

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 by President, James MacFadden.

Present: James MacFadden, President
Helen Roberts, Vice-President
Laura Jackson
Christine Cornwell
Sofia Issa
Thomas Yorke, Principal/Superintendent
Patterson Green, Deputy Superintendent

Absent: None

Excused: Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Others Attending: Patsy Nicosia, Brandall Abeling, Melissa Freeman, Elliot Adams, Kelly Button, Kate Walrath, Alexis Rathburn, Tina Smith, Scott Smith...

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, October 18, 2021 Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the minutes as presented, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

3) Reports

A.) Business Manager/District Clerk

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

1. The Board reviewed the October 2021 Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report.
2. The Board reviewed the September 2021 Treasurer's Report.
3. The internal claims auditor's reports were presented. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor's report dated November 15, 2021.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer # 3, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0.
5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants # 17, 18, 19, 20 and Capital Project # 2, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0.
6. The Appropriation Status Reports were reviewed.
7. The Board reviewed the changes to the 2020 – 2021 Audit and Corrective Action Plan and comments by Raymond G. Preusser, PCA, PA. Upon

recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to accept the 2020 – 2021 Audit and Corrective Action Plan changes, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa was carried unanimously 5:0.

8. The Board reviewed the changes to the 2020 – 2021 Extra Curricular Audit and Corrective Action Plan and comments by Raymond G. Preusser, PCA, PA. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to accept the changes to the 2020 – 2021 Extra Curricular Audit and Corrective Action Plan, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa was carried unanimously 5:0. The Board Policy 8.17 Student Extra-Curricular Activities and Classroom Activities Fund was also updated and reviewed.

9. BUS BOND RESOLUTION

The resolution published herewith has been adopted on the 15th day of November, 2021, and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Sharon Springs Central School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

BOND RESOLUTION DATED NOVEMBER 15th, 2021 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SHARON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SERIAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL VEHICLES AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$125,000, LEVY OF TAX IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUM FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Sharon Springs Central School District, Sharon Springs, New York (the “School District”), at the annual meeting of such voters duly held on the 18th day of May 2021, duly approved a proposition authorizing the issuance of serial general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$125,000 to finance the acquisition of school

vehicles, the expenditure of not to exceed \$125,000 from the Bus Purchase Reserve Fund and the levy of the necessary tax therefore; and

WHEREAS, the School District currently does not have a Bus Purchase Reserve Fund and, accordingly, no money will be expended from such Fund;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The School District shall acquire school vehicles at a maximum cost of \$125,000, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof, and as generally outlined to and considered by the voters of the School District at the annual meeting of May 18, 2021.

Section 2. The School District is hereby authorized to issue its serial general obligation bonds (the “Bonds”) in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$125,000 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this Resolution (the “Purpose”) is the acquisition of school vehicles.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum cost of the Purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$125,000, (b) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of the Purpose, and (c) the School District plans to finance the cost of the Purpose from funds raised by the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes hereinafter referred to.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the Purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 29 of Paragraph A of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of the Purpose is five (5) years.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the

sale of the Bonds, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer.

Section 7. The power to further authorize the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, including renewal notes, and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, including the consolidation with other issues and the use of substantially level or declining debt service, subject to the provisions of this Resolution and the Local Finance Law, and to sell and deliver the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education. The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to attest any Bonds and bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this Resolution, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and bond anticipation notes the corporate seal of the School District.

Section 8. The faith and credit of the Sharon Springs Central School District, Sharon Springs, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and bond anticipation notes as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall be levied annually on all taxable real property of the School District, a tax sufficient, to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable, taking into account aid received by the District from the State of New York.

Section 9. This Resolution shall constitute the declaration of the School District's "official intent" to reimburse expenditures authorized by Section 1 with proceeds of the Bonds and notes, as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 10. This Resolution shall be published in full by the District Clerk together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the District. The validity of the Bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued

in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

B) Superintendent/Principal

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

- Mr. Yorke spoke regarding the recommendations and regional staffing shortages.

PRESENTATION - NONE

PERSONNEL

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Frank Sabler as a FTE cleaner effective November 16, 2021, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0. This position's salary is based on the SSNTO Contract at an hourly rate of \$12.97/hour.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Jazmin Burke as a shared services school psychologist, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0. This position's salary is based on the Contract at a pro-rated salary of \$55,116.00 per year.
3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Ryan DuCharme as a Driver-in-Training, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0. This appointment is conditional upon meeting all the requirements for School Bus Driver.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to acknowledge with regret the retirement of Secretary to the Superintendent/Business Manager, Lorelyn Webb effective January 28, 2022, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0.

C.) CSE - NONE

4) Privilege of the Floor

Several parents spoke regarding the need for help for students who are being bullied and more levels of training for staff.

5) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

6) Unfinished Business

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint Betsy Jones as COVID 19 Coordinator, made by and seconded by, was carried unanimously 4:0. The stipend for this position is \$3,000.00 per year. (Note: This stipend ends when COVID-19 regulations from NYS are lifted).

7) New Business

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

1. 7.14 Equal Educational Opportunity
2. 7.14.1 Grade 8 Acceleration (Tabled)
3. 8.17 Student Extra-Curricular Activities and Classroom Activities Fund

b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Marchand Manor request for use of SSCS as an Emergency Evacuation Site and our buses as emergency evacuation vehicles, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0.

c. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approved the following 2021 – 2022 Out of District Student Request, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 5:0:

Kristia Mallory – Grade 2

8) Other Business

No other business was presented or discussed.

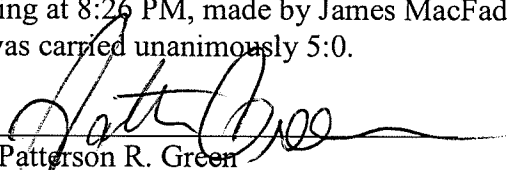
9) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular contractual issues at 7:57 PM, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:25 PM.

10) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0.


Patterson R. Green
Deputy District Clerk