

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

April 29, 2009  
6:00 PM

Call to Order: Kim Schott, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Kimberly Schott, Don Abel, Lauren Carmichael, John Cowley, John Fitzpatrick, Barbara Ripa, Bill Collins, and Cindy Landers.

Visitor: Ann Roy, Selectboard Liaison

Routine Matters: On a motion (Fitzpatrick, Carmichael) the minutes of the March 25, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.

On a motion (Fitzpatrick/Carmichael) the minutes of the April 9, 2009 and April 15, 2009 Special Meetings were unanimously approved.

John Fitzpatrick will again do Tiger Talk.

Warrants were reviewed and signed for approval.

Cindy Landers presented the Budget Update and Line Item Transfers. On a motion (Abel/Cowley) it was voted 4-0 to approve the line item transfers, Fitzpatrick abstaining.

Principal's Report: Mr. Collins submitted a written report for consideration by the Committee.

Old Business: The Building Use Policy, KF-1 and Use Form, KF-A, as adopted, were distributed.

The School Calendar for 2009-2010 was presented for a second reading. On a motion (Cowley/Carmichael) it was unanimously voted to approve the Calendar.

Don Abel recused himself from the Committee during its review of the Bus Bids, John Fitzpatrick acting as recording Secretary during the recusal. Cindy Landers presented a review of the bidding process and the bids received. Two bids were received for Southampton transportation, with Durham School Services, LP the low bidder. On a motion (Cowley/Fitzpatrick) it was unanimously voted 4-0 (Abel recused) to accept the bid of Durham School Services, LP to provide bussing transportation for the 2009-2010 school year.

The FY2010 Budget was reviewed. On a motion Fitzpatrick/Abel it was unanimously voted to approve a preliminary budget for FY2010 in the amount of \$4,770,622.40 comprised of

Local Education	\$3,935,748.00
Local Transportation	170,476.00
Textbooks	18,000.00
Vocational Tuition	596,398.40
Vocational Transportation	50,000.00

Barbara Ripa reviewed the Superintendent Search process.

John Cowley was recognized for his years of service as a School Committee Member.

New Business: Barbara Ripa presented a School Committee Annual Agenda Calendar for the purpose of guiding future agenda priorities throughout the year.

The current status of the Sick Leave Bank was reviewed. On a motion (Cowley/Carmichael) it was unanimously voted to establish a maximum of 150 days in the Teachers' Sick Leave Bank to be accumulated in accordance with the Teachers' contract.

#### Future Business

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. A Special Meeting of the School Committee will be posted for May 5, 2009, the next Select Board meeting.

#### Executive Session

On a motion (Abel/Carmichael) and a roll call vote, John Cowley having left the meeting, it was unanimously voted to move into Executive Session to conduct a strategy session regarding collective bargaining at 9:38 p.m..

At 10:35 p.m. the Committee exited Executive Session.

Adjourn: On a motion (Carmichael/Abel) the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m..