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Shelley Palmer  
President  
Board of Education

**Thursday, November 18, 2021  
Board of Education Agenda - Regular Meeting**

**Minutes are draft until approved at the December 16, 2021 meeting.**

**Meeting Location: Schodack Central School District Office, 1477 South Schodack Road, Room 308  
Members of the public can join by clicking on the link below or the video button on the agenda page.  
<https://schodackk12.webex.com/schodackk12/onstage/g.php?MTID=e10910f748f020c56b2de2aec4880b244>**

**Join by Telephone: +1-408-418-9388  
Event Number: 2345 712 8656**

**Meeting Time: 6:00 pm**

**Present: Shelley Palmer, Daniel Grandinetti, Mary Yurista, Tylea Gebbie, Kurt Maier, Charles Peter, Kyle Hurysz via video conference, Sherri Gibson and Amanda Nebral**

**Also present: Jason Chevrier, Michael Bennett, Jacqueline Hill, Hillary Brochu and Michele Reickert**

**1. MEETING OPENING**

- A. President Shelley Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
- B. President Shelley Palmer asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- C. **Charles Peter moved** for approval of the Present Agenda, **Mary Yurista seconded, all present in favor.**

**2. REPORTS**

A. Budget information and Proposed Capital Projects

Jason Chevrier shared information about the budget process and budget calendar, the special vote on December 14, 2021 and a proposed district-wide capital project and timeline.

B. Superintendent Update

Jason Chevrier talked about fall sports and expressed his pride in the successful season, all teams participated and there were many successes. Winter sports have started, spectators will be limited to four per household, home students only and the district will continue to livestream events. Surveillance and Diagnostic Point of Care testing was explained, surveillance testing of winter athletes with parental consent has started, testing of unvaccinated students and employees will start soon.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

### 4. DISTRICT/BUILDING/COMMITTEE UPDATES

#### A. District Updates

- COVID quarantines/Process - December Meeting – staff involved in the contact tracing process will present on what goes into contact tracing of a positive case.
- Staffing - Hard to Fill Positions – asking board to get word out that the district is looking to fill positions, Teaching Assistants, substitutes, monitors, etc.
- Enrollment Report attached for review.

#### B. Building Updates

- Castleton Elementary School – Title I night was held virtually, teacher conferences are under way tonight, the book fair was held this year, Halloween parade took place, kids felt like kids again.
- Maple Hill Jr./Sr. High School – Jacqueline Hill expressed that the flag football tournament has returned after many years. Parent teacher conferences were held last week, nice to have parents back in the buildings, virtual options were also offered. Hillary Brochu talked about the Superintendent's Conference day, John Rice will present on Mental Health.

### 5. ACTION ITEM FOLLOW UP / BOARD DISCUSSION

#### A. Action Item Follow-up

- The vacant plot of land by CES – Information will be shared with the board for discussion in a future meeting.
- Policy 1500 – amended policy attached for 2nd reading and adoption tonight.
- Policy 5425 - who is trained to use the AED – a list will be shared.
- Discipline trends – presentation will follow at a later date.

#### B. Board Discussion

- There was discussion about the vacancy that will be caused by Charles Peter resigning from the Board as he accepts the position of Town Supervisor for the Town of Schodack.

### 6. POLICIES

**Sherri Gibson moved** for approval of the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of the following policies:

#### A. Approval of the 2nd Reading and Adoption of Policy(ies)

- 1500 - Use of School Buildings and Athletic Fields
- 1500-E - Use of School Buildings and Athletic Fields – Exhibit
- 4000 - Student Learning Standards and Instructional Guidelines
- 5425 - Automatic External Defibrillators

- 9645 - Disclosure of Wrongful Conduct

**Mary Yurista seconded, all present in favor.**

**7. FINANCE**

**Mary Yurista moved** to approve items 7. A. through 7. F. with discussion about the Tax Collectors report, **Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.**

- A. Acceptance of the Treasurer's Reports for the month of September 2021.
- B. Acceptance of the Claims Auditor's Reports for the month of September 2021.
- C. Acceptance of the Tax Collector's reports for the 2021 tax year and discharge of the Tax Collector for the 2021-22 school year.
- D. Approval of Contract(s):

<b>Schodack Central School District</b>				
<b>Contract / Lease Approvals for Board Meeting: Date: 11/18/21</b>				
<b>CONTRACTOR / VENDOR NAME</b>	<b>TERM OF CONTRACT</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>RATE/RETAINER</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>
Ichabod Crane SCD	9/1/1-6/30/21	Educational Svcs. for (1) Student	\$34,847/SY (estimated rate)	Rate set by State Ed. Services may include ESY if applicable.
<b>TENANT NAME</b>				
None.				

