

**SOUTHERN CAYUGA CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

September 28, 2020

MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 7:04 PM Board President Kelsey Rossbach called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance. All Board members were present, except Christine Brozon. Bruce Kopp was connected via phone call from Cleveland, Ohio.

Board members present: Susan Gloss, Matthew Bennett, David Harvatine, Bruce Kopp, Rachel McCarthy, Kelsey Rossbach

Board members absent: Christine Brozon

Administrators present: Patrick Jensen, Loretta Van Horn, Luke Carnicelli, Jean Amodeo

Others present: Nynette Adams, Russell Dimon, Justin Frisbie, Ashley Houseknecht, Janet Lehman, Mary Napier, Mimi Thuesen

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

-- On a motion by Rachel McCarthy, seconded by Matt Bennett, the agenda was approved as amended.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

The calendar was reviewed.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS –

-- Insero & Company, CPAs LLP (external auditor) presented audit for 2019/20; Mimi Thuesen distributed the audit to Board members and reviewed the financial activity, the executive summary and the extra-classroom funds, the management letter and the audit response from the audit of the 2019/20 school year.

-- Remote Instruction update; Superintendent Jensen provided an overview of the remote learning model so far. Much planning was done over the summer. Elementary Principal Jean Amodeo spoke on the distance learning for Emily Howland Elementary. A survey provided feedback on student/families experience with distance learning. Principal Luke Carnicelli then provided information on the process being used in the Junior/Senior High School. Teachers and students are meeting the challenges of the hybrid model and he is pleased with the overall attendance. Justin Frisbie shared how he is doing his social studies classes, in person and online. Superintendent Jensen thanked the technology staff for the extraordinary job they are doing for the staff and students.

4.0 VISITOR RECOGNITION

-- Janet Lehman asked for better communication on dates/times/locations for board meetings.

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.

Motion made by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Rachel McCarthy.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- Minutes BOE regular meeting September 14, 2020

-- CSE Recommendations

-- Memorandum of Agreement; between SCCS and a CSEA staff member, to adjust the workday hours from 7.5 hours per day to 8 hours per day, effective September 1, 2020

-- Safety Drills Report for the 2019/20 school year

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 2020/21 school year or for the term as indicated. Amended item is in **BOLD**. Superintendent Jensen noted that many students have signed up. He thanked Justin Frisbie & Cathy Haight for getting this arranged. He also thanked Matt Krebs for organizing the 5:00 bus runs.

Motion made by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Rachel McCarthy.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

-- APPOINTMENTS

Intramural sports, effective September 28, 2020; \$50 per two-hour session

-- Tim Amory, Boys and Girls Soccer

-- **Paula Schmitt** ~~Cathy Haight~~, Tennis

-- Dennis Johnson, Boys Basketball

-- Ryan Vanacore, Baseball

-- Bill Mullarney, Track/XC

-- Ryan Vanacore, Girls Basketball

-- Cathy Murray, Swim

-- Harold Van Horn, Softball

-- Hannah Rosekrans, Volleyball

8.0 BUSINESS OFFICE REPORTS/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS –

-- External Audit

RESOLVED that the SCCS Board of Education, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby accepts the External Audit for the 2019/20 school year, as presented earlier tonight by Insero & Company CPAs LLP of Ithaca NY. Loretta Van Horn noted that recommended revisions will be made prior to the final audit being printed.

Motion made by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Matt Bennett.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – none

10.0 BOE COMMITTEES/DISCUSSION TOPICS

Discussion Topics: none

-- Athletics; Chris Brozon, Dave Harvatine, Rachel McCarthy

-- Minutes of September 28 meeting provided

-- Audit; Chris Brozon, Dave Harvatine, Bruce Kopp

-- Met tonight; minutes to be provided

-- Budget/Finance; Chris Brozon, Bruce Kopp, Kelsey Rossbach

-- Directions/Long-Range Education; Matt Bennett, Susan Gloss, Kelsey Rossbach

-- Facilities; Matt Bennett, Dave Harvatine, Rachel McCarthy

-- Policy; Chris Brozon, Rachel McCarthy

-- Safety/Wellness; Susan Gloss, Kelsey Rossbach

-- Transportation; Susan Gloss, Kelsey Rossbach

-- Cayuga Onondaga School Boards Association (COSBA) Executive Committee; Dave Wiemann

PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION --

On a motion by Rachel McCarthy, seconded by Matt Bennett, the Board of Education entered executive session at 8:34 pm to discuss matters leading to the appointment of particular persons who have applied to fill positions needed within the district and the employment history of particular persons.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION --

On a motion by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Rachel McCarthy, the Board of Education returned to open session at 8:55 pm.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

Superintendent Jensen met with representatives of the Class of 1970 last week; they would like to donate and plant a tree near the concession stand.

If we are able to open in January, Dave Harvatine wondered if we would again survey parents to see who would still provide transportation.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Dave Harvatine, seconded by Matt Bennett, the Board of Education meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Motion carried: Yes – 6 No – 0

Respectfully submitted,
Nynette Adams, District Clerk