

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 Lauren Thayer at 6:05pm. 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 December 20, 2022 Board Meeting minutes. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the December Meeting Minutes

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

Approval of the December Treasurer Report

Checking Acct: \$113,144.28
Money Market: \$17,969.58
Money Market NYCLASS: \$130,007.84
Reserve Account: \$492,084.07

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve the budget transfers in the amount of \$25,192.00. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Budget Transfers

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve check warrant #2223-006 in the amount of \$276,001.80. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Check Warrant #2223-006

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to reschedule the February 14th budget work session and regular meeting to February 8th. The time of the meeting remains the same at 6:00pm. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Change to February Meeting

Mr. Finello gave an overview of activities and events that took place at the school: This month, the students discussed the Marth Luther King Jr. holiday and how this individual contributed to society. For this Diversity, Equity & Inclusivity (DEI) lesson, the children participated in a writing activity about what their dream is for the world.

Superintendent's Report

The teachers administered the AIMSweb Plus winter assessments at the beginning of the month. Progress monitoring continues to be conducted throughout the school year.

We are happy to welcome our parents into the building, this school year, to be guest readers. Ms. Thofte, a 2nd grade parent, came to the school on January 9th, to talk with the students about cultures around the world and different job opportunities related to travel. During this month's Hampton Library visit, the children worked on a snowman craft with Shannon Hughes, the Children's Librarian. We also have the Schwartz family coming to the school to host a Chinese New Year celebration on January 25th.

The children are preparing their artwork to be featured in the upcoming Student Art Exhibition at the Parrish Art Museum in Watermill. In our Spanish Language class, Ms. Velasquez, is teaching the students how to tell time along with conducting activities related to the current winter season.

Lastly, the children have completed their swimming sessions at the YMCA and will move onto ice skating at the Buckskill Winter Club as part of our Winter PE Activity Series.

The Board discussed the enrollment for the upcoming school year. School tours are underway for interested families that reside in and out of district.

Enrollment Discussion

The Board had an opportunity to view our updated school district website video on the Smartboard during the meeting. Meredith Kennedy, from Acre Arts Inc. will make all final adjustment and post the video this month on the site.

Old Business:
School District Website Video

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the 2023-2024 school year non-resident student tuition rate at \$9,200.00 per child. This is a \$200.00 increase over the current school year. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

New Business:
Approval the 2023-2024 Non-Resident Student Tuition Rate

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve improvement instruction for student #126 for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Student #126
Improvement Instruction

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve the amendment to Board Policy 4327-Homebound Instruction. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Amendment to Board Policy
4327

A motion was made by Lauren Thayer to approve the amendment to Board Policy 6830-Expense Reimbursement. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Amendment to Board Policy
6830

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve the amendment to Board Policy 9645-Disclosure of Wrongful Conduct. Lauren Thayer seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Amendment to Board Policy
9645

The date of the next Board Meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2023 at 6:00p.m. with the first of three budget work sessions. The regular meeting will immediately follow.

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 7:20 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to exit out of Executive Session at 7:34 p.m. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Exit Out of Executive Session

With no further business, a motion was made by Lauren Thayer to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Adjournment

Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk
Sagaponack Common School District