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Board of Education

Thursday, March 21, 2024
March 21, 2024 - Board of Education Agenda - Regular Meeting

Minutes are final and were approved at the April 23, 2024, board meeting.

Meeting Time: 6:00 pm

Meeting Location open to public: 1477 South Schodack Road, Room 310

Live Stream Link for viewing or listening:

<https://schodackk12.webex.com/schodackk12/j.php?MTID=m4e03657d39cd413437f967e58dec0336>

Join by phone

1-646-992-2010

Access number: 2346 162 5274

Present: Shelley Palmer, Mary Yurista, Sherri Gibson, Angela Beber, Blake Kush, Tylea Gebbie, and Kurt Maier and Marion Spar (arrived at 6:16 pm).

Absent: None

Also present: Jason Chevrier, Brian Carey, Alyssa Sabbatino, Hillary Brochu, Robert Santarcangelo, James Derby, Kara Likar, Jacqueline Hill and Michele Reickert

1. MEETING OPENING

A. **President Shelley Palmer** called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

C. **Kurt Maier moved** for approval of the Present Agenda, **Angela Beber seconded, all present in favor.**

D. **Tylea Gebbie** moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2024, regular meeting, **Kurt Maier seconded, all present in favor.**

2. REPORTS

A. Mid-Year Data Review - Mid-Year IReady data was shared for Reading and Math, showing a comparison of Fall 2023 and Winter 2024, Social Emotional Data by building showing a comparison from Fall 2022 to Fall 2023 as well as data from Winter 2023 and Winter 2024, Attendance Data showing absenteeism trends by month and day of the week, Discipline Data by building, by grade, as well as the types of discipline and consequences for infractions

Marion Spar arrived at the beginning of the Mid-Year Data Review presentation.

B. 2024-2025 Budget Draft 2

Brian Carey and Jason Chevrier shared that the State Budget still remains unknown which creates difficulty preparing a budget, and further shared the knowns and unknowns that affect this draft of the budget, and changes both increases and decreases to the budget since the last meeting. There was discussion about fund balance use, tax cap percent and the change in taxes based on the different percentages. Propositions to appear on the ballot were discussed as well as a \$100,000 transfer to capital project that will be part of the budget.

Tylea Gebbie suggested a tax cap of up to 3%, Sherri Gibson said she agreed with 3%, Mary Yurista wanted to go out with 2.99%, Blake Kush said he would be comfortable going higher as long as there was clear direction about how it would be used, Kurt Maier expressed that even a small amount could hurt a family that is struggling, 2.95 up to 3% he could support, Marion Spar is comfortable with keeping it on the lower side 2.95-3%, Angela Beber agreed with 2.95-3%, Shelley Palmer expressed that if the board commits to put reserves back she is comfortable with up to 3%, we could be approaching shaky grounds in the future and should be careful with reserves.

C. Volunteer Firefighter/EMT and Senior Citizen/Disability Tax Exemptions

Brian Carey explained the impact of a change to the exemptions should the board decide to move forward with the change to the existing exemptions.

3. POLICY(IES)

Angela Beber moved to approve items 3. A. through 3. C., Mary Yurista seconded, all present in favor.

A. Motion to approve the 2nd reading and adoption of the following policy(ies):

0100 Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity

0110.2 Sexual Harassment in the Workplace

0110.2-E Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Exhibit

9260 Conditional Appointment and Emergency Conditional Appointment - Student Safety

B. Motion to rescind the following regulations:

0100-R Equal Opportunity and Nondiscrimination - Regulation

0110.2-R Sexual Harassment of Employees – Regulation

C. Motion to approve the 1st reading of the following policy(ies):

4327 Homebound Instruction

5605 Student Voter Registration and Pre-registration

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Allan Dillenbeck expressed displeasure with not being able to engage with board and only comment during Public Comment, the board needs to give answers at the meeting.

Jillian Hines parent of Kindergarten student speaking on behalf of a group of parents that have concern over the class sizes in the lower grades at the elementary school.

5. DISTRICT/BUILDING/STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE/COMMITTEE

A. District Updates

- Hoops Against Hunger – Pat Austin and his team do a great job, it is a well-attended event, with over \$5,000 in cash donation as well as canned goods donated to The Anchor Food Pantry.
- Capital Project Update – Work will take place over the break, communication will go out about that work. Contractors are currently working in the building. Fuel Island work will begin, work in the Tech room will start in May.
- Community Engagement – direction is needed from the board before more work can be done. The board would like to do a retreat to plan how to move forward.
- Leakage Study – Information was sent from Rockefeller Institute of Government about a study of leakage through social media prior to a school incident. They are looking for schools to participate in the study and are asking for a letter of support from the school. The board members gave a head nod in support of it.
- QIII Annual Meeting - April 10 they need RSVPs by Monday.
- Enrollment Report was attached for review.

