

**SOUTHERN CAYUGA CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
March 23, 2020**

MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 5:01 pm Board Vice President Susan Gloss called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Board members present: Susan Gloss, Matthew Bennett, Christine Brozon, David Harvatine, Bruce Kopp, Kelsey Rossbach

Board members absent: none

Administrators present: Patrick Jensen, Loretta Van Horn

Others present: Nynette Adams

THERE IS NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE DUE TO THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

-- On a motion by Matt Bennett, seconded by Chris Brozon, the Board of Education approved the agenda, as amended with a Memorandum of Agreement.

Motion carried: Yes – 5 No – 0

The calendar was reviewed.

Kelsey Rossbach arrived; 5:05 pm

3.0 PRESENTATIONS – none

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4.0 ~~VISITOR RECOGNITION; RESIDENTS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD~~

5.0 OLD BUSINESS – none

6.0 NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS; CONSENT ITEMS

RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the action items listed in section 6.0. Addendum item is in **bold**.

Motion made by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Chris Brozon.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- Minutes BOE regular meeting March 9, 2020

-- Non-Resident Students 2020/21 school year, in accordance with employee agreements.

-- Abigail Davis, grade 4
-- Kennady Davis, grade 1
-- Alyssa Gavurnik, grade 11
-- Nathanael Hand, grade 11

-- David Hayden, grade 8
-- Paul Hayden, grade 7
-- Jamison Murray, grade 12

-- Resolution: Whereas the Southern Cayuga CSD Board of Education hereby authorizes the continuation of salary, wages and benefits for any regular, non-substitute employee not covered by a collective bargaining agreement or employment agreement who is available to work, but is directed by the Superintendent of Schools to not work during the County mandated COVID-19 closure, commencing on March 16, 2020 and terminating at the end of the County mandated COVID-19 closure.

ADDENDUM

-- Memorandum of Agreement:

RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Civil Service Employee Association Local 1000 and the Southern Cayuga School District, effective Monday, March 16, 2020.

Motion made by Chris Brozon, seconded by Dave Harvatine.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- Local Libraries: RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts a resolution to approve a proposition to be included on the May 19, 2020, ballot.

Motion made by Chris Brozon, seconded by Kelsey Rossbach.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

The Trustees of the Aurora Free Library are seeking a \$6,000 increase. This increase will help support the library's annual operation and maintenance, as well as capital property improvements.

The annual library tax levy would increase from \$116,150 to \$122,150 per year for the support of both the Aurora Free Library and the Hazard Library Association. The school district has a legal obligation to put this proposal before the voters when an increase is requested. It is separate from the school budget proposal.

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education for the Southern Cayuga Central School District is hereby authorized to raise the tax levy from \$116,150 to \$122,150 for the support and operation of the Aurora Free Library (\$72,150) and the Hazard Library Association (\$50,000; *no increase this year*). If not approved by the voters, the amount raised will remain at the current annual level of \$116,150.

-- Bus Purchase: RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts *by roll call vote*, a resolution to place a proposition on the ballot in May 2020 for the purchase of school buses. This will maintain the five-year bus replacement plan. *Full resolution is attached.*

Motion made by Chris Brozon, seconded by Matt Bennett.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- Capital Project: RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts *by roll call vote*, a resolution to place a proposition on the ballot in May 2020 for a future capital project. *Full resolution is attached.*

Motion made by Chris Brozon, seconded by Dave Harvatine.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

7.0 PERSONNEL/CONSENT ITEMS

RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the personnel items listed in section 7.0, for the 2019/20 school year or for the term as indicated.

Motion made by Chris Brozon, seconded by Dave Harvatine.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- APPOINTMENTS

-- Miscellaneous Appointments

- Ricky Gessler, Choreographer; \$1,734
- Aaron Burgess, Music Director; \$2,545
- Stephanie Rossbach, Costumer; \$1,041
- Jan Hunsinger, substitute teaching assistant

8.0 BUSINESS OFFICE REPORTS/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – none

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS –

Superintendent Jensen thanked the teachers for their commitment; about 90 percent of students in grades 7-12 are using Google Classroom; younger students all received a package in the mail; teachers are reaching out to families/students regularly. Board members also thanked employees. Loretta Van Horn spoke about meal distribution going well and thanked the cafeteria crew and also thanked the maintenance crew for all they do.

10.0 BOE COMMITTEES/DISCUSSION TOPICS

Discussion Topics: none

- Athletics; BOE reps Matt Bennett, Chris Brozon, Dave Harvatine
- Audit; BOE reps Susan Gloss, Bruce Kopp
- Budget/Finance; BOE reps Dave Harvatine, Bruce Kopp, Kelsey Rossbach
- Directions/Long-Range Education; BOE reps Matt Bennett, Susan Gloss, Kelsey Rossbach
- Facilities; BOE reps Chris Brozon, Dave Harvatine
- Policy; BOE rep Kelsey Rossbach
- Safety/Wellness; BOE reps Susan Gloss, Kelsey Rossbach
- Transportation; BOE reps Matt Bennett, Chris Brozon
- Cayuga Onondaga School Boards Association (COSBA) Executive Committee Rep

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~~QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS~~

PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION -- none

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Chris Brozon, seconded by Dave Harvatine, the Board of Education meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

Respectfully submitted,
Nynette Adams, District Clerk

Bus Replacement Plan Resolution, 2020/2021

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Southern Cayuga Central School District, Cayuga and Tompkins Counties, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The proposition hereinafter set forth is hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters at the annual school district election to be held in said School District, on the 19th day of May 2020.

Section 2. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include as a part of the notice of the annual district meeting and election notice with reference to the submission of said proposition in substantially the following form:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said annual election to be held on May 19, 2020, the following proposition will be submitted.

SCHOOL BUS AND VAN PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Southern Cayuga Central School District, Cayuga and Tompkins Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to pay the cost of the purchase of student transportation vehicles at a maximum estimated cost of \$413,470, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

The School District has determined this purchase to be a "Type II Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, the implementation of which as proposed, the regulations provide, will not result in any significant adverse environmental impact.

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Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Matthew Bennett voting yes
Christine Brozon voting yes
Susan Gloss voting yes
David Harvatine voting yes
Bruce Kopp voting yes
Kelsey Rossbach voting yes

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Future Capital Project

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Southern Cayuga Central School District, Cayuga and Tompkins Counties, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The proposition hereinafter set forth is hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters at the Annual School District Meeting and Election to be held in said School District on the 19th day of May, 2020.

Section 2. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include as a part of the notice of the Annual District Meeting and Election notice with reference to the submission of said proposition in substantially the following form:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said Annual School District Meeting and Election to be held on May 19, 2020, the following proposition will be submitted:

PROPOSITION FOR THE POPLAR RIDGE SCHOOL
RECONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENT WORK

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Southern Cayuga Central School District, Cayuga and Tompkins Counties, New York, is hereby authorized to reconstruct and improve the Poplar Ridge School building, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, and site and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, at a maximum estimated cost of not exceeding \$5,500,000, and that \$1,100,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund shall be expended to pay a portion thereof, and that the remaining \$4,400,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District shall be issued.

The School District has determined the reconstruction and improvement project to be a "Type II Action" pursuant to the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, the implementation of which as proposed, it has been determined based on 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(1), (2) and (10) of the regulations, will not result in any significant environmental effects. SEQRA compliance materials are available in the office of the School District Clerk where they can be inspected during normal office hours.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Matthew Bennett voting yes

Christine Brozon voting yes

Susan Gloss voting yes

David Harvatine voting yes

Bruce Kopp voting yes

Kelsey Rossbach voting yes

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.