

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



MINUTES

March 1, 2022

District Office
7:00 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

The mission of the South Colonie Central School District is to educate all students to their highest level of academic achievement, realize their full potential and prepare them to become responsible citizens in a global society.

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the South Colonie Board of Education was called to order by Board Vice-President, Mr. Casey at 7:04 pm.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Brian Casey	Michael Keane	Robert Mesick
Stephanie Cogan	David Kiehle	James T. Ryan
Colleen Gizzi	Christopher Larrabee	

Members Excused:

Rose Gigliello

Also Present:

David Perry, Superintendent of Schools
 Tim Backus, Deputy Superintendent
 Jacqlene McAllister, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning
 Christopher Robiloti, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources & Safe Schools
 Amber Lanigan, District Clerk

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Board Vice-President, Mr. Casey led the pledge to the flag.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Keane and seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Regular Meeting of February 8, 2022 and the Special Meeting of February 14, 2022 be approved.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain **Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0**

4. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

Dr. Perry stated that per the guidance from the Governor’s office, the mask mandate will end tomorrow, March 2nd. Masks will be optional, but no longer required. Masks will be available for any child, staff member, or visitor who would like one. We ask everyone to respect everyone’s individual right to choose. We do have other mitigation strategies that are still in place and we will be messaging information out tomorrow afternoon.

A quick update on the unfortunate situation at Sand Creek regarding a teacher on administrative leave. This is both an active criminal investigation and a disciplinary investigation as far as the teacher certification process. We have replaced the individual and

will be moving towards separation from the District. We would like to thank our South Colonie Community, our Sand Creek community, parents, faculty, staff, and students. The outpouring of support has been tremendous and greatly appreciated.

Lastly, as we are continuing to work on Capital Improvement projects, Colonie 2025 is a new referendum that we are going to bring to the voters in October of 2022. These projects will include a proposed library at Veeder Elementary School, classroom renovations throughout the District, improvement to our Athletic Facilities, locker rooms, bathrooms, a new Transportation Facility, and upgrades to the District Office and O&M. We are still working through site plans and will work with our Transportation/Facilities Committee on Thursday and then meet with the full board. Our architects and engineers have vetted out many of the cost factors and we are working with a Fiscal Advisor and our Business Office to identify potential costs. We are excited about the potential of this project. The District has a lot of needs in our buildings, which are well maintained but they are old. Our kids deserve quality buildings and programs. More information will be shared as we get closer to April.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Casey would like to extend his appreciation to all of the winter sports teams that made it as far as they did. A big shout out to the players and the coaches for an excellent job. Congratulations.

Mr. Keane would like to piggyback off of Mr., Casey and point out that we have some suburban council champions. The girls cheer team and the boys bowling team were both suburban council champions. We also have some track starts that have qualified for nationals.

6. OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

Tina Bruno spoke regarding the mask mandate.

Stacy Jubert spoke regarding the mask mandate.

8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS & ACTION ITEMS

A. Policy

Final Reading and Approval

Policy 1000 – Community Relations Goals

On behalf of the Policy Committee, upon the motion made by Committee Chair/Member Ms. Cogan, recommendation that the revisions made to the above stated Policy (1000) be approved as presented.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

B. Academic Achievement

Mr. Kiehle, Committee Chair, was available to answer questions regarding the report on the Academic Achievement Committee meeting that was held on February 8, 2022.

9. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND STUDY

A. 2022-2023 Budget Development

Jacqlene McAllister, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning, discussed preliminary 2022-2023 budget development and focused on Special Education and PPS.

10. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following:

A. Committee on Special Education

Placements as indicated on the attached sheets.

B. In-Service Courses

Approval of in-service courses as per attached list. Interested staff may register for courses on PD Express.

C. Agreements

1. Agreement between BPAS Actuarial and Pension Services, LLC, 706 N. Clinton Street, Syracuse, NY 13204 and South Colonie Central School District for Medicare Part D Service Agreement. Total cost is \$2,500.00.
2. Agreement between Heartland School Solutions, 8320 S Hardy Drive, Tempe, AZ 85284 and South Colonie Central School District for 2022-2023 Extra-classroom Account Software for Colonie Central High School, Sand Creek Middle School and Lisha Kill Middle School. Total cost is \$1,456.00.

