

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



**MINUTES**

**November 18, 2014  
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 was called to order by Board President, Mr. Ryan at 7:00 pm.

**1. ROLL CALL****Members Present:**

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  
David Perry, Director of Human Resources, Safe Schools & IT  
Jamie Mroczko, District Clerk

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Mr. Ryan led the pledge to the flag.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Motto and seconded by Ms. Jaquish, that the minutes of the Special District Meeting on October 21, 2014 and the Regular Meeting of November 4, 2014 be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**4. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY****A. K-4 Report Card Update**

Greg Bearup, Supervisor of K-8 Math, Science & Technology and Stacey Wranesh, Supervisor of UPK-8 English Language Arts, Literacy & Social Studies provided an update on the K-4 report cards.

**B. Local Assistance Plan Report**

Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, reviewed the Local Assistance Plan (LAP) completed at the Sand Creek Middle School. Board action on this item may be found on Item 9 of this agenda.

**C. Budget Calendar Adoption**

Mr. Buhner provided a review of the proposed 2015-2016 budget calendar. Board action for this item may be found on Item 10 of this agenda.

**D. Board Committee Reports**

- Mr. Johanning, Chairperson, provided a report on the Policy Committee meeting that was held on October 29, 2014.
- Mr. Casey, Chairperson, provided a report on the Transportation Committee meeting that was held on November 3, 2014
- Mr. Motto, Chairperson, provided a report on the Strategic Planning Committee meeting that was held on November 4, 2014.

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

- Recognized Sand Creek Middle School students of the week: Hajra Jamil, Maddison Parrish, Jason Craw, Brett Sullivan, Connie Baugh, Jeremy Dunn, Michael Ieraci and Jack Finlan.
- Recognized B95.5 Kid of the Week, Liam Obermayer (Kindergarten at Saddlewood Elementary).
- Upcoming events:
  - Shaker Road PTA vendor and craft fair will be held November 21 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.
  - Colonie Central High School craft fair will be held November 22.
  - Line & Cue play, “Midsummer Jersey” will be held November 21 and November 22 at 7:00 pm.
  - Dollars for Scholars Phone-a-Thon will be held November 19 and 20. This group donates scholarship money for CCHS students. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.
  - Girls’ Basketball booster club fundraiser will be held November 14 through November 29.
  - CAPSBA meeting will be held December 4 at 6:00 pm at the Shenendehowa High School West Cafeteria.
  - IT Committee meeting has been rescheduled from December 15 to December 8 at 5:00 pm.

**Ms. Jaquish**

- Attended the SEPTA meeting on November 17. The group is looking to include a student representative and Best Buddies provided a report. The next meeting is scheduled for December 15.

Mr. Kiehle

- Visited the High School art show at the Library.
- Attended the Forest Park Veteran’s Day ceremony. It was very nice event and the students were very well behaved. The event honored approximately 20 veterans.

Mr. Sim

- Attended the Safe Schools meeting on November 18. The group discussed security of school buildings and the possibility of potentially using funds from the Smart Schools Bond Act.

Ms. Gigliello

- Attended the Safe Schools meeting on November 18.
- Attended the Academic Achievement meeting on November 18.

Mr. Johanning

- Visited the art show at the Library.
- Attended the NYS PTA Convention that was held in Saratoga. Charles Giglio, 2015 NYS Teacher of the Year from Gloversville Enlarged School District, spoke at the event. Regents Chancellor Merryl Tisch also spoke at the convention.

**B. Requests to Speak:** There were no requests to speak.

**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. Seminar on Education**

1. Six (6.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Partnering for Positivity in a Digital Age” (SD2014-15-#36), sponsored by the Lally School of Education, College of St. Rose. The workshop may be attended November 15, 2014 from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm at the College of St. Rose, 1009 Madison Avenue, Albany, NY. Donna Davidson (Sand Creek Middle School) is the contact person.
2. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “STEM Saturday” (SD2014-15-#37), sponsored by CASDA – NYS STEM Master Teachers. The workshop may be attended November 15, 2014 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at the UAlbany – East Campus, School of Public Health, Room 110A. Barry Witte (Colonie Central High School) is the contact person.

