

**The Somerset Hills School District
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – JULY 23, 2014**

Call to Order

The Special Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Mrs. Coons, President.

Roll Call

Present	Absent	Also Present
Mr. Baker	Frances Wood	Nancy Lee Hunter
Mrs. Coons	Jennifer Shouffler	
Ms. Goetz	Mr. DiGioacchino	
Mrs. Hawkins	Ms. Kragie	
Mrs. Palazzolo	Mrs. Petrilli	
Mr. Palma	Mrs. Swadba	

Welcome

Welcome to a meeting of the Board of Education of Somerset Hills. Please be advised that this and all meetings of the Board are open to the public and media, consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act: (Chapter 231 Laws of 1975), and that advance notice required therein has been provided. This is a meeting of the Board of Education of Somerset Hills at which formal action may be taken. The public will have an opportunity to be heard as shown on the Agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance**Public Questions & Comments**

None

Finance

Mr. Baker moved Finance resolutions #1-3, seconded by Mr. Palma. Finance resolutions #1-2 were approved by a roll call vote of 6-0.

Action1. **Payment of Bills*****Resolution**

WHEREAS, the Board Secretary has presented a check register dated June 30, 2014 covering check numbers 31585 to 31760 in the amount of \$1,963,272.46 with the recommendation that they be paid, and

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, that the following bills be paid and an itemized list be filed with the minutes of this meeting:

FUND	AMOUNT
(10) General Fund	\$1,795,609.64
(20) Special Revenue Fund	\$41,517.88
(30) Capital Projects Fund	\$122,515.79
(40) Debt Service Fund	-0-
(60) Cafeteria Fund	\$3,629.15
TOTAL	\$1,963,272.46

Action 2. Approve IDEA Basic Grant Amendment FY2014
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the carry over amendment to the FY2014 application for the IDEA Basic application in the amount of \$2,571.

Action 3. Approve IDEA Preschool Grant Amendment FY2014
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the carry over amendment to the FY2014 application for the IDEA Preschool Grant in the amount of \$2,571.

Curriculum

Action 1. Approve Professional Development*
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following professional development:

School	Name	Workshop/Conference	Est. Cost	Date
BHS	a) Dave Szostak	Prepare for AP World History Summer Advanced Placement Institute, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ	\$1141.02	7/28-31/14

Facilities & Operations

Mr. Palma moved Facilities & Operations resolutions #1-2, seconded by Mrs. Palazzolo. Facilities & Operations resolutions #1-2 were approved by a roll call vote of 6-0.

Action 1. Award Bid Marion T. Bedwell ES Security Vestibule
Resolution Bids were received for the Marion T. Bedwell ES Security Vestibule on July 22, 2014 as follows:

	Base Bid	Alternate	Total
Edge Property Maintenance, Inc.	\$77,000	-	\$77,000
Strober-Wright Roofing	\$81,889	-	\$81,889
Arco Construction Group	\$146,900	-	\$146,900

Be it Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education award the bid for the Marion T. Bedwell ES Security Vestibule to Edge Property Maintenance, Inc. for a total bid price of \$77,000.

Action 2. Award Bid Regrading of Bernards High School Lower Fields
Resolution Bids were received for the Regrading of Bernards High School Lower Fields on July 22, 2014 as follows:

	Base Bid	Alternate	Total
Adamsville Maintenance, Inc.	\$209,922	\$270,000	\$479,922
Earthwork, Inc.	\$288,750	\$280,000	\$568,750
W.J. Harrington & Sons	\$195,340	\$195,000	\$390,340
Pave-Rite, Inc.	\$261,940	\$248,500	\$510,440
Salmon Bros. Inc.	\$307,645	\$465,000	\$772,645

Be it Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education award the base bid and the alternate bid for the Regrading of Bernards High School Lower Fields to W.J. Harrington & Sons, for a total bid price of \$390,340.

Personnel

Mrs. Hawkins moved Personnel resolutions #1-18, seconded by Mr. Palma. Personnel resolutions #1-18 were approved by a roll call vote of 6-0.