B. Building Updates

- Castleton Elementary School – Grade 2-3 read in with an author visit from Steve Sheinkin, a fun event, author/fan face off answering questions about the author's book, K-12 art show at the Jr/Sr High School, Guitar Club performing during the event, Music in our Schools was amazing, music teachers do an outstanding job with the students. Hoops Against Hunger turnout was incredible.
- Maple Hill Jr./Sr. High School – Thank you to the Board, Jason Chevrier and Schodack Police Department for the SRO starting in the district, SRO Eckel has done a great job and has been an asset, great with kids and brings knowledge with him. Thanked Christine Fowler for work in obtaining a grant to help develop a program helping kids learn more about careers. Voter registration will be incorporated in the Participation in Government class and AP Government as well as promote voter registration. Boys Basketball team went to regionals this year, Kate Ackerman placed 1st in High Series. Hoops Against Hunger was well attended, Art Show was amazing, Art Teachers did a great job putting that on. All night party will take place tomorrow, 8th grade transition night next Wednesday, students and parent get informed with what to expect as well as ask questions. 6th grade transition students will be brought up to HS for about 3 hours and get familiar with the building, and NJHS induction April 17th
- Jason Chevrier commented about Author/Illustrator, Laurie Keller Author spent time during the day with student and stayed into the evening for a book signing and thanked Stacey Rattner for her commitment.

6. FINANCE

Mary Yurista moved to approve items 6. A. through 6. E., Tylea Gebbie seconded, all present in favor.

A. Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report for the month(s) of January 2024.

B. Acceptance of the Claims Auditor's Report for the month(s) of January 2024.

C. Approval to declare the items as surplus and dispose of in accordance with district policy.

Count	Lot	Category	Date (Ctrl+;)	Schodack	Questar Asset	Serial Number	Make	Model	Device Type
1	C	Schodack	2024-02-29	000525	NA	2090181	Scorbot	CONTROLLER	Other
2	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-11-22	INV-100178	NA	P202Y3H5	Lenovo	100e	Laptop
3	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-11-22	INV-100218	NA	P203D6Y5	Lenovo	100e	Laptop
4	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-11-22	INV-100326	NA	GXKGJ93	Dell	3100	Laptop
5	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-11-27	NA	NA	WNTNWQ12MQ	IPad	14	Other
6	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	002910	NA	NXEF2AA0025510E8B07600	Acer	C740	Laptop
7	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	NA	NA	P202AQFG	Lenovo	100e	Laptop
8	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	INV-100221	NA	p203d9xc	Lenovo	100e	Laptop
9	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	003050	NA	NXGM8AA001652139447600	Acer	C731	Laptop
10	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	003007	NA	NXGM8AA00165213A257600	Acer	C731	Laptop
11	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-18	INV-100014	NA	NXGM8AA001749139497600	Acer	C731	Laptop
12	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-19	INV-100243	NA	p207gssn	Lenovo	100e	Laptop
13	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-21	INV-100331	NA	CHYGJ93	Dell	3100	Laptop
14	Z - shred	Schodack	2023-12-27	INV-100299	NA	5CD0365FM7	HP	Chromebook	Laptop
15	Z - shred	Unknown	2023-12-29	NA	NA	AW-L1417B	NA	NA	AV Equipment
16	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	005448	NA	BF02PHI3930202052	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
17	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	002157	NA	NA	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
18	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	NA	NA	BF02PHI39302020166	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
19	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	NA	NA	BF02PHI3930202043	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
20	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	NA	NA	NA	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
21	A	Schodack	2023-12-29	NA	NA	NA	Bretford	H3635LL/A	Other
22	B	Schodack	2023-12-29	100280	NA	CFYB71700131	InFocus	65 in tv	AV Equipment
23	Lot D	Schodack	2024-01-03	005336	NA	In5zvri	Dell	Optiplex 380	Desktop
24	Lot D	Schodack	2024-01-03	002200	NA	cdm76v1	Dell	Optiplex 390	Desktop
25	Lot D	Schodack	2024-01-03	NA	NA	1nqwvr1	Dell	Optiplex 380	Desktop
26	Z - shred	Schodack	2024-01-08	NA	NA	JN292D3	Dell	3100	Laptop
27	E	Schodack	2024-02-29	NA	NA	14350266916D	Enterasys	B5G124-48P2	Other
28	E	Schodack	2024-02-29	NA	NA	13121405916A	Enterasys	B5G124-24P2	Other
29	F	Schodack	2024-02-29	001829	NA	208333372	Sharp	XG-C40XU-S	Projector
30	F	Schodack	2024-02-29	005550	NA	412727	Smart	280	AV Equipment
31	G	Schodack	2024-02-29	A-100009	NA	AS1721370254	APC	SRT6KRMXLT	Other
32	G	Schodack	2024-02-29	NA	NA	NA	TrippLite	SMART1500LCDT	Other
33	G	Schodack	2024-02-29	NA	NA	NA	APC	SRT6KRMXLT -	Other
34	H	Schodack	2024-02-29	NA	NA	Resin 3D Printer	ANYCUBIC	Photon Mono 2,	
35	B	Schodack	2023-12-29	NA	NA	CFG63500274	InFocus	65 in tv	AV Equipment
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1	Lot A	Schodack	Qty 6 - Obsolete laptop carts						
2	Lot B	Schodack	Flat panel monitors						
3	Lot C	Schodack	Scorbot Controller						
4	Lot D	Schodack	Desktop computers - no HDD						
5	Lot E	Schodack	Network Switches						
6	Lot F	Schodack	AV equipment						
7	Lot G	Schodack	UPS systems and batteries						
8	Lot H	Schodack	Resin 3D Printer						