3. Three (3.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “An Afternoon with Chris Lehman” (SD2014-15-#38), sponsored by South Colonie Central School District. The workshop may be attended December 15, 2014 from 3:45 pm to 6:45 pm at the Saddlewood Library. Participants must have previously participated in study groups with Chris Lehman texts. Stacey Wranesh (Saddlewood Elementary School) is the contact person.
4. Twelve (12.0) contact hours of credit for participation in “Technology Retreat for School Librarians” (SD2014-15-#39), sponsored by Questar III and Capital Region BOCES. The workshop may be attended December 5, 2014, December 6, 2014 and December 7, 2014 from 4:00 pm on December 5, 2014 through 12:00 pm on December 7, 2014 at the Carey Conference Center, Rensselaerville, NY. The workshop is restricted to Librarians only. Participants must register via My Learning Plan. Colleen Kuno (Saddlewood Elementary School) is the contact person.

### **C. Student Trips**

1. Group: Grade 7 Meteorites/Comets (250 students & 25 chaperones)  
 School: Sand Creek Middle School  
 Destination: Six Flags New England, Agawam, MA  
 Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2015  
 Responsible: Stefanie Harrison, Rachel Polloy, Melissa Vogt, Stacy Sebert  
 Transportation: School Bus
2. Group: Band 6 & Band 7/8 Students (110 students & 12 chaperones)  
 School: Lisha Kill Middle School  
 Destination: Musical Carousel at the Great Escape, Lake George, NY  
 Date: Saturday, May 30, 2015  
 Responsible: Andrew Hearn, Joel Miller  
 Transportation: Charter Bus & School Van (band equipment)

### **D. Health Insurance Rates**

Approval of the Blue Shield of Northeastern New York Forever Blue Medicare PPO Plan premiums for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 at the following monthly rates:

Forever Blue Medicare PPO	\$235.04 per month	Plan Number 799
Forever Blue Medicare PPO	\$255.43 per month	Plan Number 799 OOA

### **E. Change Order**

Approval of Change Order #MC-01R for Tri-Valley Plumbing & Heating, Inc. in the amount of (\$2,613.00) to credit the District for unused contract allowance at Sand Creek Middle School. Contract is reduced from \$186,600 to \$183,987. NYSED Project #01-06-01-06-0-015-015.

**F. Transportation Contract - Correction**

Award transportation contracts for Special Education students for the 2014-2015 school year to the lowest bidder as follows:

Brown Transportation, 50 Venner Road, Amsterdam, NY 12010

Route #2014-7	Montgomery County/Veeder Elementary
Annual Cost	\$26,752.00
Cost Per Mile	\$ 2.92

- \* *This contract was approved by the Board of Education on October 21, 2014. The name of the provider has been revised due to a clerical error. All other information is accurate as approved.*

**G. Contract**

Approval of a contract with Albany Chiropractic and PT, 1694 Central Avenue, Albany, NY for athletic training services on an as-needed basis at a cost of \$30 per hour for the 2014-2015 school year.

**H. Intermunicipal Agreement**

Approval of an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Colonie for the utilization of space at the Town Community Center for an alternative educational setting for the 2014-2015 school year as per attached agreement.

**I. Agreement**

1. Approval of an agreement with Springbrook, NY, 105 Campus Drive, Oneonta, NY 13820 and South Colonie Central School District to provide Special Education services for one (1) South Colonie student from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. The two month summer tuition is \$9,934.00 and the residential maintenance daily rate is \$583.86. The 2014-2015 school year tuition per month is \$5,960.50 and the residential maintenance daily rate is \$583.86. All rates are set forth by the NY State Education Department and maintenance rates are set forth by the Office of Children and Family Services. Upon receipt of new certified tuition rates, retroactive billing will be processed resulting in either owing additional funds or receiving a refund. The Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to sign this agreement.
2. Acceptance of a proposal from Jim Grande, Contract Analysis and Comparisons, 1029 Hatlee Road, Ballston Lake, NY for the completion of a contract analysis and authorization to enter into an agreement for the proposed work as per attached proposal.

**J. Tax Refund**

Approval of an application RP-556 for Corrected Taxes for the 2014-2015 tax roll on property owned by Earl Theune and located at 5 Bertha Terrace, Loudonville, NY 12211 (Tax Map #42.2-4-60). The tax refund is in the amount of \$818.12.

**K. Donations**

1. Donation from Colonie Central High School Football Booster Club in the amount of \$267.15 to cover the cost of awards.
2. Donation from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc., 410 Dinnerbell Road, Ohiopyle, PA 15470-1002 in the amount of \$114.86 to cover the cost of supplies for the Colonie Central High School Athletic Department.
3. Donation from Sheri Grignon, 40 Fisler Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304, 1992 Pfretzschner Violin, Model 9303-45, Serial #3011, valued at \$500.00.
4. Donation from Paul Gordon, 11 Ethel Drive, Albany, NY 12211, WP Hayes- Spinet Style Piano, valued at \$1000.00.