D. Health & Welfare Contracts

1. Approval of a contract with the Bethlehem Central School District for the 2021-2022 school year to provide health and welfare services to two (2) South Colonie resident students attending non-public schools located in the Bethlehem Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$995.00. The total cost of the contract shall be \$1,990.00.
2. Approval of a contract with the North Greenbush Common School District, 49 North Greenbush Road, Troy, New York 12180 for the 2021-2022 school year to provide health and welfare services to fifteen (15) South Colonie Central School District resident students attending non-public schools located in the North Greenbush Common School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$274.77. The total cost of the contract shall be \$4,121.55.
3. Approval of a contract with the Lansingburgh Central School District, for the 2021-2022 school year to provide health and welfare services to seven (7) South Colonie Central School District resident students attending non-public schools located in the Lansingburgh Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$758.18. The total cost of the contract shall be \$5,307.26.
4. Approval of a contract with the Guilderland Central School District for the 2021-2022 school year to provide health and welfare services to six (6) South Colonie resident student attending non-public schools located in the Guilderland Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$751.45. The total cost of the contract shall be \$4,508.70.
5. Approval of a contract with the Scotia-Glenville Central School District for the 2021-2022 school year to provide health and welfare services to seven (7) South Colonie resident student attending non-public schools located in the Scotia-Glenville Central School District. The health service cost per pupil is \$7,413.28. The total estimated cost of the contract shall be \$7,413.28.

E. Transportation Contracts

1. Approval of a 31-day Emergency contract with Star & Strand Transportation, Inc., 360 5th Avenue, Troy, New York 12182, for Route 2021-4E to The Doane Stuart School, 199 Washington Avenue, Rensselaer, New York 12144. Transportation is to begin February 7, 2022 and end March 9, 2022 at a daily rate of \$394.00. The anticipated cost is \$7,092.00.
2. Approval of a transportation contract with Star & Strand Transportation, Inc., 360 5th Avenue, Troy, New York 12182, for Route 2021-4 to The Doane Stuart School, 199 Washington Avenue, Rensselaer, New York 12144. Transportation is to begin March 10, 2022 and end June 24, 2022 at a daily rate of \$394.00. The anticipated cost is \$27,186.00.

F. Health Insurance Premium Rates

1. Approval of the premium rates for the Blue Shield of Northeastern New York (BSNENY) Health Insurance Plans for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 as per the attached sheet.
2. Approval of the premium rates for the Capital District Physicians' Health Plan (CDPHP) health insurance plans for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 as per the attached sheet.

G. Authorization to Open Bids

The Superintendent recommends that the following people be authorized to open bids and prepare summaries for submission to the Board of Education for the 2021-22 school year:

Raymond Dearaway, Deputy Purchasing Agent
John Fiacco, Supervisor of Custodial Services
Samantha Moore, Senior Keyboard Specialist (Buildings and Grounds)

H. Declare as Surplus

450 Textbooks, located at Colonie Central High School per attached list. The listed textbooks are no longer used and have been replaced by another edition.

I. Donations

1. Donation from Utica City School District, 929 York Street, Utica, NY 13502 to Colonie Central High School in the amount of \$400.00. Donation is for the entry fee for the 2021 “Pep Sand” Holiday Basketball Tournament.
2. Donation from Ohiopyle Prints, Inc., 410 Dinnerbell Road, Ohiopyle, PA 15470 to Colonie Central High School Athletic Department in the amount of \$40.80. Donation is to be used to cover the cost of uniforms.
3. Donation from Roessleville Elementary PTA to Roessleville Elementary from the profit of the scholastic book sale in the amount of \$898.00. Donation is to be used to purchase books for the Roessleville Elementary library.
4. Donation from Stewart’s Shops. Corp., PO Box 435, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 to South Colonie Central School District in the amount of, \$750.00. Donation is to purchase supplies for the Alternative Education Program.
5. Donation from Colonie Comets Girls Travel Softball Team, 12 Amy Marie Court, Albany, New York 12205 to the Boys Bowling Booster Club in the amount of \$550.00. The donation is in the memory of Hunter Hanley.

