

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

March 8, 2011

Held in Joseph M. Barton Bldg.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Robert Rossi, President of the Board of Education. On motion by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron, the Board voted unanimously to convene in Executive Session to discuss employment and/or appointment of particular persons, and pending litigation.

At 8:05 p.m. Mrs. Waldron moved, Mr. Martella seconded, and the Board reconvened the Regular Meeting.

Members present:

Neil S. Carlin	Scott Martella
Theresa Knox	Robert Rossi
Louis Liguori	Gladys M. Waldron

Members absent:

Joseph T. Saggese

Also present:

Edward Ehmann, Superintendent
Mary Cahill, Asst. Supt.
Joan Niles, Asst. Supt.
Eugene Barnosky, Board Counsel
Visitors
Mary Wilson, District Clerk

I. OPENING CEREMONY - conducted by Mr. Rossi. Mr. Rossi noted that the agenda order would be changed this evening to allow for the awards to be the first item of business.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Awards

The Superintendent and Mr. Rossi congratulated the following students and staff on their accomplishments:

On being a winner at the District level of the 2010-11 Long Island President's Essay Contest, "I Feel Creative in School When..." - Sponsored by the Smithtown Teachers' Association

Kelly Moccia, Megan O'Haire, Shannon-Kate Kelley, Elizabeth Rus

On being a Semi-finalist winner at the Island-wide level of the 2010-11 Long Island President's Essay Contest, "I Feel Creative in School When..." Sponsored by the Smithtown Teachers' Association

Megan O'Haire, Elizabeth Rus

On receiving an Award in the Suffolk County Regional Reflections Competition

Connor Sheehy , Matthew Russo, Jenna Pobjecky, Michelle Husslein, Kaleb Slawinski, Ryan Mezzanotte, Grant Goodman, Colin Logatto, Lyndsey Robinson, Mary Gregorian, Danielle Charletta, Ryan Scheinberg, Arianna Prokos, Iryna Dovirak, Francesca Maurceri, Griffin Reynolds, Matthew Onorato, Haley Schojbert

II. MINUTES - of the Regular Meeting held February 8, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the above minutes be approved as presented.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

Discussion

Mrs. Waldron made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Knox be it RESOLVED, that the Smithtown Central School District Board of Education endorses the nomination of Mrs. Jeannette Santos and Mr. Peter Wunsch as candidates to serve on the Board of Western Suffolk BOCES which will hold its election on Thursday, April 28, 2011.

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 Report ending January 31, 2011 in the amount of \$11,950,484.68 be accepted.

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the Claims Auditor's Report be accepted.

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 Ms. Chrisdina Peters regarding transportation concerns.
2. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President of Board of Education from Ms. Christine Cawley regarding school closing concerns.
3. Letter to Mr. Scott Martella, Housing Committee Co-Chair, from Ms. Christine Cawley regarding school closing concerns.
4. Letter to Mr. Edward Ehmann and Members of the Board of Education, from Ms. Lisa H. Maxson regarding transportation concerns.
5. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President of the Board of Education, from Sister Helen Lyons and Mrs. Joan Gordon, Co-Principals, regarding transportation concerns.
6. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President of Board of Education, from Ms. Cathy Lynch regarding transportation concerns.
7. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President Board of Education from Mr. Patrick Smith regarding invitation to Athletic Awards Dinner.
8. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President, from Susan Peverelle regarding budget concerns.
9. Letter to Board of Education (with attachment) from Suffolk County Association of School Nurses regarding value of school nurses.

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

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

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

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. State Incentives

Mr. Liguori asked if the administration had received any information regarding the State offering incentives for consolidation. Ms. Niles responded that they are still trying to gather the information and hopefully by the next meeting they will have it.

B. Food Service Program

Mr. Liguori inquired as to the status of the District's food program. Ms. Niles noted that there is a new federal regulation requiring districts to make changes to their cost structure to be closer to the federal reimbursement rate which is about \$2.75 a meal. We have been speaking with Ms. Dunne about making a presentation to the BOE on what her recommendations will be. Mr. Rossi asked when that presentation will occur. Ms. Niles responded that they will include the new federal regulations in the presentation.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Business Affairs

Mr. Saggese reported that a meeting will be held 3/16, with discussion continuing about the budget development process.

B. Facilities

Mr. Liguori gave an update on projects that were discussed during the 2/15 meeting. He was pleased to report that a variance has been granted for the HS East science lab renovations. The next meeting will be held on 3/15, at 7:00 p.m.

C. Housing

Mr. Martella reported that the District had held meetings regarding the possible closing of Nesconset, Branch Brook and Dogwood elementary schools. A community housing forum had also been held.

The Superintendent made the following statement:

Having taken all of the results of the research conducted thus far by our team of principals, directors, facilities department and central office administrators, and having listened carefully to the opinion of our Board of Education and those citizens who have attended our numerous public meetings, I am recommending that we not move to close an elementary school for the 2011-2012 school year. The reasons for not closing a school in the 2011-2012 school year are as follows:

- With over 170 special education students in very complex programs we need to analyze the impact of any future housing plans on them more thoroughly.
- Once the graduating fifth graders of 2012 leave the buildings, there is even more space for any remediation which may arise from Response to Intervention Regulations.
- Citizens have not heard enough details on other housing ideas, such as placing the sixth grade back into the elementary schools; closing New York Avenue and placing the district staff in buildings and housing students in buildings of K-2 and 3-5 configurations.
- The potential for revenue is not fully researched.

I would remind everyone that we began this process in December when we projected our state aid to be flat; unfortunately the Governor has proposed we lose over five million dollars. Our original plan was to see if closing a school would enable us to not have to reduce other services. Now in March we have found that we must reduce services across the board.

In the 2011–2012 school year we will be raising class sizes, reducing our sports budget, looking to move our eligibility boundaries for transportation, and reducing our work force in every category of operation. I believe that these reductions in service are quite a change

to this educational community so changing our housing configuration should be postponed one more year.

We all know that no matter how long we research the topic and how thorough we are in our analysis, when an ultimate decision is made there will be people who are upset with the plan. As Superintendent, I am comfortable with taking the criticism for making a controversial decision but I am not comfortable with criticism that the process was not comprehensive enough. Therefore, we are putting a recommendation to the Board at our next meeting where we will be requesting that a Citizens' Advisory Committee be formed which will be charged with the following tasks:

- Recommend which housing plan for the 2012-2013 school year will reduce our housing footprint by at least one building.
- Recommend the potential revenue source this plan will allow the district.
- Research thoroughly the impact of any housing plan on special education students in highly specialized programs.
- Complete its work by January 1, 2012 so that a transition plan can be implemented with sufficient time for successful assimilation by new students.

The committee will begin its work in April of 2011 and continue to meet at least twice throughout the summer. The members must commit to attending these meetings consistently. Finally, I want to commend this entire school community for its patience and its civility throughout these past few months. Despite the anxiety provoked by this topic, our meetings have been conducted with mutual respect and for that we can all be proud.

Mr. Rossi stated that he had some questions for Mr. Ehmann.

- He noted that he had told Mr. Ehmann that if the Superintendent had decided that he was not going to go forward with this process because of the Special Education situation, Mr. Rossi would support him. Mr. Rossi added that he had not been convinced that the District had a handle on how we were going to take care of the Special Education students. Mr. Rossi asked where the money that was to be saved by closing a building will now come from.
- You also spoke about an advisory committee and you had asked us our recommendation on an advisory committee. When I gave my personal opinion it was based on the fact that you had said that you were confident in the information that you and your staff had gathered and you felt that you didn't think that an advisory committee would give you any more information than you already had. What changed other than the Special Education area?
- Lastly, as we all know, you are going to be in the last year of your contract next year. How does that affect this District going forward if we are in a situation in the midst of closing a school and redistricting and the Board of Education is involved in bringing on a new superintendent?

Mr. Ehmann replied – as to the first question, where would the reduction in cost be, how does that work out. We are working on an overall budget and any amount of money that doesn't come from one category obviously will come from another. And I have said quite clearly tonight that I believe we need to close a school because I believe our children can fit into eight elementaries; or if something happens with this building, I feel we can fit the District into one fewer building. We are looking at all program across the spectrum and we will just have to reduce expenses in other areas to amount to the number that would have been reduced if we were to close a school. What didn't happen in our analysis that we hoped to see happen, was a balancing of the elementary enrollment to capture quite a bit of FTE's. Now we are looking at the class size issue where we will capture the FTE's. That \$400-500 thousand dollars does have to be reduced in other areas. Mr. Rossi asked is that a reduction or is there a possible chance of tax increase if you can't find the reduction? Mr. Ehmann stated that the tax levy increase comes from the concept of what we are going to do about our reserves and our fund balance. We will show you that as we start to roll out the budget. We will get back to that during tonight's presentation. This was an evolutionary process. In December we looked at it because numerically it fit. We said is it

feasible; the answer is yes. What is the impact and can we make it work. Yes, we can make it work. Should we do it; we are going to have to do it. Should we do it now; that is where I believe that my stand changed as this process unfolded and we heard from people and studied a couple of aspects of the process. I don't think we should do it now. I think we should do it in September of 2012. I have made it clear to the Board of Education that I would extend the contract through 11-12. June 2012 will be date in which I retire. But I can assure you that the plan that we have in place by June 30th will be well on its way to completion because starting from January to June there will be six months to dedicate to making this plan work. I am very confident in any plan we make. Our teachers, administrators, support staff are all extremely talented, dedicated people. Whatever the housing plan is; the classroom experience usually remains very good regardless of the housing situation. Mr. Rossi asked if the Superintendent would put a written plan together for the Board to see. The Superintendent answered absolutely.

Mr. Martella thanked Mr. Ehmann for his reassessment of the Citizens' Advisory Committee proposal.

D. Negotiations

Mrs. Waldron reported that the previous evening the Board had a negotiations meeting regarding our STA, SSEA and ASPN contracts.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT cont'd

B. Updates – The Superintendent brought the Board up-to-date on the following items of interest:

- When filing your State Income Tax form, please be certain to fill in the Smithtown School District Tax Code (590) in the appropriate space provided. School aid will be affected if the school district or code number is incorrect or missing.
- SHS East seniors Sanjay Palat and Alice Shan and SHS West seniors Julia Apoznanski and Angelina Seffens have each been distinguished as Finalists in the 2011 National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Joseph Nappi, a senior at HS West, finished the year with a 38 and 7 record. He placed 4th in the Section XI Wrestling Championships putting his name in the record books among the best in Suffolk County.
- The Smithtown Teachers' Association held a fundraiser to raise money to help find a cure for Multiple Sclerosis.
- SHS West senior Matthew Rapp received the President's Volunteer Service Award for helping to address the most pressing needs in the community and our country.
- Nesconset Elementary PTA hosted "Movie Night" for students and families. The PTA offered free admission to bring families together for a few hours. The children were served popcorn and drinks.
- The Mills Pond Cares Club won a \$150 grant from Newsday and with the money created almost 100 wash-kits to donate to people in need. Wash-kits included toiletries. The children decorated bags with inspirational messages and stuffed the bags to donate to a local church.
- SHS East Leadership students were selected to attend a field trip to Kings Park HS for a program called Compassion without Borders hosted by the Suffolk County HS Principals Association. The students participated in a number of activities and will be working hard toward raising money for the Marty Lyons Foundation, which fulfills the wishes of children diagnosed with life-threatening illnesses.
- Nesaquake Middle School celebrated and promoted No Name-Calling Week. This event is an annual week of educational activities aimed at ending name-calling and was inspired by the novel *The Misfits* by James Howe.
- At Smithtown Elementary, a new leadership club has been formed to make positive changes in the school. They began a program called *Terracycle*. The children collected juice packets as a way to raise money. This collection program educated children about reusing and saves tons of garbage from ending up in landfills or incinerators. It helps the environment and raises money for the school.

- SHS West student Paige Buzard won second place in the Sierra Club’s research competition with her project entitled *Going Green on Long Island Using Alternative Energy*. Thoughtfulness, inventiveness and thoroughness were all evident in her award winning proposal for a solar powered transportation network. Paige was awarded \$200 and given a corporate award by Greenfield’s Shoprite of Commack.
- Branch Brook welcomed teacher visitors from the Southold School District to observe the *EnVision* Math Program in action.
- Smithtown Senior Gold Card members were entertained by the talents of the fifth grade Band & Orchestra at Mt. Pleasant Elementary in a special Valentine’s Day Tea. The performance was sponsored by the PTA and the students and the seniors shared a wonderful afternoon.
- On Target is a monthly award presented at Tackan Elementary. Students are recognized for their positive contributions to the school learning community.

C. Committee on Special Education

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving Committee on Special Education Items 1-2 on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

1. Committee on Special Education - RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for cases 309731, 306283, 303398, 309727, 309703, 300420, 309630, 306747, 311930, 309537, 308577, 308533, 311917, 311895, 307368, 310460, 311947, 301419, 308663, 311926, 307453, 306903, 309905, 311094, 300322, 310518, 302935, 309018, 311564, 308568, 302111, 309636, 310910, 309219, 200070, 185849, 311376, 200277, 311937, 310836, 310462 and 310875 be approved.

2. Sub-Committee on Special Education - RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Special Education for cases 309926, 310837, 309365, 309364, 304244, 301174, 184829, 200041, 200060, 306253, 308471, 303058, 304372, 304455, 200286, 200534, 300263, 301620, 300262, 310549, 311585, 311384, 310110, 310872, 305003, 306436, 301285, 305928, 305186, 305671, 305037, 300304, 300984, 300389, 301000, 307973, 306849, 300283, 304697, 309642, 306957, 310637, 309289, 300698, 307899, 303879, 305396, 304636, 307673, 305095, 306145, 304802, 309158, 303949, 300305, 304258, 304698, 306862, 306137, 301999, 304318, 304951, 304802, 308047, 303937, 309113, 305343, 309276, 302410, 304494, 302689, 304427, 301491, 309455, 305106, 305185, 186069, 305742, 300239, 306074, 306698, 308221, 308443, 310034, 307853, 310556, 301936, 302724, 300673, 300776, 307171, 306814, 305312, 303841, 309751, 310365, 309757, 305268, 305233, 309087, 309251, 305052, 308508, 301676, 304218, 308586, 310424, 308617, 308597, 309775, 307973, 306427, 304052, 303758, 303329, 304012, 306913, 195979, 310397, 308653, 305205, 306795, 303973, 306983, 304514, 301704, 303485, 306765, 307985, 306546, 307830, 304973, 304692, 304592, 304855, 307288, 310212, 305934, 303477, 302393, 303473, 302364, 300636, 302840, 200511, 304257, 308443, 307191, 306707, 310757, 301330, 303132, 300273, 303282, 301613, 302717, 304352, 302596, 303720, 307332, 303872, 305253, 311422, 309743, 311866, 310687, 310685, 310850, 310581, 152020, 300996, 306939, 306940, 305830, 305263, 307474, 309690, 309638, 307050 and 200650 be approved.

D. Committee on Preschool Special Education

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Preschool Special Education Items 1-2 on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

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 P310255, P311955, P311925, P311863, P311950, P311945, P311942 and P311946 be approved.

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 P310570A, P301570, P310836A, P310836, P310409A, P310409, P310875, P310462, P310558, P301557, P311864, P311602A, P311602, P311434A, P311434, P311571A, P311571, P311376, P309770A, P309770, P309684, P309783, P309347, P309696A, P309696, P309747, P310467A, P310467, P309748, P310576, P309656, P311775, P311451A, P311451, P311775, P310570, P310386, P311569A, P311569, P310334, P310377 and P311414 be approved.

E. Calendar for March and April 2011 - The calendars were reviewed by the Board. The Superintendent announced the dates for the Budget Review meetings. Mr. Carlin requested that the Superintendent give the BOE information on the contingent budget prior to budget adoption. After some discussion it was stated that perhaps April 5th the contingent information could be presented. Mrs. Waldron requested that during the Executive Session on March 22nd the BOE continue discussion about negotiations or particular personnel from the previous meeting. Mr. Rossi asked if the BOE would like to change the date of the second meeting in April to the 28th to coincide with the BOCES budget vote. The BOE agreed to that date change.

The Superintendent used a PowerPoint presentation to discuss the proposed budget. Slides included:

- Superintendent’s Recommendation (Targeted Budget)
- Use of Reserves & Fund Balance
- Financing the Targeted Budget
- Fund Balance Options
- Recommended – Option #1
- Reserves Projection
- Projection: Maximizing Reserves – A look ahead

Mrs. Cahill used a PowerPoint presentation to discuss the proposed change in class size. The proposed caps would be

- K 25
- 1-3 26
- 4-5 28

These caps would equate to 12 FTE reductions as of this date.

F. Litigation - was discussed during the earlier Executive Session.

VIII. INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Instructional Items A – B on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

A. Selection Classification Recommendation - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that permission is granted at the request of the Athletic Director to the following Middle School athletes to play on High School Teams. They have been deemed “exceptional” and have passed the Selection/Classification process.

