

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020
Executive Session at 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School Library**

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Bridget Burkhardt, Martin LaLonde, Alex McHenry, Brian Minier

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young

GUESTS

No guests

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bridget Burkhardt made a motion to enter executive session at 6:02 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations with Administrators, Teachers, and Support Staff and legal services added that it would be significantly disadvantageous to the district not to do so in executive session. The Board requested that David Young attend executive session. Brian Minier seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Discussion Regarding Labor negotiations with Administrators, Teachers, and Support Staff

In: 6:02 p.m.

Out: 6:25 p.m.

No Action

Legal Services

In: 6:26 p.m.

Out: 6:45 p.m.

No Action

The executive session was closed at 6:46 p.m.

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Bridget Burkhardt, Martin LaLonde, Alex McHenry, Brian Minier, Cole Patno, Delaney Rosner

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, Delina Gilroy, Gary Marckres, Amadee Denton, Michael Martin, Patrick Burke, Karsten Schlenter

GUESTS

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REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the audience asked board members about the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) online sample tests and also which board members have taught a class to students.

A member of the audience spoke about the F35s and the noise levels at Chamberlin School and suggested the board report the noise levels to the state under the mandatory reporting law.

An audience member asked what is going to happen at Rick Marcotte Central School in Grade 3 with the new enrollments, 10 within the last 2 weeks. Grade 3 classrooms have 25 in each of the classrooms with more students arriving. David Young said Brent Coon has informed him of the situation and the administration is working on ways to resolve the increased enrollment concerns.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

David Young removed the professional development days under superintendent's report and it will be added to the January 22 board meeting agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Student representatives to the board, Cole Patno and Delaney Rosner, provided the following announcements:

- This Friday is a TLC day at all schools.
- Friday is the end of the first semester at the high school.
- Winter Ball is this Friday at the Hilton.
- SBHS Music Program Xmas tree pickup raised \$11,000 for the music program.
- The SBHS play 12th Night was performed for Tuttle student today and will be presented to the community this weekend.
- Mental health awareness sporting events were this week. \$890 was collected to donate to local mental health programs.
- SBHS is holding a food drive for the new food shelf.
- Chamberlin School has received two \$500 grants from the VT NEA.
- Chamberlin School will hold a PBIS Community Dinner on Friday sponsored by the Olive Garden.
- Chamberlin School received a donation to pay the school lunch program debt of approximately \$2,500.

CITY AND SCHOOL COLLABORATION

David Young said that he and Elizabeth Fitzgerald met with the city leadership on December 20. They discussed the noise grant, lead testing, Master Planning and Visioning, city and school budgets, reappraisal, impact fees, and the TIF funding mechanism.

SUPERINTEDEDENT'S REPORT**Rick Marcotte Central School/180 Market Street**

Gary Marckres reported that the project around Rick Marcotte Central School is going very well. Parents have been informed on any construction updates. The administration is working on the parking lot lighting. The city is working on an updated parking lot design which includes new placement for trees.

Lead Testing in Schools Update

Gary Marckres said that all required fixtures have been replaced. The new fixtures need to be flushed for three weeks and will be retested. The district is waiting for the retesting materials.

Juul Litigation Questions

David Young provided the board questions and the attorneys response to the questions the board members had regarding the Juul Litigation. The board asked additional questions and would like a copy of the lawsuit. David Young will bring this back to a future board meeting.

CHAMBERLIN SCHOOL NOISE MITIGATION/AIRPORT**Impact on Student Health and Learning**

David Young said Chamberlin School has had one complaint. He said he communicates with Holly Rouelle, Chamberlin School Principal, on a regular basis about the noise levels. The administration is scheduling ATC Group Services, an environmental and engineering testing service, to come back to Chamberlin School and retest the noise levels now that the F35s have arrived and are flying.

Kevin Dorn wrote a letter to Nick Longo and Gene Richards at the Airport regarding the local share of the grant. Kevin Dorn is waiting to hear back from Nick Longo or Gene Richards. The district is continuing to monitor the noise levels at Chamberlin School.

ENDS IN ACTION FEATURING FREDERICK H. TUTTLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Deng Aguek, Veronique Tshiband, and Sten Woodward FHT Middle School students in the SOAR Program presented on Citizenship in Action at Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School as it relates to the District Ends. This information will be incorporated into the Monitoring Report on the Ends in the Spring. Board members asked several questions.

