for March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1354.
<b>Budget Status Report (Expenditures) Special Aid Fund:</b>	Budget Status Report (Expenditures), Special Aid Fund, for March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1355.
<b>Budget Status Report (Expenditures) Capital Fund:</b>	Budget Status Report (Expenditures), Capital Fund, for March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1356-1357.
<b>Budgetary Transfer Report:</b>	Budgetary Transfer Report, for March 2009, copies made part of these legal minutes, p. 1358.
<b>Tax Levy Schedule:</b>	Tax Levy Schedule, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1359.

**Library Tax Levy:** Library Tax Levy, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, p. 1359.

**Extraclassroom Activity Fund Report:** Extraclassroom Activity Fund Report, March 2009, copy made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1360-1363.

**Bids:** The following bids, as recommended by Administration on schedules made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1364-1368.

Recommended by Administration

Renovation of the South Gym Locker Rooms at WWHS	Schedule 40
Contract Extension for Miscellaneous Roofing Repairs	Schedule 51

**Schedule of Bills (Warrants):**

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General Fund	Warrant 83	\$ 248,635.70.
School Lunch Fund	42	4,153.60.
Special Aid	44	13,738.13

**Vote on Minutes through Schedule of Bills (Warrants):** Mr. Kaden asked for any additional comments or questions on the above items, and then called for a vote on the motion.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Communications:**

1. Letter to Mr. Kaden from Peter Wunsch, Western Suffolk BOCES Board President, re results of 2009-2010 Administrative Budget Vote and Election
2. **Confidential** letter from Ingerman Smith, L.L.P. re a personnel matter
3. Letters from Dr. Gregory A. Beroza, Long Island Equine Medical Center, re project at Teen Center property

Dr. Beroza was present at the meeting and addressed the Board regarding his concerns relating to the district erecting a bus repair station at the teen center. Dr. Beroza presented a signed petition from area residents opposing the bus repair station. Also in attendance were several area residents voicing their displeasure.

Mr. Kaden agreed with Dr. Beroza that the residents should have been given prior notification. Mr. Kaden stated that the Board would discuss and come back with a plan and also look into an alternate site. Mr. Kaden invited Dr. Beroza to the June 3<sup>rd</sup> Board of Education Meeting at Countrywood where this matter would be discussed.

4. Letter from Marie Calderone re personnel matter

**Approval of text book:**

Motion by Mrs. Archer, seconded by Mrs. LaCara, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approves the following textbook:

Title: *Glencoe: NY Science Grade 6*

**Approval of text  
book: (Cont'd.)**

Publisher: Glencoe/McGraw Hill  
Course: Integrated Science  
Grade: 6  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Salary Increase for  
Athletic Trainer:**

Motion by Mr. Lupinacci, seconded by Mr. Teresky, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approve the 2009/2010 salary for the athletic trainer, a copy of the resolution made part of these legal minutes, p. 1369.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Salary Increase for  
Hall Monitors:**

Motion by Mrs. Vassallo, seconded by Mr. Ciappetta, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approve the 2009/2010 salary increase for non-affiliated hall monitors, a copy of the resolution made part of these legal minutes, p. 1370.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Proposal for  
Inventory and  
Valuation Services:**

Motion by Mrs. Archer, seconded by Mr. Lupinacci, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approves the proposal by CBIZ Valuation Group, LLC to provide inventory and valuation services for the District during the 2009/2010 school year.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of  
Renewal Contract  
with the Assistant  
Superintendent for  
Business:**

Motion by Mr. Ciappetta, seconded by Mrs. Vassallo, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approves the renewal agreement dated May 13, 2009, with the Assistant Superintendent for Business and with the Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, a copy of the resolution made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1371-1372.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Recommendations  
for Placement by  
CSE/CPSE:**

Motion by Mrs. LaCara, seconded by Mrs. Vassallo, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District, having reviewed minutes of the Committee on Special Education dated February 5, March 5, 12, 23, 24, 26, 27, 30, 31, April 1, 2, 3, 14, 15, 22, 27, 30, May 1, 6, 7, 8, and 13, 2009 and the Committee on Preschool Special Education dated March 6, 19, April 16, 17, 23, 28, 30, May 5 and 7, 2009 is satisfied that the procedures of Chapter 853 of the Education Law were followed and accepts the recommendations for placement set forth, copies made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1373-1395.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Memorandum of  
Agreements with  
Superintendent,  
Assistant  
Superintendents**

Motion by Mr. Lupinacci, seconded by Mrs. Archer, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreements with Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent and Middle Management regarding the five day salary give back.

**and Middle  
Management:**

Motion carried unanimously.

**Personnel:**

Motion by Mr. Lupinacci , seconded by Mrs. LaCara, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District, having reviewed the recommendations of the Chief School Administrator, is satisfied that the provisions of Section 3012 of Education Law were followed, and thereby accepts those recommendations as set forth in schedules made part of these legal minutes, pp. 1397-1408, and authorizes implementation thereof:

Schedule 5 – Summer School Appointments (Instructional)

Schedule 8 – Coaching/Extracurricular Appointments (Instructional)

Schedule 9 – Tenure Appointments

Schedule 12 – Salary Change (Instructional)

Schedule 14 – Appointment (Non-Instructional)

Schedule 19 – Temporary/Seasonal Appointments (Non-Instructional)

Schedule 21 – Emergency Conditional Employees (Instr./Non-Instr.)

Schedule 23 – Substitute Employees (Instructional)

Schedule 24 – Substitute Employees (Non-Instructional)

Motion carried 5-2 with Mr. Ciappetta and Mr. Lupinacci opposing

**Information and  
Reports:**

1. Congratulatory letter to Amelia Goodman and Kate Mallinson re finishing first in the junior group documentary for National History Day
2. Memo to Board Policy Holders from Mr. Romanelli re Approval of Board Policy 1510 – Regular Board Meetings
3. Letter to Seniors and Senior Parents/Guardians from Mr. Polansky re Yearbook Day
4. Personnel Postings (3)
5. Petition regarding a personnel matter
6. Flyer re Long Island Black Educators Association, Inc.'s Annual Recognition Symposium, Service to America, scheduled for June 6, 2009
7. Minutes of Annual and Regular Meetings of April 2, 2009, Western Suffolk BOCES

News articles, *The Long-Islander*, 5-14-09

In envelopes:

1. Gold Key, Scholarship & 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Hall of Fame Dinner Information (Board Members Only)
2. *Spotlight*, May 2009
3. Audit Committee Agenda, 5-18-09

**Committee  
Updates:**

None Given

**Comments from  
Board Members  
and Staff:**

None Given

**Voice of the  
Residents:**

Visitors were invited to participate.

**Adjournment:**

Motion by Mr. Ciappetta, seconded by Mrs. Vassallo, be it Resolved that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 10:28 p.m..

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Jim Kaden, President

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Emily L. Zerbo, Deputy District Clerk

Attachments made part of these legal minutes, pages 1320 through 1408.