

SOUTH BOUND BROOK BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m., by board president Nancy Santora in room 140 of Robert Morris School, with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by this opening statement:

STATEMENT RE: SUNSHINE LAW

This meeting has been advertised in two newspapers at least 48 hours prior to the meeting and has been posted in conspicuous locations including the borough hall and school buildings, which complies with state law governing meetings of school boards and other organizations.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Mr. Ambrose, Mrs. Bolmer, Mrs. Santora and Mrs. Sarboukh. Mr. Stys arrived at 7:40 p.m.

ABSENT: Mrs. Esposito

Also present were: Dr. Carol Rosevear, Superintendent and Mrs. Leonhardt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda as distributed to board members.

MOTION: Mrs. Santora

SECOND: Mrs. Sarboukh

VOTE: 5-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES — FEBRUARY 2, 2005 REGULAR MEETING

Motion to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2005 Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Mrs. Santora

SECOND: Mr. Ambrose

VOTE: 5-0

NOTE: Mr. Stys arrived at this time and acted on all remaining business of the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- ◆ Dr. Rosevear presented the Board of Education with appreciation cards and a videotape from Ms. Bartocci's class.
- ◆ Dr. Rosevear presented a letter of appreciation from Louisiana for the district's overwhelming generosity to Katrina's victims.
- ◆ A discussion was held regarding the finance committee's progress on the 2006-2007 school budget.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

No comments at this time.

CONSENT ITEMS

a. **APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion to approve payment of bills per warrant listing dated February 15, 2005 in the

amount of \$348,802.64 as well as payrolls for January 2006 in the amount of \$188,667.53 (January 15) and \$189,150.35 (January 31).

b. **BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Motion to approve Board Secretary's Report dated December 31, 2005 indicating a cash balance of \$1,079,865.78.

c. **TREASURER'S (CONSULTANT) REPORT**

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report dated December 31, 2005 indicating a cash balance of \$1,079,865.78.

Motion to approve the above consent items, a through c.

MOTION: Mrs. Santora SECOND: Mrs. Sarboukh ROLL CALL
VOTE: 6-0

CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Letter from Kelly Hnasko indicating her intention to return for the 2006-2007 school year.

ACTION ITEMS (ROLL CALL VOTE)

a. **PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE PURCHASING OF NATURAL GAS SERVICES**

Motion to approve resolution to participate again with the Middlesex County Educational Services Commission in seeking bids for the purchase of Natural Gas for the 2007-2008 school year.

b. **APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS**

Motion to approve the following substitute teacher for the 2005-2006 school year (September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006):

Karen Petko, South Bound Brook

c. **CORRECTION TO SALARY OF MARYANN AMIANO, INSTRUCTION AIDE**

Motion to correct typographical error in minutes of November 16, 2005. Salary of Maryann Amiano was listed as \$12,240 and should be changed to \$12,420 (step one on guide).

d. **APPROVAL TO REIMBURSE EMPLOYEES FOR ATTENDANCE AT TECHSPO**

Motion to approve reimbursement for expenses associated with attendance at Techspo for Mr. Butkus, Mr. Kries and Mr. Riley.

Motion to approve above Action Items a-d:

MOTION: Mr. Allen SECOND: Mrs. Bolmer ROLL CALL
VOTE: 6-0

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE: Mr. Ambrose reported on the state holdup on dollar figures. He established

that the board is evaluating planned 2006-2007 expenses.

NEGOTIATIONS: Mrs. Sarboukh reported that the Negotiations Committee met with their representative. More information will be discussed in closed session.

BOUND BROOK: Dr. Rosevear discussed conversations between Bound Brook and South Bound Brook concerning certain students' future plans. Planning for a Bound Brook/South Bound Brook joint meeting is under way, possibly in May. Agenda items are to be determined.

OLD BUSINESS

PRIDE PASTA DINNER: Mr. Ambrose noted the lack of an administrator at the dinner.

FACILITIES:

- LIGHTS: Mrs. Leonhardt reported that lights will *not* be installed as expected on Friday
- HVAC: Mrs. Leonhardt reported on the resolution (broken belt, ignitor switch) of the heating problems which have plagued the new section the last two days. Gratitude was expressed for Dave Budd's dedication during this time.
- GYM HVAC: Mrs. Leonhardt reported that work will begin on Thursday (February 16).
- Cork stripping will be installed in the PreK through Grade 3 classrooms over the extended weekend.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dr. Rosevear reviewed various student policies (5000 pupil series) and the application to our daily operations.
- Technical Inventory — The board reviewed the listing of current technology inventory. Mr. Butkus was congratulated on a job well done.
- Principal's Report — Dr. Rosevear called the board's attention to the January Principal's Report.
- Strategic Planning — Dr. Rosevear reminded board members of the Strategic Planning session on March 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This meeting has been advertised, and letters have been sent to various stakeholders throughout the community.
- Teacher of the Year — Mrs. Santora mentioned the NJ Department of Education has started the process for the 06-07 State Teacher of the Year.

FIRST READING POLICY FILE CODE 5131

Motion to adopt for first reading amended policy File Code #5131, Conduct/Discipline/Harassment (see attached).

MOTION: Mr. Ambrose

SECOND: Mrs. Bolmer

ROLL CALL
VOTE: 6-0

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

No questions or comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:17 p.m. to discuss negotiations and personnel

