

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

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

Date: April 13, 2023
Meeting: Regular
Place: Board Room

Board Members Present:

John Shelmidine
Michele Warner
Kevin Halsey
Andrea Harris
John Macklen

Others Present:

Kevin Seymour, Superintendent
Shelley Fitzpatrick, District Clerk
Steve Newcombe, MS/HS Principal
Timothy Filiatrault, Elem Principal
Amy McCormack, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Data

Board Members Absent:

Joe Hathway
Heidi Metott

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:

Fred Langworthy, from Watchdog Building Partners conducted a presentation on Capital Project Updates.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA CHANGES:

None.

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION:

It was moved by Macklen, seconded by Warner, that the Sandy Creek Central School District Board of Education 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, 2023.

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 February 1, 2023 – February 28, 2023.

To approve the Extracurricular Treasurer's Report for the period of February 1, 2023 – February 28, 2023.

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATIONS/ABOLISHMENTS:

To **authorize** the position of **Special Education Aide**, per CSE recommendation and student need.

To **abolish** the position of **Bus Aide**, per CSE recommendation and student need.

APPROVAL OF RESIGNATIONS/TERMINATIONS:

To accept the **resignation** of **Tammy Thomas**, from her position as a **Special Education Aide**, for purposes of retirement, effective June 23, 2023.

To accept the **resignation** of **Michael Dion**, from his position as a **Cleaner**, retroactive to April 6, 2023.

APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

None.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS:

To appoint the following **Spring Coaches** for the 2022-2023 school year:

		<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
JV Baseball	David Swarthout	1	\$3,564
Modified Baseball	Nicholas Vann	1	\$3,135

To appoint the following **Middle School STEAM Camp Teachers**. The program will run July 10, 2023 through August 3, 2023.

	<u>Salary</u>
John DeGone	\$2,459.36
Sarah Orr	\$2,656.16
Brandy VanRy	\$2,904.80
Brooke Morse	\$2,163.68

To appoint **Pamela LaCelle** to the position of **Special Education Aide**, for a probationary period of 52 weeks, to commence April 24, 2023 and concluding June 17, 2024. Mrs. LaCelle will be paid \$17.02 per hour, for an approximate pro-rated salary of \$5,049.83.

(Position due to the resignation of Kennedy Sullivan.)

To appoint **Susanne Sumell** to a teaching position in the special subject tenure area of **Special Education**, for a probationary period of four years, to commence April 24, 2023, and concluding April 23, 2027. Mrs. Sumell holds a profession Students with Disabilities – All Grades certificate. Her approximate salary will be \$61,784 (based upon a Master's Degree, 4 years of experience, and 60 graduate credit hours), per the Sandy Creek Teachers Association Contract.

(Position due to the resignation of Sarah Johnson.)

REPORTS:

Amy McCormack presented on the Curriculum and Assessment (CDEP) Committee.

John Shelmidine presented and update on the Oswego County BOCES Board of Education (CiTi)

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

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

The Principal's placed their report in the board packet and Tim Filiatrault and Steven Newcombe presented at the meeting.

Kevin Seymour presented the Superintendent's Report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Shelley Fitzpatrick and Kevin Seymour discussed the 2023-2024 Expenditure Plan.

Board discussed the evaluation of the Superintendent process.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ACTION ITEMS:

It was moved by Warmer, seconded by Halsey, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, to approve the additions to the **2022-2023 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 Warner, seconded by Halsey, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to **permanently appoint Christine Wood** to the position of **Special Education Aide**, effective retroactive to April 3, 2023.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

It was moved by Warner, seconded by Halsey, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the **Clerks and Inspectors for personal registration and vote at a rate of \$17/hr: Carla Bremm, Dorothy Hovey, Roxanne Ferguson, and Laurie Crast**.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent

Motion carried

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Sandy Creek Central School District (the “District”) desires to embark upon a 2023-24 Capital Outlay Project which includes modifications to doors, frames, and hardware to improve safety and security (collectively the “Door Safety Project”);

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

WHEREAS, the Door Safety 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, 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 SEQR;

WHEREAS, SEQRA Regulation 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(8) provides that 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;

WHEREAS, SEQRA Regulation 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(2) declares that “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part;” and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as lead agency, has examined information available to it from King & King related to the Project and has, in reliance on information provided by King & King, determined that this additions and alterations Project is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §§617.5(c)(2) and (8);

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 Door Safety Project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Door Safety 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 approved.

Aye: Shelmidine, Halsey, Warner, Harris, Macklen Nay: none Absent: Hathway, Metott

It was moved by Warner, seconded by Halsey, to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the **Instructional Expenditure Plan for the 2023-2024 school year**, for a stated amount of \$26,386,330.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent
Motion carried

It was moved by Warner, seconded by Halsey, 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 by the Business Administrator.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent
Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Warner, seconded by Harris, to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

5 yes, 0 no, 2 absent
Motion carried

Future Board Meeting Dates

Special Meeting: **Wednesday**, April 26, 2023 (BOCES Administrative Vote) **8:15 AM**
Regular Meeting: Thursday, May 4, 2023* (*1st Thursday)

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelley H. Fitzpatrick
District Clerk