

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017  
Executive Session at 6:00 P.M.  
Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.  
ORCHARD SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

**PRESENT**

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Martin LaLonde, Bridget Burkhardt, Alex McHenry, Steve Wisloski

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF**

David Young, John Aubin

**GUESTS**

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board entered executive session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations with teachers and support staff, and added that it would be significantly disadvantageous to the district not to do so in executive session. The Board requested that Mr. Young and Mr. Aubin attend executive session. The motion was approved.

**Regarding Labor Negotiations with Teachers and Support Staff**

In: 6:00 p.m.

Out: 6:54 p.m.

No Action

The executive session was closed at 6:54 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Martin LaLonde, Bridget Burkhardt, Alex McHenry, Steve Wisloski, Isaiah Hines

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF**

David Young, John Aubin, Stuart Weiss, Mark Trifilio, Meg Collins

**GUESTS**

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**REGULAR SESSION**

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

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS**

Mr. Young called the meeting to order and introduced the two newly elected board members to the audience. Alex McHenry will hold a three-year term and Steve Wisloski will hold a two-year term.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD – SUPERINTENDENT****Election of the Chairperson**

Mr. LaLonde moved and Ms. Burkhardt seconded the motion to nominate Ms. Fitzgerald as chair of the school board. The motion was approved.

**Election of the Clerk**

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

**DESIGNATE A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER TO SIGN CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD**

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

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were none.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

There were none.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Hines provided the following announcements:

- Today is the first day back to school after the winter break.
- Exchange students are returning from Spain and Germany. They were away for three weeks.
- The Big Picture Program Open House is March 15 from 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Talent Night is next week; Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.
- DECA Competition was held on February 10. SBHS students received a total of 34 awards. Additionally, three of the four leadership positions for the VT DECA organization will be held by SBHS students in 2017-2018.
- The Legislative Breakfast will be held March 13 at 7:30 a.m. at City Hall.

**BUDGET VOTE**

Mr. Young provided the Board with a timeline for the second budget vote. His presentation of the budget recommended by Administration for board approval will take place at the March 15 School Board meeting. The Board provided guidance to Mr. Young in areas to look for reductions.

**CITY AND SCHOOL COLLABORATION**

Mr. Young and Mr. Leduc met with Mr. Dorn and Ms. Riehle to keep updated and seek more clarity on activity in the city, city center, and airport conversations. Mr. Young wanted to remind the board of the Legislative breakfast on Monday, May 13 at 7:30 a.m. at City Hall.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT****Rebel Identifier Update**

Mr. Young provided the Mascot Selection Process and noted that the process is moving along and committees are being formed. He also provided an update to the information

regarding costs associated with the Rebel name change.

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR**

Mr. Young provided a draft school calendar to the board and discussed the calendar dates. Mr. LaLonde moved that the board approve the calendar with the exception of late start days and early release days and that the board will vote on those items when administration brings the calendar back with more clarity on the late start days and early release days. Ms. Burkhardt seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **MASTER PLANNING AND VISIONING**

#### **Committee Structure**

Mr. Young asked that two board members work with him on the scope of the work of each committee. After discussion with the Board and the need to provide Mr. McHenry and Mr. Wisloski with the information that has been provided to date, this discussion will be brought back to a working session on either March 16 or 17. The Board will be polled for availability.

### **EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS POLICY MONITORING**

#### **Financial Planning and Budgeting**

Mr. Aubin provided an update on 2.5 Financial Planning and Budgeting. There was discussion and the board asked several questions and recommended changes. This detail policy will be brought back to a future board meeting for action.

### **UPDATE ON NEGOTIATIONS**

Mr. LaLonde noted that since the last Board meeting the subcommittee of the Educators Association met on Monday, March 6 and they will have their ninth meeting with the Educators Association on Monday, March 13. The next meeting with the South Burlington Educators Association Education Support Staff Professional Unit (SBSD ESPU) will be held on Tuesday, March 21.

### **REVIEW TOPICS FOR OTHER PAPER ARTICLES**

The Board discussed the topic for the next Other Paper article. Mr. Hines will provide an article on the Frozen Schedule. The article will appear in the April 6 edition of the Other Paper.

### **SET AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 15, 2017 MEETING**

The Board discussed the agenda for the Board meeting of March 15, 2017.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board discussed future agenda items.

### **CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 15, 2017 BOARD MEETING**

Ms. Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of February 15, 2017. There were no objections.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDERS #31, 32 and #33**

The Board reviewed accounts payable orders #31, #32, and #33.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDER CHECK TO HOWARD CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT \$73,689.75.**

Ms. Burkhardt moved that the board approve the check to Howard Center for Human Services in the Amount of \$73,689.75. Mr. LaLonde seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was approved.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

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Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Chair

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Martin LaLonde, Clerk