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 6:00 PM by President, Helen Roberts.

Present: Helen Roberts, President
Sofia Issa, Vice-President
Brandi Kerber, Board Trustee
Rose Chase, Board Trustee
Patrick Yacobucci, Board Trustee
Thomas Yorke, Principal/Superintendent
Stephanie Fuller, Building Principal
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: Student Representative, Kaylee Crewell

Others Attending: Joshua Bivins, Chris English, Nola Storms…

2) **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Monday, September 14, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the Monday, September 14, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes as presented, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Rose Chase, 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 October 5, 2026.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer # A - 2, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.
3. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants # 12, 14 and 16, and Capital Project # H – 4, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.
4. The Appropriation Status/Revenue Status Reports were reviewed.
5. Mr. DiPace updated the Board on the status of the Village Crossing Guard situation.
6. Mr. DiPace updated the Board on the Building Project.

B) Superintendent/Principal

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

Mr. Yorke announced that the 2025 – 2026 Varsity Sports Program was awarded the NYSPHAA School of Distinction Award as 100% of our Varsity Teams were Scholar – Athletes.

Mr. Yorke discussed the new Regents Exam Requirements.

Presentation – None

Mrs. Fuller report was previously submitted to the Board. Mrs. Fuller discussed Homecoming events and the upcoming Harvest Ham Dinner by the Class of 2028.

C) Student Representative Report – None

D) CSE - None

4.) Privilege of the Floor

No questions or comments were raised.

5.) Correspondence

No other correspondence was presented to the Board.

6.) Unfinished Business

Sofia Issa asked the Board to review the NYSSBA Resolutions and to let her know their opinions as their voting delegate.

7.) New Business

a. The Board completed a review of the following policies:
   1. 8.16 Funding Proposals
   2. 8.31 Acceptable Use Policy

b. The Board completed the second reading of the Board Policy 9.10.3 Sharon Springs Central School Dual Enrollment College Tuition Policy.

c. The Board completed the first reading of the Board Policy 12.1.1 Parent and Family Engagement Policy.

d. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the request of Marchand Manor Adult home to use Sharon Springs Central School as an emergency evacuation site, and provide transportation to evacuation sites if needed, made by Rose Chase and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

8) Other Business

No other business was presented for discussion.

9) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues at 6:30 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

The Board exited executive session at 6:53 PM.

10) Personnel

a. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to acknowledge with sincere regret the retirement of Tonja Law after 22 years as a Special Education Teacher, effective September 28, 2026, made by Brandi Kerber and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

b. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to permanently appoint Computer Support Specialist, Joshua Bivins, upon successful completion of the Computer Support Specialist Civil Service Exam, effective September 24, 2026, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 5:0.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Tracy Evans as a certified substitute teacher, effective September 28, 2026, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Rose Chase, was carried unanimously 5:0.
Certified teachers are paid at the per diem rate of $140 per day. This position is conditional upon NYS fingerprint clearance.

11) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 PM, made by Rose Chase and seconded by Patrick Yacobucci was carried unanimously 5:0.

Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk