

**Bridgehampton Union Free School District
Board of Education Business Meeting
Wednesday, November 16, 2022
6:00PM - Gymnasium
MINUTES**

I. ROUTINE MATTERS

- A)** Upon having ascertained the presence of a Quorum and Roll Call, the President called the meeting to order at 6:03PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Ronald White, President; Jennifer Vinski, Vice President; Trustees: Kathleen McClelland, Markanthony Verzosa, Angela Chmielewski; Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools; Michael Cox, Assistant Principal; Michael Cipriani, Interim School Business Administrator; Michael Mack, Director for PPS; Tammy A Cavanaugh, District Clerk

Excused: Jo Ann Comfort, Trustee

Counsel: Michael G. Vigliotta, Esq.

Guests: Theresa Roden and Jill Raynor of i-Tri
Jessica, Juliette, Savannah and Isla Cox

Students: Destiny Parker, Kate Vinski and Olivia LaSerna

Community Members: Aleta Parker, Erling Hope, Vasthi Michel, Kim Jones

- B) Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Proposed Board of Education Agenda, dated November 16, 2022.

Motion: J. Vinski Second: K. McClelland Vote: 5-0

- C) Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the minutes of the October 21, 2022 Special Meeting of the Board.

Motion: J. Vinski Second: K. McClelland Vote: 5-0

- D) Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the minutes of the October 26, 2022 Meeting of the Board.

Motion: J. Vinski Second: M. Verzosa Vote: 5-0

- E) Invitation to the Public:** The public at this time is cordially invited to bring before the Board any comments, questions or concerns.

- F) Invitation to visitors to address the Board of Education on agenda items.**

- G) Communications**

***6:06PM – Carla Lillie arrived**

H) Board of Education Discussion Items

1) Theresa Roden of i-Tri

I) Consideration of additional items for the Agenda

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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| (a) November 21 | Early Dismissal at 11:05am for Parent/Teacher Conf. |
| (b) November 21 | Report Cards Mailed Home |
| (c) November 22 | Thanksgiving Feast, Go Home Early Drill |
| (d) November 23 | Thanksgiving Recess; No Classes; District Open |
| (e) November 24-25 | Thanksgiving Recess |
| (f) November 28 | Field Trip: Suffolk County Correctional Facility |
| (g) December 2 | Night in the Hive – 5:00pm - Gymnasium |
| (h) December 6 | Field Trip: Hamptons Doc Fest – Young Voices at the Cinema – Bay Street Theatre |
| (i) December 14 | BOE Meeting – 6pm – Gymnasium |

III. REPORT

A) Superintendent of Schools

My Brother's Keeper Grant: Ms. Cannon and I are meeting with Dr. Anael Alston, NYS Education Department Assistant Commissioner for Access, Equity, and Community Engagement, to discuss how the District and Child Care Center can partner to apply for the My Brother's Keeper Grant. This initiative is designed to support boys and young men of color, and all students, by closing and eliminating the opportunity gaps they face and helping them to reach their full potential.

Regional Educational Programming on LTV: In collaboration with superintendents in the region, we have partnered with LTV to develop educational content for broadcast that will showcase the district's initiatives and the accomplishments of our students and staff. This month's program, which features Bridgehampton UFSD, East Hampton UFSD, and Southampton UFSD, will highlight the potential for opportunities for students on the East End through shared services and CTE programs.

Slow Food East End: I am meeting with Maria Plitt from Slow Foods East End to discuss how we can renew collaboration with the District. I am also hoping that the organization has an interest in being involved in our after-school program.

SCMEA Administrators Dinner: Mike Cox and I represented Bridgehampton at the annual SCMEA Administrators Dinner to show our support and appreciation for our music educators, as well as the work of the organization in promoting music education and opportunities for students throughout Suffolk County.

Partnership with Hayground and Child Care Center for a Community Event: I am working with representatives from Hayground and the Child Care Center to host a community event, *An Evening With Alfie Cohn*, which would be held at the Bridgehampton School in January, 2023, as

part of our 21st Century grant program. Alfie Cohn is a progressive thinker, author, and lecturer in the areas of education, parenting, and human behavior. The next day, there will be an opportunity for select staff members from Hayground and Bridgehampton to participate in a professional development opportunity at the Child Care Center.

Fall Newsletter: This month, I collaborated with representatives from Syntax to prepare the fall newsletter, which will be in homes by the end of November.

Superintendent's Conference Day: With input from the Leadership Team and Curriculum Committee, we held our Superintendent's Conference Day on November 8, 2022. The entire day was devoted to the Google Classroom curriculum initiative, which had been successfully piloted at the secondary level. Teachers involved in the pilot last year will present to the faculty, and will provide support for their colleagues as we move forward with this initiative for the entire district.

Meetings With Student Council: Throughout the month, I have been participating in meetings of the Student Council to discuss their concerns and ideas. We are currently working on concerns about the dress code and student driving privileges. As I have previously reported, the students are very thoughtful, well-informed, respectful, and reasonable in their approach to these matters.

Twenty-First Century Community Learning Center (21stCCLC) Bees' Hive Grant Update: As mentioned previously, the 21st CCLC Bees' Hive Advisory Committee will be meeting this month to assess the program, including areas of success and areas in need of improvement. The committee includes Board members, students, parents, staff, and community partners.

We also conducted outreach to Bridgehampton families whose children presently attend non-public schools to see if they may be interested in attending the after school program, which will serve as a great introduction to these families regarding all that the Bridgehampton School has to offer.

Committee Meetings: Please see the summary for each committee that met this month, below:

Policy: The district subscribes to the NYSSBA policy updates service. The recommended updates were reviewed by counsel and compared to the district's existing policies:

Policy 5300-25 Student Dress Code – While the District has significant discretion with regard to the contents of this policy, NYSSBA's recommended revisions are legally sufficient.

