

**SMITHTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

March 21, 2017

Held in Joseph M. Barton Bldg.

(This meeting was originally scheduled for March 14, 2017 but canceled due to snow)

Meeting called to order at 7:00p.m. by Christopher Alcure president. On motion by Mr. Thode, seconded by Mrs. Waldron, the Board voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session to discuss the employment history of particular persons, the proposed lease of real property because the publicity would substantially affect the value thereof, and to seek legal advice from the Board's Attorney.

Mr. Lynch entered the meeting at 7:30p.m.

At 8:00p.m. Mr. Thode motioned, Ms. Plourde seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to exit Executive Session and return to the public meeting.

Members present:

Christopher Alcure
Joanne McEnroy
Gladys Waldron
Grace Plourde
Jeremy Thode

Daniel B. Lynch

Members absent:

Michael Saidens

Also present:

James J. Grossane, Ed.D., Superintendent
Jennifer Bradshaw, Asst. Supt.
Neil Katz, Asst. Supt.
Andrew Tobin, Asst. Supt.
Mona Tobin, Asst. Supt.
Lindsay Crocker Esq. , Board Counsel
Visitors
Maureen O'Connor, District Clerk

I. OPENING CEREMONY - conducted by Mr. Alcure.

II. MINUTES - of the Special Meeting held February 7, 2017 and the Regular Meetings held February 14 and 24, 2017.

MOTION by Mr. Thode, seconded by Mrs. Waldron the above minutes be approved as presented.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

III. RECEIPT OF CLAIMS AUDITOR'S REPORT –

“Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Claims Auditor's Reports, ending January 31, 2017, in the amount of \$15,584,446.26, be accepted.”

MOTION by Ms. Plourde seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Receipt of Claims Auditor's Report.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0)

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Correspondence – The following correspondence was presented for the Board’s review.

1. Letter To: Board of Education
From: Joanne Figueiredo
Re: Invitation to Memorial Dedication
2. Letter To: Board of Education
From: Ms. Christine LoFrese
Re: Invitation to Business Etiquette Dinner/Honor Society Induction
3. Letter To: Mr. Christopher Alcure and Board of Education
From: Mr. Patrick M. Smith
Re: Invitation to Booster Club Winter Athletic Awards
4. Letter To: Mr. Christopher Alcure and Board of Education
From: Mr. Peter Wunsch, WS BOCES Board of Education President
Re: Seeking Support for another Three Year Term
5. Letter To: Mr. Christopher Alcure and Board of Education
From: Ms. Jeannette Santos, WS BOCES Board Member
Re: Seeking Support for another Three Year Term

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron seconded by Ms. Plourde that the correspondence in Section A, as listed above, be received and that the recommendations of the administration (where indicated) be accepted.

Vote on Motion- All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

B. General Communications – There were no general communications presented for the Board's review.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

- Veteran’s Tax Exemption-In response to community and Veteran’s requests, the Board agreed it will hold a public hearing on the Veteran’s Tax Exemption in the Fall to take another look at the exemption. The District will have the updated figures of the valuation of assessments.
- Math Fun Night- Ms. Plourde attended this annual event at High School West last Thursday. This event is run by math and physics students and it demonstrates ,through games and exhibits, different mathematical and scientific principles.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS - There were no committee meetings since the last Board meeting.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Updates – The Superintendent updated the Board of the following items of interest:

NYA Property

The Town of Smithown is working on scheduling tour the NYA building. Dr. Grossane responded to a question from the audience from last meeting regarding the appraised value of the NYA building in it’s current state and read portions of the appraisal which described the condition and use analysis of the building, and valuation of \$ 9.580m, and valuation of \$1.38m for the property.

Regeneron Science Talent Search Finalist

Congratulations to High School East senior Emily Anne Peterson, who was one of three Long Island students named a finalist in the Regeneron Science Talent Search. Emily was one of just 40 finalists from 1,749 entries in the competition. She was honored at a gala at the National Building Museum on March 14 in Washington, D.C.

DECA State Competition

Of the 80 + students that advanced to the DECA state competition, 32 students advanced from there to the DECA International competition which is being held in Anaheim, CA.