Schodack Central School District								
Surplus Approvals for Board Meeting, Date: 3/21/24								
SURPLUS ITEM	VALUE OF SURPLU S	TAG #/SERIAL-VIN#	COUN T	Schodac k Asset Number	Schodac k Asset Number	Schodac k Asset Number	CONDITIO N	
Table leg			1	100141			Used	
SOUTHBEND Silver Star - Single Convection Oven (no wheels)		Patent#: 5361749	1	000674			Used	
SOUTHBEND Silver Star - Single Convection Oven (no wheels)			1	005197	000332		Used	
SOUTHBEND Silver Star - Double		Model#: SLGS/22SC Serial#: 07F48467 Patent#: 5361749	1	005831	000678		Used	

Convection Oven (with wheels)							
Sanitaire by Electrolux - vacuum cleaner		Model# SC5815 Serial# SU111041004600 Type: B	1	002046			Used
Black metal TV cart			1	5806			Used
Portable white board stand			1	00756			Used
All Steel Equipment Company - tall gray metal cabinet			1	1319			Used
Stainless steel kitchen serving line drawers			1	6096			Used
Rockwell Manufacturing Company gray lathe		Serial# 1654239 Model# 46-525	1	005038	322	454	Used
Rockwell Manufacturing Company gray lathe		Serial# 1610210 Model# 46-525	1	000321	5037	5995	Used
Boice Crane (green) sanding table			1	005040	000325		Used
Metal chair rack			3	1265	1264	1267	Used
General Electric refrigerator (white)			1	000099	000600		Unsafe
Weight equipment			1	000262			Used
Weight equipment			1	005282			Used
Weight equipment (tall, gray)			1	005874			Used
Weight equipment			1	005285			Used
Weight equipment			1	000261			Used

Purple handicap walker			1	001489			Broken & unsafe
Century 295 amp AC welder		Serial# W257211	1	6029			Used
Briggs & Stratton Mighty Mac 319 cc leaf blower			1	000038			Used, poor
Rockwell table saw		Series# 34-450 Serial# FP-3222	1	5992			Used
Napa Power Pro (diesel) 4 horsepower/2,000 lbs/in ² pressure washer - blue		Serial# 15005595 Model# 81-103	1	8129			Used
Seco food warmers (stainless steel & white)		Serial# 20104000001201002	2	NO ASSET TAG			Inoperable
Cub Cadet 1000 Series (yellow/black) riding lawn mower		Serial# 1E316H10181000002 Model# LT1042 13AX11CG710	1	NO ASSET TAG			Inoperable
Yard Machine by MTD - (red) riding lawn mower		Model# 13AN772G029 475-128 Serial# 1E058B40178	1	NO ASSET TAG			Dangerous
2006 eXmark Laser Z Liquid Cooled zero-turn lawn mower (red) with bagging system			1	NO ASSET TAG			Used, poor
Brush Hog three unit rotary gang mower		Serial# 12-00554 Model# TD-1100	1	NO ASSET TAG			Used
2000 Ford F550 diesel, V8 with Western 10 ft plow and Buyers chain-driven sander		VIN# 1FDAF57F71ED701621	1	NO ASSET TAG			Truck: Poor, doesn't run Plow: Fair Sander: Poor

