

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



**A G E N D A**

**March 3, 2015  
District Office**

**Executive Session – 6:30 pm  
Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm**



# **CORE VALUES**

## **We Believe:**

- \* That all children can learn.
- \* In educating the whole child so he/she can meet the District's Standards.
- \* In focusing on student achievement.
- \* In providing a comprehensive and enriched curriculum for all students reflecting the needs and available resources of the community.
- \* That the combined commitment of the Board of Education, staff, families, students, and community is the key to educational success.

## **Mission Statement**

Preparing successful contributing citizens of the world through school, family and community partnerships, while addressing the diverse needs of all students.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Executive Session of the South Colonie Board of Education will be called to order by Board President, Mr. Ryan.

**1. ROLL CALL**

<input type="checkbox"/> Brian Casey	<input type="checkbox"/> Neil Johanning	<input type="checkbox"/> Leonard Motto
<input type="checkbox"/> Rose Gigliello	<input type="checkbox"/> David Kiehle	<input type="checkbox"/> James T. Ryan
<input type="checkbox"/> Shelle Jaquish	<input type="checkbox"/> Christine Mele	<input type="checkbox"/> Edward Sim

**Also Present:**

Jonathan Buhner, Superintendent of Schools  
 Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction  
 Sherri Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning  
 David Perry, Director of Human Resources, Safe Schools & IT  
 Jamie Mroczko, District Clerk

**It is anticipated that the Board may enter Executive Session at this time.**

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to **enter** Executive Session to discuss legal and employment matters relating to particular persons.

Yes       No       Abstain      Carried:

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to **adjourn** Executive Session.

Yes       No       Abstain      Carried:

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

The Public Session of the South Colonie Board of Education will be called to order by Board President, Mr. Ryan.

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Mr. Ryan will lead the pledge to the flag.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10, 2015 be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**4. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY****A. 2015-2016 Budget Development**

Sherri Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning and Patrick Gunner, Supervisor of Pupil Services will provide a report on the 2015-2016 budget development. Topics are: Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services.

**B. Board Committee Reports**

Board Committees have met since the last Board of Education meeting. Chairpersons will make recommendations to the full Board, and/or seek clarification on issues. Board members who are liaisons to District-wide committees will also report at this time.

- Mr. Casey, Chairperson, will report on the Transportation Committee meeting that was held on February 10, 2015.
- Mr. Johanning, Chairperson, will report on the Policy Committee meeting that was held on February 24, 2015.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS****A. Correspondence/Board Activities**

**B. Requests to Speak** on agenda or non-agenda items should be made on the forms available and should be given to the Clerk of the Board prior to the start of the meeting. The Board will entertain comments from the public on any issue with a time limit of three (3) minutes per person and a maximum of 15 minutes per issue. Persons wishing to address the Board on agenda topics will be provided time when the agenda topic is discussed.

**6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following:

**A. Committee on Special Education**

Placements as indicated on the attached sheets.

**B. In-Service Courses**

1. One-half (0.5) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 7.5 contact hours course, “Engaging Students with Poverty in Mind Book Study Group” (#14-15–78), sponsored by the South Colonie Central School District/ Greater Capital Region Teacher Center. The course will be held March 5, 2015, March 12, 2015, March 26, 2015 and April 1, 2015 from 3:45 pm to 5:40 pm at the Roessleville Elementary School Library. The course is restricted to Roessleville teachers only. Participants must attend all sessions to receive course credit. Marybeth Tedisco (Roessleville Elementary School) is the contact person.
2. One-half (0.5) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 7.5 contact hours course, “Engaging Students with Poverty in Mind Implementation Study Group” (#14-15–79), sponsored by the South Colonie Central School District/Greater Capital Region Teacher Center. The course will be held March 16, 2015, March 23, 2015, March 30, 2015 and April 7, 2015 from 3:45 pm to 5:40 pm at the Roessleville Elementary School Library. The course is restricted to Roessleville teachers only. Participants must attend all sessions to receive course credit. Marybeth Tedisco (Roessleville Elementary School) is the contact person.
3. One-half (0.5) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 7.5 contact hours course, “Mentoring Mondays: A Panel Discussion led by NYS Master Teachers” (#14-15–80), sponsored by the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center. The course will be held February 23, 2015, March 2, 2015, March 23, 2015, April 20, 2015, May 4, 2015 and May 18, 2015 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at a location to be determined by the GCRTC. Participants must register with Jennifer Hogan ([jhogan2@albany.edu](mailto:jhogan2@albany.edu)) and attend at least five (5) sessions to receive course credit. Laura Yerou (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.

