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President
Board of Education

Thursday, January 16, 2025

Board of Education Agenda - Regular Meeting

Minutes are final and were approved at the February 13, 2025, board meeting.

Meeting Time: 6:00 pm

Meeting Location: Schodack CSD District Office Building, Room 310.

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Present: Shelley Palmer, Kurt Maier, Blake Kush, Tylea Gebbie, Jennifer Rogowski, Angela Beber, Marion Spar, Sherri Gibson, Mary Yurista (joined via video conference) and Olivia Eaton

Also present: Jason Chevrier, Brian Carey, Jacqueline Hill, Robert Santarcangelo, Angela Tommasini, James Derby, Megan Sullivan, and Michele Reickert

1. MEETING OPENING

A. President, Shelley Palmer called the meeting to order at 6:08 pm.

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

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

D. Tylea Gebbie moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 2024, **Jennifer Rogowski seconded, all present in favor.**

2. REPORTS

A. Communication Audit - Capital Region BOCES

Brittany Frank and Jodie Orzechowski presented the findings of a communications audit recently completed by Capital Region Boces utilizing input from the community, employees and students. Areas of improvement were discussed, but overall those that participated felt the level of communication from the District is substantial.

B. Five Year Plan

Brian Carey shared the 5 year plan for the district, looking at long term financial projections.

C. Rollover Budget for 2025-26

Jason Chevrier and Brian Carey presented information for the upcoming budget process, last year's budget priorities status, how funds were used at the end of the fiscal year, known and unknown revenues and expenses, a timeline for the process, as well as addition/subtraction sheets for the upcoming budget. Discussion ensued about the different topics relating to the budget process and status.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. DISTRICT / BUILDING / STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE/COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. District Updates

- Athletics – Jason Chevrier mentioned the Hoop Tournament as well as the Wrestling Tournament, he thanked booster club, April Smith and the coaches for their hard work.
- Facilities Updates Mr. Chevrier welcomed Steve Hilton to the district this week, he is getting to know the lay of the land, and his staff. We are lucky to have him here. Architect was here to do the bid walkthrough for the high school Capital Outlay project. Updates will continue.
- Enrollment Report attached for review.

B. Building Updates

- Castleton Elementary School – Things are quiet after break, starting computer based testing next week, ski club and intramurals started, Art Club and K-kids are all keeping kids busy.
- Maple Hill Jr./Sr. High School – Welcome to Angela Tommasini, she expressed that she is getting adjusted and it has been a great experience. Recess has been introduced to 7th & 8th grade students. Gymnasium has been opened for students to use after they are done eating. Rob Santarcangelo Spoke about Scott Hanrahan's retirement.

C. Student Representative Update

Hoop Fest took place, Joe McCabe Wrestling Tournament has two first place winners and a 3rd place, Kate Ackerman received a plaque at the Recovery Room, Coach Golden and Coach McCabe both have their pictures in the Coaches Corner at the Recovery Room.

5. POLICY(IES)

Sherri Gibson moved to amend item 5. A., removing "but not limited", Tylea Gebbie seconded, Sherri Gibson moved to approve the amended item 5. A., with further revision to add the language "with notification to the board thereafter", Kurt Maier seconded, all present in favor of both revisions and approving the resolution. Amended language inserted below:

A. Approval of a resolution allowing the superintendent of schools or his designee to make material edits including names, address, title etc. to board policies and regulations without further board approval and notification to the board thereafter.

Kurt Maier moved for approval of sections 6, 7 & 8 in the same motion, adding language to the resignation of Scott Hanrahan with regrets that he is leaving and thanks for long service, Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.

6. FINANCE

A. Acceptance Treasurer's Report for the month of November 2024.

B. Acceptance of the Claims Auditor's Report for the month of November 2024.

C. Approval of Gifts/Donation(s):

Schodack Central School District				
Gifts & Donations for Acceptance (Increasing General Fund) at Board Meeting Date: January 16, 2025				
DONOR NAME	DONATION AMOUNT	PURPOSE	CODE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
None.				
Gifts & Donations to be Acknowledged (TA & TE) at Board Meeting Date: January 16, 2025				
DONOR NAME	DONATION AMOUNT	PURPOSE	CODE	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Karen Sweet	\$20.00	Pat Wood Backpack Program		
Richard Beebe	\$1,500.00	Pat Wood Backpack Program		

Jason Chevrier spoke about Scott Hanrahan and thanked him for his time in Schodack, he expressed that making the decision is not an easy one.

7. 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 report(s).

B. Approval of the 2025 Senior Class Overnight Field Trip to take place June 6, 2025, through June 8, 2025, to Ocean City, NJ.

8. RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

A. Approval of Staffing Actions:

Schodack Central School District				
Staffing Actions for Board Meeting Date: January 16, 2025				
RESIGNATIONS	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON	COMMENT
Scott Hanrahan	Music Teacher	October 31, 2025	Retirement	Will complete 31 years with the District.

SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS	SUBSTITUTE AREA			RATE
Katherine Cox	Teacher, Teaching Assistant or Monitor			Rate set at the July Organizational meeting.
Meagan Bonesteel	Teacher			Rate set at the July Organizational meeting.
Alivia Contento	Teaching Assistant			Rate set at the July Organizational meeting.
Grace R. Martino	Teaching Assistant or Monitor			Rate set at the July Organizational meeting.
Mikayla Ashley Kendrick	Teacher, Teaching Assistant or Monitor			Rate set at the July Organizational meeting.
APPOINTMENT	AREA / TYPE		EFFECTIVE DATE	RATE
Jennifer Lawrence	Secretary I - Provisional Appointment		January 21, 2025	CSEA Start Rate
Donald Pulver	Custodial Worker - Probationary appointment effective 1/6/2025 - 7/6/2025		January 6, 2025	CSEA Start Rate
Jacklyn Kinney	Teaching Assistant - part-time 4 hours per day		January 2, 2025	CSEA Uncertified Rate
CHANGE TO BOARD ACTION	AREA / POSITION	ORIGINAL RESIGNATION DATE	NEW RESIGNATION DATE	COMMENT
Kevin Tedford	School Bus Driver	12/20/2024	02/14/2025	Kevin Tedford asked to remain a School Bus Driver until February 14, 2025.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

10. END BUSINESS MEETING

A. Agenda Planning

B. Board Member Comment

Angela Beber volunteered at both tournaments, great groups of both parents and students that come to the events, thanks to Booster Club. Thanked the district for the communication audit.

Shelley Palmer encouraged everyone to read the advocacy information.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A. **Sherri Gibson moved** to adjourn to executive session at 7:34 pm. to discuss contract negotiation with SFA and CSEA, **Kurt Maier seconded, all present in favor.**

B. **Sherri Gibson moved** to reconvene to open session and adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm., **Kurt Maier seconded, all present in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele A. Reickert

District Clerk