

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

April 27, 2010

Held in Joseph M. Barton Bldg.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Robert Rossi, President of the Board of Education. On motion by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Liguori, 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. Knox moved, Mr. Rossi seconded, and the Board reconvened the Regular Meeting.

Members present:

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| Theresa Knox  | Joseph T. Saggese |
| Louis Liguori | Gladys M. Waldron |
| Robert Rossi  |                   |

Members absent:

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| Neil S. Carlin | Scott Martella |
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Also present:

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

**OPENING CEREMONY** - conducted by Mr. Rossi.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Section A - Correspondence - The following correspondence was presented for the Board's review.

1. Letter to Board of Education from Joan Pisano regarding memorial garden.
2. Letter to Mr. Scott Martella from Smithtown Math Honor Society "TEAM" regarding thank you.
3. Letter to Board of Education from the Neglia family regarding appreciation for expression of sympathy.
4. Letter to Board of Education from the Popowitch family regarding appreciation for expression of sympathy.
5. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi from Mr. Patrick Smith regarding invitation.
6. Letter to Mr. Robert Rossi, President, from Ms. Mary Mills regarding invitation.
7. Letter to Board of Education from Robert Urbancik regarding sports.
8. Letter to Board of Education from John Coady and Edwin Thompson regarding graduation invitation.
9. Letter to Board of Education from Joan Pisano regarding donation.

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

Discussion – Mrs. Waldron asked if any response had been given to Joan Pisano regarding letter #'s 1 and 9. Mr. Ehmann responded that the policy is that an individual must be deceased for one year before a dedication. The department is going to submit a

gift of shrubberies and a tree to enhance the campus and then after the year goes by they will write another letter and ask if they can put a memorial sign up on Mannie's behalf.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

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

### **OLD BUSINESS**

The Superintendent reported that he hosted a meeting with the Town of Smithtown, Kings Park, Hauppauge and Commack school districts to discuss the topic of natural gas purchase on the Mercantile Exchange. The outcome of the meeting is that Smithtown and Kings Park school districts will be bidding together on fixed gas supply. Another topic discussed was how the Town is moving forward with compressed natural gas. The consensus was that as more pumping stations are built we will look into converting some buses into natural gas. A third topic discussed was recycling and waste management. The Town has offered to accept our recyclables with no tipping fees. Currently Detail Carting picks up all of our recyclables and separates them at their transfer station. We have some buildings that are separating them on site. The Town will accept the recyclables but we have to collect them and get them there. The reality for us is that many of our glass and bottles are already recycled through our custodial staff. There are very few bottles and cans going into the waste stream because of that. For our cardboard we have a deal where we are not charged for pick up. We are looking at ways that perhaps Smithtown and Kings Park can work with the Town to see if the Town can get some of our things so that we can improve the flow; but we are not looking to add more expense to our operation by hiring someone or purchasing vehicles just to collect garbage or recyclables all day and bring them over to the Town. The Town is very knowledgeable, helpful and willing to work with us, but right now we are comfortable with the status quo. We do recycle cardboard. Mr. Saggese asked what the difference is from buying gas from LIPA or on the Exchange. Mr. Ehmann responded that our temperature control system gives the District the ability to go from natural gas to oil depending on the best method. Our Plant Facilities Manager feels that although the fixed rate is quite low right now it probably won't stay that low forever. If we sign a contract where we are just going to use the fixed rate gas, we would be locked into that system. He prefers the temperature control system right now. Ms. Niles stated that once you have a fixed rate you can't go back to oil; that is the problem. Ms. Niles said the Mercantile would save you a little bit, but we don't have that many buildings with fixed rate. Mr. Ehmann noted that the consortium meeting was a good idea which we will continue to participate in every few months.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Business Affairs**

Mr. Saggese reported that a Business Affairs Committee meeting was held April 14<sup>th</sup>; and the next one will be held May 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Facilities**

Mr. Liguori reported that a Facilities Committee meeting was held April 8<sup>th</sup>.

The Superintendent reported that discussion has been held about installing some surveillance cameras at the two high schools to keep the athletic complexes under surveillance. Other items under discussion are: replacing the auditorium carpet at both high schools; repairing the West stage floor and replacing the stage floor at East. The Booster Club may help us with the purchase of storage trailers on both the east and west side of town to help house some of the athletic equipment. We also want to put a trailer on the east and west side of town for the drama clubs. Tackan is also getting a trailer to house the choral risers due to the Fire Marshal's concerns. All of these items are being costed out.