D. Approval of Contracts:

Schodack Central School District				
Contract / Lease Approvals for Board Meeting: Date:				
CONTRACTOR / VENDOR NAME	TERM OF CONTRACT	PURPOSE	RATE/RETAINER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
James Colon	March 15, 2024	Professional Development/Behavior Management and De-escalation 101 and Advanced Behavioral Management and De-escalation 10	\$250 half day/\$500 full day	
Questar III	2023-24 through 2027-28	Contract for Cooperative Educational Services	Annual Installment \$43,485.25	
Questar III	2022-23 through 2026-27	Contract for Cooperative Educational Services correction	Corrected annual installment \$44,281.31	Annual rate changed, incorrect rate given last year was: \$44,887.51 each installment
TENANT NAME				

E. Acknowledgment of the approved Application for Refund or Credit of Real Property Taxes for Andre Spar for real property located at 1335 Brookview Station Road in Schodack, NY (199.-3-22.14) for a reduction of taxes due from \$6,104.08 to \$5,923.09 (\$180.99 refund due to Andre Spar) due to a clerical error.

7. OTHER ACTION

Angela Beber moved to approve items 7. A. through 7. B., Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.

A. Approval of a resolution authorizing the District Clerk to include propositions in the notice of the annual School District meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHODACK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (the "School District") that the following propositions be presented to the voters at the annual meeting of the School District to be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Education of the Schodack Central School District be authorized to: (1) acquire school buses and vehicles at a maximum cost of \$300,000; and (2) finance such purpose from the expenditure of funds in the General Fund?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include notice of such propositions in the notice of the annual School District meeting.

B. Approval of the recommendation of the District Committee on Preschool Special Education and/or Special Education.

8. RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

Mary Yurista moved to approve item 8. A., Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.

A. Approval of Staffing Actions

Schodack Central School District				
Staffing Actions for Board Meeting Date: 3/21/2024				
RESIGNATIONS	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON	COMMENT
Walter Voss	Extended Term Substitute for Meghan Krug	February 16, 2024	Resignation	
Andrea Cavagnaro	Senior School Monitor	April 12, 2024	Resignation	
SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS	SUBSTITUTE AREA		EFFECTIVE DATE	RATE
Kayla Henriquez	Regular Substitute Teacher for Natalie Robertson		January 31, 2024	Rate set at July Organizational Meeting
Nicholas Perez-Schrader	Teacher and Teaching Assistant			Rate set at July Organizational Meeting
APPOINTMENT	AREA / TYPE		EFFECTIVE DATE	RATE
Kathleen Gorman	Teaching Assistant - part-time 4 hours per day		February 26, 2024	CSEA Start Rate
CHANGE TO APPOINTMENT	AREA / POSITION	CURRENT RATE	NEW RATE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Madeline Gibney	Teaching Assistant	CSEA Uncertified Rate	CSEA Start Rate	September 18, 2023
ADVISOR / COACH	ACTIVITY	DURATION	RATE	COMMENT
Joseph Boyle	Volunteer Asst. Coach - Varsity Lacrosse	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant
Daniel Bentley	Volunteer Asst. Coach - 7th/8th Grade Softball	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant

Andrew Lensink	Volunteer Asst. Coach - JV Baseball	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant
Steven Marino	Volunteer Asst. Coach - 7th/8th Grade Baseball	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant
Scott Monuteaux	Volunteer Asst. Coach - Varsity Baseball	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant
James Canonica	Volunteer Asst. Coach - Varsity Baseball	2023-24 Season	n/a	Volunteer Assistant
Gregory Roe	Volunteer Asst. Coach - Varsity Boys Tennis	2023-24 Season	n/s	Volunteer Assistant

9. END BUSINESS MEETING

A. Agenda Planning

- Update on ESports
- Electric Bus update: Brian Carey indicated that the Governor is moving forward. Information will be shared as it is received to keep the board advised.

B. Board Member Comment

- Shelley Palmer thanked Blake Kush for representing the board at Hoops for Hunger.
- Mary Yurista talked about the Regional Professional Development Day
 - Teachers, PPS, Facilities, Clerical all participated throughout the day 8 in-person and roughly 50 virtual options for professional development. Feedback is positive and people are asking for more.
 - Mr. Chevrier thanked Alyssa Sabbatino for her work on Professional Development for the district.
- Blake Kush spoke about being a parent and board member and balancing the two responsibilities.
- Shelley Palmer spoke about the community and the disconnect that was mentioned in public comment tonight. It shows that the community engagement plan that is being worked on is needed.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A. **Sherri Gibson moved** to enter Executive Session at 8:28 pm., **Marion Spar seconded, all present in favor.**

B. **Mary Yurista moved** to reconvene to open session and adjourn the meeting at 9:23 pm., **Sherri Gibson seconded, all present in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,

Michele A. Reickert

District Clerk