

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.
Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School**

PRESENT (Participating Via Zoom)

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

AMINISTRATION/STAFF (Participating Via Zoom)

David Young (at FHT), Delina Gilroy (at FHT), Gary Marckres, Amadee Denton, Steve Walker (at FHT), Mark Trifilio, Patrick Burke, John Craig, Holly Rouelle

GUESTS

Approximately 53 guests via Zoom including many staff members.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Bridget Burkhardt reviewed the Zoom guidelines for school board meetings including how to ask questions or submit questions.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

There were none.

COVID-19 UPDATE

David Young gave an update on the services provided by the district including continuance of learning, food delivery for PreK-12, and childcare for parents and guardians designated as essential workers.

Brian Minier asked who are considered essential employees in the district and who is receiving hazard pay? David Young responded.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald asked how meals are being provided over April break? Gary Marckres said meals will be provided during vacation week but will be delivered this week and one day during vacation week. He added that the district will run on demand delivery services if needed.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald asked about substitute teachers during the pandemic. David Young said colleagues are covering for each other when needed.

Remember, next week is April vacation and there will be no school April 20-24.

CONSIDER FY 2021 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

David Young provided an overview of the FY 2021 budget which is available for review on Zoom and the school district website.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald said that the board has received guidance from legal counsel and asked David Young to provide an overview of the guidance. David Young said that with Governor Scott's stay home, stay safe order extended to mid-May and the guidance received from the Secretary of State's Office, the district's legal counsel, and the City Clerk's Office, he is recommending that the vote date be moved to May 28.

The board agreed to postpone the budget vote to Thursday, May 28; therefore, no action will be taken on the budget and special meeting this evening. The FY 2021 budget and warning will be added to a future agenda for action.

Martin LaLonde said he would support whatever it takes to have a safe vote with guidance from the Secretary of State's office and City Clerk Donna Kinville even if it means mailing ballots to every South Burlington resident, if necessary.

Several members of the public asked questions and made comments.

CONSIDER SPECIAL MEETING WARNING FOR FY 2021 BUDGET

This item will be brought back to a future meeting for approval.

CONSENT AGENDA

Hire

Kathleen Kilbourne, 1.0 FTE Principal at Rick Marcotte Central School

Patrick Phillips gave a brief overview of the hiring process for the principal of Rick Marcotte Central School. Kathleen Kilbourne provided a brief introduction about herself. The board thanked Patrick Phillips for all of his hard work.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the Board to approve the consent agenda as presented. The contract will be scanned to Brian Minier and he will sign the contract and scan back to the superintendent's office. The superintendent's office will send it to Kathleen Kilbourne for signature.

ADJOURNMENT

Alex McHenry motioned to adjourn the special meeting and Brian Minier seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passes.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Chair

Bridget Burkhardt, Clerk