All personnel action is on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Action 1. Accept Retirement

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of Mary Haspel, Learning Consultant Bernardsville Middle School, effective September 30, 2014, with thanks for 15 years of service to the district.

Action 2. Accept Resignation

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of Sheila Driska, part time Speech Therapist at Bedwell Elementary School, effective July 31, 2014.

Action 3. Accept Resignation

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education accept the resignation of Chelsea Boverly, part time special education paraprofessional, effective August 8, 2014.

Action 4. Approve Parenthood Leave

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve parenthood leave for Heather Hunkele, Bernards High School English Teacher from November 10, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Action 5. Rescind Appointment

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education rescind the appointment of Jessica Allison, physical education teacher leave replacement at Bernardsville Middle School for the 2014-2015 school year.

Action 6. Approve Appointment

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Michael Catelli, Supervisor of Social Studies and World Languages K-12, at an annual salary of \$85,000 effective September 24, 2014 or sooner as determined by the Superintendent for the 2014-2015 school year.

Action 7. Approve Appointment

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Michael Foglyano, Special Education Teacher Bernardsville Middle School, level BA + 15, step 6 at an annual salary of \$58,435 for the 2014-2015 school year. (Ronay)

Action 8. Approve Appointment
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Alyssa Wagner, Physics Teacher Bernards High School, level MA + 30, step 1 at an annual salary of \$60,435 for the 2014-2015 school year. (LaFargue)

Action 9. Approve Appointment
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Gabriela Colon, ELS Teacher Bernards High School, level MS, step 1 at an annual salary of \$56,435 for the 2014-2015 school year. (DeRoberts)

Action 10. Approve Appointment
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Sarah Pasculli, Special Education Teacher Bernards High School, level BS, step 6 at an annual salary of \$56,435 for the 2014-2015 school year.

Action 11. Approve Appointment
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Lucille Polizzi, Business Office Assistant at an annual salary of \$26,000 effective July 28, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year.

Action 12. Approve Appointment
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Karen Ball, Bernardsville Middle School Athletic Coordinator, at an annual salary of \$20,000 effective September 1, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year.

Action 13. Approve Appointment of Custodian
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the appointment of Edith Carrasco, district custodian at an annual salary of \$25,000 effective August 1, 2014 for the 2014-2015 school year. (Connelly)

Action 14. Approve Overload
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve an overload for the following Bernards High School teacher:

Teacher	Subject Area	Overload	Length	Salary
Alyssa Wagner	Physics	5 periods/week	2014-2015 SY	\$6,043.50

Action 15. Approve Co-Curricular Positions
Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following co-curricular positions for the 2014-2015 school year.
 Bernards High School

Position	Person Recommended	Stipend
Soccer, Women's Assistant (FR)	James Cicchino	\$5,014
Fencing - Head	Jared Hammond	\$7,283

Action 16. Approve Appointment of Substitutes

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve the following substitutes for the 2014-2015 school year:

Name	Substitute	Certificate
Sandoval, Alcira	Custodian	n/a
Blazure, Robin	Teacher, Paraprofessional	Substitute Credential
Zuppa, Colleen	Teacher, Paraprofessional	Substitute credential

Action 17. Approve Appointment

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve Emily Pike as Guidance Counselor at Bedwell Elementary School at a salary of \$90,595.

Action 18. Approve Contract

Resolution Resolved, that the Somerset Hills Board of Education approve a contract with Dr. Allyson Agathis for the 2014/2015 school year as the School Physician for the Somerset Hills School District in the amount of \$19,247.

Public Questions & Comments

None

Adjournment

Mr. Palma moved to adjourn at 10:30 a.m., seconded by Mrs. Palazzolo. The meeting was adjourned with a roll call vote of 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Lee Hunter

Board Secretary

Resolutions:

***Note:** The areas of permitted voting for the Bedminster district representative of the Board of Education are: 1) tuition charged by the sending district and bill lists or contracts to be used for the sending district's pupils; 2) new capital construction to be used by the sending district's pupils; 3) appointment, transfer or removal of teaching staff serving the sending district's pupils, including central administration; 4) addition or deletion of curricular or extracurricular programs involving the sending district's pupils.