

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

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

Date: April 13, 2017
Meeting: Regular
Place: Sandy Creek Board Room

Board Members Present:

Brian MacVean
James Dowlearn
Janet Hanni (entered 8:23pm)
Deanna Soule
Brenda Yerdon
Tammy Miller

Others Present:

Kyle Faulkner
Shelley Fitzpatrick
Bonnie Finnerty
Carolyn Shirley
Louis Chistolini
Tanya VanOrnum

Mike Stevens
Rob Ferguson

Patti King
Brandie Norton
Andy Ridgeway
John Shelmidine

Heidi Metott
Rick Metott
Pat McDougal

Board Members Absent:

Mark Haynes

CALL TO ORDER:

Brian MacVean, Board 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.

PRESENTATION:

Tanya VanOrnum, Guidance Counselor discussed Diploma Requirements.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Heidi Metott voiced concerns regarding the education and instruction of her children. She discussed the Common Core failures of Math in the High School and the 4th grade number of sections. There are 3 sections. The District has a temporary influx of staffing for this current year for that group, however there are no plans to maintain the continued staffing for the next school year. She asked that the Board make the number one priority the instruction of the students.

CONSENT AGENDA CHANGES:

None.

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION:

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

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent
Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on March 9, 2017.

The approval of the minutes of the Worksession Board of Education Meeting held on March 30, 2017.

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 February 1, 2017 – February 28, 2017.

To approve the Extracurricular Treasurer's Report for the period of February 1, 2017 – February 28, 2017.

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

None.

RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

To accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of **Denise Elkin**, from her position as an **Elementary Teacher**, effective June 23, 2017.

To accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of **Leslie Langenegger**, from her position as an **Elementary Teacher**, effective June 30, 2017.

To accept the resignation, for retirement purposes, of **Claudia Hurne**, from her position as **School Nurse (RN)**, effective June 23, 2017.

To accept the resignation of **Brittany Warchol**, from her position as a **Special Education Aide 1:1**, effective April 20, 2017.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

None.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS:

None.

REPORTS:**Board Committee Reports/Comments:**

Carolyn Shirley reported on the Curriculum and Assessment (CDEP) subcommittee.

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

There were no updates to report 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).

Kyle Faulkner presented the Superintendent's Report.

The principals placed their reports in the board packet and each added commentary on their buildings.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Shelley Fitzpatrick and Kyle Faulkner discussed the 2017-2018 Expenditure Plan.

Kyle Faulkner discussed the Board of Education Dinners. This has been referred to the Extracurricular Subcommittee of the Board of Education for further discussion.

Shelley Fitzpatrick discussed the Health Insurance Consortium Admission.

It was brought to the attention that the chain that stretches across the back driveway should be made more visible. Andy Ridgeway stated that he will take care of that.

Tammy Miller made a suggestion that the District donate a yearbook

ACTION ITEMS:

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the additions to the **2016-2017 Master List of Substitutes for Instructional Staff and Support Staff**, pending fingerprint approval.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the **Instructional School Expenditure Plan for the 2017-2018 school year** at a stated amount of \$ 23,864,502.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following **Clerks and Inspectors for personal registration and vote at a rate of \$12/hr.** subject to scheduling: Virginia Peters, Debbie Martin, Judy Stucky, Fran Parker, Linda Crast, Rose Graham, and Sherry Glazier.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **permanently appoint Nicole Paternoster** to her position as a **Teacher Aide**, effective April 17, 2017.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Groton Central School District, located in Tompkins County, New York, has petitioned the Cooperative Health Insurance Fund of Central New York (the "Cooperative") for permission to join the Cooperative effective September 1, 2017, and

WHEREAS, the Groton Central School District is not a component school district of the Onondaga Cortland Madison BOCES and, as such, is subject to the discretionary admission guidelines set forth in the Second Amended and Restated Cooperative Health Agreement dated September 1, 2005, Section Nine ("9"), titled *Joining of Additional School Districts*; and

WHEREAS, Section Nine of the Second Amended and Restated Cooperative Health Agreement dated September 1, 2005 provides that current participating school districts and BOCES must register any objection to the admission of a non-component applicant school district by a duly-adopted resolution of the Participant's Board of Education; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Sandy Creek Central School District objects to the admission of the Groton Central School District as a new Participant of the Cooperative Health Insurance Fund of Central New York effective this day of April 13, 2017.

This resolution shall take effect immediately, a copy of which shall be delivered to the Chairperson of the Cooperative.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent
Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the District has been allocated the sum of \$1,306,298.00 pursuant to the Smart Schools Bond Act, for the installation of infrastructure and purchase of certain hardware to improve telecommunication;

WHEREAS, the District desires to embark upon a Smart Schools Bond Act project at the District, comprised of security and IT infrastructure improvements including video surveillance systems, emergency notification systems, and entry control systems, in an amount not to exceed \$1,306,298, under State Education Department Project Number 46-19-01-04-7-999-BA1.

WHEREAS, the District has followed the procedures set out by the New York State Education Department by assembling a Smart Schools Investment Plan, giving stakeholders notice and opportunity for recommendations, presenting the plan for thirty days on the District website, holding a public hearing on February 9, 2017, and properly adopting the plan following the public hearing, all in accordance with the Smart Schools Bond Act;

WHEREAS, the District has engaged King & King Architects LLP to design the Project and administer construction;

WHEREAS, the Project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”);

WHEREAS, SEQRA requires the designation of a “Lead Agency” to determine whether an environmental impact statement is required for the project;

WHEREAS, routine activities such as renovations to, or expansions of existing public school facilities by less than 10,000 square feet are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5(8));

WHEREAS, the SEQRA Regulation (6 NYCRR §617.5[a]) declares Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as lead agency, has examined information available to it from King & King Architects LLP and related to the Project and has, in reliance on information provided by King & King Architects, LLP, determined that this renovation Project is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5(8) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Sandy Creek Central School District hereby declares itself as “Lead Agency”, specifically pursuant to 6 NYCRR§617.6(b), for the proposed Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Project is a Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department, if necessary, together with a copy of correspondence to and from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of the Project from the

New York State Education Department.

The Resolution was thereafter voted upon and there were 5 in favor of the Resolution and 0 opposed the Resolution.

The Resolution was thereafter duly declared adopted.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to declare the **items per the attached spreadsheet as surplus**. These items are to be discarded through the use of a surplus sale/auction/silent bid or disposal as appropriate by law, regulation, circumstance and liability as arranged by the Business Administrator.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the attached **2016-2017 Health and Welfare Services Contract** between the Watertown City School District for health services provided to Sandy Creek Residents attending each non-public school within the City of Watertown at a cost of \$1,256.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the **resignation of Bonnie Finnerty** from her position as **Principal**, effective June 30, 2017.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Yerdon, seconded by Soule, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **reduce the Diploma Graduation Requirements from 24 credits to 22 credits** beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It was moved by Soule, seconded by Yerdon, to go in to executive session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss a particular personnel matter.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

(Janet Hanni entered 8:23 pm)

It was moved by Miller, seconded by Soule, to return from executive session at 8:34 p.m.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Miller, seconded by Dowlearn, to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

Future Board Meeting Dates

Special Meeting: TUESDAY, April 25, 2017 (BOCES Vote)

Regular Meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2017 (Budget Hearing)

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley H. Fitzpatrick
District Clerk