- E. Acknowledgement of Gifts/Donation(s):

<b>Schodack Central School District</b>				
<b>Gifts &amp; Donations for Acceptance (Increasing General Fund) at Board Meeting</b>				
<b>Date: 11/18/21</b>				
<b>DONOR NAME</b>	<b>DONATION AMOUNT</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>CODE</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>
Patrick J. & Amanda C. Glover	\$250	Expenses (Awards)	A2855 450 80 0000	Kiwanis Glover X-County Invitational (Awards)
<b>Schodack Central School District</b>				

<b>Gifts &amp; Donations to be Acknowledged (TA &amp; TE) at Board Meeting Date: 11/18/21</b>				
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South Schodack Volunteer Fire Company	\$2,000	Regional Food Bank	n/a	To support MH's Back Pack Program
Schodack Home Bureau	20 handmade knit hats	for students	n/a	may receive additional hats if needed
East Side Quilters	20 handmade quilts	for SCSD families in need	n/a	valued at approximately \$1,000

F. Approval of a contract for the Castleton Elementary School project with AKROS Management, Inc. with a base bid of \$77,726.00.

### **8. OTHER ACTION**

A. Approval of the recommendation of the District Committee on Preschool Special Education and the District Committee on Special Education regarding Special Education Services for student(s) as indicated on the attached reports.

B. Approval of Budget Calendar for the 2022-2023 budget vote.

C. Approval of a resolution appointing the Permanent Chairperson, Chief Election Inspector, and Election Inspectors for the special vote on December 14, 2021.

### **9. RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS**

A. Approval of Staffing Action(s)

<b>Schodack Central School District</b>				
<b>Staffing Actions for Board Meeting Date: November 18, 2021</b>				
<b>RESIGNATIONS</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>REASON</b>	<b>COMMENT</b>
Theresa Frey-Alexander	Teaching Assistant - 4 hours per day	November 5, 2021	Resignation	
Rochelle Obie	Business Teacher	December 10, 2021	Resignation	
Audra Colliton	Teaching Assistant - 4 hours per day	November 15, 2021	Resignation	
Christopher Slingerland	Automotive Mechanic	November 12, 2021	Resignation	

<b>APPOINTMENTS</b>	<b>APPONTMENT TYPE</b>	<b>AREA</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE</b>	<b>RATE</b>
Debra Oligny	.4 FTE (Part-time) non tenure track	English to Speakers of other Languages Teacher	November 22, 2021	MA Step 1
<b>SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS</b>	<b>SUBSTITUTE AREA</b>			<b>RATE</b>
Jessica Piusienski	Teaching Assistant			Rate revised at October 21, 2021, Board of Education meeting.
Mariah Leahey	Teacher and Teaching Assistant			Rate revised at October 21, 2021, Board of Education meeting.
<b>COACH / VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH</b>	<b>SPORT</b>	<b>DURATION</b>	<b>RATE</b>	
Andrea Cavagnaro - Coach	Girls Modified Basketball	2021-22 Season	Stipend in accordance with Appendix C	
Richard Britt - Volunteer Assistant Coach	Girls Modified Basketball	2021-22 Season	n/a - volunteer	
Nathan Porter - Coach	Boys Modified Basketball	2021-22 Season	Stipend in accordance with Appendix C	
Michael Oliver - Coach	Girls Varsity Basketball	2021-22 Season	Stipend in accordance with Appendix C	
Sarah Jaromin - Volunteer Assistant Coach	Girls Varsity Basketball	2021-22 Season	n/a - volunteer	
Deson Cooley - Volunteer Assistant Coach	Girls Varsity Basketball	2021-22 Season	n/a - volunteer	

B. Approval of a four-year probationary term of Bethany Mueller, (certification: School Psychologist) commencing on December 13, 2021, as School Psychologist, in the tenure area of School Psychologist at a rate of MA 3.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**11. ACTION ITEMS:** voting on vacant seat and quorum questions

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

A. **Sherri Gibson moved** to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 pm., **Marion Gurdineer-Spar seconded, all present in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Michele A. Reickert*  
District Clerk