

TUCKAHOE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes - REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 9, 2024

Timothy M. Gilmartin, Chairman called the Tuckahoe School Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The following Board members and District officials were present:

Timothy M. Gilmartin, Chairman
Robert E. Grisnik, Vice Chairman
Sean Hattrick, Trustee

Len Skuggevik, Superintendent/Principal
Doreen Buckley, Assistant Superintendent
Lauri Lenahan, District Clerk
Fernando Osorio, Business Official
Marie Sellers, District Treasurer

The following individuals were also present:

Katie Dunn Lynn Confessore Evelyn Cozier Kelly McClinchy Allison Corrigan
Brian Paddleford Stef Sedam Anthony DiPietro Jason Rusell Jeff Hanhausen
Jasmin DiazLeal Edgar DiazLeal Jenn Finocchiaro Nube Farez Karla Orddnez
Wilson Ortiz Juan Antancuri Marisele Antancuri J. Dominski Nathaly Gertz
Yolanda Fajardo Nicole Fischette Rita Greene Berry Monica Mejia Cassie Kelly

I. Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 4, 2024.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of October 2024.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried.

III. Correspondence

1. Correspondence received, signed anonymous, recognizing Mr. Skuggevik for the great job he is doing at Tuckahoe Common School.

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2. Correspondence received signed, Not a Concerned Parent, regarding Halloween.
3. Correspondence received from Robert Essay regarding Halloween and his appreciation of the Tuckahoe Common School Administration.
4. Phone call (anonymous) in regard to Halloween.
5. Save the Date: Longwood School District 21st Annual Regional Legislative Breakfast, Saturday, February 1, 2025, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
6. Correspondence of letter addressed to Governor Kathy Hochul from Brian Fessler, Director of Governmental Relations, NY State School Board Association.

IV. Superintendent/Principal Report

1. **Enrollment Update:**
PK-26, K-15, Grade 1-29, Grade 2-28, Grade 3-26, Grade 4-26, Grade 5-20, Grade 6-30, Grade 7-22, Grade 8-25 = 247
Southampton Elementary/Intermediate Schools-2, Southampton H.S.-126, WHBLC-3, Our Lady of the Hamptons-29, Raynor Country Day School-2, Montessori-0, Jefferson Academy-1, Undetermined PreK-2, St. Anthony's-1, Chaminade-1, St. John Baptist-1, Hayground-1, Lower Ross-7, Upper Ross-2, Stonybrook HS Program-3, It Takes a Village-0, HB Ward-0, Moriches HS-1, Anderson Center-1, Alternatives-2, Home Schooled-2 = 187
Total Enrollment: 434 students
2. Mr. Skuggevik updated the Board on the 2025/2026 Budget Planning.
3. Mr. Skuggevik informed the Board that the programs regarding Electric Charging Stations in fact will cost the district money.
4. Mr. Skuggevik thanked the PTO for hosting the Thanksgiving Feast and Holiday Gingerbread House night.
5. Mr. Skuggevik informed the Board that the Winter Concert dates are December 10, 2024, and December 12, 2024.

V. Business Official's Report

1. Brian Paddleford reviewed his "News & Notes" he prepared regarding work that has been completed to date.
2. Mr. Osorio introduced the new Business Office Account Clerks.

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3. Mr. Osorio informed the Board that Roth 403B is now an option for Tuckahoe Common School employees through OMNI.

The Board of Trustees made a motion to approve the Roth 403B option to Tuckahoe Common School employees.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Sean Hattrick, and unanimously carried

4. Mr. Osorio reviewed the Residency Report.

VI. Director of Pupil Personnel Report

1. Ms. Buckley updated the Board on the use of the Sensory Room.

VII. New Business - None

VIII. Old Business -None

IX. P.T.O. Report

Susie Armusewicz reviewed upcoming PTO events.

X. Public Commentary

Members of the audience were given an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

XI. Resolutions

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board of Trustees hereby approves the following resolutions numbered 1 through 9.

Finance

1. WHEREAS the Board of Trustees authorizes the extension of the transportation contracts with Montauk Bus LLC for school years 2024-2025, at the prevailing CPI (cost of living adjustment) as published yearly by the Commissioner of Education with a cap of 5% for each year. FURTHERMORE, it is agreed that the school district will purchase the fuel for the transportation contract through the State of New York. The cost of fuel purchased by the school district will be deducted from the transportation contract through monthly invoicing.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Board Chairman to execute the extension of the contract with Montauk Bus LLC for the Main Contract, Athletic and Field Trips Contract, Out of District Contract and Main Summer Contract (Summer 2024) in accordance with the terms and services outlined therein.

2. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve payment to Aron Security Inc., DBA Arrow Security for unarmed security guard services for the 2024/2025 school year at an estimated rate cost of \$33.40 per hour, and estimated overtime/weekend rate cost of \$74.82 per hour.

Personnel

3. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees accept the formal request for leave of absence from Belky Saa Romero, in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), effective January 10, 2025.

Appointments

4. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Todd McElrath as substitute custodian as needed for the 2024/2025 school year effective December 10, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a rate of \$22.60 per hour.
5. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Kimberly Guessferd as substitute custodian as needed for the 2024/2025 school year effective December 9, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a rate of \$22.60 per hour, pending fingerprint clearance.

Administrative

6. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the Shared Decision-Making Plan for the 2024/2025 school year.

Building Use

7. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the building use request of Grade 7 to use the cafeteria for a Family Movie Night Fundraiser on January 28, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Field Trips

8. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the field trip request of Grade 6 to visit Long Island Aquarium to study different organisms in their natural habitat on December 13, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., for a total cost of \$1,115.04 at an approximate cost to the district of \$545.04.

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CSE Recommendations

9. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the following recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, Committee Section 504, and the Committee on Pre School Special Education from the meetings held on November 13, 2024.

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XII. Executive Session

At 7:30 p.m., Timothy M. Gilmartin made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual matters, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik and unanimously carried.

At 9:15 p.m., the Board came out of Executive Session and passed the following resolutions.

10. RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve Certified Substitute Teacher per diem rate at \$210 and Non-Certified Substitute Teacher per diem rate at \$190 effective January 6, 2025.

Approve: Motion made by Timothy M. Gilmartin, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried

At 9:16 p.m., Timothy M. Gilmartin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Robert E. Grisnik, and unanimously carried.

Lauri Lenahan, District Clerk
Tuckahoe Common School District