Nicholas Sabia	8 th Grade	V B Spring Track	HS West
Peyton Greco	7 th Grade	V Girls Golf	HS East
Alexa Niven	7 th Grade	V Girls Golf	HS East
Cassandra Hall	7 th Grade	V Girls Golf	HS East

B. Overnight Field Trip Request – Smithtown High School East Model UN – May 13-14, 2011 – UNA-USA Model UN Conference – New York, NY – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that permission is granted for 12 students from Smithtown High School East Model UN to participate in the UNA-USA Model UN Conference at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York, NY. The students will depart May 13, 2011 and return May 14, 2011.

IX. AUDIENCE

1. Pam Farino expressed her concern regarding the District's lack of budget information on the District website. Mrs. Farino shared information she had gathered from her trip to Albany. She also suggested quantitative measurements for the Superintendent's goals.
2. Susie Schломann suggested that the Board deal with pension costs and lobby Albany for 401k plans.
3. Rick Schломann noted that 75% of the budget is for staff salaries and benefits. We need to look at making radical changes in health benefits, staff salaries. Look at every way to reduce the budget.
4. Richard Sieloff commended Mr. Ehmann on recommending a Citizens' Advisory Committee on Housing. Mr. Sieloff asked if the secondary schools are also going to have a change in class size.
5. Christopher Alcure commended the Superintendent for recommending a Citizens' Advisory Committee.
6. Debra Hickey suggested instead of reducing things that affect the students look at other items such as salaries and benefits.
7. Sue Peverelle suggested that the Board insist that the union accept a freeze on all salary increases. Ms. Peverelle also suggested that all transportation issues should be included in one referendum.
8. Janine Barbera/Dalli suggested that rather than close a school the District look more closely at teacher salaries.
9. Michael Emerson identified himself as a member of the HS West track team. He asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to coaching staff.
10. Mark Valentino identified himself as a member of the HS West track team. He also asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to coaching staff.
11. Anthony Aprile identified himself as a member of the HS West track team. He also asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to coaching staff.
12. Fred Walter, track athlete, echoed the request to reconsider the cuts to coaching staff.
13. Peter Schieck, HS West track coach, also asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to coaching staff.
14. Jessica Stanco identified herself as a NY state insurance agent. She stated that the union must pay more into health insurance. Ms. Stanco also discussed the safety issue in changing transportation limits.
15. Victoria Brown discussed the problems with changing the private/parochial busing limits.
16. Jim Bartunek asked the BOE to stand up to the STA and ask for more givebacks.
17. Mary Herrle asked who would be on the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Housing.
18. Lisa Maxson asked the BOE not to change the private/parochial busing. She also suggested volunteerism in coaching.
19. Robert Thompson asked the BOE to negotiate strongly, freeze teachers' salaries, share superintendents and not to change busing.
20. Wesley Macner, HS West graduate, asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to track coaching staff.
21. James Snak, HS West graduate, also asked the BOE to reconsider the cuts to track coaching staff.
22. Kelley Gould asked the BOE not to change the private/parochial busing limits and questioned where the centralized bus areas would be.
23. Stan Meyers suggested that the STA and all other staff members take a 5% pay cut to save programs. With reference to finding a successor superintendent Mr. Meyers suggested the BOE look for a volunteer to start working with Mr. Ehmann now and learn the job. He also suggested that the next superintendent receive a significantly lower salary. A good rating system and goals should be put into place for a bonus system. Mr. Meyers also suggested returning to an eight period day in the middle schools.

X. BUSINESS AFFAIRS

At 11:00 p.m. Mr. Martella left the meeting.

A. Finance

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Finance Items 1 – 9 on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

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 – Revenue Status Report
01/31/11
- 2 – Trial Balance Report
01/31/11
- 3– Summary of Treasurer’s Report
01/31/11
- 4 – Treasurer’s Monthly Report
01/31/11
- 5 – Schedule of Investments
01/31/11
- 6 – Collateralization of Bank Balances
01/31/11
- 7 – Budgetary Transfer Report
01/31/11
- 8 – Budget Status Report
01/31/11
- 9 – Cash Flow Report
01/31/11
- 10 – Report of Claims Auditor
01/31/11
- 11 – Smithtown High School East Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 12 – Smithtown High School West Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 13 – Accomsett Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 14 – Great Hollow Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 15 – Nesaquake Middle School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 16– Branch Brook Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 17– Dogwood Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 18 – Mills Pond Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 19 – Mt. Pleasant Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 20 – Nesconset Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 21 – St. James Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 22 – Smithtown Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11
- 23 – Tackan Elementary School Extra Classroom Activity Account
01/31/11

2. Budget Transfers – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following budgetary transfers of funds be approved for the 2009-10 school year:

FROM:	2110-130-81-0000	Prof Sal 7-12	\$95,469.00	
TO:	2110-130-81-ARR2	Prof Sal 7-12		\$95,469.00
FROM:	See Attached		\$1,681,743.12	
TO:	See Attached			\$1,681,743.12

FROM:	1621-449-53-0000	Prof/Tech	\$10,000.00	
TO:	1620-490-53-0000	BOCES Services		\$10,000.00

3. Bid Recommendations - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following bid recommendations be approved as submitted herein:

09-20 Ext. Coach Buses

4. Contract for Health and Health-Related Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to execute a contract for the 2010-11 school year with the school district listed below to provide health and health-related services for Smithtown students attending private and parochial schools in the school district indicated, pursuant to Section 912 of the New York State Education Law:

Riverhead Central School District

5. Grant Related Services - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to approve the grant related services with the following individual, for the Smithtown Teaching American History (TAH) grant, to be compensated through the grant in the amount of \$1,775.00 per month, from January 1, 2011 through June 30, 2011:

Michael Gatto
11 Sandstone Lane
Stony Brook, NY 11794

6. Independent Audit Report Management Letter Response - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the response to R.S. Abrams & Company's Management Letter in regard to the District's Independent Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2010.
7. Independent Audit Report Management Letter Response – Material Weakness - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the response to R.S. Abrams & Company's Management Letter in regard to their notation of a material weakness for the year ended June 30, 2010.
8. External Auditor's Management Representation Letter - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign the Management Representation Letter with R.S. Abrams & Company, LLP, dated February 18, 2011 in connection with their Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2010.
9. Independent Audit Report Management Letter Response – Single Audit Report - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the response to R.S. Abrams & Company's Management Letter in regard to their Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2010.

B. Operations

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving Operations Items 1-3 on a consent motion.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

1. 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

AMENDMENT \$8,621.00 donation for 9 Flexible Carpet Bonded Cheerleading Mats, 9 quick roll storage bags and Velcro guideline for the High School East and West Cheerleaders previously approved on the November 9, 2010 agenda for \$8,913.00

The Booster Club of Smithtown
P.O. Box 166
Smithtown, NY 11787

\$10,063.00 donation for two scoring tables and forty-eight team chairs to be used and High School East & West

The Booster Club of Smithtown
P.O. Box 166
Smithtown, NY 11787

ADDENDUM Donation of material and services for stonework and landscaping throughout the District facilities

Gappsi, Inc.
1015 West Jericho Turnpike
Smithtown, NY 11787

\$44.88 donation

Ohiopyle prints, Inc.
410 Dinnerbell Road
Ohiopyle, PA 15470-1002

\$1,500.00 scholarship donation for High School West

St. Catherine of Siena Medical
c/o Medical Staff Affairs Office
50 Route 25A
Smithtown, NY 11787

\$36.00 to fund field trips for the 2010-2011 school year

Tackan Elementary School parents

2. 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:

Attached list of books at High School East
TV – GE 25” Model #25GT534, Serial #233530756 at Nesaquake MS
VCR – GE Model #VG2011A, Serial #229651899

3. Additions to List of Organizations Approved to Use School Facilities, 2010-2011 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 2010-2011 school year, subject to all School District policies, rules and regulations, Standard Uniform Practices, and contract provisions:

Gladiators
Nesconset Athletic Association
Sts. Philip & James CYO

XI. PERSONNEL

A. Certified – The following Certified Personnel Items were presented for the Board’s approval (Attachment XI. A. 1-11):

1. Approval Coordinator Student Volunteers NYSSMA
2. Appointment of Substitute Teachers
3. Appointment of Volunteers
4. Appointment of Home Instruction Tutor(s)
5. Appointment of Event Chaperone

6. Appointment of Instructional Specialist(s)
7. Appointment of Part-time Teacher(s)
8. Certifications
9. FMLA, Leave of Absence W/O Pay
10. Increase of Assignment/Change of Status
11. Comment

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the Certified Personnel Items 1-11 as detailed in the attached resolutions.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

B. Classified - The following Classified Personnel Items were presented for the Board's approval (Attachment XI. B. 1-5):

1. Change of Status
2. Leave of Absence Unpaid
3. Leave of Absence – Reason(s)
4. Resignation
5. Terminations

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

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

XII. NEW BUSINESS – none.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the meeting be adjourned at 11:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Wilson
District Clerk