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President
Board of Education

Tuesday, May 17, 2022
Board of Education minutes - Regular Meeting

Minutes are final and were approved at the June 16, 2022, meeting.

Meeting time: 7:00 pm

Meeting open for the public: 1477 South Schodack Road, Room 310, Castleton, NY 12033

Meeting streamed live at this link:

<https://schodackk12.webex.com/schodackk12/onstage/g.php?MTID=e1ebb8a3560cca76ceedaf17e5697beeb>

To join by telephone: 408-418-9388

Access Code: 2345 554 6325

Present: Shelley Palmer, Tylea Gebbie, Sherri Gibson, Marion Spar, Kurt Maier and Daniel Grandinetti (arrived at 7:09 pm) Mary Yurista joined virtually at 7:25 pm.

1. MEETING OPENING

A. President, Shelley Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

B. President, Shelley Palmer asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

C. Sherri Gibson moved for approval of the present agenda, **Tylea Gebbie seconded, all present in favor.**

D. Sherri Gibson moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of April 12, 2022, April 26, 2022, and the Public Hearing/Workshop Meeting of May 5, 2022, **Marion Spar seconded, all present in favor.**

2. REPORTS

A. Instructional Technology - Ed Finney

Mr. Finney talked about his position as a Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA), the different responsibilities the position carries, the efficiencies that have been gained by training teachers how to better use technology in education, a resource library he created for teachers and substitutes, and the improvements in the use of CANVAS.

B. Grants Update - Alyssa Sabbatino and Jason Chevrier

Mr. Chevrier and Mrs. Sabbatino talked about how the district handles grants, the planning that goes into use of grant funds, identifying needs, identifying at risk students and remediation. A list of Professional Development opportunities that will take place over the summer was shared, comprised from things identified by people in the district something they needed. The opportunity will be extended to other districts in the region. Two proposed support positions titled Multi-tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) Coordinator (TOSA) and Support for Readers and Writers Workshop was discussed.

C. Technology Plan - Alyssa Sabbatino

Mrs. Sabbatino explained revisions to the Instructional Technology Plan that were created based on the plan submitted in 2018. There was discussion about ESports equipment possibly being included in the Plan.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. BOARD DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM FOLLOW UP

A. Board Discussion

None.

B. Action Item Follow-up

- Board Retreat Planning – Meeting planned for July 19, in the evening. Information to follow.
- Enrollment Study Timeframe – working with the group, gathering information with an anticipated September meeting report.

5. DISTRICT / BUILDING / STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOE

A. District Updates

- Rensselaer County Satellite Clinic at Maple Hill – up and running, exciting for support services folks to offer outside help in the buildings. Happy to work with Rensselaer County for that location.
- Gym Roof Project – Titan Roofing is lowest bidder, acquisition of materials was a concern, Titan has all material on site and is ready to go, hoping to be done before school is out.
- Bus Garage Project – have a low bidder, but there is a supply chain issue about 18 weeks out. Project will be delayed until materials are in.
- Principal Search – Reposted and have 11 applicants for the repost. We will start the stakeholder groups and interviews again.
- Brian Carey defended his dissertation last week and is officially Dr. Brian Carey. Congratulations to Brian, we are proud of his accomplishment.
- Enrollment Report attached for review.
- There will be a reception before the June meeting starting at 5:00 pm for Top 10 seniors and retiring faculty and staff.
- Paul Puccio ribbon cutting ceremony at the District Office Building Friday.

B. Building Updates

- Castleton Elementary School – Kindergarten screening took place, great to have it at CES again 60 future students, as of today 66 registered. Scholastic book fair finished up, K-1 Read-In took place 37 students and families attended.

- Maple Hill Jr/Sr High School – celebrations and concerts are coming up. Kiwanis recognizes outstanding seniors, there will be 6 this year. Juniors went to Hyde Park to visit FDR, beautiful pictures were shared throughout the day. Seniors are going to Stockbridge MA to the Norma Rockwell Museum

C. Student Representative to the Board of Education

Amanda Nebral talked about the Prom, Mental Health Awareness Month a lot of activities have taken place, a walk with Mario, the therapy dog, a yoga class, painting session and next week Guitar Club will do a performance and National Honor Society induction Ceremony.

6. FINANCE

Daniel Grandinetti moved to approve Items 6. A. through 6 D., Marion Spar seconded, all present in favor.

A. Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2022.