**L. Declare as Surplus**

Panasonic AG-500R VHS/VCR, Serial #H7MD00599, located at the District Office; items is in non-working order.

**M. Budget Transfers**

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A9062.800	A1920.400	\$5,000.00
A2110.121	A2010.120	\$3,163.38
A2330.130	A2332.150	\$9,200.00
A2330.120	A2332.150	\$1,306.00
A1310.161	A2805.151	\$50,000.00
A9062.800	A2805.151	\$8,773.12
A9711.600	A9731.700	\$25,112.00

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

Re-appropriation of the 2014-2015 budget in the amount of \$381.00. The total re-appropriated budget is \$95,284,133.

A motion was made by Ms. Gigliello and seconded by Mr. Johanning, that the above stated Reports and Recommendations be approved.

9 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION**

A motion was made by Mr. Sim and seconded by Mr. Casey, that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated November 18, 2014 be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT**

A motion was made by Mr. Casey and seconded by Mr. Sim that Item 8-B, Leave of Absence and Item 8-C, Appointment be tabled so that additional information may be provided to the Board.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

A motion was made by Mr. Motto and seconded by Ms. Jaquish, that Item 8-A and Item 8-D of the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated November 18, 2014 be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**9. LOCAL ASSISTANCE PLAN**

Approval of the Local Assistance Plan (LAP) completed at the Sand Creek Middle School as presented.

A motion was made by Ms. Gigliello and seconded by Mr. Casey, that the above stated Local Assistance Plan be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**10. BUDGET CALENDAR**

Adoption of the proposed 2015-2016 budget calendar as presented with one change (meeting of March 9 rescheduled to March 10).

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehle and seconded by Ms. Mele, that the above stated 2015-2016 budget calendar be adopted.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**



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

Policy 5020.1 – Sexual Harassment of Students

Policy 9010.2 – Sexual Harassment

A motion was made by Mr. Johanning and seconded by Ms. Jaquish, that the above stated Policies (5020.1, 9010.2) be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**12. RESCIND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – CSEA**

Approval to rescind the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Civil Service Employees Association, Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO, for the South Colonie School Unit of the Albany County Local 801 and the South Colonie Central School District for the time period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015 that was approved by the Board of Education on November 4, 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Sim and seconded by Ms. Gigliello, that the above stated Collective Bargaining Agreement be rescinded.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**13. REVISED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT – CSEA**

Approval of the revised Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Civil Service Employees Association, Local 1000 AFSCME, AFL-CIO, for the South Colonie School Unit of the Albany County Local 801 and the South Colonie Central School District for the time period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015 as specified per attached agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. Motto and seconded by Ms. Gigliello, that the above stated revised Collective Bargaining Agreement be approved.

  9   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

**14. FUTURE MEETINGS**

- **November 24**      Policy Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 2**      Transportation Committee – 7:00 am – Farmer Boy  
                                  Graduation Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office  
                                  Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office

- **December 3** Facilities Committee – 7:30 am – District Office
- **December 8** IT Committee – 5:00 pm – District Office
- **December 16** Audit/Finance Committee – 6:00 pm – District Office  
Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office

A motion was made by Ms. Gigliello and seconded by Mr. Motto, to **enter** Executive Session to discuss confidential matters relating to particular students.

9 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:29 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Kiehle and seconded by Mr. Casey to **adjourn** Executive Session.

9 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

The Board adjourned Executive Session at 9:10 pm and returned to Public Session.

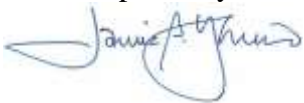
## **15. ADJOURN MEETING**

A motion was made by Mr. Sim and seconded by Mr. Motto, that the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

9 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 9:11 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jamie S. Mroczko  
District Clerk

## 7. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION

### A. Long-Term Substitute

1. Name: Jamie Ferrari  
Address: 89 Southbury Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Social Studies  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Revised Effective Date: September 2, 2014  
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 8, per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from Wagner College, M.S. from College of St. Rose  
Certification: Professional in Social Studies (7-12)

### B. Long-Term Replacement

1. Name: Jamie Ferrari  
Address: 89 Southbury Road, Clifton Park, NY 12065  
Type: Long-Term Replacement  
Teaching Area: Social Studies  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Effective Date: November 1, 2014  
Ending Date: June 30, 2015  
Salary: Salary Schedule II, Step 8, per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from Wagner College, M.S. from College of St. Rose  
Certification: Professional in Social Studies (7-12)

### C. Substitute Teachers

Approval of Substitute Teachers on the attached list for regular appointments.

