

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



A G E N D A

May 5, 2015

Saddlewood Elementary

7:00 pm – Public Hearing

7:15 pm – Regular Meeting



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 Regular Meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education will be called to order by Board President, Mr. Ryan.

1. ROLL CALL

_____ Brian Casey	_____ Neil Johanning	_____ Leonard Motto
_____ Rose Gigliello	_____ David Kiehle	_____ James T. Ryan
_____ Shelle Jaquish	_____ Christine Mele	_____ 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

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Ryan will lead the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDED BUDGET

The Public Hearing will be held for the discussion of the expenditure of funds and the proposed budget for the 2015-2016 school year as is authorized by Education Law.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Regular meeting of the Board of Education will begin at the conclusion of the Public Hearing.

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 April 21, 2015 be approved.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain Carried:

4. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY

A. 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.

- Ms. Gigliello, Chairperson, will report on the Academic Achievement Committee meeting that was held on April 21, 2015.
- Mr. Sim, Chairperson, will report on the District Communications Committee meeting that was held on April 28, 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 (1.0) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 15.0 contact hours course, “Honoring Educators: A Workshop of Reflection, Reconnecting and Rejuvenation” (#15-16-01), sponsored by the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center (GCRTC). The course will be held July 11, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 11:00 pm and July 12, 2015 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Minnowbrook Conference Center, Blue Mountain Lake. The course has a maximum enrollment of 20. Participants must attend all sessions to receive course credit. Lynne Ogren (Sand Creek Middle School) is the contact person.

2. One (1.0) in-service credit for participation in and completion of the 15.0 contact hours course, “Engaging Students with Poverty in Mind” (#15-16-02), sponsored by the Greater Capital Region Teacher Center (GCRTC). The course will be held August 25, 2015, August 26, 2015, and August 27, 2015 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Catskill High School DL Lab, 341 West Main Street, Catskill, NY and the Hudson Falls Central School DL Lab, 1153 Burgoyne Avenue, Hudson Falls, NY. The course has a maximum enrollment of 25 at each site. Participants must attend all sessions to receive course credit. Lynne Ogren (Sand Creek Middle School) is the contact person.

C. Seminars on Education

1. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “TED*Schenectady: History in the Making” (SD2014-15-#61), sponsored by the Schenectady County Public Library. The workshop may be attended May 9, 2015 from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Schenectady County Public Library, McChesney Room, 99 Clinton Street, Schenectady, NY. Michele Famoso (Colonie Central High School) is the contact person.
2. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “NYSUT Teaching Assistant Round Table: Poverty–The Impact on Learning & SRP’s Impact on the Learning Environment” (SD2014-15-#62), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended May 11, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. The workshop is restricted to Teaching Assistants and Monitors only. Christine Zostant (Colonie Central High School) is the contact person.

D. Agreements

1. Approval of an agreement with Northeast Associates in Rehabilitation, LLC, 1721 Central Avenue, Albany, NY, for services to South Colonie Central School District to provide staff (Job Coaches) to work at employment sites with students during the school day. Job Coaches will be responsible for providing orientation to work tasks, developing and implementing strategies for completion of work tasks, monitoring students’ behavior, and generally assisting students in being competent workers. The rate to be billed is \$32.50 per hour for all Job Coaches and budgeted personnel for a maximum total cost for the school year of \$125,400. There will be no billing for snow days or other student absences. The contract year will be July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.
2. Approval of an agreement with the Town of Colonie for their 2015 Summer Playground Program using South Colonie Central School District facilities and buses as specified per attached agreement.

E. Health & Welfare Contract

Approval of a contract with the Waterford-Halfmoon Union Free School District for the 2014-2015 school year to provide health and welfare services to one (1) South Colonie resident student attending non-public schools located in the Waterford-Halfmoon Union Free School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$697.68. The total cost of the contract shall be \$697.68.

F. Bid Award - Athletics

1. Recommend award from April 24, 2015 to June 30, 2015 to the low bidder meeting specifications as follows:

To: Gopher Sport
2525 Lemond Street, SW
Owatonna, MN 55060
Item: Physical Education Classroom Fitness Equipment
Total: \$3,827.64

2. Recommend award from April 30, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to the low bidder meeting specifications as follows:

To: G&G Equipment
7350 Transit Road
Williamsville, NY 14221
Item: Rubber Tile Flooring for Physical Education Weight Room
Total: \$36,188.99

G. Declare as Surplus

One (1) HP LaserJet 4100 Printer, Serial #USBNH44026, Asset Tag #5104 located at the Office of Pupil Services. The item is in non-working order.

H. Donations

1. Donation from Colonie High Girls Basketball Booster Club to the South Colonie Central School District in the amount of \$3,125.00 to be used for the purchase of a basketball shooting machine.
2. Donation from Colonie High Girls Basketball Booster Club to the South Colonie Central School District in the amount of \$125.50 to be used for the purchase of awards for the Colonie High Girls Basketball program.
3. Donation from Michael Kane through Mr. Kane's AT&T Employee Giving Campaign to the Colonie Central High School in the amount of \$4.00 to be used towards the purchase of uniforms.