SCOPE Dinner

Members of the Smithtown Central School District attended the 16th annual School District Awards Dinner hosted by SCOPE Education Services, a not-for-profit, private organization permanently chartered by the New York State Board of Regents to provide services to school districts. More than 900 people representing 37 districts attended the March 20th event. The Smithtown honorees included Joanne McEnroy for School Board Service, Jennifer Murray for Community Service, Kathryn Palazzo for Support Staff Service, Diana Riccoboni for Teacher Service and Arlene M. Wild for Administrator Service.

Harvard Club of Long Island

The Harvard Club of Long Island, seeking to honor our outstanding Long Island Teachers, asked current Harvard undergraduates to nominate a teacher from 7th -12th grade who made the greatest difference in their life. One of our teachers, Mr. Joseph Rodichok, has been invited to receive the Harvard Club of Long Island’s “Distinguished Teacher 2017” award. Only 12 awards are given to teachers on Long Island out of 125 school districts.

Budget

The next Budget Workshop is scheduled for April 4, 2017 at 7:00 PM.
Employee Benefits, Tax Levy Limit Calculation, Revenue Budget and Superintendents

Reminder about Transportation

All transportation requests for the 2017-2018 school year for private or parochial school students must be made by April 1, 2017 regardless of whether the request is for a first-time applicant or is a renewal. If you are a first time applicant, you need to register your child with the Smithtown School District in order to be considered for transportation, receive textbooks and/or other educational services. Registration must occur in person and will take place at 26 New York Avenue until the April 1st deadline.

B. Tentative Calendar for April 2017- The calendars were reviewed by the Board. No additional meetings were set.

C. Litigation (Executive Session)

VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT –

A. Advanced Placement Process Recommendation

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that approval is granted for the following middle school athletes to try out to play on high school teams. They have passed the Advanced Placement Process and are deemed “exceptional.”

Dani Brady	8th Grade	V Glax	HS East
Alana Costa	8th Grade	V Glax	HS East
Allyson Chapman	8th Grade	JV/V G Golf	HS East
Meagan McSweeney	8th Grade	JV/V G Golf	HS East
Carissa Phillips	8th Grade	V G Spring Track	HS West

B. Overnight Field Trip Request

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that permission is granted for the HSE Robotics Club students to participate in the Robotics

competition at Rockland Community College; March 23 - 26, 2017.

They will be accompanied by the following adult chaperons:

- Denise Trifaro Teacher, GHMS
- Brian Costello Teacher, GHMS/HSE
- David Savage Teacher, HSE/HSW

MOTION by Ms. Plourde seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Instructional Report Items A-B .

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0)

IX. PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

A. Committee on Special Education

1. Committee on Special Education

“RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for Initial Placement Program/Services, for cases listed be approved.”

Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education:

As per attached CSE meetings held between 02/27/2017-03/09/2017.

Motion to acknowledge that the Board of Education has no objections to the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education/Preschool Special Education and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations dated:

2. Sub-Committee on Special Education

As per attached SCSE meetings held between 02/27/2017-03/09/2017.

“RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Special Education for cases listed be approved.”

B. Committee on Preschool Special Education

1. Initial placement for Preschool Special Education Program/Services

“RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Initial Placement Program/Services, for cases listed be approved.”

See Attached –CPSE meetings from 2/21/17 – 3/3/17

2. Special Education Preschool Annual IEP Review/Amended IEP

“RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Annual IEP Review/Amended IEP for cases listed be approved.”

See Attached –CPSE meetings from 2/21/17 – 3/3/17

MOTION by Ms. McEnroy seconded by Mr. Lynch approving Pupil Personnel Services Items A-B .

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

X. AUDIENCE – Mr. Alcure welcomed the following members of the audience to the podium to speak.

- 1. Kerry MaherWeisse requested that the Board hold a public hearing and vote on the Veteran’s tax exemption within the next month and not wait until the Fall.