### D. Co-Curricular – 2014-2015 School Year

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

#### Colonie Central High School

Athletic Trainer – Winter	Kurt Pfaffenbach	.10
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#### Sand Creek Middle School

##### Intramurals:

Season III – Wellness/Weight Training (5-8)	Greg Lanni	1.0
Season III – Wellness/Weight Training (5-8)	Melissa Moscov	1.0

#### Lisha Kill Middle School

##### Intramurals:

Season III – Wellness/Weight Training (5-8)	Sue Pedone	1.0
Season III – Wellness/Weight Training (5-8)	Todd Sitterly	1.0

**E. 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 Basketball	Kenneth Dagostino	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Basketball	John Karbowski	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Basketball	Claudio Robustiano	.80
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Basketball	Thomas Flood	.20
Coach 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball	Jonathan LaPoint	.80
Coach 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball	Sean Peer	.20
Coach Varsity Girls Basketball	Heather Fiore	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Basketball	Tanya Hansen	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Basketball	Sarah Carciobolo	1.0
Coach 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball	Sean Merchant	1.0
Coach Boys Bowling	William Carl	1.0
Coach Girls Bowling	Owen Grugan	1.0
Coach Varsity Cheerleading-Winter	Ann Grasso-Little	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Cheerleading-Winter	Rachel Santandrea	.50
Coach Junior Varsity Cheerleading-Winter	Rachael Blaine	.50
Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Michael Palmer	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Thomas Greene	.70
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	John Ashley	.60
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Glen Wolin	.40
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Eric Rouleau	.20
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Jason Bissonette	.30
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Indoor Track	Gabe Young	.30
Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Frank Myers	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Jamie Ferrari	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Jason Bissonette	.70
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Michael Caccuitto	.10
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Glenn Wolin	.40
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Eric Rouleau	.20
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Indoor Track	Sarah Thomas	.10
Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Jeremy Eggleston	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Andrew Monin	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Matthew Stenglein	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Wrestling	Matthew Tarullo	1.0

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

Coach Boys Basketball	John Moak	.50
Coach Boys Basketball	Eric Obermayer	.50
Coach Girls Basketball	Greg Lanni	1.0
Coach Boys Wrestling – Lisha Kill	Joseph Repko	1.0
Coach Boys Wrestling – Sand Creek	Elijah Golding	1.0

**8. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT****A. Resignations**

1. Name: James Motta  
Address: 26 Pheasant Ridge Drive, Loudonville, NY 12211  
Position: Permanent School Bus Driver  
Effective Date: November 30, 2014  
Reason: Personal
  
2. Name: Krystal Close  
Address: 1129 Central Avenue, Apt #1, Albany, NY 12205  
Position: Probationary Food Service Helper (SC)  
Effective Date: November 7, 2014  
Reason: Personal

**B. Leave of Absence**

1. Name: Gary Strait  
Address: 3 Amboy Drive, Albany, NY 12205  
Position: Permanent School Bus Driver  
Location: Bus Garage  
Type: Personal Leave  
Effective: August 12, 2014 to June 30, 2015  
Reason: Accepted another position within District

**C. Appointment**

1. Name: Gary Strait  
Address: 3 Amboy Drive, Albany, NY 12205  
Position: Temporary School Bus Driver/Trainer  
Effective: August 12, 2014 to June 30, 2015  
Salary: Schedule V, Off Step per CSEA contract  
Hours: 8.0 hours per day  
Probationary Period: August 12, 2014 through February 12, 2015

**D. Change of Hours**

*Effective November 3, 2014 to June 30, 2015:*

Mark Delaney	School Bus Driver	6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day	BG
Scott Dragon	School Bus Driver	6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day	BG
Richard Link	School Bus Driver	6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day	BG
Jack Pulver	School Bus Driver	6.0 hours per day to 8.0 hours per day	BG

*Effective November 3, 2014:*

Theresa Woodard	Food Service Helper	3.5 hours per day to 4.5 hours per day	HS-WW
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