

SHOREHAM-WADING RIVER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
250B Route 25A, Shoreham, New York 11786 ~ (631-821-8100)
Dr. Steven Cohen, Superintendent of Schools

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Public Meeting

January 10, 2012

At 6:40 PM, a Public Meeting of the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District was called to order in the District Office board room by Dr. McGrath.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. William McGrath, President
Mr. Michael Fucito, Vice-President
Mr. Jack Costas
Mr. Leo Greeley
Ms. Marie Lindell (arrived 6:45)
Mr. Richard Pluschau
Mr. John Zukowski

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Steven Cohen, Superintendent
Mr. Glen Arcuri, Director of Finance and Operations
Dr. William Bushman, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

At 6:41 PM, a motion to convene to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter related to a particular person(s) and legal issue(s) was made by Mr. Costas and seconded by Mr. Greeley. The motion passed by a vote of 6 - 0.

At 8:01 PM, a motion to end Executive Session and re-convene to the Public Session in the High School Library was made by Mr. Costas and seconded by Mr. Zukowski. The motion passed by a vote of 7 - 0.

PUBLIC SESSION

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Mr. Alan Meinster, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

I Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

At 8:12 PM, the Public Session of the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District Board of Education re-convened and was called to order by Dr. McGrath.

II Approval of Agenda

At 8:13, a motion was made to accept the agenda by Mr. Pluschau and seconded by Mr. Costas. The motion passed by a vote of 7 - 0.

III Statements from Residents

Ms. Michelle Belsky had several questions: an asbestos issue in Miller Avenue Elementary School; if bids have gone out in projects for the proposed Health and Safety Proposition; and confirmation if Briarcliff Elementary School will be closed. Mr. Arcuri advised that Miller Avenue Elementary School did have an Abatement Project in which asbestos was involved with a heating pipe in a closet, however the issue is being managed. Mr. Arcuri advised that bids for the proposed Health and Safety Proposition will be done only after the proposition is voter approved and that the costs associated with the proposition are best guess estimates submitted by the District's architects and engineers. Dr. Cohen explained the history of the fund balance from a 2009 voter approved Health and Safety Proposition and how the District would like to use this fund balance for the proposed Health and Safety Proposition. Dr. McGrath advised there are no current plans to close Briarcliff Elementary School, but that the building needs to be maintained as part of ownership.

Mr. Dan Menezes asked about booster club donations, conflict of interest, etc. Dr. McGrath advised Mr. Menezes that the Board of Education is not an investigative body and that he should take his accusations to another authority.

Mr. Anthony DeLouise had questions regarding the funding for the proposed Health and Safety Proposition. Mr. Arcuri reported the scope of the proposed Health and Safety Proposition is completely different from the 2009 Health and Safety Proposition, therefore voter approval is required. Mr. Pluschau explained the history of the 2009 Health and Safety Proposition and why the Board feels the fund balance of the 2009 Health and Safety Proposition should be used for the current proposed Health and Safety Proposition. Mr. Pluschau noted that the District has saved money for several years by not maintaining its facilities properly.

Ms. Alisa McMorris spoke in support of the proposed Health and Safety Proposition.

IV Student/Staff Recognitions

Dr. Cohen honored the following SWR employees who were selected by the Village Beacon Record for the following recognitions: Alice Steinbrecher – Environmentalist of the Year; Kevin Mann – Man of the Year in Education; Paul Koretzki and Bob Szymanski - Sportsmen of the Year.

V Old Business

a. Policies – Second Readings

1. #1510 Regular Board Meetings and Rules
2. #5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance
3. #6510 Health Insurance
4. #7512 Student Physicals
5. #7610 Special Education: District Plan
6. NEW POLICY – Pediculosis (Head Lice)

The Board discussed the new policy pertaining to Head Lice, specifically language related to a physician's exam. The Board agreed to re-submit this policy to the Policy Committee for revisions and clarifications.

