

**The Somerset Hills School District
PUBLIC INPUT & ACTION MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 1, 2016**

Call to Order & Welcome

Mr. Baker called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

Roll Call

Present:	Absent:	Also Present:
Mr. Baker	Ms. Sooy	Frances Wood
Mr. DiGiacchino	Ms. Goetz	Jennifer Shouffler
Mrs. Hoppe		Nancy Lee Hunter
Mrs. Leiss		
Mrs. Palazzolo		
Mr. Palma		
Mrs. Virtue		

Executive Session

At 6:15, Mr. Baker moved the following:

WHEREAS the "Open Public Meetings Act:" (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975) authorizes a public body to exclude the public from that portion of a meeting at which specified topics are to be discussed under circumstances where the public consideration of such topics will clearly endanger the public, or where the personal privacy or guaranteed rights of individuals whose activities or affairs are to be discussed would be clearly in danger of unwarranted invasions, and

WHEREAS the matters about to be presented for discussion clearly meet the "circumstances" test of such Act:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Somerset Hills now adjourns its public session to reconvene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following: Personnel, Student Matters, and Litigation.

And, be it further,

RESOLVED that the discussion in Executive Session be disclosed when the Board's consideration of the subject matter has been closed, or that such matter does not adversely affect the rights of prospective, current, or past public officers, or personnel of the Board, unless such individuals have in writing requested the disclosures of such discussion at a public meeting and provided such a public disclosure will no longer clearly endanger the public interest.

Mr. Palma seconded the motion. The Board returned to public session at 7:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Correspondence

None

Report of the Superintendent

1. The following Students & Staff were recognized:
 - A. National Merit
 - a. Catherine Shang is a National Merit Winner
 - b. Kevin Sun won a National Merit Special Scholarship
 - B. Robotics Team won several awards in the IEEE Robot Challenge
 - C. Bernardsville Middle School earned First Place in the High School 2016 New Jersey Science League Competition. Three middle school students ranked in the top 10 over high school students; 8th grade students Charlotte Lewis and Sophia Ludtke ranked First and Second Place and Thomas Welle ranked in 6th place.
 - D. Bernards High School Chemistry Team placed second in the state over 150 schools in the Chemistry I competition in the 2016 New Jersey Science League.

Public Questions & Comments

None

Approval of Minutes*Action 1. Approval of Minutes

Resolution Mr. Baker moved, seconded by Mr. Palma that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the Public Input & Action and Executive meeting minutes for May 11, 2016. Minutes were approved by a roll call vote of 7-0.

Finance

- A. Mr. Baker gave the report; the committee met on May 24, 2016.:
- B. Action Items: Mr. Baker moved Finance items #1-6. Mr. DiGiacchino seconded. Finance resolutions were approved 6-0-1; Mrs. Hoppe abstained.

Action**Resolution**

1. Amend Finance Item 1 - Board Secretary & Treasurer Reports & Board Certification*
WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has received the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of April showing the following balances:

FUND	Board Secretary Cash Balance (1)	Treasurer Cash Balance (2)
(10) General Fund	3,297,068.41	3,297,068.41
(20) Special Revenue Fund	138,322.82	138,322.82
(30) Capital Projects Fund	5,808,875.05	5,808,875.05
(40) Debt Service Fund	(432,659.92)	(432,659.92)
Total Government Funds	8,811,606.36	8,811,606.36

(1) From Secretary's Report

(2) From Treasurer's Report

WHEREAS in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A: 23-2.1(c)3 the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report(s), no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education, now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above referenced report and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting, and be it FURTHER RESOLVED, in compliance with N.J.A.C.6A: 23-3.11(c) 4, the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been overexpended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A: 23-2.11(b), and that

sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the year.

Action 2. Approve 2015-2016 Budget Transfers*

Resolution Resolved that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approves the attached list of budget transfers for April, 2016.

