

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

SANDY CREEK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SALISBURY STREET
SANDY CREEK, NEW YORK

Date: August 13, 2015

Meeting: Regular

Place: Sandy Creek Board Room

Board Members Present:

Brian MacVean (entered 6:06 pm)
Janet Hanni
Amy Guarasce
Tammy Miller
James Dowlearn
Deanna Soule

Others Present:

Stewart Amell
Shelley Fitzpatrick
Bonnie Finnerty
Carolyn Shirley
Maureen Shiel

RoseAnn Bayne
John Shelmidine
SueAnn Archibee

Board Members Absent:

Brenda Yerdon

CALL TO ORDER:

Janet Hanni, Board Vice-President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

All present recited the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS:

Roseann Bayne, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction from CiTi facilitated a presentation on the 2015-2016 School District Goals.

(Brian MacVean entered at 6:06 pm)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA CHANGES:

None.

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION:

Motion made by Hanni, seconded by Guarasce, that the Sandy Creek Central School District Board of Education hereby approves the Consent Agenda.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on July 1, 2015.

The approval of the minutes of the Reorganizational Board of Education Meeting held on July 1, 2015.

APPROVAL OF THE CSE RECOMMENDATIONS:

New York State Education Law and Part 200 of the Regulations of the New York State Commissioner of Education empower Boards of Education to provide suitable educational programs for students with disabilities, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education.

The Committee on Special Education has determined that the children listed on the attached possess disabilities to a degree sufficient to warrant placement in a Special Education Program.

Based upon the committee's decision, the Board of Education accepts the Committee on Special Education's recommendations, and will provide these children with the appropriate programs.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS:

To approve the Clerk and Treasurer's Report for the period of June 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015.

To approve the Extracurricular Treasurer's Report for the period of June 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015.

APPROVAL OF POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS/ABOLISHMENTS, RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS, LEAVES OF ABSENCE, AND APPOINTMENTS:**AUTHORIZATIONS/ABOLISHMENTS:**

To **authorize** the following position:

(1) Elementary Homework Helper

Program runs from October 6, 2015 – May 26, 2016 (Tuesdays & Thursdays) at an estimated amount of \$3,551.

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

To accept the resignation of **James Pelton**, from his position as a **Health Teacher**, effective July 8, 2015.

To accept the resignation of **Elise Lofaro**, from her position a **Speech-Language Pathologist**, effective July 6, 2015.

To accept the resignation of **Karrie Swarthout** from her positions of **Food Service Helper and Bus Aide**, pending appointment to the position of Teacher Aide, effective August 13, 2015.

To accept the resignation of **Ashley (Johnson) Howell** from her position as a **Bus Driver Permanent Substitute**, pending appointment to a Bus Driver position, effective August 5, 2015, pending appointment to the full time Bus Driver position.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

None.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS:

To appoint **Jared Cook** to a teaching position in the academic tenure area of **Health** for a probationary period of four (4) years to commence September 1, 2015 and concluding June 30, 2019. The employee's certification is Health Education – initial expiring on August 31, 2016. The approximate salary will be \$45,031 (based upon a Master's Degree and 30 graduate credit hours), pending verification of Master's certification and official transcripts, per contract expired June 30, 2015.

(Position due to the resignation of James Pelton.)

To appoint **Kaylee Fisher** to the position of **Cleaner**, to commence August 17, 2015 for a probationary period of 52 weeks, to conclude September 12, 2016. Miss Fisher will be paid \$9.74 per hour for an

approximate salary of \$20,337.12, based upon the Sandy Creek Support Staff Association contract expired June 30, 2013.

(Position due to the termination of Patrick Dickes.)

To appoint **Karrie Swarthout** to the position of **Teacher Aide**, to commence September 1, 2015 for a probationary period of 52 weeks, to conclude November 1, 2016. Mrs. Swarthout will be paid \$9.62 per hour for an approximate salary of \$12,012.97, based upon the Sandy Creek Support Staff Association contract expired June 30, 2013.

(Position due to the resignation of Jessie Glenister.)