A motion to adopt Policy #1510, #5630, #6510, #7512, #7610 was made by Mr. Costas and seconded by Mr. Pluschau. The motion passed by a vote of 7 – 0.

VI Reports and Reviews

a. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Cohen gave a brief report of the events and activities of each school. Dr. Cohen gave a brief update on the High School Survey of Student Engagement (HSSE) which the Board previously agreed to.

VII Votes and Resolutions

a. Approval of minutes - December 13, 2011

A motion to approve the above minutes as submitted was made by Mr. Pluschau and seconded by Mr. Fucito. The motion passed by a vote of 7 – 0.

b. Medicaid Certification and Compliance Plan

A motion to approve the above as submitted was made by Mr. Fucito and seconded by Mr. Pluschau. The motion passed by a vote of 7 – 0.

c. Resolutions

#1112-113

2012-2013 Annual Budget Vote and Elections Date:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District declares that the Annual Budget Vote and Elections be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2012 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM at the Shoreham-Wading River High School auxiliary gym, 250A Route 25A, Shoreham-Wading River, New York, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a budget hearing is to be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 in the Shoreham-Wading River High School Library at 8:00 PM, and be it further

RESOLVED, that voter registration be open and continuous during normal business hours, until Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at 5:00 PM at the District Office, 250B Route 25A, Shoreham, New York, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the District Clerk and the School District Attorney prepare the legal notices for the Annual Budget Vote and Elections.

#1112-114

Health and Safety Proposition Authorization:

WHEREAS, the Board has received the recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools, the Director of Finance and Operations, the District's architects, and the District's Space and Facilities Committee for the repair, reconstruction, and restoration of certain District property for the purpose of maintaining said property in an operating condition over the probable, useful life for the uses for which it was intended, to bring the buildings and grounds up to code, and ensure the health and safety of students, staff and others who may enter upon the property for lawful purposes; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, the voters of the District approved a Health and Safety Proposition to bring District buildings and grounds into compliance with the New York State Building Code and regulations of the Commissioner of Education; and

WHEREAS, excess funds are available in the capital fund for reallocation by the voters as a result of economies effected by the District in connection with the 2009 Health and Safety Proposition, to wit, \$1,135,627.20 plus \$24,797.00 in EXCEL aid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves a proposition to be placed upon the ballot at the 2012 annual meeting for the purpose of reallocating and appropriating the excess funds available for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, the cost of additional health and safety projects, including but not limited to playgrounds at Wading River and Miller Avenue Elementary Schools, Briarcliff Elementary School playground retaining wall, High School court yard at the front entrance, a District-wide security project, Briarcliff Elementary School nurses' room, Briarcliff Elementary School main entrance landing, abatement of Wading River Elementary School library flooding, abatement of Miller Avenue Elementary School parking lot flooding, and District-wide curbs, sidewalks and blacktop repairs including related site work consisting of, but not limited to, roads, walkways, retaining walls, related electrical, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning work and drainage systems in an amount not to exceed \$1,160,424.20; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk is hereby directed to prepare a Health and Safety Proposition for placement on the ballot at the 2012 Annual Meeting and to include said proposition in the Annual Meeting notice.

#1112-115

Green Chimneys Tuition Contract:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby approves a contract between the District and the Green Chimneys School for instructional services for one (1) student to attend the Green Chimneys School for the 2011-2012 school year at a tuition cost which will be established by the New York State Commissioner of Education and a maintenance cost which will be established by the New York State Commissioner of Social Services. The President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contract, and thereby signify the Board's acceptance to the contract.

#1112-116

Riverhead CSD Health and Welfare Services Contract:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District has been duly empowered by the provision of Section 912 of the Education Law to enter into a contract for the purpose of providing health and welfare services for children residing in the District and attending non-public schools in the Riverhead Central School District (St. Isidore's School, McGann-Mercy High School and the Riverhead Charter School), and

WHEREAS, these services are provided during the school year of 2011-2012 and the contract ends on June 30, 2012 unless terminated earlier in accordance with terms set forth within the Agreement;

WHEREAS, at the rate of \$647.69 for 23 students and \$99.74 for one (1) student, the total cost of this Agreement is \$14,996.61 for 24 students, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham Wading River Central School District hereby approves the Health and Welfare Services Agreement between the District and Riverhead Central School District, for the 2011-2012 school year. The President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contract, and thereby signify the Board's acceptance to the contract.

