

TUCKAHOE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 9, 2020

Sean Hattrick, Chairman, called the Tuckahoe School Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

The following Board members and District officials were present:

Sean Hattrick, Chairman
Timothy M. Gilmartin, Vice-Chairman
Robert E. Grisnik, Trustee

Leonard Skuggevik, Superintendent
Arlette Sicari, Principal
Lauri Lenahan, District Clerk
Doreen Buckley, Director of P.P.S.
Carl Fraser, Interim Business Official
Katelyn Fretto, District Treasurer

The following individuals were also present:

Mitch Sobczyk	Justine Rae Charos	Katy Bernichon	Anthony Rando
Linda Springer	Arthur Springer	Jennifer Gulluscio	Lindsay Rando
Ginny Gibbs	Todd Gulluscio	Brian Doyle	Karen Springer
Max Minnerg	Susie Armusewicz	Fred Thiele	Jaxson Springer
Brian Springer	Kevin Springer	Sean Springer	

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 13, 2020 and the Board Work Session on October 26, 2020.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin seconded by Robert E. Grisnik

III. Treasurer's Report

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2020.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin seconded by Robert E. Grisnik

IV. Correspondence - None

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V. Superintendent's Report

1. Enrollment Update:

PK-21, K-27, Grade 1-26, Grade 2-33, Grade 3-31, Grade 4-31, Grade 5-23, Grade 6-28, Grade 7-37, Grade 8-30 = 287

Southampton Elementary/Intermediate Schools-5, Southampton H.S.-135, Hampton Bays Elementary/Middle-1, Alternatives-1, WHBLC-7, Sequoya-1, Bridgehampton-3, Our Lady of the Hamptons-36, Montessori-3, Raynor Country Day School-6, St. John's Baptist-5, Lower Ross-2, Clayton Huey-1, Home Schooled-6, = 212

Total Enrollment: 499 students

2. Mr. Skuggevik introduced guest speaker, State Assemblyman, Mr. Fred Theile, Jr., who presented a Proclamation honoring Linda Springer, former District Clerk, on the occasion of her retirement.
3. Mr. Skuggevik presented a slideshow, created by teachers and students, in honor of School Board Appreciation Week. He thanked the Board of Trustees for their dedication and support in making our school a great place.
4. Mr. Skuggevik updated the Board on the architectural and contractor renovation plans for the house on Sebonac Road. The building is located on school property, the intent is to utilize it as an Administrative Building, creating more space in the school for students.

VI. Principal's Report

1. Mrs. Sicari informed the Board that the students were able to have a quiet and safe Halloween celebration. The School Book Fair is currently being held outside, with social distancing, in the courtyard until Thursday, November 12, 2020.
2. Mrs. Sicari mentioned that the annual Thanksgiving Feast, hosted by the Tuckahoe PTO, will be held Friday, November 20, 2020. The students will be served the prepacked meal in their classrooms.
3. Mrs. Sicari mentioned that Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Tuesday evening, November 23, 2020 and Wednesday, November 24, 2020.

VII. Business Official's Report

1. Mitch Sobczyk reviewed the "News & Notes" he prepared regarding work that has been completed to date.
2. Mr. Fraser reviewed the Residency Report.

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3. Mr. Fraser reviewed the details of the bid for the 2020 Tax Anticipation Note (TAN), mentioning that Oppenheim was the lowest bidder with an interest rate 0.587.

VIII. New Business - None

IX. Old Business - None

X. Policy Manual Updates

First Reading of the following policies:

- Policy: 5420 Student Health Services
- Policy: 5420-R Student Health Services Regulation

XI. P.T.O. Report

1. Ms. Armusewicz mentioned that the PTO meeting has been rescheduled and the Thanksgiving Feast will take place Friday, November 20, 2020. Packaged meals will be delivered to the classrooms and pick up meals are available for remote students.
2. Ms Armusewicz reminded the Board that picture retake day is scheduled for Tuesday, December 1, 2020.