J. Re-Appropriation of the 2021-2022 Budget

Re-appropriation of the 2021-2022 budget in the amount of \$2,638.00. The total re-appropriated budget is \$108,065,728.

K. Clerk & Treasurer Reports – January 2022

A motion was made by Ms. Gizzi and seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the above stated Reports and Recommendations be approved.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

11. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION (Pages 10-12)

A motion was made by Mr. Mesick and seconded by Ms. Cogan, that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 1, 2022 be approved.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

11a. JUUL Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and upon the request of Heather David, the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District hereby extends the probationary appointment for Heather David one additional year from August 30, 2022 to August 30, 2023, unless discontinued earlier by action of the Board of Education.

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Ms. Gizzi, that the above stated JUUL Agreement be approved.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

12. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT (Pages 13-15)

A motion was made by Mr. Larrabee and seconded by Mr. Mesick, that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated March 1, 2022 be approved.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

13. FUTURE MEETINGS

- **March 3** Facilities/Transportation Committee Meeting – 8:30 am – District Office
- **March 8** Budget Meeting – 7 pm – Saddlewood Elementary
- **March 15** Accountability/BOE Operations Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **March 15** Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office
- **March 21** Policy Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **March 29** Strategic Planning Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **April 5** Budget Meeting – 7 pm
- **April 12** Graduation/Athletics Hall of Fame Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm- District Office
- **April 12** Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Keane and seconded by Ms. Cogan to enter Executive Session to discuss fiscal and employment matters relating to particular persons.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:30 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Ms. Cogan, to adjourn Executive Session.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

The Board adjourned Executive Session at 9:04 pm.

14. ADJOURN MEETING

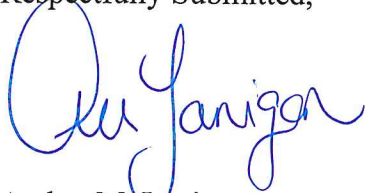
A motion was made by Ms. Cogan and seconded by Mr. Kiehle, that the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

8 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain

Vote Carried: 8 – 0 – 0

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amber M. Lanigan
District Clerk

11. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION**A. Creation of Position**

Create the following anticipated temporary position for the 2021-2022 school year:

(1) .50 Reading/Literacy Teacher

B. Temporary Appointment

1. **Name:** Rosemary Soltis
Address: 5950 Mariaville Road, Schenectady, NY 12306
Type: Temporary Per Diem
Tenure Area: Administrator
Location: District Wide
Effective Date: March 1, 2022
Ending Date: June 24, 2022
Salary: Daily Rate as per attached confidential sheet
Education: B.A. from Kean College and M.S. from Russell Sage College
Certification Status: Permanent in School District Administrator

C. Substitute Teachers

Approve substitute teachers on the attached list for regular appointments.

D. Cafeteria Supervision for the 2021-22 School Year

Rescind the following previously approved position effective 01/03/2022:

Sand Creek Middle School

Sean Underwood 1.0

Appoint the following previously approved position at the approved rate of compensation effective 02/07/2022:

Sand Creek Middle School

Charles Nagel 1.0

E. Study Hall Supervision for the 2021-22 School Year

Rescind the following previously approved position effective 02/28/2022:

Sand Creek Middle School

Emelene Bennett 1.0

Appoint the following previously approved position at the approved rate of compensation effective 02/28/2022:

Sand Creek Middle School

Cody Ng 1.0

F. Co-Curricular – 2021-22 School Year

Rescind the following previously approved positions:

Lisha Kill Middle School

Small Performing Group Spring

Technical Director	Samantha Becker	.50
Technical Director	Abigail Pickett	.50

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

Lisha Kill Middle School

Small Performing Group Spring

Technical Director	Samantha Becker	1.0
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G. Interscholastics for Fall – 2021-22 School Year

