

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, Laura Jackson.

Present: Laura Jackson, President
Helen Roberts, Vice-President
Christine Cornwell, Board Trustee
Sofia Issa, Board Trustee
Brandi Kerber, Board Trustee
Thomas Yorke, Principal/Superintendent
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: None

Others Attending: Jeanne Irwin, Regina Gilbert, Helen Thomas, Eric Trahan, John Walker, Tonja Law...

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, November 14, 2022 Regular Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the November 14, 2022 Minutes as presented, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Helen Roberts, 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 internal claims auditor's report was presented. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor's report dated January 9, 2023.
2. The Board reviewed the September, October, November 2022 Treasurer's Reports.
3. The Board reviewed the October 2022 Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer #3 made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 5:0.
5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrant #22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and HN #1 and H #1, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 5:0.
6. The Appropriation Status Report was reviewed.

7. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the request from The Marchand Manor to use SSCS as an evacuation site and SSCS buses for emergency transportation if requested, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 5:0.
8. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2023 – 2024 School Budget Calendar, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.
9. Jeanne Irwin, Helen Thomas, Regina Gilbert, Eric Trahan, and Tonja Law of the Sharon Springs Free Library Board presented an overview of their request to include the Sharon Springs Free Library budget in the Sharon Springs Central School Tax Collection effective July 1, 2023.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Sharon Springs Free Library Board's request to include the Sharon Springs Free Library Budget in the Sharon Springs Central School Tax Collection effective July 1, 2023, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 5:0.

10. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2022 - 2023 Budget Increase Resolution for the emergency purchase of a new school drivers' education car, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0:

Be it Resolved, the Sharon Springs Board of Education has determined an emergency replacement of the Sharon Springs Central School Drivers' Education Car is necessary. Therefore, the Board of Education approves appropriation of undesignated fund balance (A5510210) not to exceed \$45,870 to purchase a new 2023 Pacifica Touring L AWD and to increase the General Fund Budget for the 2022 – 2023 year accordingly.

B) Superintendent/Principal

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

CSE

No CSE Student Recommendations were presented.

3.) Privilege of the Floor

John Walker – Thank you for all you do.

4.) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

5.) Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was presented or discussed.

6.) New Business

- a. The Board completed a review of the following policies:
 - 1. 7.16 – Student Organizations
 - 2. 7.17 – Possession of Firearms on School Premises

7.) Other Business

No other business was presented or discussed.

8.) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular contractual and personnel issues at 7:47 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

- A. The Board reviewed the Board Policy 8.28 Expense Reimbursement for Travel Expenses. A motion to increase the meal expenditure allowance to \$30.00/meal, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa.
- B. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint the following After School Program Student Workers, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0:
 - 1. Brady Law - \$14.20/hour
 - 2. Brady Ostrander - \$14.20/hour
- C. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Laura Davenport as a Long-Term Elementary Substitute, effective January 23, 2023 at the rate of \$419.47/day, was made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.
- D. The Board discussed changes to salaries due to the minimum wage increase effective January 1, 2023.

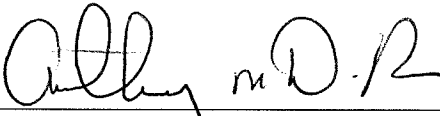
Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve increases to salaries of \$1.00/hour for all employees with exceptions of Superintendent and Business Manager. Additionally, Non-certified substitutes for teachers will be paid at the per diem rate of \$100 per day and with proof of a four-year degree the rate increases \$110.00 per day. It will again increase to \$125 per day with proof of NYS Certification. Substitutes for assistants, and aides are paid at the NYS minimum wage (currently \$14.20/hr.).

The motion made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 5:0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:15 PM.

9.) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 5:0.



Anthony DiPace
Business Manager