4. Donation from Berkshire Bank, P.O. Box 1308, Pittsfield, MA to the Shaker Road Elementary School in the amount of \$250.00 to be used for purchases for Instructional Technology.
5. Donation from Funding Factory, 4200 Columbus Street, Ottawa, IL to the Shaker Road Elementary School in the amount of \$560.40 to be used for purchases for Instructional Technology.
6. Donation from Eastern Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association, Inc., P.O. Box 1851, Latham, New York to the Shaker Road Elementary School in the amount of \$750.00 to be used for the “Read, Write, Plant & Grow Courtyard Project”.
7. Donation from Eastern Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association, Inc., P.O. Box 1851, Latham, New York to the Forest Park Elementary School in the amount of \$746.00 to purchase items to assist in recycling for Earth Day.
8. Donation from the Colonie Central High School PTSA to the South Colonie Central School District in the amount of \$50.16 to purchase library books in memory of Nicholas Barna.
9. Donation from the Forest Park Elementary PTA to the Forest Park Elementary School in the amount of \$720.00 to purchase items for the Forest Park Technology Department.
10. Donation from Hannaford, “Hannaford Helps Schools” to Roessleville Elementary School in the amount of \$78.00 to be used toward the purchase of an iPad.
11. Donation from Target, “Take Charge of Education” to Roessleville Elementary School in the amount of \$297.73 to be used toward the purchase of an iPad.
12. Donation from the Colonie Boys Basketball Booster Club to Colonie Central High School in the amount of \$2,525.00 to be used for the purchase of a basketball shooting machine.

I. Tax Refund

Approval of a 2014-2015 tax refund payable to E. Stewart Jones Hacker Murphy, LLP, on behalf of Lozo, LLC, in the amount of \$3,240.05. The property is located at 1593 Central Avenue, Albany NY 12205 (Tax Map #41.8-5-1).

J. Re-Appropriation of 2014-2015 Budget

Re-appropriation of the 2014-2015 budget in the amount of \$9,230.00. The total re-appropriated budget is \$95,703,150.

K. Clerk & Treasurer Reports – March, 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 May 5, 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 May 5, 2015 be approved.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain Carried:

9. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York, has called a Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on the 19th day of May, 2015; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the appointment of Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks for said Special District Meeting at each polling place;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District, Albany County, New York, as follows:

Section 3: Listed below are the names of the duly qualified voters of said School District are hereby appointed to act as Inspectors of Election and/or Assistant Clerks at said Special District Meeting.

Brian Kristel
George Lupe

Neha Meshal
Allegra Padula

Oneida Shushe

Section 4: Each Inspector of Election and Assistant Clerk appointed for said Special District Meeting, as herein provided, shall serve without compensation. The Clerk of said School District is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of appointment to the persons herein respectively appointed as Inspectors of Election and Assistant Clerks for said Special District Meeting.

Section 5: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, that the above stated Resolution for the Appointment of Election Personnel be approved.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain Carried:

10. POLICIES

A. Final Reading & Approval

Policy 5310.1 – Bring Your Own Device
 Policy 5431 – Suicide Prevention

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by _____, seconded by _____, that the above stated Policies (5310.1, 5431) be approved.

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Abstain Carried:

11. FUTURE MEETINGS

- **May 6** Graduation/Hall of Fame Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **May 12** Accountability & BOE Operations Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **May 18** Policy Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **May 19** **Annual Budget Vote & School Board Elections**
- **May 20** Facilities Committee – 7:30 am – District Office
- **May 22 & 25** District Closed – Memorial Day Observance
- **May 26** Transportation Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **June 2** Plaque Dedication – 6:00 pm – Colonie Central High School
 Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – CCHS Library

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

Motion by _____, seconded by _____, to **enter** Executive Session to discuss fiscal 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: _____

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. **Creation of Positions**

Create the following temporary positions for the 2014-2015 school year (grant funded):

- (5) Elementary Trainer/Presenters (CAPE Grant)
- (2) Administrative Liaison/Presenters (CAPE Grant)
- (1) Safe Schools Coordinator/Presenter (CAPE Grant)
- (1) Safe Schools Secretary (CAPE Grant)
- (5) STLE-D Participants (BOCES Grant)

Create the following probationary position for the 2015-2016 school year:

- (1) 1.0 English

B. **Abolish Position**

Abolish a position in the following tenure area effective July 1, 2015 due to retirement:

Reading 1 full time equivalent

C. **Substitute Teachers**

Approve Substitute Teachers on the attached list for regular appointments.

D. **STLE-D Participants for the 2014-2015 School Year**

Approve per Capital Region BOCES Grant:

Kathleen Gottschalk
 Thomas Kachadurian
 Thomas Nicholson
 Jill Penn
 Marybeth Tedisco

E. **Retirement**

1. **Name:** Carol Tomik
Position: Teaching Assistant
Location: Colonie Central High School
Effective Date: June 30, 2015

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

1. Name: Helen Herbst
Position: Permanent School Bus Driver
Revised Effective Date: June 24, 2015

B. Appointments

1. Name: Edward Goedel Jr.
Address: 5951 East Old State Road, Schenectady, NY 12303
Position: Master Automotive Mechanic
Effective: April 1, 2015
Stipend: \$2,000 per CSEA Contract (pro-rated)
Current Location: Bus Garage
2. Name: Connie Merrithew
Address: 9 Smith Lane, Voorheesville, NY 12186
Position: School Nurse Substitute
Effective: May 6, 2015
Salary: \$20.00 per hour
3. Name: Douglas Rodgers
Address: 2 Ann Lee Court, Latham, NY 12110
Position: School Bus Driver Substitute
Effective: April 22, 2015
Salary: \$15.00 per hour

C. Resignation

1. Name: Dallan Morris
Position: Temporary School Bus Driver
Effective Date: May 8, 2015
Reason: Personal