**C. Seminars on Education**

1. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Conversations with Charlie: An Evening With the 2015 NYS Teacher of the Year” (SD2014-15–#49), sponsored by the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center. The workshop may be attended March 4, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Shaker Road Elementary School Library. Lynne Ogren (Sand Creek Middle School) is the contact person.

**D. Health & Welfare Contracts**

1. Approval of a contract with the Guilderland Central School District for the 2014-2015 school year to provide health and welfare services to one (1) South Colonie resident student attending St. Madeleine Sophie School located in the Guilderland Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$528.21. The total cost of the contract shall be \$528.21.

2. Approval of a contract with the Scotia-Glenville Central School District for the 2014-2015 school year to provide health and welfare services to two (2) South Colonie resident students attending Meekel Christian Academy located in the Scotia-Glenville Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$872.26. The total cost of the contract shall be \$1,744.52.

**E. Transportation Contract**

Approval of a thirty-one (31) day emergency contract with Star & Strand, 360 Fifth Avenue, Troy, NY 12182, for Route 2014-11 from 712 Sixth Avenue, Watervliet, NY 12189 to Colonie Central High School, Sand Creek Middle School and Forest Park Elementary School. Transportation to begin February 26, 2015 and end March 28, 2015 at a daily rate of \$224.00 per day. The anticipated cost is \$4,928.00.

**F. Student Trips**

Group: Grade 7 Students (162 students & 15 chaperones)  
 School: Lisha Kill Middle School  
 Destination: Fort William Henry, Lake George, NY  
 Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2015  
 Responsible: Susan Campbell, Stephanie Copeland  
 Transportation: Charter Bus

**G. Donation**

1. Donation from Veeder PTA that was earned thru Box Tops for Education in the amount of \$745.82 to purchase iPads and accessories.
2. Donation from South Colonie Friends of Music, Inc. in the amount of \$200.00 as a thank you donation for using the school for their summer program.

**H. Re-Appropriation of 2014-2015 Budget**

Re-appropriation of the 2014-2015 budget in the amount of \$945.00. The total re-appropriated budget is \$95,307,077.

**I. Clerk & Treasurer's Report – January, 2015**

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the above stated Reports and Recommendations be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION**

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 3, 2015 be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT**

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 3, 2015 be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**9. POLICIES****A. Single Reading & Approval**

Policy 4110 – Student Attendance Calendar (2015-2016)

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the above stated Policies (4110) be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**10. RESOLUTIONS**

National Women’s History Month – March, 2015  
National Music in our Schools Month – March, 2015  
National Youth Art Month – March, 2015

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the above stated Resolutions be approved.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain      Carried:

**11. FUTURE MEETINGS**

- **March 10**                      Budget Meeting – 7:00 pm – Saddlewood Elementary School  
Budget Topics: Fringe Benefits, Instructional Program: Enrollment Projections, Instructional Staffing, Support Staffing, Textbooks, Curriculum Development, Staff Development, Library & Media Technology, Building Budgets, Summer School, Alternative Education and Information Technology
- **March 17**                      Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office  
Budget Topics: Presentation of First Draft of Budget
- **March 19**                      Budget Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office  
Budget Topics: Work Session (to include budget adjustments)
- **March 23**                      Community Budget Forum – 7:00 pm – Shaker Road Elementary
- **March 30**                      Policy Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **March 31**                      Graduation/Hall of Fame Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office  
Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office  
Budget Topics: Presentation of Second Draft of Budget

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain                      Carried:

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ to **adjourn** Executive Session.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain                      Carried:

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. ADJOURN MEETING**

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No      \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain                      Carried:

**7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION****A. Retirements**

1. Name: Michele McGinn  
Position: Reading Teacher  
Location: Roessleville Elementary School  
Effective Date: July 1, 2015
2. Name: Debra Desanctis  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Location: Lisha Kill Middle School  
Effective Date: June 30, 2015
3. Name: Barbara O’Neal  
Position: Special Education Teacher  
Location: Roessleville Elementary School  
Effective Date: July 1, 2015
4. Name: Betty Jane Peabody  
Position: Elementary Education Teacher  
Location: Shaker Road Elementary School  
Effective Date: July 1, 2015
5. Name: Elaine Miller  
Position: Elementary Education Teacher  
Location: Saddlewood Elementary School  
Effective Date: July 1, 2015

**B. Temporary Per Diem Appointment**

1. Name: Meredith Schoenblum  
Address: 24 Huntswood Lane, Glenmont, NY 12077  
Type: Per Diem (2 days per week)  
Teaching Area: School Psychologist  
Location: Sand Creek Middle School or District Location  
Effective Date: February 27, 2015  
Ending Date: May 15, 2015  
Salary: Per-diem rate of \$43.75 per hour (\$350.00 per day)  
Education: B.A. from College of Staten Island, M.S. from Queens College  
Certification: Permanent School Psychologist



