

PRESENT: Thomas Schultz, President  
Cathy Hatgistavrou, Vice President  
Brian Villante, Member

ALSO PRESENT: John Finello, Superintendent  
Jeanette Krempler, District Clerk  
Robert Doyle, District Treasurer

The budget work session was called to order by Thomas Schultz at 6:00pm and concluded at 6:31pm. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted. Passed 3-0.

Budget Work Session Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order by Thomas Schultz at 6:32pm. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Enter Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve the February 10, 2025 Board Meeting minutes. Thomas Schultz seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the February Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve the February Treasurer Report. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of the February Treasurer Report

Checking Acct: \$46,405.24  
Money Market: \$974.66  
Money Market NYCLASS: \$1,563,754.32  
Reserve Account: \$546,906.72

A motion was made by Thomas Schultz to approve check warrant #2425-09 in the amount of \$403,329.88. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 3-0.

Approval of Check Warrant #2425-09

Mr. Finello gave an overview of the school activities and events this month: This month our students had a visit from the Long Island Science Center and participated in an all about insect lesson. Each student got to build a habitat for a cricket and bring a live one home to set free into nature. They also started working on the Budding Authors stories. Their stories will be on display at the Hampton Library next month and they will have their writing celebration on April 25th at the library. The Pre-k students are beginning to segment and blend CVC. In science, they have been discussing insects and their life cycles. In ELA, the kindergarten students are reading stories from their unit reader. They are focusing on decoding and encoding consonant blends and in math, the children are interpreting mathematical pictures. First graders are

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continuing with their unit readers and brainstorming ideas for their Budding Author stories. In math, they are adding and subtracting numbers by 3 tens and 4 tens. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students have been practicing for the NYS ELA and Math assessments that will be conducted in April/May. Dr. Victor Grazina, from Facing the Future Orthodontics, recently visited the school and talked to the students about the proper way to take care of their teeth and healthy choices for them to eat. Last week, Mr. & Mrs. Lee, parents of a pre-k child came in and did a craft with our students where they designed their own home and yard. On March 12<sup>th</sup>, Mr. & Mrs. Hoisington, parents of another pre-k student, will be coming in to do a heart rock craft with the children. In music, both groups of students are beginning to prepare for the spring concert which will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00pm. In technology, the younger students have been doing some different coding activities where they have to follow a certain path. Each student selected an insect and will create a power point presentation based off what they learned about their insect. In art, the students completed their art exhibits with Mrs. Baer, that will be on display at the Parrish Art Museum's Student Exhibition from March 15<sup>th</sup> through April 27<sup>th</sup>. We will be taking a field trip to the museum on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. In gym, all the students finished their tennis sessions at EHIT and begun their last winter activity, yoga with Kristin Davies. In Spanish, the Kindergarten students are covering numbers 1-30 and discussing seasons as we change in spring. The older students are practicing oral sentences and will be interviewing a friend with short questions of 3-4 words.

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Mr. Finello and the teachers are currently conducting tours for families on the non-resident wait list that are interested in the 2025-2026 school year. Screenings will be scheduled over the coming weeks.

Enrollment Update

Thomas Schultz exited the meeting at 7:04pm.

Exit of Meeting

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the 2025-2026 Comprehensive Therapy Services Contract for related services for students in pre-k through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

**New Business:**  
Approval of Comprehensive  
Therapy Contract

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve the Protec Security Contract to begin at the end of March 2025 at the rate of \$67.50/month and an initial start-up fee of \$550.00. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Protec Security  
Contract

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the 2025 Hampton Irrigation Contract at the rate of \$555.00 for reactivation and winterization of the sprinkler system. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Hampton Irrigation  
Contract

A motion was made by Brian Villante to approve the annual election legal notice for the May 20, 2025 vote to be placed in the designated newspaper to run 4-consecutive weeks beginning the first week of April 2025 in English and Spanish. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of the Election Legal Notice

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to appoint Fred Wilford, community member, as the Chairperson for the May 20, 2025 annual school election/budget vote. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Appointment of the School Vote Chairperson

A motion was made by Brian Villante to appoint John Finello, Superintendent and Elizabeth Barton, Shared Decision-Making Committee member, as the Election Inspectors for the May 20, 2025 annual school election/budget vote. Cathy Hatgistavrou seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Appointment of the Election Inspectors for the School Vote

A call for nominations for the Eastern Suffolk BOCES April 23, 2025 vote was presented to the Sagaponack CSD Board of Trustees.

ESBOCES Nominations

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to appoint Elizabeth Newby as a substitute for the teaching staff for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year at the approved substitute rate of \$150.00 per day. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Appointment of Substitute

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve the termination of Prillina Arcinegas, substitute custodial employee, effective immediately on this date of March 11, 2025. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Custodial Substitute

A motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to approve the change to the June Board Meeting date from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Approval of Change to the June Meeting Date

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for April 8, 2025 at 6:00pm. The final budget work session will take place with the regular meeting immediately following.

Date of the Next Board Meeting

There were no audience questions at this time.

Audience Questions/Comments

With no further business, a motion was made by Cathy Hatgistavrou to adjourn the meeting at 7:22p.m. Brian Villante seconded the motion. Passed 2-0.

Adjournment