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

Date: February 8, 2010
Meeting Type: Board of Education Regular Meeting
Present: Elizabeth Kotz, Nicki, Hemby, Lillian Tyree, Carol Kalish, Joe Berhalter, Douglas DeGroot, Ronnie White
Dr. Dianne Youngblood, Superintendent, Dr. Chesterton, Business Administrator,
Joyce Manigo, District Clerk, Tom Volz & Jeff Mongelli, School Attorneys
Absent: John L. Pryor

I. ROUTINE MATTERS:
A) Call to Order by the President upon his/her having ascertained the presence of a Quorum, Saluting the Flag and Roll Call at 7:05 PM.
B) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Proposed BOE Agenda dated February 8, 2010.
   Motion: Tyree Seconded: Kalish Vote: 7-0
C) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education dated on January 27, 2010.
   Motion: Tyree Seconded: Kalish Vote: 7-0
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. Next Building & Grounds Committee Meeting, February 11, 2010 at 9:00 AM
B. President’s Day, District Closed, February 15, 2010
C. Mid winter Recess, School Closed, District Open, February 16-19, 2010
D. Next Policy, Committee Meeting, February 24, 2010 at 4:30 PM
E. Next Board of Education Workshop Meeting, February 24, 2010 at 6:00 PM
F. Next District Safety Committee Meeting, February 25, 2010 at 2:00 PM
G. Other

III. REPORTS:
A) Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Youngblood discussed the following topics:
   - Dr. Youngblood shared that the budgeting process was put on hold for the next few weeks so that she and Mr. Pryor could meet with faculty and community members to talk about future plans for the district and the need to replace the five retiring teachers.
   - She announced that she and Mr. Pryor will meet with parents of next year 9th graders of the Springs School District to further the discussion regarding having Bridgehampton as one of their School of Choice for the 2010-2011 school year.
   - Lastly Dr. Youngblood talked shared that she and some internal coordinators attended a Middle States Accreditation Meeting to learn the process. She shared that everyone who attended thought it was going to be a rigorous task but worth the time to do it.
She explained that the accreditation is highly respected and recognized throughout the world as a gold standard and she believed that Bridgehampton was ready for the big step.

B) Bridgehampton Teachers’ Association Presentation by Helen Wolfe – Mrs. Wolfe, the President of the Bridgehampton Teachers Association read a statement on behalf of the Teachers, emphasizing that not replacing five retiring teachers could severely impact the programs that currently functioning at Bridgehampton with great success. She explained some of the challenges that they are facing such as the 1) Middle States Accreditation Process; 2) the increase in State mandates; and 3) most important is continuing to build on successes of the last several years.

C) Presentation by Ms. Bonnie Cannon – Ms. Bonnie Cannon, a parent of the district, presented two proposals for the board’s consideration. First she presented information regarding uniforms. She talked about the pros (preventing gang colors, promotes professionalism, promotes good discipline, reduces fighting and violence, reduces distraction, school spirit etc.) and the cons (suppresses individuality, causes discipline problems, religious freedom violated and has little or no relationship to academics, etc) to school uniforms. Secondly, she talked about Powerschool/Eschool or a similar web-based student information system that enable educators to make timely decisions that impact student performance while creating a collaborative environment for parents, teachers and student to work together. Mrs. Kotz, BOE President suggested to Ms. Cannon that both proposals should be addressed at the building level before the Board would get involved.

D) Principal’s Report – Mr. Pryor was absent from this meeting.

E) Interim Business Administrator’s Report – Dr. Chesterton shared that the district’s current tax rate might remain the same as last year (about $1510 for a home assessed at $1 million). Other factors such as incoming state aid and the amount the district contributes to the retirement system will influence the rate.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:
A) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Window Replacement Project presentation by Paul Rogers, of Chaleff & Rogers Architects, on January 27, 2010; and authorizes Chaleff & Rogers Architects to file the necessary paperwork with NYSED Facilities Office upon the district’s receipt of voter approval to expend up to $1,350,000 for the window replacement project.

Motion: Tyree Seconded: Hemby Vote: 7-0

V. NEW BUSINESS:
A) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the placement of a proposition on the May 18, 2010 Budget Ballot for voters to approve bonding, up to $1,350,000, for capital improvements to include: the window replacement project; Installation of a protective EIF system over the south brick wall; replacement of all exterior cladding and trim at kindergarten bay; application of masonry sealer to all masonry surfaces; and correction of code related items from the 2005 Five Year Facilities Plan.

Motion: Tyree Seconded: Kalish Vote: 7-0
B) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the first reading to rescind the following Policies:
Policy #4010 (Equivalence in Instructional Staff and Materials); Policy #4112 and 4112-R (School Day); Policy #4113 (School Closings); Policy #4220 (Pilot Projects) and Policy 4240 (Curriculum Guide and Course Outlines).

Motion: Kalish  Seconded: Tyree  Vote: 7-0

C) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the first reading of policy #4200 to replace the original Policy 4200 and to cover policies 4220 and 4240.

Motion: Kalish  Seconded: Tyree  Vote: 7-0

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 #18 Fund A with 44 claims in the amount of $434,798.16; warrant #10 Fund C with 1 claim in the amount of $99.95 and warrant #11 Fund T with 12 claims in the amount of $91,991.81.

Motion: Hemby  Seconded: Kalish  Vote: 7-0

2) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Appropriation Status Report for the period 07/01/09-06/30/10.

Motion: Hemby  Seconded: Kalish  Vote: 7-0

3) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Revenue Budget Status Report for the period 07/01/09-06/30/10.

Motion: Hemby  Seconded: Kalish  Vote: 7-0

4) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Treasurer’s Report for the month of January 2010.

Motion: Hemby  Seconded: Kalish  Vote: 7-0

**ADDITION TO THE AGENDA:**

**Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Extra Classroom Activity Report for January.

Motion: Hemby  Seconded: Kalish  Vote: 7-0

B) **Personnel**
1) **Resignations**
2) **Leaves**
3) **Assignments**
C) Use of Facilities
D) Committee on Special Education
E) Other

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD convenes into an executive session to discuss personnel concerns at 8:30 P.M.

Motion: Kalish    Seconded: Tyree    Vote: 7-0

Resolved that the Board of Education resumes back into public session 8:30 PM

Motion: Kalish    Seconded: Tyree    Vote: 7-0

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Crews-Manigo
District Clerk