**C. Long-Term Substitute**

1. Name: Peter Demarco  
Address: 6 Gould Drive, Scotia, NY 12302  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Elementary Education  
Location: Roessleville Elementary School  
Effective Date: February 4, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 7 per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.A. from Marist College, M.A. from SUNY Albany  
Certification: Professional in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
  
2. Name: Sabrina Skotarczak  
Address: 1801 Hayner Heights Drive, Clifton Park, NY 12065  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Special Education  
Location: CBA  
Effective Date: February 25, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 2 per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.A. from Notre Dame College, M.S. from Sage Colleges  
Certification: Permanent in Special Education

**D. Substitute Teachers**

**Approve** Substitute Teachers on the attached list for regular appointments.

**E. Co-Curricular – 2014-2015 School Year**

**Appoint** the following previously approved positions at the approved rate of compensation:

**Colonie Central High School**

Athletic Trainer - Spring	Kurt Pfaffenbach	.10
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**Sand Creek Middle School****Intramurals:**

Season IV – Girls Indoor Soccer (5-6)	Lisa McGee	1.0
Season IV – Coed Volleyball (5-8)	Heather Fiore	1.0
Small Performing Group - Spring MP Director	DeLynn Wickham	1.0
Small Performing Group –Spring Musical Director	Starr Norman	1.0
Small Performing Group –Spring Musical Producer	Pam Roberts	1.0
Small Performing Group –Spring Musical Producer	Dolores Valenti	1.0
Small Performing Group –Spring Technical Director	DeLynn Wickham	1.0

**Lisha Kill Middle School****Intramurals:**

Season IV – Girls Indoor Soccer (5-6)	Nick Southworth	1.0
Season IV – Boys Indoor Soccer (5-6)	Mike Trimarchi	1.0
Season IV – Coed Volleyball (5-6)	Wendy Kelley	1.0
Season V – Flag Football (5-6)	Eric Rouleau	1.0
Variety Show Coordinator	Penny Bartlett	.70
Variety Show Coordinator	Linda Kennedy	.30

**F. Interscholastics for Fall – 2014-2015 School Year**

**Appoint** the following previously approved positions at the approved rate of compensation:

**Colonie Central High School**

Coach Varsity Boys Baseball	Kevin Halburian	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Baseball	Ronald Lockett	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Baseball	Jonathan LaPoint	.80
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Baseball	Dave Fields	.20
Coach Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Michael Joyce	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Gregory Sherwin	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Joseph Repko	1.0
Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Jason Blind	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Allison Anaya	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Andrew Monin	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Softball	Kevin Jette	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Softball	Sean Merchant	1.0
Coach 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Softball	Alicia Dott	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Tennis	David Conway	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Thomas Greene	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Michael Palmer	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Glen Wolin	.90
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	MaryAnn Reilly-Johnson	.10
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	John Ashley	.70
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Matthew Tarullo	.30
Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Jason Bissonette	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Jamie Ferrari	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Frank Myers	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Michael Caccuitto	.10
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Sarah Thomas	.10
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	MaryAnn Reilly-Johnson	.20
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Matthew Tarullo	.20
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	John Ashley	.20

**Sand Creek and Lisha Kill Middle Schools/Modified**

Assistant Coach Boys Lacrosse	Michael Ambrosio	1.0
Coach Girls Lacrosse	Lisa McGee	1.0
Assistant Coach Girls Lacrosse	Traci Cornwell	1.0
Coach Girls Softball	Tracey Johnas	1.0
Coach Coed Track-Sand Creek	Kathy Conway	1.0
Coach Coed Track-Sand Creek	Gregory Lanni	1.0
Coach Coed Track-Lisha Kill	Sherri Long	1.0
Coach Coed Track-Lisha Kill	Joan Lipscomb	1.0

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT****A. Retirement**

1. Name: Carol Carter  
Position: Permanent Keyboard Specialist (SC)  
Effective: July 1, 2015

**B. Resignations**

1. Name: Robert Poole Jr.  
Position: Temporary School Bus Driver (6 hour)  
Effective: January 22, 2015  
Reason: Personal
2. Name: Euphemia Adams  
Position: Permanent Food Service Helper (HS-Main)  
Effective: June 30, 2015  
Reason: Personal

**C. Appointment**

1. Name: Misti Carlton  
Address: 343 Hamilton Street, Albany, NY 12210  
Position: School Nurse Substitute  
Effective: March 4, 2015  
Salary: \$20.00 per hour