#1112-117

New York State Association for the Help of Retarded Children, Inc. Instructional Tuition Contract:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby approves a contract between the District and New York State Association for the Help of Retarded Children, Inc. for instructional services for two (2) students to attend New York State Association for the Help of Retarded Children, Inc. for the 2011-2012 school year at a total cost of \$66,336.20. The President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contract, and thereby signify the Board's acceptance to the contract.

#1112-118

Cleary School for the Deaf Instructional Tuition Contract:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby approves a contract between the District and Cleary School for the Deaf for instructional services for one (1) student at a fee

\$93,501.00 for the 2011-2012 school year. The President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign said contract and thereby, signify the Board's acceptance to the contract.

#1112-119

Management Advisory Group of New York, Inc. Contract:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby approves a contract between the District and Management Advisory Group of New York, Inc. for services including but not limited to the filing of forms related to the System to Account for Children (STAC) at a fee of \$600.00 per month from January through June 2012, for a total cost of \$3,600.00. The President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign said contract and thereby, signify the Board's acceptance to the contract.

#1112-120

Varsity Girls and Boys Winter Track Invitational Meet at Yale University:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby approves a request by Mr. Lynn Schwartz, Interim Director of Health and Athletics, for an out-of-state field trip to Yale University in New Haven, CT, on January 20, 2012 and again on January 21, 2012 for the Varsity boys and Varsity girls winter track athletes to participate in the Yale University Winter Track Invitational Meet at a cost to the District of \$340.00.

#1112-121

Equipment Considered Obsolete, Irreparable, No Longer in Use or of No Monetary Value:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District hereby classifies the below list of items as being obsolete, irreparable, no longer in use, and of no monetary value and,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District approves the below list of items to be disposed of in accordance with District Policy #5250.

	SCHOOL/DEPT	QTY	MAKE/MODEL
No-Wood Athletic Bats	SWR CSD	29	Easton
No-Wood Athletic Bats	SWR CSD	2	Wolf
No-Wood Athletic Bats	SWR CSD	3	Louisville Slugger

#1112-122

Donation(s):

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Shoreham-Wading River Central School District accepts the following donation(s) and, if necessary, approves the appropriate budget line(s) to be increased by that amount:

1. To Shoreham-Wading River CSD from Wildcat Athletic Club (WAC):
 - a. Check #2242 in the amount of \$575.00 to cover the balance of registration fee(s) for three (3) separate wrestling tournaments.
 - b. Check #2257 in the amount of \$100.00 to cover the balance of registration fee(s) for Boys and Girls Winter Track Suffern Invitational Meet.
2. To Shoreham-Wading River High School from Ms. Jean Husing:
One (1) Toshiba television, serial no. S566547, at an estimated value of \$50.00 for the High School Library.
3. To Wading River Elementary School from 5th Grade Committee:
Check #1073 in the amount of \$1,660.74 for the 5th grade field trip to New York City on May 2, 2012 (Spirit Cruises contract).
4. To Albert G. Prodel Middle School from Middle School PTO:
Check #2107 in the amount of \$1,750.00 to be divided as follows:
 - \$1,000.00 to the Music Department
 - \$500.00 to the Physical Education Department
 - \$250.00 to the Reading Department

Resolution #1112-119: Ms. Lindell asked if the District has used this company before; Mr. Arcuri responded no.

Resolution #1112-121: Mr. Pluschau asked if the bats can be re-used; Mr. Arcuri responded the bats are non-compliant and unsafe.