Action 3. Payment of Bills*

Resolution WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented a check register covering check numbers 36667 to 36791 in the amount of \$ 2,022,597.36 with the recommendation that the checks be paid, and Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the following bills be paid and an itemized list be filed with the minutes of this meeting:

FUND	AMOUNT
(10) General Fund	1,396,702.04
(20) Special Revenue Fund	36,477.38
(30) Capital Projects Fund	160,596.30
(40) Debt Service Fund	0
(60) Cafeteria Fund	63,355.64
(90) Agency Funds	365,466.00
TOTAL	2,022,597.36

Action 4. Approve Parent Organization Fundraiser

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following parent organization fund raiser for the 2015-2016 school year:

Organization	School	Event	Date
a) Boys Basketball Booster	BHS	St. Brigid Church - Food and Entertainment	11/19/16
b) Ski Race Team	BHS	50/50 cash raffle - off premise	September - December 2016

Action 5. Approve Extended School Year Programs

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following extended school year programs for summer 2016:

School	Service	Location
a) Developmental Center for Children & Families	Academics & Related Services	Budd Lake, NJ
b) Harbor Haven	Academics & Related Services	West Orange, NJ

Action 6. Approve Special Education Service Provider

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following special education service provider for the 2016-2017 school year and extended school year:

Provider	Service	Location
Barbara Baker (handler and owner of Tiffany, Therapy Dog)	Therapy	Bedminster, NJ

Curriculum

- A. Mrs. Palazzolo reported that there wasn't a meeting since the last Board meeting. The next meeting is June 7, 2016,
- B. Action Items:
Mrs. Palazzolo moved Curriculum items #1 & 2, seconded by Mr. Palma. Curriculum resolutions were approved by a roll call vote of 7-0

Action

1. Approve Field Trips*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following field trips:

School	Trip	Date(s)	# of Students	# of Faculty	# of Chaperones
a) BHS	World Language Poetry Contest-William Patterson	May 19	10	3	2
b) BHS	Music Students-Steinway Factory, Queens, NY	June 13	13	4	0
c) BHS	MD Program- Crayola Factory- Easton, PA	June 16	6	6	0

Action

2. Approve Professional Development*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost	Date
a) BHS	Bracero, Jeannette	World Language Technology Institute - Montvale, NJ	\$173.17	Aug. 22-25
b) BHS	Neigel, Scott	Global Furniture Showroom - Philadelphia & Marlton, NJ	\$17.50	June 3
c) BHS	Szostak, David	AP Summer Institute for Teachers-Drew U- Madison	\$895.00	Aug 1-5
d) BHS	Violillo, Maddalena	World Language Technology Institute - Montvale, NJ	\$176.97	Aug. 22-25
e) BMS	DeAngelo, Stephanie	World Language Tech Institute-Montvale, NJ	\$150.00	Aug. 22-25
f) BMS	Malwitz, Carrie	NGSS Summer Institute- RVCC	\$250.00	July 25-29
g) BMS	McGinn, Jessica	Childlight Yoga Teacher Training-Bethlehem, PA	\$395.00	June 27-28
h) BMS	St. Ours, Elizabeth	Childlight Yoga Teacher Training-Bethlehem, PA	\$395.00	June 27-28
i) District	Butler, Coleen	NJ Assoc for College Admission Counseling Conference- AC	\$514.36	June 5-7
j) District	Hunter, Nancy Lee	Global Furniture Showroom Philadelphia & Marlton, NJ	\$17.50	June 3

k)District	Kolmer, Grant	Gates Foundation Village Academy Lesson Study Open House - NYC	0	June 1 (PM)
l)District	Kolmer, Grant	SC Math Supv. Roundtable- Hillsborough	0	June 2 (PM)
m)District	Kolmer, Grant	Northern NJ Math Supv. Roundtable- Livingston HS	0	June 3 (PM)
n)District	Shouffler, Jen	Gates Foundation Village Academy Lesson Study Open House - NYC	0	June 1 (PM)
o)District	Vaught, Teresa	School Visits for possible placements- ESC- Bridgewater	0	June 6
p)District	Shouffler, Jen	ESEA Training, Bridgewater	0	June 8

Facilities & Operations*

A. Mr. Palma reported that there wasn't a meeting since the last Board meeting. The next meeting is June 15, 2016.

B. Action Items:

Mr. Palma moved to approve Resolution #1; Mrs. Palazzolo seconded. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 7-0.

