

These minutes to be accepted/amended at the October 21, 2019 Board of Education meeting.

## Sharon Center School Board of Education

The regular meeting was held on Monday, September 16, 2019 in the school library.

Present:

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS:** Doug Cahill, Brian Kenny, Plamen Petkov, Deborah Rathbun, Mandy Thompson, and Kathleen Visconti

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Pam Vogel

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:** Lisa Carter

**PRINCIPAL:** Karen Manning

**BOARD CLERK:** Kathryn Amiet

**GUEST:** Mike Flint

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Doug Cahill.

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Visconti to approve the consent agenda as presented.*

The June 10, 2019 minutes were pulled out to amend.

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Thompson to amend the minutes of the June 10, 2019 BOE minutes to reflect that Anne Vance is on the negotiations committee and Deborah Rathbun is not one of the Board Members on that committee.*

The consent agenda was then approved by unanimous vote.

No public comment was heard.

Principal Manning gave a Power Point presentation of some of the school's recent activities and events. The presentation also included an update on the school's summer building projects.

She shared upcoming events to remember:

Sept. 23 - Sept. 27: 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will be going to Nature's Classroom in Wakefield, RI

Sept. 26 - Sept. 27: 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be participating in the Ropes Course at Camp Jewell in Colebrook, CT

The assistant superintendent reviewed her written report.

The superintendent reviewed her written report. She also encouraged the board members to consider attending the CABA/CAPPS convention November 15-16.

There was discussion about the possibility of marketing the Town of Sharon to encourage young families to consider moving here. D. Cahill will follow through and get possible meeting dates for a Special Meeting, hoping to include Selectman Brent Colley and possibly others.

Principal Manning read a letter of resignation from music teacher Laurie Ellington.

*Motion by D. Cahill/2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Kenny to accept, with regret, the resignation of Laurie Ellington. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

Principal Manning updated the Board on the hiring of a new music teacher and a new school secretary.

*Motion by D. Rathbun/2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Petkov to approve the hiring of Peter Del Monaco for the position of music teacher and Leanne LaFond for the position of school secretary. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

Principal Manning reviewed the summer building projects that went over their projected costs. To date, the total overrun is \$27,397.94. It was suggested that some of the \$50,000 capital reserve that is normally returned to the town be used to cover these additional costs.

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Thompson to approve these overrun costs. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

Second Reading of Policy series 0000:

*Motion by M. Thompson/2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Rathbun to approve Policy Series 0000 as updated by the policy committee. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

No public comment was heard.

*Motion by D. Cahill/2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Thompson to move into Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. for the purpose of Certified Negotiations, inviting Superintendent Pam Vogel, Assistant Superintendent Lisa Carter, and Principal Karen Manning to stay. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:20 p.m.

*Motion by K. Visconti/2<sup>nd</sup> by A. Thompson to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Amiet, board clerk