

## Sharon Center School Board of Education

The regular meeting was held on Monday, February 11, 2019 in the school library.

Present:

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

**SUPERINTENDENT:** Pam Vogel

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:** Lisa Carter

**PRINCIPAL:** Karen Manning

**BOARD CLERK:** Kathryn Amiet

**SCS STAFF:** Amanda Kilian & Cindy Webb

**GUESTS:** Mike Flint

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 P.M. by Chairman Doug Cahill. There were no additions or amendments to the agenda.

On behalf of the Sharon Board of Education, Chairman Cahill and Principal Manning recognized and thanked the school's office staff for all they do and their many responsibilities which contribute to the school's smooth operation each day. Cindy Webb, Amanda Kilian, and Kathy Amiet were present to receive the Board's thanks.

Principal Manning reviewed the NYP (Not Yet Proficient) strategies during the Focus on Student Learning portion of the meeting.

Chairman Cahill made the following correction to the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Board of Education meeting: In reference to the policy services offered by CAFE, the Board voted to move ahead with the custom option, *at a total cost of \$8,300, which will be paid over a three year period.*

*Motion by D. Rathbun/2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Kenny to accept the Consent Agenda, with the exception of the Personnel Committee report, which will be pulled out for discussion later in the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

No public comment was heard.

Principal Manning gave a Power Point presentation of some of the school's recent activities and events.

She shared upcoming events to remember:

CT Read-Aloud Day – Wednesday, February 27 beginning with breakfast in the library at 8:00

Kindergarten Registration – March 26 & 28

School Conferences – April 3 & 4

Drama Production – “School House Rocks” – Friday, April 5 & Saturday, April 6

Pasta dinner fund raiser for 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip – Saturday evening, April 6

The Assistant Superintendent and Superintendent both reviewed their written reports.

There will be a meeting at Central Office on Tuesday, February 26 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss regional sports teams. Brian Kenny & Plamen Petkov both expressed interest and hope to be able to attend this meeting.

Principal Manning gave a PowerPoint presentation of the school building which showed the condition and date of installation of the building's various mechanical systems and structures.

Chairman Cahill reviewed the personnel committee's decision to recommend a 3% salary increase for the classified staff and a 3% salary increase for the principal. They also recommended increasing the principal's annuity contribution to 2.5% annually.

The first draft of the 2019-2020 Spending Plan was reviewed page by page by Principal Manning, who explained the increase or decrease in various line items and answered any questions the board members had.

A budget workshop was set for Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

A Policy Committee will be set up to review the Board's policies. D. Rathbun has volunteered to be on the committee. Principal Manning will connect with Anne Vance and Jennifer Anderson to see if they would agree to be on the committee, as well. K. Visconti also volunteered to be on the committee, if her schedule allows.

The Board received a request from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class for the funds which had been budgeted for their class trip.

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Rathbun to authorize the release of the \$3,000 which had been budgeted for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by K. Visconti to amend the agenda to add the Regional Transportation Agreement. Motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Rathbun to accept this Five-Year Regional Transportation Agreement. Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

No public comment was heard.

The board moved into a non-meeting at 8:10 p.m. to discuss and consider the collective bargaining efforts with the Sharon Center School Faculty Association.

The board returned to open session at 8:27 p.m.

*Motion by B. Kenny/2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Petkov to accept the Memorandum of Agreement between the Sharon Board of Education and the Sharon Faculty Association. Motion carried unanimously.*

*Motion by K. Visconti/2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Petkov to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Amiet, board clerk