

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

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

Date: September 10, 2020
Meeting: Regular
Place: Sandy Creek Board Room

Board Members Present:

John Shelmidine
Brian MacVean
Andrea Harris
Heidi Metott
Michele Warner
Mark Haynes

Others Present:

Kyle Faulkner
Shelley Fitzpatrick
Kevin Seymour
Amy Molloy
Tim Filiatrault
Amy McCormack

Andy Ridgeway
Pat McDougal

Board Members Absent:

Joseph Hathway

CALL TO ORDER:

John Shelmidine, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

All present recited the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA CHANGES:

None.

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION:

Motion made by MacVean, seconded by Metott, that the Sandy Creek Central School District Board of Education 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 August 13, 2020.

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 FINANCIAL REPORTS:

To approve the Clerk and Treasurer's Report for the period of July 1, 2020 – July 31, 2020.

To approve the Extracurricular Treasurer's Report for the period of July 1, 2020 – July 31, 2020.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS/ABOLISHMENTS:

To **abolish** the following position due to economy and student need:

- (a) **A Special Education Aide 12:1:1, effective retroactive to September 1, 2020.**
- (b) **The person having the least seniority as a Special Education Aide 12:1:1 is Jessica Kimball-Soluri.**

To **abolish** the following position due to student need (student will be performing as a remote learner due to Covid):

- (a) **A Bus Aide, effective September 1, 2020.**
- (b) **The Bus Aide for this student is Patricia Bickford.**

To **abolish** the following position due to student need (student will be performing as a remote learner due to Covid):

- (a) **A Bus Aide, effective retroactive to September 1, 2020.**
- (b) **The Bus Aide for this student is Jessica Thomas.**

To **abolish** the following position due to student need (student will be performing as a remote learner due to Covid):

- (a) **A Bus Aide, effective retroactive to September 1, 2020.**
- (b) **The Bus Aide for this student is Margaret Sawchuck.**

To **abolish** the following position due to student need (student will be performing as a remote learner due to Covid):

- (a) **A Bus Aide, effective retroactive to September 1, 2020.**
- (b) **The Bus Aide for this student is Edna Ridgeway.**

APPROVAL OF RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

To accept the **resignation** of **Shawn Zerphey**, from her position as a **Teacher Aide**, effective September 10, 2020.

APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

None.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS:

To appoint **Emily Sprague** to the position of **Science (Earth Science) Substitute Teacher Leave Replacement** to commence retroactive to September 8, 2020 and concluding on or about November 8, 2020. Miss Sprague will be paid at the daily uncertified substitute rate.

(Katherine Sheehan's leave replacement.)

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

John Shelmidine provided an update on the Oswego County BOCES Board of Education (CiTi)

John Shelmidine provided an update on the Oswego County School Boards Association.

John Shelmidine provided an update on the Central New York School Boards Association.

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

Kyle Faulkner presented on the Superintendent's Report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Kyle Faulkner discussed the revised 2020-2021 District Calendar.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ACTION ITEMS:

It was moved by Metott, seconded by Harris, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the attached **REVISED School District Instructional Calendar for 2020-2021.**

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was move by MacVean, seconded by Warner, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the following resolution:

To suspend any district policy that may conflict with federal, state and local directives in light of the pandemic, as well as provide authority for the Superintendent to take steps to implement a reopening plan consistent with the reopening guidance.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the New York State Governor declared, under Executive Order 202.4, all schools within New York State to be closed to students no later than March 18, 2020 for a period of two weeks, ending on April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, various subsequent executive orders were issued by the New York State Governor resulting in the closure of schools to students for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and WHEREAS, on or about July 13, 2020, the New York State Department of Health issued interim guidance for in-person instruction at Pre-K to Grade 12 schools during the COVID-19 public health emergency for the 2020-2021 school year; and

WHEREAS, on or about July 16, 2020, the New York State Education Department released reopening guidance for schools for the 2020-2021 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education resolves as follows:

1. In an effort to comply with reopening requirements, the Board of Education hereby temporarily suspends any Board policy that conflicts with any current or future federal, state, or county law, regulation, executive order, or guidance released for the purpose of reopening of schools during the period of the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to follow the federal, state, or county laws, regulations, executive orders, or guidance and is thereby authorized to take such action(s) as reasonably necessary and proper for the purpose of reopening schools in compliance with said guidance.

3. This resolution shall terminate at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools or shall expire on June 30, 2021, unless extended by formal resolution by the Board of Education.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Haynes, seconded by Metott, to approve the following resolution: It is hereby acknowledged by the Board of Education, that **Timothy Filiatrault, Amy Molloy, and Kevin Seymour** attended **Lead Evaluator Training** in July/August 2020 and were **(re)certified in application of evaluating for APPR purposes.**

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by MacVean, seconded by Metott, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the attached **agreement for use of one full day classroom for the use of the Distance Learning Program through CiTi** for the 2020-2021 school year.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

It was moved by Harris, seconded by Warner, to enter into executive session at 7:36 p.m. to discuss the evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by MacVean, seconded by Haynes, to return to regular session at 8:59 p.m.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Warner, seconded by Harris, to adjourn at 8:59 p.m.

6 yes, 0 no, 1 absent

Motion carried

Future Board Meeting Dates

Regular Meeting: Thursday, October 8, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley H. Fitzpatrick
District Clerk