

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
Thomas Yorke, Principal/Superintendent
Stephanie Fuller, PT Asst. Principal
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager
Kaylee Crewell, Student Representative

Absent: None

Excused: Rose Chase, Board Trustee

Others Attending: Anne Allen, Dan Cornwell, Cyle Conley, Ava Jump, McKenzie Rivenburgh, Kelsey Girard, David Rorick, Gavin Moore, Joseph Nedelsky, Yasmin Issa, Brad Erkson, Chris English, Arianna Love, Nicholas Barbara, Andrew Dennis, Aaden Dennis, Jennifer Field...

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Monday, August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes as presented, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 4:0.

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 September 8, 2025.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer # A – 4, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0.
3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants # 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and CP – H -2, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 4:0.
4. The Appropriation Status/Revenue Status Reports were reviewed.

B) Superintendent/Principal

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

- Mr. Yorke introduced the new 2025 – 2026 Faculty and Staff. A short break was taken to visit with the faculty and staff.

The Class of 2026 representatives were present. Class President, Ava Jump, presented a request for Senior Privileges and approval to move forward with plans for their Senior Trip to Wildwood, NJ.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Class of 2026 Senior Privileges and the plans for the Senior Trip to Wildwood, NJ, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Brandi Kerber, was carried unanimously 4:0.

C) CSE

No CSE Student Recommendations were presented.

4.) Privilege of the Floor

Arianna Love – Requested parent information meetings regarding sports, start of the year and transportation.

5.) Correspondence

No other correspondence was presented to the Board. Mrs. Roberts shared an article written by Class of 2000 Alumni, Brian Cechnicki.

6.) Unfinished Business

Discussion was brought to the floor to change the BOE Meetings start time to 6:00 pm. The meetings will begin with executive session if necessary with the regular meeting to follow.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to change the BOE Meetings start time to 6:00 pm, made by Brandi Kerber and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 4:0.

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7.) New Business

- a. The Board completed a review of the following policies:
 1. 7.26 Concussion Management Policy
 2. 8.22 Use of the District Credit Card
 3. 8.23 Use of the District Owned Cell Phone

8.) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues at 7:55 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:33 PM.

PERSONNEL:

- a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Brad Erksen as a FTE Bus Driver effective September 4, 2025, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0. The salary for this position will be \$24 per hour, with all benefits as per the current Non-Teacher Organization Contract.
- b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to accept the resignation of Special Education Teacher, Melissa Freeman effective August 31, 2025, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0.
- c. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion to appoint Eliza Cechnicki as a FTE Special Education Teacher effective October 2, 2025, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0.

Eliza's appointment will be conditional on verification of New York State Department of Education Fingerprint Clearance. will be placed at Step 8C with a salary of \$ 58,102 and benefits as per the SSTA Contract. Additional credits will be verified upon receipt of an official transcript.

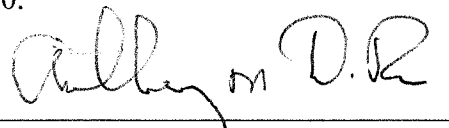
- d. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to appoint Richard Kendle as a Volunteer Assistant Coach for Boys' Soccer effective September 4, 2025, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 4:0.

9.) Other Business

No other business was presented for discussion.

10.) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM, made by Brandi Kerber and seconded by Sofia Issa was carried unanimously 4:0.



Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk