

**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



MINUTES

February 12, 2021

Virtual Meeting
4:00 pm



CORE VALUES

We Believe:

- * That all children can learn.
- * In educating the whole child so he/she can meet the District's Standards.
- * In focusing on student achievement.
- * In providing a comprehensive and enriched curriculum for all students reflecting the needs and available resources of the community.
- * That the combined commitment of the Board of Education, staff, families, students, and community is the key to educational success.

MISSION STATEMENT

Preparing successful contributing citizens of the world through school, family and community partnerships, while addressing the diverse needs of all students.

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education was called to order by Board President, Ms. Gigliello at 4:02 pm.

1. ROLL CALL**Members Present:**

Brian Casey	Colleen Gizzi	David Kiehle
Stephanie Cogan	Neil Johanning	James T. Ryan
Rose Gigliello	Michael Keane	Edward Sim

Also Present:

David Perry, Superintendent of Schools
Tim Backus, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
Sherri Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning
Christopher Robilotti, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources & Safe Schools
Amber Flanders, District Clerk

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Board President, Ms. Gigliello led the pledge to the flag.

3. RESOLUTION TO RESUME CERTAIN INTERSCHOLASTIC HIGH RISK SPORTS

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York has authorized interscholastic High Risk sports to begin on February 1, 2021 at the discretion of County Public Health Departments; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Departments of both Albany County and Schenectady County have authorized interscholastic High Risk Sports to resume under certain circumstances including the creation of sport specific preparedness plans for each High Risk Sport which are approved by the district's school physician/medical director, obtaining informed consent from parents/guardians, medical clearance from the student athlete's healthcare provider, and approval by district Boards of Education for each High Risk Sport; and Whereas, the acquisition of land will also provide other opportunities for future growth and expansion within the District; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Departments of both Albany County and Schenectady County also identified community Covid-19 metrics that must be met in order for interscholastic High Risk Sports to resume including a rolling seven day positivity rate for Covid-19 under 4% within the county and hospital bed capacity in excess of 15% in the capital district region; and

WHEREAS, the South Colonie Central School District obtains both informed consent from parents and student athlete medical clearance with its ASPEN registration program; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools, in coordination with the Athletic Director, created sport specific preparedness plans for each High Risk Sport which have been reviewed by the school physician; and

WHEREAS, the school physician, Dr. Warren Silverman, has at this time approved the preparedness plans for boys wrestling; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education believes that interscholastic sports are an important component of a student’s overall educational experience;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby authorizes the District to resume certain Varsity and Junior Varsity Interscholastic High Risk Sports as outlined below; provided that the Covid-19 community metrics established by the Albany County and Schenectady County Public Health departments are met.

Boys Varsity Wrestling and Boys Junior Varsity Wrestling

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Mr. Casey, that the above stated Resolution be approved.

Roll Call Vote:	<u>✓</u> Brian Casey	<u>✓</u> Colleen Gizzi	<u>✓</u> David Kiehle
	<u>✓</u> Stephanie Cogan	<u>✓</u> Neil Johanning	<u>✓</u> James T. Ryan
	<u>✓</u> Rose Gigliello	<u>✓</u> Michael Keane	<u>✓</u> Edward Sim

9 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0

4. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION (Page 5)

A motion was made by Mr. Keane and seconded by Ms. Gizzi, that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated February 12, 2021 be approved.

9 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0

5. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY

A. Creation of an Ad Hoc Committee for Reopening Schools Safely for the 2021-2022 School Year

David Perry, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the addition of a committee that would allow for participation from various stakeholders to safely plan for the school reopening in September 2021. The committee’s charge would be to review current practices, social distancing restrictions, seek feedback from stakeholder groups they represent and make recommendations to support the reopening schools process and communications messaging with the community. The committee would hold a series of meetings beginning in March 2021.

6. ADJOURN MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Sim and seconded by Mr. Keane, that the Special Meeting be adjourned.

 9 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 9 – 0 – 0

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 4:17 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amber M. Flanders
District Clerk

4. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION

A. Interscholastics for Fall/Winter – 2020-21 School Year

Appoint the following previously approved position at the approved rate of compensation:

Colonie Central High School

Coach Varsity Cheerleading-Winter	Ann Grasso-Little	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Cheerleading-Winter	Christina Boisvert	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Basketball	Heather DiBiase	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Basketball	George Pearson	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Basketball	Cherylyn White	1.0
Coach Modified 9 Girls Basketball	Pam Hoerup	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Basketball	Kenneth Dagostino	.90
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Basketball	Sean Peer	.70
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Basketball	Brian Smith	.70
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Basketball	Ralph Tucker	.70
Coach Freshman Boys Basketball	Andrew Gentile	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Matthew Stuart	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Elijah Golding	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Wrestling	Jeremy Eggleston	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Wrestling	Matt Stenglein	1.0