

SOUTHAMPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting
Library-William E. Norris School

April 28, 2010
5:00 PM

Call to Order: Kim Schott, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Kimberly Schott, Don Abel, Julie Babyak, Lauren Carmichael, John Fitzpatrick, Craig Jurgensen, Bill Collins, and Cindy Landers.

Visitor: Ann Roy, Cheryl Salomao, Diane Scott, Elizabeth Spath, Mikki Carmichael, Sunday Burke

Routine Matters: On a motion (Fitzpatrick, Carmichael) the minutes of the March 15, 2010 meeting were unanimously approved.

John Fitzpatrick will again do Tiger Talk.

Warrants were reviewed and signed for approval.

Visitors-No business.

Race to the Top: Dr. Jurgensen provided information regarding the Race to the Top and the requirement to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Teachers' Association should the Committee elect to participate. On a motion (Fitzpatrick/Babya) the Chair was authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding for RTTT Phase 2 on behalf of the School Committee, by unanimous vote.

School Calendar: A revised School Calendar was presented, moving two professional development days from November to before school. While there was support to maintain the calendar as presented, discussion was had regarding the benefit of maintaining consistency with the other districts, primarily for purposes of transportation expenses. On a motion (Abel/Carmichael) the calendar as presented was approved 4-1, (Abel, Babyak, Carmichael and Schott in favor, Fitzpatrick opposed)

School Choice: Mr. Collins submitted information regarding available slots in School Choice. After discussion of budgetary issues and the potential impact on staffing, on a motion (Fitzpatrick/Carmichael) it was unanimously approved that the Southampton School District remain a School of Choice District with openings for 2010-2011.

Budget 2009-2010: FY10 Budget/Expense report was presented for review. Mr. Collins presented proposed spending of approximately \$70,000 for the balance of the year, with approximately \$107,000.00 in unencumbered funds. Areas of priority were reviewed.

On a motion (Abel/Fitzpatrick) line item transfers, as presented, in the amount of \$38,218.00 were unanimously approved.

Budget 2010-2011: The Selectboard has voted to prepare the Warrant for Town Meeting with a budget for the School Department of \$3,859,175, as opposed to the proposed level services budget by the School Committee of \$4,021,704. The Selectboard has requested that all departments reopen contracts and negotiations in an effort to provide 0% cost of living increases for the coming year. On a motion (Abel/Carmichael) it was unanimously voted to request that the Southampton Teachers Association reopen the Southampton Teachers Contract and the Southampton Paraprofessional Contract.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Jurgensen reported on the Race to the Top as discussed above, and the renewed state effort to encourage/compel regionalization.

Principal's Report: Mr. Collins submitted a written report for consideration by the Committee, and a Special Report presenting a fiscal analysis of the impact of not accepting School of Choice Students. Mr. Collins also proposed funding the DARE officer/program instead of the police department. After discussion it was determined that funding would be appropriate from one of the revolving/gift accounts.

Adjourn: On a motion (Abel/Carmichael) the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m..