The Board thanked the students and the advisors, Christine Nold, Gary Russell, Jeff Novak and Carol McNair for the presentation.

MASTER PLANNING AND VISIONING UPDATE

Gary Marckres, Lee Dore of Dore + Whittier, and Adam Cray of Hilltop Securities, provided an overview of the current status of the proposed plan and costs to construct a new middle school, high school, and physical education and athletic center. They provided an updated PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the final numbers, including the Projected Tax Impact Analysis, that have been reviewed by the working group. Members of the audience and the board asked several questions. All of the information presented, as well as a video link, will be available on the following website <https://www.southburlingtonvschools.com/>

Drop in tours will be provided by Patrick Burke at South Burlington High School and by Karsten Schlenter at FHT Middle School on Tuesdays and Fridays from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and during February vacation (February 24-March 3) at 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily. There will be a presentation at the South Burlington Business Association (SBBA) meeting on Tuesday, January 14 at 7:30 a.m. in the South Burlington High School Library. A press conference is scheduled for Thursday, January 9 at 11:00 a.m. in the Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School Library to share the building designs and costs. Two community meetings are planned for January 30 and February 12 at the High School in Cafeteria II from 7-9 p.m.

PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2021 BUDGET RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION

David Young, Gary Marckres, and Amadee Denton presented the proposed FY 2021 budget.

Some of the Recommended Additions to the Proposed FY 2021 budget include:

- 1.0 FTE Classroom Teacher at RM Central
- 1.0 FTE Classroom Teacher at Chamberlin
- .20 FTE Guidance at Orchard School
- 2.0 FTE Campus Safety Positions, District
- 1.6 FTE Core Teachers at the High School
- .10 FTE District Nurse Liaison
- Stipends for FHTMS Distributed Leadership Model for Core Subjects
- Athletic Event Supervision – 3 cocurricular positions
- Lease of Human Resources Software
- RAVE Mobile Safety Software
- Maintenance & Facility Stewardship Projects
- Repayment of Pre-Bond Line of Credit

The board and the community asked several questions regarding the budget. The administration reviewed the details of the budget worksheet and the proposed budget increase. The budget will be brought back to the January 15 board meeting for approval.

SCHOOL BOARD LINE ITEM PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FY 2021

David Young reviewed the school board line item budget.

Bridget Burkhardt motioned to approve the school board line item budget as amended. Alex McHenry seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE CAPACITY – TITLE 16, SECTION 822(a)

David Young recommended that the School District Public School Choice Cap be set at one for the 2020-21 school year. Martin LaLonde motioned to approve the recommendation of the superintendent and set the Public High School Choice Capacity at one student for the 2020-21 school year. Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

ANNOUNCED TUITION RATES FOR FY 2021

David Young recommended that the School District Announced Tuition Rates be set at \$16,905 for secondary grades 7-12 and \$15,770 for elementary grades K-6 for the 2020-21 school year. Martin LaLonde motioned to approve the announced tuition rates as recommended for FY 2021. Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Elizabeth Fitzgerald said the first meeting with the SBEA is scheduled for January 13. The board will work to schedule meetings with support staff and the administrators soon.

OTHER PAPER ARTICLES

The Board discussed topics for the Other Paper.

SET AGENDAS FOR THE JANUARY 15 AND JANUARY 22, 2020 MEETINGS

The Board discussed the agendas for the January 15 and January 22 school board meetings.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The board discussed future agenda items.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF DECEMBER 16 AND 18, 2019

Elizabeth Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of December 16 and December 18, 2019 as amended. They were approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA**Retirement/Resignation**

Chuck Soule, 1.0 FTE Guidance Counselor at South Burlington High School

Elizabeth Fitzgerald announced a general consensus of the board to approve the consent agenda as presented. She thanked Chuck Soule for his many years of service to the District.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDER #24

The Board reviewed accounts payable order #24.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDER CHECK TO ESSEX WESTFORD COMMUNITY EDUCATIONAL CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,729.75

Martin LaLonde moved that the board approve accounts payable order check to Essex Westford Community Educational Center in the amount of \$75,729.75. Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Martin LaLonde motioned to adjourn the meeting. Alex McHenry seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed.

The regular meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Chair

Bridget Burkhardt, Clerk