XI. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

1 - Financial Reports

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the following financial reports for the month(s) indicated are accepted:

- 1 – Trial Balance Report – All Funds
01/31/17
- 2 – Revenue Status Report – All Funds
01/31/17
- 3 – Budget Status Report – All Funds
 - A – Summary
 - B – Expanded
 - C – Capital Fund Project to Date
 - D – Capital Fund Appropriation Status Report01/31/17
- 4– Budgetary Transfer Report
01/31/17
- 5– Summary of Treasurer’s Report
01/31/17
- 6 – Treasurer’s Monthly Report
01/31/17
- 7 – Schedule of Investments
01/31/17
- 8 – Collateralization of Bank Balances
01/31/17
- 9 – Cash Flow Report
01/31/17
- 10 – Report of Claims Auditor
01/31/17
- 11 – Smithtown High School East Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 12 – Smithtown High School West Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 13 – Accomsett Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 14 – Great Hollow Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 15 – Nesaquake Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 16 – Accomsett Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 17– Branch Brook Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17

- 18– Dogwood Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 19 – Mills Pond Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 20 – Mt. Pleasant Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 21 – St. James Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 22 – Smithtown Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17
- 23 – Tackan Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/17

2 – Bid Recommendations

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the following bid recommendations be approved as submitted herein:

RFP	08-07	Ext.	Pupil Transportation
	13/14-23	Ext.	Paper & Dispensers
	13/14-25	Ext.	Integrated Pest Management
	13/14-26	Ext.	Asphalt Concrete
	15/16-16	Ext.	Poisonous Vegetation Removal

*As per the attached memos from Beth Woods
to Andrew Tobin dated 3/14/17”*

3 – Budgetary Transfers

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfers of funds be approved for the 2016-17 school
year:

FROM:	2630-170-51-0000	Instr Aides	\$30,000.00
TO:	2630-501-51-0000	Gen Instr Supplies	\$30,000.00”

4 – Contract for Special Education Public School Placements – Commack SD

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a
contract for the 2016-17 school year with the public school listed below to provide special education
services to parentally-placed students with disabilities who attend private schools in Smithtown Central
School District:

Commack School District”

5 – Participation in Cooperative Bids – Educational Data Services, Inc.

WHEREAS, it would be in the joint interest of the Smithtown Central School District and the following:

SEE ATTACHED LISTING

To participate in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, services, materials and equipment, as advertised by and awarded by the Clarkstown Central School District, acting as the Lead Agency, as provided by General Municipal Law Section 119-0 and,

WHEREAS, each BOARD retains the legal authority to contract with the successful Vendor(s) and shall not be bound by purchase contracts or other agreements made by the other BOARD(S), therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF EDUCATION is hereby authorized to approve the participation of Smithtown Central School District in the New York Skilled Trades Time & Material/Ancillary Bid Program, using the following organization, at the rate of \$1,990.00, effective April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018:

Educational Data Services, Inc.
236 Midland Avenue
Saddle Brook, NJ 07663

Dated: March 14, 2017

SMITHTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CHRISTOPHER ALCURE
President, Board of Education”

Contact Person: BETH WOODS
Title: School Purchasing Agent
E-Mail Address: bwoods@smithtown.k12.ny.us

6 – Contract for Special Education Public School Placements – Sachem CSD

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the 2016-17 school year with the public school listed below to provide special education services to parentally-placed students with disabilities who attend private schools in Smithtown Central School District:

Sachem Central School District
51 School Street
Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779”

7 - Contract for Consultant Services

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to amend the contract with the following organization, to provide the following Consultant Services, for the 2016-2017 school year:

Aspire Center for Learning and Development
63 Old East Neck Road
Melville, NY 11747

Attendance at CSE Meeting \$175.00 per 60 minutes – calculated by the
quarter hour”

8 – Contract for Special Education Public School Placements – Middle Country CSD

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for the 2016-17 school year with the public school listed below to provide special education services to parentally-placed students with disabilities who attend private schools in Smithtown Central School District:

Middle Country Central School District
25 N. Bicycle Path, Suite A
Selden, NY 11784”

9 - Increase in 2016-2017 Budget and Revenues – Retirement Incentive Proceeds

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the 2016-17 budget as follows:

Appropriation A-9000-853-51-0000 \$ 200,000.00
Life Insurance - Retirement Incentive

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the revenues be adjusted and increased as follows:

A2690.001 – Retirement Incentive Proceeds \$ 200,000.00”