## **Negotiations**

Mr. Rossi asked to review negotiations dates. With regard to the STA contract Mrs. Ricigliano stated that there have been two meetings and meetings are scheduled for May 3, 18 and June 16 and 21. Mr. Saggese questioned the reason for almost a month between the May and June dates. Mr. Rossi asked what dates had been scheduled for negotiations with the SSEA. Mrs. Ricigliano responded that there are no dates scheduled for the SSEA negotiations yet. Mr. Saggese expressed his displeasure that negotiations with the two unions do not seem to be moving forward within a timely fashion. Mr. Rossi agreed with Mr. Saggese's statements regarding moving forward with these contracts.

## **Policy**

Mrs. Knox stated that she and Mr. Martella will be scheduling a Policy Meeting.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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

- On April 20<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Education adopted a budget of \$211,486,370 for 2010-2011. The public will go to the polls on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, to vote on the proposal, which is \$226,370 more than the 2009-2010 budget, less than a quarter of a percent increase.
- Due to school closings during the winter snowstorms, there will be a number of calendar changes in May. School will be in session for all K-12 students on May 10, and school will be closed for all K-12 students on May 12. On May 17, school will be closed for K-5 students, but will be in session for all secondary students. School will be in session for all K-12 students on May 28.
- The Smithtown School District will be hosting a press conference concerning the “Too Good for Drugs” program which is being implemented in Smithtown’s middle schools. It will be held at Accomsett Middle School on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Ehmann asked the Board to consider having the police department bring its canine unit into the school during the school day.
- Earth Day was celebrated throughout the district with a variety of green projects
- 15 Smithtown High School students are being recognized at the U.S. Department of the Treasury and U.S. Department of Education 2010 National Financial Awards Ceremony on April 30 at the New York Stock Exchange. They will participate in a learning program and the ringing of the closing bell.
- SHS West senior Eric Caruso was selected as a 2010 U.S. Presidential Scholar Semifinalist.
- Two Smithtown HS East Research students, Lucas Spangher and Alexander Spangher, have won the Silver Medal at the International Sustainable World Project Olympiad held in Houston, Texas.
- Brian Ralph, a junior at SHS West, has been awarded a prestigious Simons Summer Research Fellowship to conduct scientific research at SUNY Stony Brook this summer. Brian has been working with Dr. Alan Turner on the classification of a variety of newly discovered reptiles from the Late Triassic Period.
- Andrew Arniotes, a junior at SHS East, and Elena Faverio, a junior at SHS West, have been selected as winners of the Dartmouth Book Award.
- The Smithtown Teachers’ Association is adopting two local heroes. Both former Smithtown students, Cpl. Steven Bayne and Cpt. Brett Chereskin, are currently serving overseas on active duty in the Armed Services. The STA is sending them supplies and letters from their former teachers.
- High School West senior James Snak was chosen for the News 12 Scholar Athletic Award.
- Taylor Medwig, a sophomore at Smithtown High School East, won First Place in the American Society of Human Genetics National DNA Day Essay Contest. Alexandra

McHale and Emily Shea received Honorable Mention. Teacher Maria Trinkle will receive a check to purchase new laboratory equipment.

- Tackan Elementary School received a new school sign courtesy of the Tackan PTA.
- Alexandra McHale, a sophomore at SHS East, is a Finalist in the island wide 2010 Long Island President's Council Essay contest.

## **B. BOCES Budget Vote & Election of Board Members**

### **BOCES Budget**

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Smithtown Central School District approve the 2010-2011 Administrative Budget for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Second Supervisory District of Suffolk, (Western Suffolk BOCES) NY.

All aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

### **BOCES Board Members**

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Smithtown Central School District cast its vote in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County, (Western Suffolk BOCES), NY for: Mrs. Mildred Browne, Mrs. Ilene Herz, Esq. and Mrs. Maryann Zumpano.

All aye. Motion carried. (5-0)

## **C. Committee on Preschool Special Education**

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

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

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 P311365, P311089, P311170 and P310958 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 P308497, P310557A, P310557, P310558, P310594, P309364, P309770, P309772, P309641, P309150A, P309150, P310381, P310725, P308938, P309207, P308308, P309648, P309370, P309763, P309379, P309654, P310836, P308663, P310475A, P310475, P310419A, P310419, P310418 and P310647 be approved.

