## SDMC Meeting May 9, 2017 Minutes

In Attendance:

Mrs. Barbara Albright, Community Member

Mrs. Ellen Wilford, Community Member

Mrs. Diana Payne, Parent Member

Mrs. Katie Lombardo, Teacher

Mr. Terry Scammell, Lead Teacher

Mr. Alan Van Cott, Superintendent/Principal

- 1. Welcome and introductions.
- 2. The meeting was called to order at 2:50 pm.
- 3. Terry Scammell shared information with the committee regarding the NYS Math and ELA Assessments that recently concluded. Sagaponack participated in the third grade program assessment.
- 4. Terry Scammell and Alan Van Cott informed the committee about recent visits they made to the Wainscott, Sag Harbor and East Hampton schools. The purpose was to observe their coding and technology programs with an eye towards bringing similar type programs to the Sagaponack School. At the conclusion of these visits, a recommendation was made to the Board of Trustees to incorporate a coding/technology program into the curriculum of the Sagaponack School for the 2017-18 school year.
- 5. Alan Van Cott provided information about the 2017-18 school budget. This year with fewer Sagaponack students being tuitioned into East Hampton or Sag Harbor for fourth grade in September, our tuition costs have decreased. Combine this with higher assessments and the tax levy amount will decrease resulting in lower taxes for the community residents. Voting on the 2017-18 annual school will take place on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm here in the Sagaponack School.
- 6. We continue to invest resources into the school building itself. Each year major improvements and updates have taken place. This year we are looking to replace the windows with custom, energy efficient models and we are also planning to address the drainage situation in front of the school that impacts the aprons and the driveway itself.
- 7. Ellen Wilford shared information about the annual Sally Peterson Scholarship Bake Sale that will take place on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 am at the school. All are invited to participate.
- 8. Alan Van Cott thanked everyone for their willingness to attend these meetings throughout the school year and to become more informed about school happenings here in Sagaponack.
- 9. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.