

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



## **A G E N D A**

**December 1, 2015**

**District Office**

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

**1. ROLL CALL**

_____ Christine Badger Mele	_____ Shelle Jaquish	_____ Leonard Motto
_____ Brian Casey	_____ Neil Johanning	_____ James T. Ryan
_____ Rose Gigliello	_____ David Kiehle	_____ 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. Kiehle 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 November 17, 2015 be approved.

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

**4. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY****A. District Bus Report**

Mark Hanrahan of the Matthews Bus Company and Kevin Kenney of Santander Bank, will provide information on options for bus purchasing and leasing.

**B. Tax Collection Report**

Sherri Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning, will review the data on taxes collected and unpaid taxes. Board action on this item may be found on Item 9 of this agenda.

**C. 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 November 17, 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.

**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. Two (2.0) in-service credits for participation in and completion of the 30.0 contact hours course, “Fostering Life-Long Readers: Knowing New Books Matters” (#15-16-55), sponsored by the Capital Region BOCES. The course will be held October 19, 2015; November 30, 2015; January 5, 2016; February 29, 2016; March 21, 2016; April 11, 2016; May 9, 2016; and June 7, 2016 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Lisha Kill Middle School. The snow date is June 14, 2016. Participants must register on My Learning Plan and must attend all sessions to receive course credit. Kristi O’Connor (Colonie Central High School) is the contact person.

**C. Seminars on Education**

1. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Enhancing our Understanding of Students with Disabilities (SWDs) in the Standards-Based Classroom” (SD2015-16-#38), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended December 1, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. Participants must enroll through NYSUT.com/ELT. Jodie Fumarola (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.

2. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Engaging the Disruptive Student” (SD2015-16-#39), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended December 8, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. Participants must enroll through NYSUT.com/ELT. Jodie Fumarola (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.
3. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Differentiating Instruction: Connecting With All Learners” (SD2015-16-#40), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended January 13, 2016 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. Participants must enroll through NYSUT.com/ELT. Jodie Fumarola (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.
4. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Disability Awareness” (SD2015-16-#41), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended November 30, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. Participants must enroll through NYSUT.com/ELT. Jodie Fumarola (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.
5. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Addressing Aggressive Behavior in Schools” (SD2015-16-#42), sponsored by the New York State United Teachers (NYSUT). The workshop may be attended February 2, 2016 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at NYSUT Headquarters, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY. Participants must enroll through NYSUT.com/ELT. Jodie Fumarola (Lisha Kill Middle School) is the contact person.

#### **D. Student Trips**

1. Group: Grade 6 Students (46 students & 9 chaperones)  
School: Sand Creek Middle School  
Destination: Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY  
Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2016  
Responsible: Sue Shank, Bill Luke  
Transportation: Charter Bus
2. Group: Grade 6 Students (205 students & 15 chaperones)  
School: Sand Creek Middle School  
Destination: Bromley Mountain, Peru, VT  
Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2016  
Responsible: Rachael Rogers, Tristan Kisling  
Transportation: Charter Bus

3. Group: Grade 5 Students (138 students & 35 chaperones)  
 School: Sand Creek Middle School  
 Destination: Bronx Zoo, New York, NY  
 Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2016  
 Responsible: Tara Kiely, Dan DeMarco  
 Transportation: Charter Bus

**E. Donations**

1. Donation from College Board, 250 Vesey Street, New York, NY 10281 in the amount of \$250.00 to Colonie Central High for the Advanced Placement Program.
2. Donation from Colonie Track & Field Booster Club, 100 Hackett Avenue, Albany, NY 12205 to South Colonie Central School District in the amount of \$103.00 to be used to cover the purchase of the Boys Cross Country awards.
3. Donation from Colonie Track & Field Booster Club, 100 Hackett Avenue, Albany, NY 12205 to South Colonie Central School District in the amount of \$268.50 to be used to cover the purchase of the Girls Cross Country awards.

