

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018
Executive Session at 6:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting at 7:00 P.M.
Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School Library**

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald (via phone), Martin LaLonde, Bridget Burkhardt, Alex McHenry

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, Gary Marckres

GUESTS

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Discussion Regarding Labor Negotiations with Teachers

In: 6:00 p.m.

Out: 6:50 p.m.

No Action

The executive session was closed at 6:50 p.m.

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald (via phone), Martin LaLonde, Bridget Burkhardt, Alex McHenry, Arnel Husrefovic

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, Delina Gilroy, Mike Martin, Gary Marckres, Amadee Denton, John Stewart

GUESTS

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REGULAR SESSION

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Noah Everitt asked about the budget, budget overruns, and the new third part administrator for health care services.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Add 12a to discuss the Other Paper article that Martin LaLonde will submit to the paper.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- Applications for a Junior representative to the School Board are available to all high school juniors. Arnel Husrefovic is working with Patrick Burke to recruit students to apply.
- The New England Association of Schools and Colleges Visiting team will meet with the School Board, Staff, students, and community members on Sunday, September 30. Students and staff will be leading the discussions.
- TIE Spain students departed yesterday.
- TIE Germany students and chaperones have arrived at South Burlington.
- PSAT Test will happen next week.
- Orchard School held its second annual Fun Run on Friday, September 14 sponsored by the Orchard PTO. It was well attended by parents supporting the runners: Kindergartners and 1st graders ran one lap around the school grounds, 2nd and 3rd graders did two laps while 4th and 5th graders ran three. It was a very successful event and a significant portion of the proceeds will go to the two-week circus artist-in-residence at Orchard starting in early October.
- The Howard Center puts on a Community Education Series on November 1 from 6-7 p.m. at Dealer.com the topic will be "Vaping, E-cigarettes, and JUUL: The Facts Behind the Smokescreen." Alex McHenry encouraged Board members to attend.

CITY SCHOOL COLLABORATION**City Library/Senior Center/City Offices and the 575 Dorset Street Building**

The agreement with the city and school district will go to the voters on November 6. The City and District will have a community information session/public hearing on Monday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the ballot items.

The City and School District have not met since the last School Board meeting. David Young and Kevin Dorn have a meeting scheduled for Friday.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) Visiting Team**

David Young provided the Board with a letter he received from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. He said the NEASC Visiting Team will be meeting with the School Board, students, community members, and staff the week of September 30.

MASTER PLANNING AND VISIONING**Suggested Next Steps in Phase II Work**

The Visioning Planning Committee met today to review the progress of the study. This committee serves as a "sound board" for the design team and provides input, feedback, and guidance in preparation for upcoming meetings.

John Stewart provided an overview of the Suggested Next Steps for Master Planning and Visioning. He said Dore and Whittier Architects will be at the Board meeting on Wednesday, October 3.

The District will hold a "Visioning Session" with community members attending which represent a wide spectrum of individuals referred to as the "Visioning Advisory Committee." The primary focus of the committee will be to determine where the district

wants to go educationally for grades 6-8 and 9-12. The group will provide the input needed from stakeholders to help develop building options for consideration. This day-long "Visioning Session" is tentatively scheduled for November 7.

VERMONT SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION RESOLUTIONS (VSBA)

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Martin LaLonde and Bridget Burkhardt will attend the annual VSBA conference. Bridget Burkhardt will be designated to vote on behalf of the School Board. The Board members discussed the proposed resolutions and asked to have the resolutions added to the next Board meeting agenda so that all School Board members can discuss.

Tobacco should be discussed at this level. Martin LaLonde said the district could put in a resolution for next year regarding tobacco if there is not already a resolution with the VSBA.

POLICY WORK

The Student Freedom of Expression Policy (First Reading)

The Board discussed the draft Student Freedom of Expression Policy and made changes. Martin LaLonde suggested that the Board follow the statute on this policy as closely as possible.

Mike Donoghue spoke about the New Voices Legislation passed last year. He is concerned that the proposed draft expands what is allowed under Vermont law.

The changes will be brought back to the next meeting for consideration.

EXECUTIVE LIMITATION POLICY MONITORING—2.4 Financial Condition and Activities (Look at Previous Fiscal Year)

The Board discussed Monitoring Report 2.4 – Financial Condition and Activities. The Board suggested clarification on the carryover numbers. The monitoring report was approved with the suggested clarifications.

BUDGET BOOK REDESIGN

The Board discussed the suggested outline for the redesign of the budget book publication. The central office will bring the suggested changes back to the Board for review.

OTHER PAPER ARTICLE

Martin LaLonde reviewed the article he is submitting to the Other Paper this week regarding collaboration with the city on the upcoming city and school projects.

SET AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER 3, 2018 MEETING

The Board discussed the agenda for the October 3, 2018 School Board meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board reviewed the future agenda items.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 5, SEPTEMBER 10, AND SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

Bridget Burkhardt announced general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of the September 5, September 10, and September 17, 2018 meetings as amended. There were no objections.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDERS #9, #10, and #11

The Board reviewed accounts payable orders #9, #10, and #11.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDER CHECK TO THE HOWARD CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$142,149.39

Martin LaLonde motioned the Board to approve accounts payable order check to the Howard Center in the amount of \$142,149.39. Alex McHenry seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT

A roll call vote was taken to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Bridget Burkhardt, Acting Chair

Martin LaLonde, Acting Clerk