10 - Increase in 2016-2017 Budget and Revenues – Life Insurance Liquidation

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the 2016-17 budget as follows:

Appropriation A-9000-853-51-0000 \$ 9,840,000.00
Life Insurance - Retirement Incentive

RESOLVED, that the revenues be adjusted and increased as follows:

A2770.002 – Other Revenue	\$ 9,840,000.00”
Life Insurance Liquidation	

~~11 – Contract for Life Skills Field Trip~~

~~“Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it~~

~~RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the following organization, for the Life Skills field trip on March 24, 2017, at a cost of \$5.00 per ticket for 24 students, total of \$120.00:~~

~~AMC Theatres – Stony Brook 17
2196 Nesconset Highway
Stony Brook, NY 11790~~

~~Movie: Beauty and the Beast”~~

12 – Agreement for Architectural/Engineering Services - EPC

“Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Smithtown Central School District hereby approves the Agreement for Architectural/Engineering services between the Board of Education and John A. Grillo, Architect, P.C. for an Energy Performance Project in accordance with the terms of the Agreement attached hereto;

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.”

MOTION by Mr. Lynch seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the Finance Items 1-10 and 12,

Item 11 was rescinded.

Vote on Motion- All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Operations

1 – Additions to List of Organizations Approved to Use School Facilities,
2017-2018 School Year

“Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the following organizations, having made formal application, are hereby approved to use school facilities at the Smithtown Central School District during the 2017-2018 school

year, subject to all School District policies, rules and regulations, Standard Uniform Practices, and contract provisions:

2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

St. Patrick Youth
Smithtown Booster Club
Town of Smithtown – Recreation Department
Suffolk Officials of Girls Soccer
VFW Post 395”

2 - Acceptance of Gifts

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the acceptance of the following gifts:

Donated By

Building a raised garden bed at HS West for her Girl Scout Gold Award, as described in the attached Project Proposal	Caroline Berner 11 Oxford Lane Smithtown, NY 11787
Garden Bench and Garden Tools for HS West for her Girl Scout Gold Award, as described in the attached Project Proposal	Erin Cascone 29 Sheila Drive Hauppauge, NY 11787
Ten boxes of school supplies, valued at approx. \$50 ea., for Dogwood Elem. containing the following: 2 boxes of Kleenex tissues 8 boxes of #2 pencils 4 boxes of crayons 1 box staples 9 pkgs. of composition paper 4 glue sticks 2 dry erase markers 4 pencil erasers 1 pkg. of medium point pens 1 pkg. of post-it notes	TCC 525 Congressional Blvd. Carmel, IN 46032”

3 – Declaration of Obsolete Items

"Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
be it

RESOLVED, that the following items, due to poor condition and/or obsolescence, are no longer useful to the District, and are hereby declared to be obsolete, and are to be disposed of in a manner that is in the best interest of the Smithtown Central School District:

High School West – Main Office

Attached list of items”

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Ms. McEnroy approving Operations Item 1-3.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

XII. PERSONNEL

A. Certified – The following Certified Personnel Items were presented for the Board’s approval:

- 1. Appointment of Regular Substitute Teacher
- 2. Appointment of Co-Curricular Activities Sponsor
- 3. Coaching Assignments
- 4. Request for FMLA and/or Leave of Absence
- 5. Request for Leave of Absence Without Pay
- 6. Approval of Volunteer
- 7. Notice of Resignation
- 8. Appointment of Substitute Teacher 2016-2017

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Ms. McEnroy approving Certified Personnel Items 1-8 as detailed in the attached resolutions.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

B. Classified- The following Classified Personnel Items were presented for the Board’s approval:

- 1. Leave of Absence
- 2. Retirements
- 3. Resignation
- 4. Temp/Peak Appointment
- 5. Election Workers

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Lynch approving Classified Personnel Items 1-5, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

C. Nurses

- 1. Retirements

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Ms. McEnroy approving Classified Personnel Items 1-5, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

XIII. NEW BUSINESS- None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Thode, seconded by Ms. McEnroy that the meeting be adjourned at 8:31p.m.

Vote on Motion: All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Respectfully submitted,

March 14, 2017

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Maureen O'Connor
District Clerk