Policy 0115 Student Harassment & Bullying Prevention & Intervention – The NYSSBA sample policy is legally sufficient and recommended.

Policy 2310 Regular Meetings – The NYSSBA recommended revisions are legally sufficient and recommended.

Policy 2325 Videoconferencing of Board Meetings – Bridgehampton UFSD does not currently have this policy; however, Counsel recommend that the Board adopt this policy in its entirety.

Policy 2340 Notice of Meetings: – The NYSSBA recommended revisions are legally

sufficient and recommended.

Policy 2360 Minutes - The NYSSBA recommended revisions are legally sufficient and recommended.

Policy 5205 Eligibility for Cocurricular And Extracurricular Activities – NYSSBA’s recommended revisions are legally sufficient. Many provisions in NYSSBA’s policy are not in the District’s policy and it is within the District’s discretion to choose whether to incorporate them.

Policy 5225 Student Personal Expression - The NYSSBA recommended revisions are legally sufficient and recommended.

Policy 5300-30 Prohibited Student Conduct – The NYSSBA recommended revisions are legally sufficient and recommended.

Policy 5100-R – Student Attendance Regulation (part of Code of Conduct) – No updated version from NYSSBA since our last approval. Committee to review to determine if revisions are recommended.

Policy 5695 Students and Personal Electronic Devices – No updated version from NYSSBA since our last approval (Feb 2022). Headphones/ear buds use specifically to be addressed as well. Committee to review to determine if revisions are recommended.

Strategic Planning Site- Based Committee: This committee will be meeting this month to discuss the role of the committee as it relates to preparation for our Middle States accreditation renewal process; the current accreditation is in place through the 2025-2026 school year.

District Leadership Team Meetings: The District Leadership Team includes the Superintendent, Interim School Business Administrator, Principal, Assistant Principal, and Director for PPS. The Leadership Team meets weekly to discuss a variety of matters pertaining to the effectiveness and success of the organization as it relates to the District's goals and objectives, including, but not limited to: teaching and learning initiatives; student achievement; school and district leadership; human resources issues and personnel needs; and financial, budgetary, operational, facilities, and technology concerns.

Meetings with Parents, Students, Staff, Stakeholders, Residents, Community Leaders and

Organizations: Throughout the month, I conducted formal and informal meetings with parents, students, staff, stakeholders, residents, and community leaders to receive input, feedback, and address specific concerns that individuals and groups bring to my attention, for the benefit of students, families, and the community.

Legal Matters: I consulted with counsel on several personnel issues and other legal matters throughout the month.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the first reading of the following policies, regulations and exhibits: 5300.25 Student Dress Code; 0115 Student Harassment & Bullying Prevention & Intervention; 2310 Regular Meeting; #2325 Videoconferencing of Board Meetings; #2340 Notice of Meetings; #2360 Minutes; #5205 Eligibility for Cocurricular & Extracurricular Activities; #5225 Student Personal Expression; #5300.30 Prohibited Student Conduct; #5100-R Student Attendance Regulation; #5695 Students & Personal Electronic Devices.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: K. McClelland

Vote: 6-0

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A) FINANCIAL MATTERS

*CONSENT AGENDA, ITEMS A1 – A10

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 1) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Claims Auditor Report for October 31, 2022.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 2) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Appropriation Status Report for the period of 07/01/2022 – 10/31/2022.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 3) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Revenue Status Report for the period of 07/01/2022 – 10/31/2022.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 4) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Treasurer's Report for the period of 07/01/2022 – 10/31/2022.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 5) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts Warrant #15 Fund A with 29 Claims in the amount of \$50,949.72.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 6) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts Warrant #3 Fund C, with 8 Claims in the amount of \$5,846.36.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

- 7) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts Warrant #2 Fund H with 1 Claim in the amount of \$1,469,590.27.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

8) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts Warrant #9 Fund CM with 20 Claims in the amount of \$145,425.15.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

9) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Shared Extracurricular Activities Agreement for the Mock Trial Club with the Southampton Union Free School District for the 2022/2023 school year and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

10) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the agreement with Essay Plumbing for the 2022/2023 school year for RPZ and related work/services, subject to review by Counsel.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

B) PERSONNEL

***CONSENT AGENDA, ITEMS B1 – B7**

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

1) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD grants tenure to Michael J. Cox as Assistant Principal, effective January 1, 2023.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

2) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the CSEA for the stipend appointment of Milena White as Clerical Support for the 21st Century Community Learning Center program and as the Central Treasurer for the extraclassroom activity fund for the 22/23 and 23/24 school years and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the agreement.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

3) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the BTA for the appointment of Michael DeRosa as the Community Fitness Center Administrator for the 2022/2023 school year and authorizes the Board President to execute the agreement.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

4) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Bridgehampton Teachers Association regarding the donation of sick days to the sick leave bank of Jenna Pluta and authorizes the Superintendent to sign the agreement, pending review by Counsel.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 6-0

VI. Invitation to the Public: The public at this time is cordially invited to bring before the Board any comments, questions or concerns.

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN at 6:58PM to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters with counsel.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: K. McClelland

Vote: 6-0

***9:25PM – Kathleen McClelland left the meeting**

VIII. MOTION TO RETURN TO Public Session at 9:27PM.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: M. Verzosa

Vote: 5-0

1) Resolved that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves Annette Rivera as a Teacher Substitute for the 2022/2023 school year at the daily rate of \$150.00, pending completion of HR paperwork.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 5-0

IX. MOTION TO ADJOURN at 9:28PM.

Motion: J. Vinski

Second: C. Lillie

Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,



Tammy A. Cavanaugh
District Clerk