BRIDGEHAMPTON U.F.S.D.
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 23, 2009
Meeting Type: Board of Education Workshop Meeting
Present: Elizabeth Kotz, Nicki Hemby, Lillian Tyree, Carol Kalish, Douglas DeGroot
Dr. Dianne Youngblood, Superintendent,
Dr. Chesterton, Business Administrator, John Pryor, Principal,
Joyce Manigo, District Clerk
Absent: Joseph Berhalter, Ronnie White

I. ROUTINE MATTERS:
   A) Call to Order by the President upon her having ascertained the presence of a Quorum, Saluting the flag and Roll Call at 7:10 P.M.
   B) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Revised Proposed BOE Agenda dated November 23, 2009.
      Motion: Kalish Seconded: Tyree Vote: 5-0
   C) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education dated on November 9, 2009.
      Motion: Kalish Seconded: Tyree Vote: 5-0
   D) Invitation to visitors to address the Board of Education on agenda items
   E) Communications
   F) Board of Education Items
   G) Consideration of additional items for the Agenda

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
   A. Annual Thanksgiving Feast, November 24 2009, Early Dismissal from the Bridgehampton Community House
   B. Thanksgiving Recess; November 25, 2009 (District Open) through 26, 27, 2009 (District Closed)
   C. Winter Concert, Wednesday, December 9, 2009- Grades Pre K -2 will perform @ 7:00 PM
   D. Winter Concert, Thursday, December 10, 2009- Grades 3-12 will perform @ 7:00 PM
   E. Next Board of Education Regular Meeting, December 14, 2009 at 7:00 PM
   F. Budget Advisory Committee Meeting, November 23, 2009 at 8:15 AM

III. REPORTS:
   A) Report of the Strategic Planning Council
      Ms. Bonnie Cannon, represented the Strategic Planning Council and gave a brief presentation reviewing the accreditation protocols, and making a recommendation to the board as to which one they thought should be chosen for Bridgehampton School. She first explained why accreditation is important. Accredited schools can be trusted by the public to be what they claim they are and to do what they claim to do. Accreditation encourages and facilitates school improvement. It examines the entire school. She furthered explain that the committee chose Middle States verses other accreditation because of its flexibility in protocols and it allowed schools to customize according to school's uniqueness. There were three protocols: Accreditation for Growth, Excellence by Design, and Reflections on Standards of Quality.
The Committee did not choose Reflections on Standards of Quality because this protocol was based on existing results and not looking toward the future. The other major reason this protocol was not chosen because it only included staff, teachers, and the board. The Committee wanted something that would include the entire community in the process.

This left Accreditation for Growth and Excellence by Design. These two protocols are very similar. Both protocols look toward improving areas of student performance. The difference is that Excellence by Design also looks at improving the organization’s capacity. In Accreditation for Growth you must look at minimum of two measurable objectives for areas of student performance. In Excellence by Design you must have a minimum of three measurable objectives for areas identified as priorities for growth and improvement in student performance and organizational capacity.

Hence, the Committee chose Excellence by Design. Excellence by Design leads the school to establish objectives for improving student performance and organizational capacity. It is a future-oriented and visionary process. It provides for a continuous review of programs and services and of results of student performance. It also allows diverse constituent groups to participate in charting the future of the institution.

After Ms. Cannon’s presentation the Board unanimously agreed to the following:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the recommendation of the Strategic Planning Advisory Council to proceed with the protocol, “Excellence by Design” for the Middle states Accreditation Process.

Motion: Kalish  Seconded:  Hemby  Vote:  5-0

IV.  OLD BUSINESS
V.  NEW BUSINESS:
VI.  INVITATION TO VISITORS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON TOPICS DISCUSSED ABOVE.

VII.  SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS:
A)  Finance Matters
1)  Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts warrant #12 Fund A with 72 claims in the amount of $210,535.33; warrant #4 Fund T and A with 43 claim in the amount of $266,994.63; and warrant #6 Fund C with 1 claim in the amount of $18,852.33; warrant #6 Fund F with 1 claim in the amount of $2,985.44 and warrant #5 Fund T with 13 claims in the amount of $80,481.27

Motion:  Hemby  Seconded:  Tyree  Vote:  5-0
2)  Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the following budget transfer:
   From A1621400 (Maintenance of Plant) to A1620481 (Fuel Oil) in the amount of $17,714.45.

Motion:  Hemby  Seconded:  Tyree  Vote:  5-0
B) Personnel
   1) Resignations
   2) Leaves
   3) Assignments
      a) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the contract with Dr. Christine Borelli Grout as a private provider for Consultant services to those students referred by the District through the Committee on Special Education, from November 24, 2009 through September 10, 2010, at a rate of $850 per Psycho-educational evaluation; $900-$1,500 per Neuropsychological evaluation; and $100 per hour to attend CSE meetings, and authorizes the Board President to sign.

      Motion: Hemby   Seconded: Tyree   Vote: 5-0

      b) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves Emily Bono as a volunteer Assistant Cheerleading Coach for the 2009-2010 school year.

      Motion: Hemby   Seconded: Tyree   Vote: 5-0

C) Use of Facilities
D) Committee on Special Education

   Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD convenes into an executive session to discuss the following concerns; CSEA Contract Modification; and School Leadership Information at 7:40 P.M.

   Motion: Tyree   Seconded: Kalish   Vote: 5-0

   Resolved that the Board of Education resumes back into public session at 8:00 PM

   Motion: Kalish   Seconded: Tyree   Vote: 5-0

   Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the CSEA request to consider the contract modification stated in their letter dated November 17, 2009.

   Motion: Tyree   Seconded: Hemby   Vote: 5-0

Resolved that the meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

   Motion: Kalish   Seconded: Tyree   Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Crews-Manigo
District Clerk