## **D. Committee on Special Education**

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

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

1. Committee on Special Education - RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for cases 309892, 309537, 310837, 301950, 310892, 310617, 307659, 172146 and 308497 be approved.
2. Sub-Committee on Special Education - RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Special Education for cases 301289, 310110, 306804,

306684, 308041, 303109, 302757, 305934, 302374, 302927, 200269, 302418, 305877, 305928, 305797, 303415, 305825, 304358, 301121, 301120, 306949, 304700, 181217, 310568, 308604, 309351, 309744, 309760, 300294, 301339, 302344, 300971, 305696, 306429, 308558, 158260, 175438, 152480, 184799, 186689, 158430, 304130, 301190, 303132, 201017, 300825, 301913, 304855, 301191, 309926, 304372, 306055, 305623, 303512, 303477, 304059, 184949, 187529, 184849, 153950, 156340, 193279, 300370, 300304, 300305, 300389, 308565, 302168, 302919, 305686, 200171, 300264, 301454, 303918, 300794, 300490, 200408, 200062, 200826, 200827, 304036, 305814, 306260, 304631, 307496, 310488, 308428, 301139, 309590, 301384, 302724, 309455, 300302, 306097, 160790, 300698, 301704, 304078, 303548, 301289, 200287 and 301289 be approved.

**E. Calendar for April and May 2010** - The calendars were reviewed and amended by the Board.

**F. Litigation** – was discussed during the earlier Executive Session.

### **INSTRUCTIONAL REPORT**

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving Instructional Overnight Field Trip Item A.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

**A. Overnight Field Trip Request – Smithtown High School East Model UN Club – May 14-15, 2010 – Model UN Conference – New York, NY** – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that permission is granted for 28 students from Smithtown High School East Model UN Club to attend the UNA-USA High School Model UN Conference at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York, NY. Students will depart May 14, 2010 and return May 15, 2010.

### **AUDIENCE**

1. Denise McMahon, parent of a Special Education student, spoke of some of the wonderful things that her son has accomplished this year. Ms. McMahon spoke of how the Special Ed. teachers had positively affected the lives of their students. Ms. McMahon had one request, to move the adaptive gym class into the gym, not have it held in the hallway.
2. Pam Farino asked how the recent rain affected the Branch Brook area and where are we with the Security Guard contract.
3. Rich Schlomann suggested that the District not be dilatory in its negotiating of the STA and SSEA contracts and asked that it share progress reports as often as possible with the public. Mr. Schlomann also made mention of the concessions that some teachers' unions have made this year.
4. Bob Urbancik apologized for an incorrect statement he had made about equity in sports teams. Mr. Urbancik stated that there seems to be some inequity between the two high schools in terms of maintenance. He suggested that in the future the District put several small bond amounts out to the public rather than one very large one.
5. Kathy Sullivan questioned the proposed program cuts in the budget; suggesting that alternative ways should be found to control the budget.

**BUSINESS AFFAIRS**

**A. Finance**

MOTION by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Saggese separating Finance **Item 10 to be voted on independently**. Vote to separate carried unanimously.

Discussion

**Item #5** – Mr. Liguori asked how the District is responding to the recommendations in the Internal Auditor’s Report on Transportation. Ms. Niles stated that you will get a written response for this report plus two others probably at the next BOE meeting. Some of the recommendations have already been implemented.

**Item #7** – Mr. Saggese stated that the Dental Claims Administration report was poor. He asked Ms. Niles to provide the BOE with the amount that J.J. Stanis is paid yearly. Ms. Niles stated that Stanis will be responding to the report.

**Item #1** – Mr. Saggese asked why three baritone saxophones were being replaced. Mrs. Cahill responded that the instruments had aged out.

**Item #4** – Mr. Saggese questioned the Cooperative Bid – Educational Data Services, Package #8, Chalkboard Resurfacing – Young Equipment Sales Inc. He requested that the BOE be given how much money was spent last year on chalkboard resurfacing and the total payments for this school year and the prior year to the vendor, Young Equipment Sales.

**Item #10** – Mr. Rossi asked for clarification on the facilities truck purchase. Ms. Niles responded that this came up during a Facilities Committee Meeting. They were asked to prioritize a list of things they want based on the amount of money they still had. A pickup truck with a lift was one of their priorities along with a ball field rake. Mr. Rossi asked if the truck had not been one of the last two truck purchases. Ms. Niles responded, no, the last two truck purchases were one to replace an ’82 Ford; the other replaced an ’84 Chevy. This one will be replacing a ’90 International truck. They are looking to have a truck that has a lift to be used picking up the 55 gallon drums and when Tackan is finished it will need to be plowed. This will be a smaller vehicle that can go up and plow in there. Ms. Niles added that the State contract was won by the same company that gave us the good price on the other two trucks. Mr. Rossi requested that in the future the BOE be provided with a little information about the vehicle that is being replaced.

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

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving Finance **Item 10**.

YES Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Waldron  
NO Mr. Liguori, Mr. Saggese, Mr. Rossi

**VOTE DID NOT CARRY (2-3).**

1. Budgetary 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: | 2855-465-51-0000 | Equipment Repair | \$11,000.00 |             |
| TO:   | 2855-469-51-0000 | Plant Project    |             | \$11,000.00 |

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|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| FROM: See attached | \$321,876.67 |              |
| TO: See attached   |              | \$321,876.67 |

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

- 10-2 General Supplies
- 10-3 Art Supplies
- 10-06 Technology and Industrial Arts Supplies
- 10-12 Digital Photocopier Machine Rental
- 10-15 District Vehicle Repair

3. Revision of the March 23, 2010 Meeting -Establishment of Petty Cash Funds - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following name change be made under the Establishment of Petty Cash Funds for the Smithtown High School West Principal from Leon Beckerman to John Coady.

4. Participation in Cooperative Bids – Educational Data 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 participation of the Smithtown Central School District in the New York Skilled Trades Time & Material/Ancillary Bid Program, with the Clarkstown Central School District acting as the lead agency, using the following organization, at the rate of \$1650.00 per year, effective April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2011:

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

5. Internal Auditor’s Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures – Transportation - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures, related to the operations of the Transportation Department, dated December 11, 2009, issued by the District’s Internal Auditor, Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen & Danowski, LLP.

6. Appointments of Authorized Signers of the Extra Classroom Activity Accounts - upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following individuals be appointed as authorized signers of the Extra Classroom Activity Accounts of each school:

|                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| John Coady     | Smithtown High School West     |
| Molly Micciche | Mt. Pleasant Elementary School |

7. External Auditor’s Review of Dental Claims Administration - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education acknowledge receipt of the Review of Dental Claims Administration as provided by J. J. Stanis & Company, Inc. for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, submitted by R.S. Abrams & Company, LLP.

8. Contract for Multisensory Workshop - 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 with the following organization, to present a half day Multisensory Workshop on the basic of a Multisensory Structured Language Program, for School District Administrators and Building Principals, on May 4, 2010, at the rate of \$750.00:

L & M Educational Consulting  
905 Main Street  
Pt. Jefferson, NY 11777

The funds for this workshop will be paid for through the ARRA 611 funds.

- 9. Agreements - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that an agreement between the Smithtown Central School District and Employee A, dated April 6, 2010 is approved and be if further RESOLVED, that an agreement between the Smithtown Central School District and Employee B, dated April 13, 2010 is approved.
- 10. Facilities Truck Purchase - upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Facilities Department to purchase one truck whose cost exceeds the \$20,000.00 policy limit.

Note: Last years' price was \$29,374.50, awaiting new State Contract.  
(ITEM DID NOT CARRY)

**Operations**

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

Discussion

**Item #1** – Mr. Saggese asked for clarification of the donation of a car. Mrs. Cahill responded that it is used by our auto repair program.

**Item #3** – Mr. Saggese asked if this is the first year that the sports team is using our facilities. Ms. Niles responded yes, and they will be using Accomsett and Great Hollow fields; it is a fourth grade travel team. Mr. Saggese noted that he had wanted to make sure the team was not going to be using the artificial turf field. Mr. Ehmann noted that Pat Smith works with Joan Niles' office to coordinate use of the fields.

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:

|   | <u>Donated By</u>   |
|---|---|
| \$7,672.00 to fund field trips for the 2009-2010 school year                            | Accompsett Elementary parents                                     |
| 1997 Ford Escort Wagon,<br>Serial # 3FALP15P2VR131772                                   | Mr. John Daniggelis<br>143 Caldwell Avenue<br>St. James, NY 11780 |
| Oversized American Flag for Nesaquake Middle School                                     | The Dodd Family<br>4 Fable Road<br>St. James, NY 11780            |
| \$1,059.00.00 for the participation in the Smithtown 2010 NYSSMA Solo/Ensemble Festival | SCSD parents  |
| \$160.00 to the Account for Early Childhood at Smithtown High School West               | SCSD parents  |
| \$2,149.00 for the Edward Viscount III Memorial Scholarship Fund                        | See attached list   |

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 from High School East Library  
High Jump Crash Mat at Nesaquake Middle School  
Olympia Typewriter, serial #66-0090596 at Branch Brook Elementary

3. Additions to List of Organizations Approved to Use School Facilities, 2009-10 and 2010-2011 School Years – upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following organizations, having made formal application, are hereby approved for applying to use school facilities of the Smithtown Central School District during the 2009-10 and 2010-2011 school years, subject to all school district policies, rules and regulations, Standard Uniform Practices and contract provisions.

