

These minutes to be accepted/amended at the September 21, 2020 Board of Education meeting.

Sharon Center School Board of Education

The regular meeting of the Sharon Board of Education was held on Monday, June 8, 2020 as a virtual meeting, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

PRESENT:

Board of Education Members: Doug Cahill, Monica Connor, Plamen Petkov, Deborah Rathbun, Amanda Thompson, Anne Vance, and Kathleen Visconti

Sharon Representative - Region One Board of Education: Sara Cousins

Superintendent: Pam Vogel

Assistant Superintendent: Lisa Carter

Principal: Karen Manning

Board Clerk: Kathryn Amiet

SCS Staff: Jill Pace

Guests: CATV6, Janet Carlson, Ruth Epstein, Meghan Flanagan, Scott Fellows

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M. by Chairman Doug Cahill.

Chairman Cahill requested that the agenda be amended to move the discussion of "Region One Interim Assistant Superintendent Appointment" to follow the Janet Carlson - 111 Group Update.

Motion by Anne Vance/2nd by Deborah Rathbun to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Dr. Pam Vogel was recognized and thanked for her many contributions and years of dedication to Sharon Center School and Region One.

Deborah Rathbun requested that the cash report be pulled out of the consent agenda for discussion.

Motion by Kathleen Visconti/2nd by Amanda Thompson to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of the cash report. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Principal Manning responded to the questions about the cash report.

Motion by Deborah Rathbun/2nd by Anne Vance to approve the cash report. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

No Public Comment was heard

Region One Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter explained the procedure that was followed by the search committee to select two individuals who are being recommended to share the interim assistant superintendent position. Jill Pace and Scott Fellows will each assume this position on an interim basis for a .6 FTE.

Motion by Anne Vance/2nd by Monica Connor to accept the two Memorandums of Agreement concerning the appointment of Jill Pace and Scott Fellows to the interim position of Assistant Superintendent. Motion carried with 5 yeas votes and one abstention from Plamen Petkov.

Janet Carlson gave an update on the One Eleven Group and their activities to date.

Principal Manning gave a brief Principal's Report, highlighting the activities central to the graduation ceremony which will take place tomorrow evening.

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter and Superintendent Pam Vogel reviewed their written reports.

A Special Board Meeting was set for Monday, July 13 to discuss a number of issues, including how to move ahead with BOE meetings....continue to meet virtually, or possibly a combination of in person with some members attending electronically. It will also provide Jill Pace and Lisa Carter the opportunity to share with the Board how to move forward with the library program.

Motion by Deborah Rathbun/2nd by Anne Vance to approve the Addendum to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Sharon Board of Education and the Sharon Faculty Association for Distance Learning. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

First Reading: Pandemic Policy & Regulation – 6114.8 (CABE Model Policy)

Public comment: Meghan Flanagan is concerned that the school will be losing a large portion of the librarian's position with Jill Pace being appointed a .6 interim Assistant Superintendent. She also voiced her concern about distance learning during the pandemic, especially for the youngest students.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Kathleen Visconti to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Amiet
Board Clerk