B. Acceptance of the Claims Auditor's Report for the month of March 2022.

C. Approval of Contract(s):

Schodack Central School District				
Contract / Lease Approvals for Board Meeting: Date: 5/17/22				
CONTRACTOR / VENDOR NAME	TERM OF CONTRACT	PURPOSE	RATE/RETAINER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Rensselaer City SD	Sept. 2021- June 2022	Health Svcs for 4 Schodack Students	\$3,025.60	\$756.40/each (attending: Doane Stuart)
North Colonie CSD	Sept. 2021- June 2022	Health Svcs for 3 Schodack Students	\$2,530.32	\$843.44/each (attending: Loudonville Christian)

D. Acceptance of a Donation(s):

Schodack Central School District				
Gifts & Donations for Acceptance (Increasing General Fund) at Board Meeting Date:				
DONOR NAME	DONATION AMOUNT	PURPOSE	CODE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Carey	\$100	Sponsor a Camper	A1315	Camp Canonica Baseball Camp sponsorship
Schodack Central School District				

Gifts & Donations to be Acknowledged (TA & TE) at Board Meeting Date: 5/17/22				
DONOR NAME	DONATION AMOUNT	PURPOSE	CODE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Castleton Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary	\$100	Awards Night Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	Lucy Morton Award
Lawrence J. & Deborah E Alber	\$100	Awards Night Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	Susan Van Gelder Memorial Award
Kathleen M. Tanner	\$250	Awards Night Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	C. Eleanor Tanner Award
Prins Agency Inc.	\$50	Awards Night Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	Geometry Award
Andy & Molly Schultheis	\$1,000	Graduation Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	Grad. School Medical Student Award
Paul & Teresa Hebert	\$100	Awards Night Award	CM691.SCHOLAR	Michael Hanlon Award

7. OTHER ACTION

Sherri Gibson moved for approval of item 7. A., Daniel Grandinetti seconded, all present in favor.

A. Approval of a Resolution - Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the School District Board of Education hereby acknowledges and approves the Rensselaer County School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program Opt-in Agreement made between the County of Rensselaer, Schodack Central School District, and Bus Patrol America, LLC, and agrees to be bound by its terms.

8. RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

Tylea Gebbie moved for approval of item 8. A., Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.

A. Approval of Staffing Actions:

Schodack Central School District				
Staffing Actions for Board Meeting Date:				
RESIGNATIONS	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON	COMMENT
Scott Hanrahan	Memorial Day Parade Supervision (2)	2021-2022 school year	Resignation	
Christopher Phillips	Secondary Social Studies Teacher	5/25/2022	Resignation	

SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS	SUBSTITUTE AREA			RATE
Morgan Camarda	Teacher and Teaching Assistant			Rate set at July 6, 2021 meeting and revised at the October 21, 2021 meeting.
Jenna Hoffman	Teaching Assistant			Rate set at July 6, 2021 meeting and revised at the October 21, 2021 meeting.
Hanna Fitzsimmons	Teacher			Rate set at July 6, 2021 meeting and revised at the October 21, 2021 meeting.
SUMMER SCHOOL ESY STAFFING:	AREA / POSITION	Term:		RATE
Michael Iwanos	Teaching Assistant			
Shauna Benoit	Teaching Assistant			
Kathi Riccardi	Teaching Assistant			
Judith Fredericks	Teaching Assistant			
Hanna Martin	Teaching Assistant - Substitute			
Brenda Nixon	Teaching Assistant			
Jamie Colloton	Physical Therapist			
Heather Brewer	School Nurse			
Andrea Cavagnaro	School Nurse			

There was a question about the Memorial Day Parade Supervision, it was explained that Mr. Hanrahan had a personal conflict on that weekend with a family obligation and he was unable to do it this year.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

10. ACTION ITEMS

Cost of the proposed TOSA positions and revisit the Community Engagement Group.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. **Sherri Gibson moved** to enter executive session to discuss the evaluation of the Superintendent, **Marion Spar seconded, all present in favor.**

12. OTHER ACTION

Marion Spar moved to approve item 12. A., Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.

A. Approval of a Resolution - Accepting Budget / Vote Results

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Board of Education accepts the results of the May 17, 2022 district budget vote and election as follows:

(Number of ballots cast 547)

Proposition 1 (Budget)	Yes	410	No	131
Proposition 2 (Bus Purchase)	Yes	435	No	107
Proposition 3 (Capital Project)	Yes	413	No	122

School Board Members:

Name	Number of votes
Sherri Gibson	382
Angela Beber	374
Daniel Grandinetti	370
Shelley Palmer	369
Ashley Palmer	336

There was one write-in with 13 votes and several receiving 1 vote and are not listed individually on this resolution.

14. ADJOURN

A. **Sherri Gibson moved** to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm., **Marion Spar seconded, all present in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Reickert

District Clerk