

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, Helen Roberts.

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

Absent: None

Excused: None

Others Attending: None

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Tuesday, July 18th, 2023 Reorganizational Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Tuesday, July 18th, 2023 Reorganizational Meeting minutes with the following changes, made by Rose Chase and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 5:0:

1. “A **nomination** to elect Helen Roberts as President for the 2023 – 2024 school year was made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa.”
2. “A **nomination** to elect Christine Cornwell as Vice President for the 2023 – 2024 school year was made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa.”
3. A.4 Remove “Laura Jackson.” Insert “Helen Roberts.”

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 reports dated August 7, 2023 and August 21, 2023.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer #2, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 5:0.

- B. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to adopt the 2023 – 2024 District Wide Safety Plan, made by Brandi Kerber and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 5:0.

6.) New Business

- A. The Board completed a review of the following policies:
 - 1. 7.15.4 Graduation Ceremony Participation
 - 2. 8.18 Food Services
- B. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to table the following 2023 – 2024 Out of District Student Request made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0:

- 1. Carson Law

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2023 – 2024 Out of District Student Requests made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0:

- 1. Cayden Clark – Grade 4
 - 2. Angela Gwozdz – Grade 10
 - 3. Emily Gwozdz – Grade 10
- C. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2023 – 2024 Advanced Therapy PLLC Contract, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.
 - D. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2023 – 2024 Bassett Medical Center Agreement, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.

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 personnel and contractual issues at 8:15 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:30 PM.

Personnel

- 1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint, Ruthann Galasso, as a Special Education Teacher, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

Ruthann will be on a three year probationary period at Step 16 E with a salary of \$70,027 based on the current Teachers' Contract, effective September 1, 2023.

2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint, Lindsay Blowers, as a K-12 School Counselor, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

Lindsay will be on a four year probationary period at Step 9 E with a salary of \$59,023 based on the current Teachers' Contract, effective September 1, 2023.

3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint Lorelyn Webb to a long term leave position as Secretary to the Superintendent/Business Manager effective August 7, 2023 with salary and benefits as per her salary agreement, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5.0.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint, Nancy Crane as a Certified Substitute Teacher, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0. Substitute appointment dates are effective the first day they are called to substitute. Certified substitute teachers are paid at the per diem rated of \$130/day.
5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint, Alex Salisbury as 1 year probationary, FTE Cleaner, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0. This position is effective August 22, 2023 with a salary of \$15.07/hour and benefits as per the current NTO Contract.
6. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the promotion of Jeffrey Clemishaw to Custodian, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0. This position appointment is effective as of August 22, 2023 with a salary of \$16.77/hour and benefits as per the current NTO Contract.
7. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint, John Foster as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

John's appointment is conditional upon receipt of NYS Fingerprint Clearance. Substitute appointment dates are effective the first day they are called to substitute. Non-Certified substitute teachers are paid at the per diem rated of \$105/day. Non Certified substitute teachers with a bachelor's degree increases to \$115/day. Teacher Assistants, aids, cafeteria and custodial substitutes are paid at minimum wage.

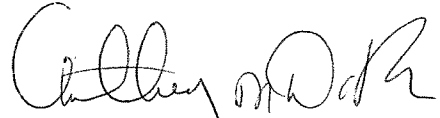
Other

8. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2023 – 2024 Out of District Student Request made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0:
 1. Carson Law

9. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the combination of Sharon Springs CSD Boys' Varsity Soccer with Cherry-Valley-Springfield Boys' Varsity Soccer, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

9.) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 PM, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 5:0.



Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk