

SOMERDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education  
301 Grace Street  
Somerdale, NJ 08083

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

**MINUTES**

May 15, 2006

I. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mr. Sabatini.

The Sunshine Law statement was read:

The Somerdale Board of Education Meeting is called to order. The Board of Education is in compliance with the sunshine regulations. This meeting was appropriately advertised by notifying The Record Breeze and The Courier Post, as well as posting notices in Borough Hall, the Somerdale Post Office and the Somerdale Park School.

II. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

James Abbott - present	Martha Gray - present
Richard Caswell - absent	Dawn Pope - present
Cheryl Cronce - present	David Reeder - present
Linda Giambri - present	Frank Sabatini - present
James Walsh - present	

Also Present:

Dr. Debra L. Bruner, Superintendent  
Daniel Fox, Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
William Hurley, Facilities Manager

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Abbott, seconded by Mr. Reeder, the following was approved:

Recommend that the Board of Education approve the executive and regular session minutes of the April 24, 2006 Reorganization and Regular Meeting(s).

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 8 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 1

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS on any action items.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Caswell arrived at 8:05 p.m.

#### NOTATION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board President will recognize those individuals in the audience whom wish to comment on any action items on this Agenda. Please respect the following procedures:

- 1). Be recognized by the Board President.
- 2). State your full name and address.
- 3). Identify the resolution/item number on which you wish to comment.
- 4). Wait to be recognized before you make your comment  
(*Just before the resolution is voted on*).
- 5). Limit your comments to the specific resolution/items.
- 6). Limit your comments to (3) minutes per person.

#### V. REPORTS

- A. The Superintendent' gave a report
- B. The Business Administrator gave a report

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. **Personnel Committee**, M. Gray, Chairperson

On a motion by Mrs. Gray, seconded by Mrs. Giambri the following was approved:

Recommend that the Board of Education on the recommendation of the superintendent, approve the following:

1. The appointment of Tarek Casper and Geraldine Lowden, as substitute teacher and substitute nurse, respectively, for the remainder of the 2005-'06 school year.
2. The attendance of Mary Dow, School Nurse, at the National Association of School Nurses Symposium, 7/13 – 7/16/'06 in Dallas, TX.
3. To appoint individuals (attached) as substitute teachers as per the contract with Source 4 Teachers for the 2005-'06 school year.
4. To appoint Cheryl Cronce as New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) and Camden County School Boards Association (CCSBA) representative, as per BOE President's recommendation for same.
5. To appoint Linda Giambri as Camden County Educational Services Commission (CCESC) representative, as per BOE President's recommendation for same.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 9 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

##### B. **Finance Committee**, J. Abbott, Chairperson

On a motion by Mr. Abbott, seconded by Mr. Reeder, the following was approved:

Recommend that the Board of Education on the recommendation of the business administrator approve the following:

1. Financial Report

Recommend that the Board of Education certify that as of this date and after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge, no major fund balance has been overspent in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13 (b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations as of this date.

Ratified April Bill List #7,493.89

May Bill List #1 \$145,638.07

May Bill List #2 \$13,844.80

May Bill List #3 \$269,735.50

April Payroll #1, as attached \$155,339.31

April Payroll #2, as attached \$152,140.06

April Transfers, as attached

Board Secretary's Report for April, 2006

Treasurer's Report(s) for March, 2006

2. An agreement with Nutriserve to provide Food Service Management services for the 2006-2007 school year as per attached. Resolution # 2006-08.
3. To accept the No Child Left Behind grant for the 2005-2006 (attached).
4. The purchase of two \$500.00 savings bonds for two Somerdale resident graduating seniors (*male and female*) from Sterling Regional High School, to be presented by the BOE President or respective representative at the respective ceremony.
5. To provide homebound instruction for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student for five (5) hours per week for a two (2) week period due to medical reasons
6. To provide two (2) mandated bilingual Child Study Team (CST) evaluations for two (2) resident students at a total cost of \$2,000.00.
7. To approve the Grinspec Group Insurance Trust Agreement (attached).
8. To approve a Resolution to Join the Burlington & Camden County Educators Insurance Consortium (attached).

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 9 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

C. **Curriculum Committee**, C. Cronce and L. Giambri, Co-Chairpersons

On a motion by Mrs. Giambri, seconded by Mrs. Cronce, the following was approved:

A recommendation is requested to approve the following:

1. **Second Grade** students to conduct a walking tour of historic Philadelphia (*Independence Hall; Liberty Bell; and Betsy Ross House*) on May 25, 2006, as a culminating social studies activity.

2. Receipt of approval of the 2006 -'07 Early Childhood Program Aid Plan (*ECPA*) by the Camden County NJDOE and the FY 2006 No Child Left Behind (*NCLB*) by the NJDOE, respectively.
3. 2006 Summer School (6/26 – 7/21/'06) application for the Camden County NJDOE.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 9 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

**D. Policy Committee, J. Walsh, Chairperson**

On a motion by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Abbott, the following was approved:

1. Second Reading of Policy # 3293.1 – Signatures/Facsimiles
2. Second Reading of Policy # 3326 – Payment for Goods & Services

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 9 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

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**E. Buildings and Grounds, D. Reeder, Chairperson**

On a motion by Mr. Reeder, seconded by Mrs. Cronce, the following was approved:

The Somerdale Recreation Committee to use Ward field on June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 am to dusk.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES 9 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT 0

F. Interdistrict Committee,	C. Cronce, Chairperson - meeting May 12th
G. CCECSC Representative,	L. Giambri, Representative - nothing
H. NJSBA Representative,	L. Giambri, Representative - attended meeting
I. CCSBA Representative,	C. Cronce, Representative
J. Liaison Committee,	M. Gray, Chairperson – in house meeting 5/24
K. Public Relations,	L. Giambri, Chairperson - nothing
L. Negotiations,	J. Walsh, Chairperson - progress

**VII. OTHER REPORTS:**

Faculty Attendance: April, 2006  
 Student Attendance: April, 2006  
 Fire Drill Reports: April, 2006  
 Health Report: April, 2006

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION was not held.**

**X. PUBLIC COMMENTS (on any item)**

Audience Recognition and Public Comment

The public is reminded that all public complaints against a district employee must be made through a specific grievance process.

A description of this process may be found in BOE policy (File Code 1312). This policy is available upon request in the office of the Board Secretary.

Any individual naming an employee in a complaint before the Board of Education, without the employee's permission, could be cited for violating that employee's civil and contractual rights.

Mr. Matthews asked about the budget

Miss Somerdale pageant – need to submit application on a timely basis. Mr. Sabatini indicated that he felt it should be at Park School.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Caswell, seconded by Mr. Reeder the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel J. Fox  
Board Secretary