

PRESENT: Lauren Thayer, President
Thomas Schultz, Vice President
Cathy Hatgistavrou, Member

ALSO PRESENT: John Finello, Superintendent
Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk
Eileen Tuohy, District Treasurer

There were no audience members in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Thomas Schultz at 6:10pm. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Call to Order

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the August 9, 2022 Board Meeting minutes. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the August Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve the August Treasurer Report. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the August Treasurer Report

Checking Acct: \$174,018.29
Money Market: \$67,965.53
Money Market NYCLASS: \$451,677.75
Reserve Account: \$486,976.29

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve check warrant #2223-002 in the amount of \$72,110.41. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Check Warrant #2223-002

Mr. Finello gave an overview of the building projects that were completed over the summer months, such as the installation of the new exterior camera, power washing of the building and air filtration cleaning. The first three days of the new school year were half days for the students. All students in K-2nd started the day off together in morning meeting and then entered into their academic groups. The teachers conducted the fall reading and math assessments of all of the children utilizing AIMSweb Plus and Fontas & Pinell. On September 12th, Lauren Zambrelli, our Guidance Counselor from Eastern Suffolk BOCES worked with the children on a social-emotional lesson. She will meet with our students over the course of the first trimester as part of the comprehensive developmental school counseling/guidance program. A field trip to the Madoo Conservancy was held on September 20th. The children explored the gardens and participated in a planting activity.

Superintendent's Report

Our Kindergarten and 1st grade children are beginning an Addition unit in math and in science are learning about States of Matter. The 2nd graders have started their unit readers in English Language Arts (ELA) and learning about place value in their math class. Lastly, the first Shared Decision-Making Committee Meeting (SDMC) took place on September 7th to discuss plans and events for the new school year. The Building Level Safety Team also met on September 7th to review the District-Wide Safety Plan and Building Level Emergency Response Plan.

The teaching staff took part in three (3) professional development workshops during the Superintendent Conference Days on August 11th, 16th and September 6th. These workshops were focused on Multi-Tier Systems of Support (MTSS), project-based learning, individualized student instruction and assessment training. Staff members also participated in the Global Compliance Network (GCN) annual tutorials concentrated in areas such as Sexual Harassment, Blood-borne Pathogens, School Safety, and Dignity for All Students.

WHEREAS, the Sagaponack Common School District functions as an approved New York State public school Kindergarten through Grade 3, for the current 2022-2023 school year; and WHEREAS, it is recommended that effective immediately upon approval by the New York State Department of Education for the 2022-2023 school year, the Sagaponack School grade configuration will change from Kindergarten through Grade 3 to Pre-Kindergarten (4 year-olds) through Grade 3;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that effective immediately, the Sagaponack School shall be reconfigured and designated as a Grade Pre-Kindergarten (4 year-olds) through Grade 3 School; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools or his designee shall file any necessary documents with the New York State Education Department to accomplish such grade reconfiguration of the Sagaponack School; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective immediately, the Superintendent of Schools shall implement such grade reconfiguration of the Sagaponack School, subject to and contingent upon any further formal Board approvals as are required by law, District Policy, rule, and/or regulation; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective immediately, any and all Board or District policies, bylaws, rules, and regulations shall be updated to conform to the new grade configuration of the Sagaponack School.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

New Business:
Grade Configuration Board
Resolution (Pre-K through
Grade 3)

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the grade configuration of Preschool through Grade 3 effective immediately, upon the approval by the New York State Department of Education. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Grade Configuration (Pre-K through Grade 3)

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve the District-Wide Safety Plan for the 2022-2023 school year following the review from the District Wide Safety Committee which was held on September 7, 2022 . Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the District-Wide Safety Plan

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the revised 2022-2023 school district calendar that reflects January 2, 2023 as a U.S. federal observed holiday. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Revised School District Calendar

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the surplus of six (6) Dell laptop computers at the value of \$50.00 each. The notice will be posted September 21, 2022 through October 14, 2022. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Surplus of Laptop Computers

BE IT RESOLVED that the Trustees of the Sagaponack Common School District are permitted to participate in meetings via videoconferencing under extraordinary circumstances, in accordance with New York State Law, Chapter 26 of the Laws of 2022 Section 103-a and policy 2325. A motion was made by Thomas Schultz and seconded my Lauren Thayer. Passed 3-0.

Board Resolution and Approval of Videoconferencing

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the amendments to Board Policy 0115-Student Harassment & Bullying Prevention & Intervention. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Amended Board Policy 0115

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the new Board Policy 2325-Videoconferencing of Board Meetings. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Board Policy 2325

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the amendments to Board Policy 2360-Minutes. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Amended Board Policy 2360

The date of the next Board Meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Date of the Next Board Meeting

There were no audience questions at this time.

Audience Questions/Comments

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to enter into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to exit out of Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Exit out of Executive Session

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the Building Level Emergency Response Plan for the 2022-2023 school year for submittal to the New York State Department of Education on or before October 1, 2022. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the 2022-23
Emergency Response Plan

With no further business, a motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to adjourn the meeting at 7:26p.m. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Adjournment

Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk
Sagaponack Common School District