XII. Tuckahoe Educational Foundation Report - None

XIII. Public Commentary

1. Brian Doyle requested that the Board consider entering into an agreement with Westhampton Beach School District as an option for Tuckahoe students attending high school, due to the ending of Southampton School District contract. Mr. Skuggevik mentioned he did not have an answer for Mr. Doyle now, but a discussion pertaining to contractual matters will be held in the new year and his request has been heard.
2. Max Minnerg mentioned his concern for the accuracy of the Thermal Scanners used to take temperatures of student in the morning. Mr. Minnerg feels this procedure causes more stress and is time consuming, he suggested this procedure be done another way. Mr. Skuggevik reviewed the different procedures the school has in place and follows throughout the day, besides just the morning scans, to keep our faculty and students safe. Mr. Skuggevik commented on what a terrific job and how our school nurse, Wendy Meyer, is on top of Department of Health updates and protocols. Concluding that the Thermal Scanners are not always accurate and there is nothing efficient on the market, Mr. Skuggevik said he would review other options with our school nurse.

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3. Ms. Katy Bernichon reviewed what a Graphic Novel is and how it is helpful to struggling readers by using the pictures to help with reading.

XIV. Resolutions

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik and unanimously carried; BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Trustees hereby approves the following resolutions numbered 1 through 9.

Finance

1. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the contract addendum between the Tuckahoe Common School District and New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. for Parent Training by BCBA services at the rate of \$150.00 per hour for the 2020/2021 school year.
2. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the contract with Center Moriches UFSD to provide special education services for a Tuckahoe Common School District resident student in the 2020-2021 school year and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the contract. The estimated cost is \$86,550.15.

Appointment

3. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Maria Anderson as a Teacher Aide/Monitor for the 2020/2021 school year, pending receipt of fingerprint clearance, effective November 10, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at an hourly rate of \$16.60.
4. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Ragan Ingram as a Teacher Aide/Monitor for the 2020/2021 school year, pending receipt of fingerprint clearance, effective November 10, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at an hourly rate of \$16.60.
5. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Patricia Pacheco as a Teacher Aide/Monitor for the 2020/2021 school year, pending receipt of fingerprint clearance, effective November 10, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at an hourly rate of \$16.60.
6. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby appoint the following Extracurricular Advisors (Schedule B) for the 2020/2021 school year.

Jessica Ovanessian – Yearbook - \$1,920
Carmella Palumbo – Yearbook - \$1,920
Carmella Palumbo - AV Coordinator - \$2,559
Carmella Palumbo – Newspaper (4 Editions) - \$1,920
Laurie Verdeschi – Newspaper (4 Editions) - \$1,920
Christina Collins – National Junior Honor Society - \$1,280

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Bonnie Downs – National Junior Honor Society - \$1,280
Kerry Terry – Student Council - \$1,610
Deirdre Greenwald – Student Council - \$1,610

7. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby appoint the following School Club Advisors and approves the following school clubs for the 2020/2021 school year; rate of pay \$512, for an eight-week cycle, one day per week for forty-five minutes per day:

Laurie Verdeschi – Grades 1st – 6th Computer Coding Club – Tuesday
Katy Bernichon – Grades 3rd – 5th Graphic Novel Club – Tuesday

8. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees does hereby approve the appointment of Angela Parisi as to the temporary position of Coordinator of Remote Instruction effective October 28, 2020. The position shall remain in effect for the period Remote Instruction is taking place during the 2020-2021 school year. This position shall be compensated at the same rate, prorated, as the Reading Coordinator in Schedule B of the Agreement between the Tuckahoe Board of Trustees and the Tuckahoe Teachers Association.

CSE Recommendations

9. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the following recommendations of the Committee on Special Education from the meetings held on October 9, 2020 and November 2, 2020 for the following students.

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XV. Executive Session

At 8:17 p.m., Timothy M. Gilmartin made a motion to adjourn the Regular meeting and convene Executive Session to discuss Contractual matters, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried.

At 8:48 p.m. the Board came out of Executive Session.

At 8:49 p.m., Timothy M. Gilmartin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sean Hattrick and unanimously carried.

Signed: Lauri Lenahan
Lauri Lenahan, District Clerk