VIII Personnel – January 10, 2012

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following personnel agenda has been approved as submitted:

(1) Instructional & Instructional Support Personnel (Certificated)

Appointment(s)

(1a) Michele R. McEneny Secondary Mathematics Teacher

	Assignment	Middle School
	Type of Appointment	Probationary
	Effective Date	December 16, 2011
	Probation End Date	December 16, 2012
	Certification Area	Mathematics 7-12
	Salary	SWRTA, MA+15 Step 4 \$61,627 (pro-rated: \$61,394.43)
	Reason	J. Bellofatto vacancy
(1b)	Tara L. Stanley	Leave Replacement
	Assignment	Middle School
	Type of Appointment	Regular Substitute
	Effective Date	December 16, 2011
	End Date	June 30, 2012
	Certification Area	Mathematics 7-12
	Salary	BA Step 1 \$47,173 (pro-rated: \$29,718.99)
	Reason	Teixeira leave (taking place of M. McEnany)

Leave of Absence

(1c)	Lauren Ocker	Science Teacher
	Assignment	High School
	Effective Date	"on or about" May 7, 2012
	End Date	returning September 2012
	Reason	Maternity
	Comments	Utilizing accumulated sick days, not to exceed 40

NOVEMBER 8, 2011 SUPERINTENDENTS CONFERENCE DAY
WORKSHOP PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION

Appointments:

(1d)	Lee A. Griffin	Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI) Recertification
	Type of Appointment	Superintendents Conference Day Workshop
	Effective Date	November 8, 2011
	Salary	4.5 hours at functional rate \$63.33 (3 hours for preparation and 1.5 hours extended time) Total: \$284.99
(1e)	Jaime Morgan	Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI) Recertification
	Type of Appointment	Superintendents Conference Day Workshop
	Effective Date	November 8, 2011
	Salary	4.5 hours at functional rate \$63.33 (3 hours for preparation and 1.5 hours extended time) Total: \$284.99

2011-2012 SATURDAY REGENTS TUTORIALS

Appointments:

(1f)	Kevin Mann	Global History and Geography
	Type of Appointment	Saturday Regents Tutorials: January 14 and January 21, 2012
	Assignment	High School
	Salary	\$79.93 per hour
(1g)	Jason Malvagno	US History and Government
	Type of Appointment	Saturday Regents Tutorials: January 14 and January 21, 2012
	Assignment	High School
	Salary	\$79.93 per hour
(1h)	Kevin O'Handley	US History and Government
	Type of Appointment	Saturday Regents Tutorials: January 14 and January 21, 2012
	Assignment	High School
	Salary	\$79.93 per hour
(1i)	Ellen Fraser	Algebra II and Trigonometry
	Type of Appointment	Saturday Regents Tutorials: January 14 and January 21, 2012
	Assignment	High School
	Salary	\$79.93 per hour
(1j)	Michael Gabriel	Algebra II and Trigonometry
	Type of Appointment	Saturday Regents Tutorials: January 14 and January 21, 2012
	Assignment	High School
	Salary	\$79.93 per hour

(2) **Support Staff Personnel (Civil Service & Non-Certificated)**

Medical Leave/FMLA

(2a)	Therese Rondolet	Custodial Worker
	Assignment	Middle School
	Effective Date	January 6, 2012
	End Date	March 30, 2012 (projected return date: Monday April 2, 2012)
	Reason	Unpaid Medical Leave of Absence FMLA not to exceed 60 work days

Resignation

(2b)	Deborah Di Giuseppe	Special Education Aide
	Type of Appointment	Annualized
	Assignment	High School
	Effective Date	January 1, 2012

(3) **Other (Co-Curricular, Salary Changes, Substitute Personnel, Community Programs)**

Appointment(s)