**2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR**  
Long Island Express Lacrosse, LLC

**2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR**  
Girl Scouts of Suffolk County  
Mt. Pleasant Elementary PTA  
Smithtown Schools Employees’ Association (SSEA)  
Smithtown Teachers’ Association (STA)

**PERSONNEL**

A. **Certified** – The following Certified Personnel Items were presented for the Board’s approval (Attachment IX.A. 1-8):

1. Appointment of Substitute Teacher(s)
2. Appointment of Interim Administrator
3. FMLA, Leave of Absence W/O Pay
4. Increase of Assignment/Additional Class(es)
5. Notice of Retirement(s)
6. Notice of Resignation(s)
7. Particular Personnel – Executive Session
8. Appointment of District AP Proctors

MOTION by Mr. Saggese, seconded by Mr. Rossi separating **Certified Personnel Item 2** to be voted on independently. Vote to separate carried unanimously.

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the **Certified Personnel Items 1, 3-8**, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

MOTION by Mrs. Waldron, seconded by Mrs. Knox approving the **Certified Personnel Item 2**, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

YES Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Waldron  
NO Mr. Liguori, Mr. Saggese, Mr. Rossi

**VOTE ON CERTIFIED PERSONNEL ITEM 2 DID NOT CARRY (2-3).**

Discussion

Mr. Rossi offered to clarify the previous vote. This was a motion to approve an Interim Administrator for HS East to replace the open Assistant Principal position. Presently there are two Assistant Principals at HS East, this was a recommendation put forward to the Board to approve, or not approve, filling the position. Mr. Rossi said that his position is that at this point in time we are in April; it is not that HS East does not deserve a third Assistant Principal. But I feel very strongly at this time that reductions to overall expenditures are important. For the two months that we have going forward I would like to see the money saved on Assistant Principals so that we could spend it somewhere else.

Mrs. Knox said that she cannot think of anything more important than an Assistant Principal.

Mrs. Waldron said that she supports an interim Assistant Principal. Anyone that knows education knows that this time of year is critical for more supervision, more guidance and an interim definitely is needed at this particular time of the year in a high school.

Mr. Saggese said that he is not going to vote to spend \$20,000 when we are laying off people and buying trucks and things like that. Six weeks to go without an Assistant Principal I don't think is a tremendous hardship. We went a whole year with just two Assistant Principals when we were recovering from contingency. The Assistant Principals at East are doing a splendid job and for six weeks they can get through it. This is a temporary position while we look for a replacement.

Mrs. Ricigliano congratulated the retirees upon their retirement.  
Mr. Rossi, on behalf of the Board, also congratulated the retirees.

**B. Classified** - The following Classified Personnel Items were presented for the Board's approval (Attachment IX.B.1-9):

1. Appointments
2. Appointments- Reason(s)
3. Change of Status
4. Change of Status – Reason(s)
5. Election Worker(s)
6. Leave of Absence Unpaid
7. Leave of Absence – Reason(s)
8. Retirements
9. Terminations

MOTION by Mr. Saggese, seconded by Mr. Rossi separating **Classified Personnel Item 8** to be voted on independently.

YES Mr. Saggese, Mr. Rossi  
NO Mr. Liguori, Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Waldron

Motion to separate Classified Personnel Item 8 did not carry (2-3)

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the Classified Personnel Items 1-9, as detailed in the attached resolutions.

Mr. Saggese voted No, all others voted Yes. Motion carried (4-1).

Mrs. Ricigliano congratulated the retirees upon their retirement.  
Mr. Rossi, on behalf of the Board, also congratulated the retirees.

**C. Registered Nurse(s)** – The following Registered Nursing Personnel Item was presented for the Board's approval (Attachment IX.C.1):

1. Change of Status

MOTION by Mrs. Knox, seconded by Mrs. Waldron approving the Nursing Personnel Item 1, as detailed in the attached resolution.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

**NEW BUSINESS** – none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Mr. Saggese, seconded by Mrs. Knox that the meeting be adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

All aye. Motion carried (5-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Wilson  
District Clerk