

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2014  
Executive Session at 6:00 P.M.  
Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.  
Orchard School Cafeteria**

**PRESENT**

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Martin LaLonde, Julie Beatty, Diane Bugbee, Dan Fleming

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF**

David Young, John Stewart

**GUESTS**

No guests

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board entered executive session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter and collective bargaining and added that it would be significantly disadvantageous to the district not to do so in executive session. The motion was approved.

**Personnel Matter**

In: 6:00 p.m.

Out: 6:35 p.m.

No Action

**Collective Bargaining**

In: 6:36 p.m.

Out: 6:58 p.m.

No Action

The executive session was closed at 6:58 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Martin LaLonde, Julie Beatty, Diane Bugbee, Dan Fleming

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF**

David Young, John Stewart, Stuart Weiss, Meg Collins

**GUESTS**

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The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

Mr. LaLonde moved and Ms. Beatty seconded the motion to nominate Ms. Fitzgerald as chairperson of the board. The motion was approved.

Ms. Beatty moved and Ms. Bugbee seconded the motion to nominate Mr. LaLonde as clerk of the board. The motion was approved.

Ms. Bugbee moved and Ms. Beatty seconded the motion to nominate Mr. LaLonde to sign contracts on behalf of the board. The motion was approved.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

A member of the audience asked several questions about the proposed grade 5 transition to Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**CITY/SCHOOL COLLABORATION**

Mr. Young stated that he and Ms. Fitzgerald have not had an opportunity to meet with Kevin Dorn and Pam McKenzie as it was a vacation week.

**UPDATE ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE HOWARDCENTER'S PERMIT TO OPEN A METHADONE CLINIC ON DORSET STREET**

The appeal continues to be in front of the Vermont Supreme Court. Oral arguments will be heard on March 17 at 10:00 a.m. at the Vermont Law School. The school board continues to look at ways to secure safety zones around our schools.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**NECAP Results** – Mr. Young discussed the slides of this year's NECAP results. The Board asked several questions. Ms. Fitzgerald would like a follow-up summary on the school action plans.

**Update on Request for Proposal (RFP) for Audit of Teacher Performance Evaluation Practice** – Mr. Young said that he, Karen Dantzcher, and Diane Bugbee are scheduled to meet to discuss the RFP responses on Friday. An update will be presented at the March 19 board meeting.

**Fundraising Update** – A subcommittee of the District's Administrative Team was formed to look at the District's fundraising activities. The charge is to review the fundraising requests, practices and procedures, financial guidelines, contracts, applicable laws, and the approval process for successful fundraising efforts. The next meeting is scheduled for late March. The aim of this subgroup is to have revised policies proposed in time to be evaluated and put into practice by the start of the next school year on July 1, 2014. Mr. Young will provide another update to the board prior to July 1.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Inter-District Collaboration Opportunities** – Mr. Young highlighted some of the Inter-District Collaboration Opportunities currently occurring throughout the district. The board asked several questions and suggested piloting opportunities with other districts to see if they will be cost effective.

**VOTING/BUDGET RESULTS**

Ms. Fitzgerald congratulated everyone on the budget and bond passing. She thanked Mr. Young and his administrative team and Mr. Stewart and the Business Office for a job well done and thanked the community for their support. Mr. Young discussed the results of the budget vote and congratulated Ms. Beatty and Mr. Fleming on being reelected to the board. Mr. Young thanked the voters for their participation yesterday.

**SET AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 19, 2014 MEETING**

The board discussed the March 19 meeting agenda.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The board discussed future agenda items.

**CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF FEBRUARY 17 AND FEBRUARY 19, 2014**

Ms. Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the board to approve the minutes of the February 17 and February 19, 2014 meetings as amended. There were no objections.

**CONSIDER TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE**

Mr. LaLonde moved and Ms. Beatty seconded the motion to approve the recommendation of the administration to award the bid for the tax anticipation note to the Merchants Bank. The motion was approved.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDERS #31, #32, and TP#78**

The board reviewed accounts payable order #31, #32, and TP#78.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Orchard School Skate Night is Friday, March 28 at Cairns Arena.
- Neighborhood Learning Communities (NLCs) continue to take place. If you are interested in more information please email [sblearningconversations@gmail.com](mailto:sblearningconversations@gmail.com). NLCs will culminate with a PACT dinner at SBHS on March 20, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. (free and open to the public) where we will share and celebrate all the information gathered.
- Chamberlin School music concerts are April 1 at 6:30 p.m. for grades K-2 and April 2 at 6:30 p.m. for grades 3-5.
- Kindergarten Screening will be taking place on the following dates:
  - Chamberlin School – April 7 & 8, 2014
  - Rick Marcotte Central School – April 9 & 10, 2014
  - Orchard School – April 9, 2014

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Martin LaLonde, Clerk

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Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Chair