**F. Tax Refunds**

1. Approval of a 2015-2016 tax refund payable to Brian R. Whitman in the amount of \$5,425.62. The property is located at 251 New Karner Road, Colonie, NY 12205 (Tax Map #41.1-1-1).
2. Approval of a 2015-2016 tax refund payable to Whitman Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$4,069.21. The property is located at 435 New Karner Road, Colonie, NY 12205 (Tax Map #29.2-1-15).

**G. Re-Appropriation of 2015-2016 Budget**

Re-appropriation of the 2015-2016 budget in the amount of \$621.00. The total re-appropriated budget is \$96,268,463.

**H. Clerk & Treasurer Reports – October, 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** (Pages 8-9)

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 December 1, 2015 be approved.

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

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT** (Page 10)

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 December 1, 2015 be approved.

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

**9. TAX COLLECTION REPORT**

Approval to accept the Tax Collection Reports for the Towns of Colonie, Guilderland, and Niskayuna, and that the list of uncollected taxes be approved for submittal to Albany and Schenectady Counties for the September 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015 Tax Collection period.

If the Board approves, the following suggested motion is in order: Motion made by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, that the above stated Tax Collection Reports be accepted and List of Uncollected Taxes be approved for submittal.

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

**10. RESOLUTION**

Human Rights Day – December 10, 2015

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

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

**11. FUTURE MEETINGS**

- **December 2** Facilities Committee – 7:30 am – District Office
- **December 3** Transportation Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 7** Communications Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 9** IT Committee – 6:00 pm District Office
- **December 10** Evaluation Sub-Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 15** Audit/Finance Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office  
Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office
- **December 24-25** **District Closed – Holiday Recess**
- **January 1** **District Closed – New Year’s Day**
- **January 5** Strategic Planning Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office  
Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office

**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. Long-Term Substitutes

1. Name: Tracy Roberts  
Address: 8 Patroon Way, Clifton Park, NY 12065  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Social Studies  
Location: Community Center  
Effective Date: November 16, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 9 per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from SUNY Cortland; M.S. from SUNY Albany  
Certification: Permanent in Social Studies (Grades 7-12)
  
2. Name: Cindy Dodge  
Address: 24 Pawling Avenue, Troy, NY 12180  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Childhood Education  
Location: Sand Creek Middle School  
Effective Date: November 18, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 1 per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from College of St. Rose;  
M.S. from Sage Graduate School  
Certification: Initial in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
  
3. Name: Sabrina Skotarczak  
Address: 1801 Hayner Heights Drive, Clifton Park, NY 12065  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Special Education  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Effective Date: November 17, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule I, Step 2 per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.A. from Notre Dame College;  
M.S. from Sage Graduate School  
Certification: Permanent in Special Education

### B. IT Facilitators for the 2015-2016 School Year

Appoint per Policy 9290:

Elementary School Level	Roessleville Elementary School	Kim Ringer
Elementary School Level	Saddlewood Elementary School	Amy Ogburn
Elementary School Level	Shaker Road Elementary School	Gregory Sherwin



**C. Co-Curricular – 2015-2016 School Year**

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

**Lisha Kill Middle School**

**Small Performing Music Group: 5 Total**

Band (5-6)	Andy Hearn	1.0
Chorus (7-8)	Janelle Salada	.50

**D. Substitute Teachers**

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

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT****A. Resignation**

1. Name: Leonard Keeler  
Address: 20 Locust Park, Albany, NY 12205  
Position: Permanent School Bus Driver  
Effective Date: November 16, 2015  
Reason: Medical

**B. Appointments**

1. Name: Sarah Auclaire  
Address: 75 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Troy, NY 12180  
Position: Custodial Worker Substitute  
Effective: November 18, 2015  
Salary: \$11.25 per hour
2. Name: June McCauslin  
Address: 38 Lockrow Blvd, Colonie, NY 12205  
Position: School Monitor Substitute  
Effective: December 2, 2015  
Salary: \$10.00 per hour
3. Name: Mosammat Sultana  
Address: 422 Sand Creek Road, Apt. 523, Albany, NY 12205  
Position: School Monitor Substitute  
Effective: November 9, 2015  
Salary: \$10.00 per hour