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

Colonie Central High School

Coach Varsity Boys Baseball	Mike Morrissey	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Baseball	Kevin Halburian	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Baseball	Jonathan LaPoint	1.0
Assistant Junior Varsity Boys Baseball	Brendan DiLello	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Mike Joyce	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Brian Benner	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Andrew Gentile	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Layne Woodard	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Henry Rosenzweig	1.0
Coach Junior Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Jennifer Sykes	1.0
Assistant Coach Junior Varsity Girls Lacrosse	Pamela Hoerup	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Softball	Sean Merchant	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Softball	Kelly Barkevich	1.0
Coach Modified 9 Girls Softball	Amanda Wells	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Tennis	Mike Trimarchi	1.0
Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Lisa Paparone	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Boys Outdoor Track	Mike Palmer	1.0
Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Lavaughn Garland	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Frank Myers	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Jovon Gates	1.0
Assistant Coach Varsity Girls Outdoor Track	Mike Caccuitto	.10

Sand Creek and Lisha Kill Middle Schools/Modified

Coach Modified Boys Baseball	Ryan Dougherty	1.0
Coach Modified Boys Lacrosse	Joseph Repko	1.0
Assistant Coach Modified Boys Lacrosse	Paul Nicsevic, Jr.	1.0
Coach Modified Girls Lacrosse	Aliyah Massaconi	1.0
Assistant Coach Modified Girls Lacrosse	Kelly Murphy	1.0
Coach Modified Track-Sand Creek	Jeremy Eggleston	1.0
Coach Modified Track-Sand Creek	Sue Pedone	1.0
Coach Modified Track-Lisha Kill	Rachel Clement	1.0
Coach Modified Track-Lisha Kill	Wendy Kelley	1.0

12. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT**A. Retirements**

1. Name: Christine Dupre
 Position: School Monitor
 Effective Date: June 30, 2022
 Years of Service: 1989-2022

2. Name: Linda Ashburn
 Position: School Monitor
 Effective Date: June 30, 2022
 Years of Service: 1998-2022

3. Name: Ruth Sawicki
 Position: School Bus Driver
 Effective Date: June 30, 2022
 Years of Service: 2007-2022

B. Resignations

1. Name: Bruce Wilhelm
 Position: School Bus Driver
 Effective: February 10, 2022
 Reason: Personal

2. Name: Darianna Resciniti
 Position: Probationary School Monitor (.81)
 Effective: February 19, 2022
 Reason: Accepted a position outside of the District

3. Name: Stephanie Flood
 Position: School Monitor (.81)
 Effective: February 28, 2022
 Reason: Accepted another position within the District

4. Name: Aleksandr Skrinik
 Position: Building Maintenance Mechanic
 Effective: February 26, 2022
 Reason: Personal

C. Appointments

1. Name: Debra Froeschle
Address: 28 Woodlake Road, Apt. 12, Albany, NY 12203
Position: Probationary Food Service Helper (.62)
Effective: February 15, 2022
Salary: \$13.33 per hour per CSEA Contract
Hours: 4.0 hours per day
Current Location: Colonie Central High School
Probationary Period: February 15, 2022 through October 16, 2022

2. Name: John Fine Jr.
Address: 19A Collegeview Drive, Albany, NY 12211
Position: Probationary Maintenance Mechanic
Effective: February 17, 2022
Salary: Schedule K, Job Rate, per CSEA Contract
Hours: 8.0 hours per day
Current Location: District Wide
Probationary Period: February 17, 2022 through August 18, 2022

3. Name: Brittani Peterson
Address: 500 State Route 146, Altamont, NY 12009
Position: Custodial Worker Substitute
Effective: February 17, 2022
Salary: \$14.00 per hour

4. Name: Stephanie Flood
Address: 799 Pearse Road, Niskayuna, NY 12309
Position: Provisional Secretary I (10 month + 1 week)
Effective: February 28, 2022
Salary: Schedule U, Start rate, per CSEA Contract
Hours: 7.0 hours per day
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School
Probationary Period: February 28, 2022 through October 22, 2022

D. Change of Appointment

1. Name: Jeannine Blum
Address: 11 Danielwood Drive, Loudonville, NY 12211
Position: Probationary Senior Keyboard Specialist
Effective: February 14, 2022
Salary: Schedule C, Start Rate, per CSEA Contract
Hours: 7.0 hours per day
Current Location: Colonie Central High School
Probationary Period: February 14, 2022 through October 15, 2022

E. Change of Hours

Effective March 2, 2022:

Deborah Ward	School Monitor	5.0 hours per day to 6.5 hours per day	LK
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