

**Bridgehampton School District  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Minutes**

Date: April 14, 2008  
Meeting: Regular Board of Education Meeting  
Present: James Walker, Joseph Berhalter, Susan Hiscock, Carol Kalish, Joseph Conti  
Dr. Dianne B. Youngblood, Superintendent, Mr. Jack Pryor, Principal, and  
Michelle Romanosky, Business Administrator  
Tom Volz & Jeff Mongelli, School Attorneys, Joyce Manigo, District Clerk  
Absent: Elizabeth Kotz, Rick Delano

**I. ROUTINE MATTERS:**

- A) Board President, James Walker called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM upon his having ascertained the presence of a Quorum, Saluting the flag and Roll Call.
- B) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Revised Proposed BOE Agenda, dated April 14, 2008.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- C) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education dated March 10, 2008, and a Board Workshop Meeting on March 31, 2008.(With correction; “up to \$3,000 for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip)

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- D) Invitation to visitors to address the Board of Education
- E) Communications
- F) Board of Education Items
- G) Consideration of additional items for the Agenda

**II. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. The 2008 Valedictorian is Jocelin Kalish and Salutatorian is Tiffany Stewart
- B. PTO International Celebration, Friday, April 18, 2008 at 6:00 PM in Gymnasium
- C. Nominating Petitions for Board of Education vacancies are due by 5:00 PM on Monday, April 21, 2008
- D. BOCES Budget Vote and Election of Board Members on Wednesday, April 16, 2008 at 8:00 AM
- E. Spring Recess will be April 21-25, 2008; District will be open April 21-23, 2008
- F. Policy Review Committee Meeting, April 28, 2008 at 6:00 PM
- G. Board Workshop, April 28, 2008 at 7:00 PM
- H. Sixth Grade Parent/Student Orientation, Wednesday, May 7, 2008 at 6 PM
- I. NYSESLAT administered to ELL students May 5-16, 2008
- J. Policy Review Committee Meeting, May 12, 2008 at 6:00 PM
- K. Next Scheduled BOE Meeting – Monday, May 12, 2008 at 7:00 PM
- L. Day of Achievement recognizing Scholars and Athletes, May 20, 2008 at 10 AM
- M. District Budget Vote and Elections, May 20, 2008, 2-8 PM in the Gym
- N. Spring Concert, May 22, 2008 at 7:00 PM

**III. REPORTS:**

- A) Strategic Planning Update – Dr. Youngblood announced that four committees of the Strategic Planning Council met that afternoon. Ms. Judiann Fayyaz, Landscape & Design teacher was present to give a brief synopsis about the Landscape & Design Class. She shared that the class has been enhanced to include Architecture and Environmental Science as well as Landscape Design Elements. She announced that an architectural competition was held between Bridgehampton School and Ross School in the design of a 1200 square foot home in Amagansett. Max Spooner’s design was selected for best overall design. Ms. Fayyaz said the development and integration of subject material with academic core classes and complementary electives so that the program replicates a true Academy Program. She hopes to develop a horticulture component program to the Landscape & Design Curriculum. She shared that grant money is available from the Perkins 4 Title 1 CTRIA for Career Pathways. Ms. Joanne Palisi, Business Teacher is planning on drafting a proposal to capture some of the grant.
- Mr. Pryor talked about the Curriculum Goal. He said the committee was working to develop alignment of the core curriculum through a workshop called Thinking Maps. He said the committee will be working with the assistance of the Guidance Dept. to creating more exciting courses and student activities. He said that the committee will talk more about Technology update at the May meeting.
- B) Superintendent’s Report – Dr. Youngblood talked about the yearly external audit report required by State law. She announced that through their tracking document, two items on our report was not completed; closing the books at the end of the year and our accounting practices. She announced everything else that the audit committee flagged has been addressed.
- C) Principal’s Report – Mr. Pryor talked about the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Marking Period. He announced that 26% of the students 7-12 was on the High Honor Roll List, 55% was on the Honor Roll List and 73% was on the Honorable Mention List. He shared that the ELA test scores were still not published, but he and the teachers felt very confident that our students in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade had done well.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A). **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the third reading of the Admission of Non-Resident Students Policy #5152.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote:  
Mr. Walker suggested that the above resolution be held for discussion in executive session.