(3a)	Natalie Ruggiero	Tutor
	Type of Appointment	Part Time (not to exceed 18 hours per week)
	Assignment	Miller Avenue
	Effective Date	January 11, 2012
	End Date	June 30, 2012
	Certification area	Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
	Salary	\$30 per hour (not to exceed 18 hours per week)
	Reason	Reading Support
(3b)	Michele Kavanagh	Teaching Assistant
	Type of Appointment	After School Special Education hours
	Assignment	High School (Extra Curricular Activities: i.e.: Track, Best Buddies, etc.)
	Effective Date	December 5, 2011
	End Date	June 30, 2012
	Salary	Hourly rate of pay (\$17.69) not to exceed 40 hours/week total
	Reason	D. DiGiuseppe vacancy (coverage for classified student(s) during extra curricular activities in addition to 2011-2012 school year assignment. Only to work in excess of 40 hours per week with express prior approval of Interim Director of Student Services)

2011-2012 Per Diem Substitute Teachers (\$100 per day)

(3c)	Jason Crockett- Certification: Music
(3d)	Dana Kindelmann- Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
(3e)	Megan Lang- Certification: Visual Arts
(3f)	Robert Ornstein-Certification: English 7-12

2011-2012 Substitute Support Staff

(not to exceed a total of 19.75 hours per week-in any capacity)

Substitute Teaching Assistant-\$15.36/hour; Substitute Special Education Aide-\$12.00/hour; Substitute Monitor/Lunch Monitor-\$10.18/hour; Substitute Custodian-\$12.80/hour; Substitute Clerical Support-\$12.19/hour; Substitute Food Service Worker- \$13.50/hour

(3g) Sandra L. Mellon as Substitute Support Staff: Clerical

2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR HIGH SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR

Appointment:

(3h)	John Mitchell	Natural Helpers
	Assignment	High School
	Effective Date	"on or about" March 19, 2012 (exact date to be determined)
	Stipend	(to be pro-rated based on \$6,445)
	Reason	M. Mitchell leave

2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR WADING RIVER CO-CURRICULAR

Appointment:

(3i)	Jason Crockett	Musical Accompanist
	Assignment	Wading River Elementary
	Effective Date	January 11, 2012
	End Date	June 30, 2012
	Salary	\$15 per hour not to exceed 75 hours or \$1,125

2011-2012 COMMUNITY PROGRAMSPlease see belowRevised -
12/22/11**COMMUNITY PROGRAMS - APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE - JANUARY 10, 2012**

STAFF	POSITION	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	START DATE	END DATE	SALARY/ HOUR BY TIME SHEET
(3j) Fioretti, Nicholas	Wrestling	Sr. Recreation Specialist	11/28/2011	6/30/2012	\$20.00
(3k) MacDougall, James	Community Programs	Band Director	12/1/2011	6/30/2012	\$50.00
(3l) Snyder, Connor	Community Programs	Security	1/7/2012	6/30/2012	\$8.00

A motion to approve the personnel recommendations as submitted was made by Mr. Pluschau and seconded by Mr. Zukowski. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

IX Communications

- a. Longwood Legislative Breakfast – Saturday, February 11, 2012 (8:45 AM – 12 noon)
Board members attending: Dr. McGrath, Mr. Fucito and Mr. Costas
- b. NSSBA – “The Battle for Control of Our Schools: Communities vs State and Federal Government” on January 31, 2012 (6:30 – 10:00 PM)
Board members attending: Dr. McGrath and Mr. Pluschau

X Discussion

Dr. McGrath advised Dr. Cohen of Board's direction for the budget development –

- Attempt to maintain a rollover budget with the necessary support
- Keep the tax levy increase at 2% or less
- Fill the “gap” by using a combination of this year's fund balance, prior years' State aid, and reserves.

The Board briefly discussed a contingent budget, directing administration to follow the process as last year.

XI Additional Comments from Residents

Mr. Anthony DeLouise asked about the tax cap and if the CPI is lower than 2%; Mr. Arcuri responded no, the CPI is not lower than 2%.

At 9:32 PM, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Greeley and second by Mr. Fucito. The motion passed by a vote of 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

Janice M. Seus
District Clerk