

Shared Decision Making Committee (SDMC) Meeting

March 8, 2017

Minutes

Attendance:

SDMC Members

Mrs. Katie Lombardo – Teacher
Mrs. Barbara Albright – Community Member
Mrs. Diana Payne – Parent
Mr. Alan Van Cott
Mr. Terry Scammell – Teacher (Absent)

Non-SDMC Members

Mrs. Ellen Wilford – Community
Mrs. Lee Foster - Community

1. The meeting commenced at 2:50 p.m. Mr. Van Cott welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.
2. **NYS Assessments/Updates:** Mrs. Lombardo shared information about the upcoming NYS Math and ELA Assessments. Our one third grader will be participating in this annual assessment program. Dates and format information was also shared.
3. **Winter PE Activities:** Mrs. Lombardo shared information about our unique wintertime physical education activities. During the winter months our Sagg students swim, play tennis, ice skate and participate in yoga.
4. **Budding Authors:** Mrs. Lombardo stated that our students were busy completing their books so they will be able to participate in the annual Budding Authors program sponsored by the Hampton Library. Sagg student authors and their teachers look forward to attending the special reception at the library that is scheduled for April 6th at 1:00 pm.
5. **2017-18 Proposed Budget:** Mr. Van Cott brought the committee up-to-date as to where the Sagaponack Board of Trustees (BOT) is in relation to the development of the annual budget. The status of enrollment projections was also shared. The next BOT Budget

Workshop is scheduled for on March 21ST at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will takes place prior to the start of the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting on March 21st, which will commence at 7:00 p.m. The annual budget hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. and is followed by the annual school budget vote that will take place on Tuesday, May 16th from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

6. **Building Repairs-Update:** Mr. Van Cott explained that NYS requires all public schools to conduct a Building Condition Survey (BCS) every five years. This process results in a five year listing of projects that schools should consider completing during this time period. In addition, the Sagaponack BOT has authorized that an annual visual inspection be conducted to review the status of the work that is recommended by the BCS and look for any new items that be present. This process represents an attempt to ensure that schools and their facilities are maintained at an acceptable level and that safety concerns are addressed as soon as possible.

A list of projects that have been completed to date and those that are under consideration by the BOT was shared with the group. Budget appropriations will be discussed at future BOT Budget Workshops.

7. **Questions and Answers:**
 - a. A community member inquired about the Kindergarten program and how this program was being implemented. Also, a follow up question was asked related to how the students were adjusting to it and how parents were receiving the program.
 - b. A community member inquired about a recent BOT decision to deny a parent's request that Sagaponack enter into an instructional contract with the Bridgehampton School to provide instruction for Sagaponack children for their education in grades 4-12. This community member indicated that she would like to attend the next meeting of the BOT to discuss this item with them at that time.
8. The next meeting of the SDMC is scheduled for May 9th at 2:45 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.