- B) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the second reading of the Open Campus Privileges Policy #5181.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

- C) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the second reading Purchasing Policy #6700, 6700-R, and 6700-E

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

- D) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the second reading of the Student Conferences, Workshops, and Retreats for Individual Students Policy #5810 & 5810-R.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

- E) Consider any additional questions about the proposed 2008-2009 budget

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

- F) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the first reading of the Communication Among Individual Board Members Policy #2710.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- G) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the donation of time, labor, and materials provided by the following companies and individuals in the construction of a solar paneled shed by our Landscape Design Class for entry in Stony Brook University's

Earth Day Celebration on April 18, 2008:

- a) Lettieri Construction: Terry Hochstedler, Angelo Lettieri, Bill Aberle, Lahsen Boumnaia, Gallo Cardenas, and Paul Smith.
- b) SunStream USA: Bryan Tymann
- c) Bruce D. Nagel Architect, PC: David Walker
- d) Watermill Lumber: Rory Hemby
- e) One Source Tools

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

**IX. INVITATION TO VISITORS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON TOPICS DISCUSSED ABOVE**

Mr. Ken Giosi asked about the Open Campus Policy

Karen Hochstedler shared her concern about the use of the music room and students not being able to have a room have Band rehearsals.

**X. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**A) Finance Matters**

- 1) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts warrant # 24 Fund A, with 61 claims in the amount of \$236,512.98; and warrant # 25 Fund A with 48 claims in the amount of \$148,715.50; and warrant #2, Fund F with 3 claims in the amount of \$577.10; and warrant #2, Fund C with 2 claims in the amount of \$396.56; and warrant #3, Fund C with 1 claims in the amount of \$14,762.00 ; and warrant #9, Fund T with 36 claims in the amount of \$171,601.48.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 2) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Appropriation Status Report for the period 07/01/07-06/30/08.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 3) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD accepts the Revenue Budget Status Report for the period 07/01/07-06/30/08.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 4) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Treasurer’s Report for the month of February & March 2008.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Kalish                      Vote: 5-0

- 5) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Extra-Curricular Classroom Activities Report for March 2008.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Kalish                      Vote: 5-0

- 6) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD adopts the proposed 2008-2009 budget in the amount of \$9,873,698.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Berhalter                      Vote: 5-0

- 7) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the 2008-2009 school year and authorizes the Board President to sign Cooperative Bidding Resolution A (see attached) permitting Bridgehampton UFSD to participate in the 2008-2009 program for a projected cost of \$843.00.

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 8) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the increased income limits for senior citizens property tax exemption (section 467 of the RPTL) and the low-income disability exemption (section 459-c of the RPTL) as follows:

<u>Annual Income</u>	<u>% Exempt from Taxation</u>
Up to \$28,000	50%
\$28,001 up to \$29,000	45%
\$29,001 up to \$30,000	40%
\$30,001 up to \$31,000	35%
\$31,001 up to \$31,900	30%
\$31,901 up to \$32,800	25%
\$32,801 up to \$33,700	20%
\$33,701 up to \$34,600	15%
\$34,601 up to \$35,500	10%
\$35,501 up to \$36,400	5%

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 9) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the Property Tax Report Card for the 2008-2009 school year to contain the following information:

	<u>Budgeted</u> <u>2007-08</u>	<u>Budgeted</u> <u>2008-09</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
<b>Total Spending</b>	<b>\$10,199,551</b>	<b>\$9,873,698</b>	<b>-3.19%</b>
<b>Total Estimated</b>	<b>\$6,010,167</b>	<b>\$7,151,078</b>	<b>18.98%</b>
<b>School Tax Levy</b>			
<b>Public School</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>-13.99%</b>
<b>Enrollment</b>			
<b>Consumer Price Index</b>			<b>2.80%</b>
<b>Reserved Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$1,042,299</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	
<b>Appropriated Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$2,497,310</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	
<b>Unreserved, Unappropriated</b>			
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$655,560</b>	<b>\$394,948</b>	
<b>Unreserved, Unappropriated</b>			
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>6.43%</b>	<b>4.00%</b>	