Action

1. Approve Re-Bid Award for Media Center*

Bids were received on Thursday, May 26, 2016 from the following:

Bidders	Address	Base Bid	Atl #1	Total Bid
Alna construction	Secaucus, NJ	2,449,000.00	200,000.00	2,649,000.00
Desapio Construction	Frenchtown, NJ	2,448,500.00	139,000.00	2,587,500.00
H & S Construction	Elizabeth, NJ	2,159,000.00	206,000.00	2,365,000.00
Practical LLC	Ridgewood, NJ	2,634,000.00	75,000.00	2,709,000.00
Two Brothers	Totowa, NJ	2,287,000.00	179,000.00	2,466,000.00

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education award the base bid to H & S Construction for \$2,159,000.00.

Policy*

A. Committee Report & Discussion:

B. Action Items:

Personnel

A. Mrs. Palazzolo reported that the next meeting is June 14, 2016.

B. Action Items:

Mrs. Palazzolo moved Personnel resolutions #1-9. Mr. Palma seconded. Personnel Resolutions were approved by a roll call vote of 6-0-1. Mrs. Hoppe abstained.

Action 1. Approve Appointment Certified Staff*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of the following certified staff for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Level	Step	Salary	Effective
a) Tartaglia, Nicole	BHS	French	Whittle	MA	11	\$69,499	9/1/16
b) Bracho, Diana	BES/BMS	Special Education	Czermak	MA	4	\$59,990	9/1/16

Action 2. Amend Appointment Leave ReplacementResolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the appointment of the following leave replacement for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name	School	Position	Replace	Level	Step	Salary	Date
a) Bernstein, Jessica	BES	Elementary Teacher	Davis	BA	3	\$54,990 (prorated)	9/1/16 - January 2017
b) Cary, Amanda	BES	Resource Room	Bohr	BA	3	\$54,990	9/1/16 - 6/30/17

Action 3. Reappointment Stipend Positions*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the reappointment of the following stipend positions for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name	Position	Stipend
a) CHWIEDOSIUK, WIKTOR	BHS Lead Custodian	\$6,000
b) KOMSIRI, BHANCA	BMS Lead Custodian	\$3,500
c) MILES, TOSSAPON	BES Lead Custodian	\$3,500
d) KOMSIRI, BHANCA	Board Messenger	\$1,218
e) KOMSIRI, BHANCA	Board Mail Person	\$5,245

Action 4. Approve Staff Member Students*Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following children of staff members as district students for the 2016-2017 school year.

Grade K	Lauren Smith
Grade 2	Jon Simoneau

Grade 4 & 7	Mark Noonan
Grade 12	Karen Silva
Grade 12	Patricia McMillan

Action 5. Amend Reappointment Employees*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education amend the reappointment of the following employees for the 2016-2017 school year:

Last Name	First Name	Location	Job Title	\$ Salary
a) BEZZEK	ALICIA	OLCOTT	Registered Nurse PT	36.90/hour
b) WILLMOT	MARY	BES	Registered Nurse PT	36.90/hour
c) WORSTELL	LAURA	BHS/BMS	Registered Nurse PT	36.90/hour

Action 6. Approve Extended School Year Staff*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following extended school year staff for summer 2016:

Name	Position	Salary
a) Bracho, Diana	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
b) d'Anunciacao, Jessica	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
c) Heydt, Jaimie	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
d) Jacobs, Heather	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
e) Jones, Rachelle	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
f) LaBruno, Wendi	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
g) DeMarco, Monica	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
h) Ollo, Angelina	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
i) Quinlan, Alyce	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
j) Roth, Emilie	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
k) Russo, Dawn	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
l) Ryan, Vanessa	Teacher	Per diem/per hour rate
m) Terraglia, Christina	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
n) Spitz, Mary	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate

o) DaSilva, Stacie	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
p) DiDonato, Amanda	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
q) Stanek, Cary	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
r) Roth, Emilie	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
s) Englemann, Amy	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
t) Onorato, Jeremy	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
u) Bhattacharjee, Bratati	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
v) Perkins, Bonnie	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
w) Johnson, Kimberly	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
x) Leichtling, David	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
y) Kubey, Benjamin	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
z) Evans, Latoya	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
aa) Onque, Dawn	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
bb) Coheleach, Ilona	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
cc) Hutchins, April	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
dd) Awender, Valerie	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
ee) Suriano, Justin	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
ff) Rollins, Ron	Paraprofessional	Per diem/per hour rate
gg) Dardos, Gabriella	Volunteer	n/a
hh) Pike, Emily	Volunteer/ Art/Therapy	n/a
ii) Coppola, Carolyn	Volunteer/ Art/Therapy	n/a
jj) Weber-Hummel, Lisa	Speech/Language Therapist	Per diem/per hour rate
kk) Koletar, Jenny	Speech/Language Therapist	Per diem/per hour rate
ll) McCloskey, Heather	Speech/Language Therapist	Per diem/per hour rate
mm) Roll, Jill	Occupational Therapist	Per diem/per hour rate
nn) Maurice, Kathy	Nurse	sub nurse per diem rate
oo) Ryan, Suzanne	Nurse	Per diem/per hour rate

pp) Berardi, Anne	Nurse	Per diem/per hour rate
qq) Worstell, Laura	Nurse	\$36.90
rr) Bezzek, Leigh	Nurse	\$36.90
ss) McMahon, Linda	Sub/ Teacher/Para	sub teacher rate/sub para rate
tt) O'Day, Lauren	Sub/ Teacher/Para	sub teacher rate/sub para rate

Action 7. Approve Salary for Security Officer*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the salary for the following employee for the 2015-2016 school year.

Last Name	First Name	School	Position	Salary
McMahon	John	District	Security Officer	\$53,569

Action 8. Approve the Attainment of the Superintendent's Merit Goals.

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education, with the approval of the County Superintendent, approve the Somerset Hills School District's Superintendent's 2015-2016 Merit Goals.

Action 9. Approve Staff Member Students*

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following children of staff members as district students for the 2016-2017 school year.

Grade K	Lauren Smith (remove)
Grade 7	Stephen Sands

Supplementary Matters

1. Mr. Baker reported that interviews for the open Board seat began tonight and will be completed on June 8. An appointment of the new board member will be made at that meeting.
2. Mr. DiGioachino reported that he met with Gwen Thornton to discuss the Community Relations Committee.

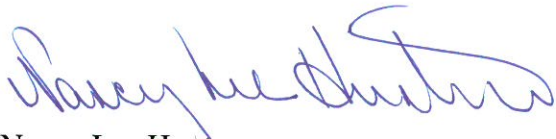
Public Questions & Comments

Mr. Foglia and six teachers expressed disappointment that the Board has renewed our health insurance with Amerihealth. The members have experienced many problems and are asking the board to reconsider their position.

Adjournment

Mr. Baker moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20PM; motion was seconded by Mr. Palma. Motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy Lee Hunter
Board Secretary

Resolutions:

***Note: The areas of permitted voting for the Bedminster district representative of the Board of Education are: 1) tuition charged by the sending district and bill lists or contracts to be used for the sending district's pupils; 2) new capital construction to be used by the sending district's pupils; 3) appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff serving the sending district's pupils, including central administration; 4) addition or deletion of curricular or extracurricular programs involving the sending district's pupils.**