

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of South Huntington Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, September 3, 2008, in Conference Room B of the Administration Building, 60 Weston Street, 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
District Clerk

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

Call to Order: Mr. Kaden opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Executive Session: Motion by Mr. Teresky, seconded by Mr. Lupinacci, be it Resolved that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. LaCara, seconded by Mr. Ciappetta, be it Resolved that the Executive Session be adjourned.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kaden opened the Business Meeting at 7:45 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Mrs. Archer, seconded by Mr. Ciappetta, be it Resolved that the revised tentative agenda be adopted.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion on Minutes through Schedule of Bills (Warrants): Motion by Mrs. Archer, seconded by Mrs. LaCara, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington School District approve the following items:

Minutes: Minutes of Board meeting held on July 9, 2008.

Bids: The following bids, as recommended by Administration on schedules made part of these legal minutes, pp. 243-251.

Handicapped Transportation Schedule 19
Turf Utility Equipment 20

Bids: (Continued)	Handicapped Transportation	21
	Athletic & Physical Education Supplies & Equipment	22
	RFP for Related Student Services	23

Schedule of Bills (Warrants):	General Fund	Warrant 10	\$ 319,256.02
	"	V008	(948.50)
	School Lunch	5	5.00
	Special Aid	6	52,152.68
	Capital Reserve Budget	13	2,004.98
	"	14	501,066.50
	2003 Bond	12	42,506.52

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General Fund	Warrant 7	\$ 74,966.49
"	8	530,538.27
"	9	1,332,415.50
School Lunch	4	2,372.53
Special Aid	5	26,202.17
Capital Reserve Budget	10	36,670.00
2003 Bond	11	21,765.00

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.

Confidential Personnel Settlement Agreement and Release: Motion by Mrs. LaCara, seconded by Mrs. Archer, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington Union Free School District hereby approves the confidential personnel settlement agreement and release discussed in Executive Session.
Motion carried unanimously.

Recommendations for Placement by CSE/CPSE: Motion by Ms. Archer, 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 April 28, 30, May 7, 8, 12 and 14, 2008, and the Committee on Preschool Special Education dated August 12, 15, 18, 19 and 20, 2008, 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. 252-259.
Motion carried unanimously.

N-SSBA Annual Resolutions Dinner: Motion by Mrs. LaCara, seconded by Mr. Ciappetta, be it Resolved that the Board of Education of the South Huntington Union Free School District hereby approves attendance at the Nassau-Suffolk Annual Resolutions Dinner scheduled for September 23, 2008.
Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel:

Motion by Mrs. Archer, 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. 260-273, and authorizes implementation thereof:

- Schedule 4 – Part-time Appointments (Instructional)
- Schedule 6 – Temporary Replacement Appointments (Instructional)
- Schedule 8 – Coaching/Extracurricular Appointments (Instructional)
- Schedule 10 – Terminations (Instructional)
- Schedule 12 – Salary Change (Instructional)
- Schedule 14 – Appointment (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 15 – Terminations (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 16 – Leaves of Absence (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 19 – Temporary/Seasonal Appointments (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 20 – Re-Appointments (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 21 – Emergency Conditional Employees (Instr./Non-Instr.)
- Schedule 23 – Substitute Employees (Instructional)
- Schedule 24 – Substitute Employees (Non-Instructional)

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- Schedule 6 – Temporary Replacement Appointments (Instructional)
- Schedule 8 – Coaching/Extracurricular Appointments (Instructional)
- Schedule 12 – Salary Change (Instructional)
- Schedule 14 – Appointment (Non-Instructional)
- Schedule 16 – Leaves of Absence (Non-Instructional)

Mr. Ciappetta had a question regarding Schedule 4 that was answered to his satisfaction by Mr. Romanelli and Dr. Shea.

Motion carried unanimously.

Information and Reports:

1. Calendar of Events, September 2008
2. **Confidential** letter from Ms. Harris re a student matter
3. Personnel Postings (2)
4. *September Newsletter*, Birchwood Intermediate School
5. *Countrywood Chronicle*, September 2008
6. Minutes of Regular Meeting and Organization Meeting, Western Suffolk BOCES, 7-8-08
7. Flyer re N-SSBA Resolutions Dinner Meeting to be held on September 23, 2008
8. E-Mail to District Clerk from Paul Heiser, New York State School Boards Association, re NYSSBA Membership Survey 2008
9. Memo to REFIT Eligible Districts from Mary Louise Cohen re Annual Meeting
10. News articles: *The Long-Islander*, 8-28-08

Information and Reports:
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In envelopes:

1. *Newsline*, Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association, August 2008
2. *American School Board Journal*, September 2008 (Board Members Only)

Information Sent to Board Week Ending August 22, 2008

1. **Confidential** Administrative Directory, 2008-09
2. Complimentary letter to Mr. Cusack from Mrs. Rogers re work as summer school principal
3. Memo to Dr. Shea from Ms. Harris re Student Activities Committee – Proposed Meeting Dates
4. Memo to Dr. Shea from Mrs. Occhiogrosso re Construction Inspection Reports
5. Letter to Parents from Mrs. Occhiogrosso re opening of school, lunch program, transportation and registration of new students
6. Personnel Postings (19)
7. Silas Wood Master Schedule, 2008-09
8. Memo to REFIT Eligible Districts from Mary Louise Cohen, REFIT, re Annual Meeting
9. Stimson Master Schedule, 2008-09 (Board Members Only)

Committee Updates:

No meetings held.

Comments from Board Members and Staff:

Mrs. Archer stated that she enjoyed the poem in Birchwood's *September Newsletter* very much. Also, she was happy to see that the *Countrywood Chronicle* made reference to the district's new phone numbers that will be in effect soon. She asked if something would be put in *Spotlight*. Mrs. Archer noted that the new numbers are in the calendar and she is happy about that. Mrs. Archer also stated that Mr. Kaden was on television on August 19 responding to Cablevision's editorial "Tax Cap Decision." The full text is available at www.nssba.org under Updates. Mrs. Archer thanked Mr. Kaden for all he does for the Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association and for all he does for our district.

Mr. Kaden noted that Dr. Shea is the President of the Suffolk County School Superintendents Association and their association together with the Nassau County Council of School Superintendents will join the Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association at the N-SSBA Resolutions Dinner Meeting for a presentation on the property tax cap. Mr. Kaden also noted that there was a good article on this matter in *On Board*.

Voice of the Residents:

Visitors were invited to participate.

Mr. Nitkewicz stated that TOPS (The Outreach Program for Soccer) had a wonderful soccer program last year. They will be starting up again in two weeks on Saturday mornings. He invited anyone who knows of any children with special needs who might be interested in joining to please

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let them know about the program. Mr. Nitkewicz also noted that many of the volunteers are teachers and students from our district and they are wonderful people.

Mr. Lupinacci stated that there is still time to get an ad in the Hall of Fame journal. To date the district has raised \$2,255.

Adjournment:

Motion by Mrs. Vassallo, seconded by Mr. Lupinacci, be it Resolved that the meeting be adjourned.
Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Jim Kaden, President

Judith A. Hammond, District Clerk

Attachments made part of these legal minutes, pages 243 through 273.