Motion: Conti                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

**B) Personnel**

- 1) **Resignations**
- 2) **Leaves**
- 3) **Assignments**

- a) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves Erika Bambino as Attendance Officer for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year, at a prorated stipend.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

4) **Other**

- a) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the extension of probationary period to July 1, 2009 for John L. Pryor, Principal.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

- b) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD rescinds the resolution from the March 31, 2008 Board of Education Meeting approving the Memorandum of Agreement for Mary Nanos.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- c) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the revised Memorandum of Agreement for Mary Nanos dated 4-10-08.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- d) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the modification of the December 10, 2007 resolution to appoint Neide Valeria to the position of part-time District Treasurer, at a stipend of \$25 per hour, not to exceed twenty hours per week for the 2007-2008 school year, effective December 11, 2007 pending fingerprint clearance. This modification permits Neide to work up to twenty five hours per week, with prior administrative approval, through June 1, 2008.

Motion: Kalish                      Seconded: Berhalter                      Vote: 5-0

**C) Use of Facilities**

- 1) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the use of K-3 classroom request from Nina Merkert for a K-3 Parent Night on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 between 7:00 and 8:30 p.m.

Motion: Berhalter                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 2) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the use of outdoor track request from Pierson High School for Field Practice on April 15, 17, 29, 30, May 6, 8, 12, 15, 20 and 21, 2008 between 3:00 and 4:30 p.m.

Motion: Berhalter                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

- 3) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves the use of the Middle School on May 1, 2008, 2:40-5:00 p.m. and the Gym on May 16, 2008, 6:00-9:00 p.m. by the PTO for a talent show screening and a talent show.

Motion: Berhalter                      Seconded: Conti                      Vote: 5-0

**D) Committee on Special Education**

- 1) **Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD approves a contract between BUFSD and Knight Education Inc. to provide services as set forth in the attached agreement to those students with disabilities who are parentally placed in private schools within our district for the 2007-2008 school year and authorizes the Board President to sign it.

Motion: Berhalter                      Seconded: Hiscock                      Vote: 5-0

**E) Other**

**Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD provides for the appointment of Permanent Chairperson, Inspectors and Clerks of Election for the voter Annual Budget Election Meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 2008.

Section 1. The following named qualified voter of said School District is hereby appointed Permanent Chairperson. (**Joyce Crews-Manigo, District Clerk**).

Section 2. The following named qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed to act as Inspector of said vote ( **Barbara Person** ) .

Section 3. The following named qualified voter of said School District is hereby appointed as Chief Election Inspector. (**Melanie LaPointe**).

Section 4. The following named qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed as Assistant Clerks. (**Rosemary Stanfield, Edith Crews, Theresa Quinn, Robin Clark, Tameka Pinckney, Nicole Jeffers**).

Section 5. The Board of Registration, Chief Election Inspector, Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks appointed for said vote, as herein provided shall be entitled to be compensated at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. The Clerk of the Bridgehampton UFSD is hereby authorized and directed to post in the school names of persons herein respectfully appointed as the Board of Registration, Permanent Chairperson, Inspectors, Chief Inspector of Election and Assistant Clerks for vote.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion: Berhalter                      Seconded:      Hiscock              Vote:      5-0

**Resolved** that the Board of Education of the Bridgehampton UFSD convenes into an executive session to discuss Personnel and Negotiations matters at 7:52 PM.

Motion:      Kalish                      Seconded:      Hiscock                      Vote:      5-0

**Resolved** that the Board of Education resumes back into public session and adjourns the meeting at 9:30 PM.

Motion:      Kalish                      Seconded:      Hiscock                      Vote:      5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Crews-Manigo  
District Clerk