To appoint **Erika Barnaby** to a teaching position in the special subject area of **Speech-Language Pathology** for a probationary period of four (4) years to commence September 1, 2015 and concluding June 30, 2019. The employee's certification is Speech and Language Disabilities – initial expiring on January 31, 2019. The approximate salary will be \$47,671 (based upon a Master's degree and 54 graduate credit hours), pending verification of Master's Degree and official transcripts, per contract expired June 30, 2015.

(Position due to the resignation of Elise Lofaro.)

To appoint **Ashley (Johnson) Howell** to the position of **Bus Driver**, to commence September 1, 2015 for a probationary period of 52 weeks, to conclude November 1, 2016. Ms. Johnson will be paid \$13.77 per hour for an approximate salary of \$7,642.35, based upon the Sandy Creek Support Staff Association contract expired June 30, 2013.

(Position due to the retirement of Bethel Mothersell.)

To appoint **Linda Lurcock** to the position of **Food Service Helper**, to commence September 1, 2015 for a probationary period of 52 weeks, to conclude November 1, 2016. Mrs. Lurcock will be paid \$9.62 per hour for an approximate salary of \$3,559.40, based upon the Sandy Creek Support Staff Association contract expired June 30, 2013.

(Position due to the resignation of Karrie Swarthout.)

To appoint **Tricia Thomas** to the position of **Volunteer Assistant Soccer Coach** for the Fall 2015-2016 school year.

REPORTS:

Board Committee Reports/Comments:

There were no updates on the Curriculum and Assessment (CDEP) subcommittee.

There were no updates to report on the Extra Curricular subcommittee.

There were no updates on the Facilities and Operations subcommittee.

There were no updates on the Finance subcommittee.

There were no updates to report on the Transportation subcommittee.

John Shelmidine presented on the Oswego County BOCES Board of Education (CITI).

Stewart Amell presented the Superintendent's Reports/Comments.

Bonnie Finnerty presented the Elementary Principal's Reports/Comments.

Carolyn Shirley presented the Middle School Principal's Reports/Comments.

Maureen Shiel presented the High School Principal's Reports/Comments.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Shelley Fitzpatrick discussed the Legal Services Survey.

Bonnie Finnerty and Stewart Amell discussed the Elementary Programming Concerns.

Stewart Amell discussed L.A.P (Local Assistance Plan) School Designation.

Stewart Amell discussed "The Leader in Me!"

Shelley Fitzpatrick discussed the Tax Warrant for the 2015-2016 Levy of School Taxes.

ACTION ITEMS:

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the additions to the **2015-2016 Master List of Substitutes for Instructional Staff and Support Staff**, pending fingerprint approval.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **authorize** the position of a **0.50 FTE Literacy Teacher**, based upon student needs.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **authorize** the position of **Teacher Assistant**, based upon student needs.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **abolish** the position of **Special Education Aide 12:1:1**, based on student needs.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint **Haley Grant** to the 0.50 FTE Teaching position, effective September 1, 2015, in the academic tenure area of Literacy. The approximate pro-rated salary for this position is \$23,129, based upon a Master's degree and 36 graduate credit hours. Mrs. Grant holds an Initial Certificate in Literacy Birth – Grade 2 (exp. 8/31/19) and an Initial Certificate in Literacy Grades 5-12 (exp. 8/31/20).

(Mrs. Grant remains a 0.50 FTE ESL Teacher as well.)

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the **Tax Warrant for the 2015-2016 Levy of School Taxes**.

(Refer to supporting documentation under Discussion Item 8.5)

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to terminate **Kathy Walter** from her position as a **Special Education Aide 12:1:1** due to the position being eliminated due to student needs.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint **Courtney Williams** to a **Teacher Assistant** position for a probationary period of four years commencing September 1, 2015 and concluding June 30, 2019 at a salary of \$31,623 (based upon a Master's Degree and 35 graduate credits), pending verification of Master's Degree, official transcripts, and reciprocity, per contract expired June 30, 2015.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Guarasce, seconded by Miller, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to appoint **Kathy Walter** to the position of **12:1:1 Special Education Aide Leave Replacement** to commence September 1, 2015 and to conclude the end of the 2015-2016 school year at an approximate salary of \$13,888.88.

(Sandy Jamieson's Leave Replacement.)

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION: none

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Hanni, seconded by Guarasce, to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

Future Board Meeting Dates

Regular Meeting: Thursday, September 10, 2015

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley H. Fitzpatrick
District Clerk