

1) Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education was called to order in the school library at 7:30 PM and via Zoom by Vice-President, Helen Roberts.

Present: Helen Roberts, Vice-President
Christine Cornwell
Sofia Issa
Thomas Yorke, Principal
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: James MacFadden, President
Laura Jackson
Patterson Green, Superintendent

Others Attending: Scott Bennett, Patsy Nicosia, Melissa Freeman...

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, May 10, 2021 Annual Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the minutes as with the following changes, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0:

Laura Jackson

Heather Bivins – Thanked the Board for allowing Joshua to attend as an out of district student.

3) Reports

A.) Business Manager/District Clerk

The Business Manager’s Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

1. The internal claims auditor’s report was presented. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor’s report dated June 7, 2021.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants # 50, 51, 52, and 53, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.
3. The Appropriation Status Report was reviewed.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to pass the following resolution, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0:

Resolution to Establish a Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund and a Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund

Whereas, as a part of the 2019-2020 Budget Legislation, New York State has amended certain provisions of section 6 – r of the General Municipal Law, relating to Retirement Contribution Reserve Funds; and

Whereas, as amended, section 6 – r of the General Municipal Law allows a school board to establish a reserve fund to be known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (RCRF) and Sub-Fund to be used for the purpose of financing retirement contributions, and/or to finance appropriations authorized by law to offset all or a portion of the amount deducted from the moneys apportioned to the school district from the state for the support of common schools; and

Whereas, “retirement contributions” is defined as all or any portion of the amount payable by a school district to the New York State and Local Employees Retirement System (ERS) or the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System (TRS) pursuant to Education Law section 521; and

Whereas, if a school board establishes an RCRF pursuant to section 6-r of the General Municipal Law for the purpose of financing retirement contributions to the ERS, it may also create a “sub-fund” within the RCRF, which is to be separately administered, for the purpose of financing retirement contributions to the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System and/or to finance appropriations authorized by law to offset all or a portion of the amount deducted from the moneys apportioned to the school district from the state for the support of common schools; and

Whereas, the Sharon Springs Central School District Board of Education desires to establish a Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund and a Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund for such purposes;

It is hereby resolved, the Sharon Springs Central School District hereby establishes a fund to be known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund (RCRF), as well as a sub-fund to be known as the Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund (RCRS), to be separately administered within the RCRF, effective immediately, to be funded from the available fund balance from the 2020 – 2021 school year, and additional contributions from future budgetary appropriations or raised by taxes; or from such revenues as are not required by law to be paid into any other fund or account; or transfers from other reserve funds as permitted by law, to be used in accordance with applicable laws for the purpose of paying retirement contributions to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System or the New York State Teachers’ Retirement System.

This resolution is accepted as an amendment to our previously established Retirement Contributions Reserve Fund.

Resolved; that the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District hereby authorizes the funding of the District approved reserves with the excess of 4% from unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2021. The allocation of such fund balance will be determined subsequent to June 30, 2021 and prior to setting the tax levy.

The Superintendent’s Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

PRESENTATION -NONE

PERSONNEL

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to acknowledge with regret the retirement of Elementary Teacher, Laura Davenport, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

C.) Principal

The Principal’s Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

D.) CSE

Upon Recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion to approve the CSE Student Recommendations as presented, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0.

4) Privilege of the Floor

Melissa Freeman – Thank you for your sponsorship of the Sharon Springs Rotary.

5) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

6) Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was presented or discussed.

7) New Business

a. The Board completed a review of the following policies:

1. 7.4 Student Discipline
2. 7.4.1 Suspensions

b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2021 – 2022 Out of District Student Requests, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0:

1. Nathan Wimmer – Grade 6
2. Austin Wimmer – Grade 3
3. Dylan Wimmer – Grade 1
4. Joseph Nedelsky – Grade 8
5. Elizabeth Fitch – Grade 2

8) Other Business

No other business was presented or discussed.

9) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel/contractual issues at 7:50 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0.

10) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0.

Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk