

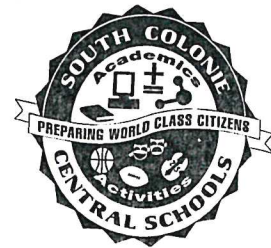
**SOUTH COLONIE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**



**MINUTES**

**November 15, 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 President, Mr. Casey at 7:00 pm.

**1. ROLL CALL**Members Present:

Brian Casey

Stephanie Cogan

Rose Gigliello

Michael Keane

David Kiehle

Robert Mesick

James T. Ryan

Members Excused:

Christopher Larrabee

Also Present:

David Perry, Superintendent of Schools

Jacqlene McAllister, Assistant Superintendent for Management Services &amp; Strategic Planning

Christopher Robilotti, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources &amp; Safe Schools

Amber Lanigan, District Clerk

**2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

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

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan and seconded by Ms. Gigliello, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 1, 2022 be approved.

  7   Yes        0   No        0   Abstain

**Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**4. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE**

Dr. Perry reminded everyone that the annual faculty recital will be held on Thursday at 7pm at Lisha Kill Middle School. He encourages all who can to attend, it is always a good time. Congratulations to two all area mixed choir selectees, seniors Josie Diodato and Amber Elk. Our Toys for Tots annual campaign will be kicking off on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at Veeder Elementary School. Saddlewood will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup>, Shaker Road on November 30<sup>th</sup>, Roessleville on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Forest Park on December 5<sup>th</sup>, Sand Creek on December 6<sup>th</sup>, and Lisha Kill on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Toys for Tots boxes are out at all of the schools. We also have toy drop off locations at the District Office, Transportation Department, and Village Rec Center. The Lights in the Park drive through at the high school will be on

Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Admission will be a toy that will be donated to toys for tots. Today, he had the opportunity to attend our National Letter of Intent signing day at the high school. We had 5 student athletes sign Division I scholarship offers, congrats!

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Ryan stated that they have started the interior walk-throughs. Today they walked through Forest Park, Lisha Kill and Veeder for the first round. Everything looks like it is coming along very well. The buildings look really good! Congrats to our maintenance staff. The MUG parking lot has been resurfaced and lined and it looks really great.

Mr. Keane mentioned that in addition to the student athletes who signed college commitment letters, we also had a number of athletes recognized by the Suburban Council across multiple sports. Congratulations to all of them! Earlier this month he was in attendance at the NYS PTA State Convention. One of the presentations he was able to watch was about a young woman named Jacy Good. Jacy and her husband facilitate a program called Hang Up and Drive. He was very moved by her story about distracted driving and highly encourages everyone to watch the video. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9swS1VI6Ok> He hopes that someday, through the PTSA and Mr. Kachadurian at the high school, we will be able to invite them in to do a presentation. The PTSA is holding the annual craft fair this coming Saturday from 9am-3pm. Saturday is also a shoe fundraiser. They hope to collect 2500 shoes. Tonight they are having a dine-out fundraiser at Chipotle.

## 6. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no requests to speak.

## 7. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS & ACTION ITEMS

Board Committees have met since the last Board of Education meeting. Chairpersons will make recommendations to the full Board, and/or seek clarification on issues. Board members who are liaisons to District-wide committees will also report at this time.

### A. Accountability & Board Operations

Mr. Mesick, Committee Chair, was available to answer questions regarding the report on the Accountability & Board Operations Committee meeting that was held on November 1, 2022.

### B. Strategic Planning

Ms. Cogan, Committee Chair, was available to answer questions regarding the report on the Strategic Planning Committee meeting that was held on November 8, 2022

**8. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION****A. Middle School Academic Update**

Middle School Principals Lindsay Tresansky and Michael Marohn gave a Middle School Academic update.

**B. 2022-2023 District Operational Plan**

Dr. Perry provided a brief report on the District's Operational Plan, including annual goals, targets, and management statement.

**9. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following:

**A. Committee on Special Education**

Placements as indicated per Student Support Services.

**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 with St. Catherine's Center for Children, 40 North Main Avenue, Albany, NY 12205 and South Colonie Central School District to provide educational services to three (3) South Colonie School District student residents during the 2022-2023 school year program starting September 6, 2022 and ending June 23, 2023. The total cost of this contract shall be \$40,941.00.
2. Approval of an agreement with Hillcrest Academy, 400 Columbus Avenue Extension, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201 to provide special education services set forth in the IEP to the Student on the terms described in this Agreement for the 2022-2023 school year.

3. Approval of an agreement with Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc., a Maryland Corporation including its affiliates and subsidiaries, with an office located at 750 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge, NY, 11788, for Education Nursing Services Staffing effective November 16, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
4. Approval of an agreement with Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC d/b/a Direct Energy Business, 194 Wood Avenue South, Second Floor, Iselin, NJ 08830, to provide fixed gas supply service beginning November 1, 2022 through October 31, 2024.

**D. Addendum**

Addendum to the Internal Audit Service Agreement that expired June 30, 2020 and an addendum was approved for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 years, between South Colonie Central School District and Michael T. Wolff Advisory Services to extend the contract for the 2022-2023 year. The hourly rate will be \$100.00 per hour, for the 2022-2023 year. The proposed fees to be charged are not to exceed \$9,000.00.

**E. Transportation Contract – Revision**

Approval of a revision to a parent-negotiated transportation contract with Michelle and Paul Boyle, 27 Hunting Road, Albany, NY 12205 for Route 2022-19 to Veeder Elementary School, 25 Veeder Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Transportation is to begin October 11, 2022 and end October 21, 2022 at the rate of \$0.625 per mile. This is allowed for a maximum of two round trips daily. The anticipated cost is \$58.69.

**F. Transportation Contracts**

1. Approval of a 2nd 31-Day emergency transportation contract with Star and Strand Transportation, Inc., 360 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Troy, New York 12182 to Sand Creek Middle School, 329 Sand Creek Rd, Albany, New York 12205. Transportation is to begin October 15, 2022 and end November 14, 2022, at a rate of \$195.00 per day. Total anticipated cost of contract is \$4,095.00.
2. Approval of a 31-Day emergency transportation contract with Star and Strand Transportation, Inc., 360 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Troy, New York 12182 to St. Catherine's Center, 40 N Main Avenue, Albany, New York 12203. Transportation is to begin November 14, 2022 and end December 14, 2022, at a rate of \$399.00 per day. Total anticipated cost of contract is \$8,379.00.

**G. Capital Construction Change Orders**

1. Pre-approval of Change Order for sitework, not to exceed \$35,000, from M. Sullivan Construction, 131 Tivoli Street, Albany, NY 12207 to install concrete in the walkway triangles in front of the High School. Colonie Central High School, Colonie 2020 Phase IV, SED # 0106-01-06-0-001-030.
2. Approval of Change Order MC-001 in the amount of \$28,836 from RMB Mechanical Inc., 1155 Princetown Road, Schenectady, NY 12306 to replace failing condensing units in Rooms 116, 216, 264 at Sand Creek Middle School. Total contract sum is increased from \$530,000 to \$558,836. Sand Creek Middle School, Colonie 2020 Phase IV, SED # 0106-01-06-0-015-019.
3. Approval of Change Order MC-002 in the amount of \$27,978 from RMB Mechanical Inc., 1155 Princetown Road, Schenectady, NY 12306 to replace the cooling system in Computer Room 240 at Sand Creek Middle School. Total contract sum is increased from \$558,836 to \$586,814. Sand Creek Middle School, Colonie 2020 Phase IV, SED # 0106-01-06-0-015-019.

**H. Health Insurance Premium Rates – Medicare Advantage Plans**

1. Approval of the Capital District Physicians' Health Plan, Inc. Medicare Advantage Health Plan health insurance monthly premium rate of \$129.74 (plus \$6.00 administrative fee), effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, as per the attached sheet.
2. Approval of the Highmark of Northeastern New York Medicare Advantage Plan health insurance monthly premium rate of \$264.00 (plus \$6.00 administrative fee), effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, as per the attached sheet.

**I. Surplus Bid Awards – O&M Vehicle**

Recommend award of surplus District vehicle to the high bidder on Auctions International meeting specifications for Lot 0001 -- 1995 Ford F700 Dump Truck with Plow VIN #1FDNF70J5SVA30828 for \$5,200.00.

**J. NY State Mini Bid Award**

Recommend Mini NY State Bid Award to Gabrielli Truck Sales, (2023 ISUZU per bid specification Body and Chassis):

Body: \$49,854.13  
Chassis: \$69,995.87  
Total: \$119,850.00

**K. Declare as Surplus**

The following ten (10) items are located at Colonie Central High School-IT Storage and are obsolete:

- Apple iPad, Serial #F9GSV7LFFCM6
- Apple iPad, Serial #F9GSV924FCM6
- Apple iPad, Serial #F9GSVFHMFCM6
- Apple iPad, Serial #F9GSV87SFCM6
- Apple iPad, Serial #F9GSV51EFCM6
- Apple iPad, Serial #DMQNCZW7F182
- Apple iPad, Serial #DMQNCVU7F182
- Apple iPad, Serial #DMQNCU7KF182
- Apple iPad, Serial #DMQNCZNTF182
- Apple iPad, Serial #DMQNCZ6KF182

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

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**10. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION (Pages 11-13)**

A motion was made by Mr. Casey and seconded by Mr. Mesick, that the Instructional Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated November 15, 2022 be approved.

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**11. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT (Pages 14-15)**

A motion was made by Mr. Keane and seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Support Personnel changes listed on the attached sheets dated November 15, 2022 be approved.

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**12. BUDGET CALENDAR ADOPTION**

Adoption of the 2023-2024 Budget Calendar as attached.

A motion was made by Ms. Gigliello and seconded by Mr. Mesick, that the above stated 2023-2024 Budget Calendar be adopted.

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**13. CERTIFICATION OF VOTE RESULTS**

**A. Proposition #1 – Bond Proposition for Multi-Building Capital Improvements:**

**PASSED (73.83%)**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>
Machine Totals	1151	408	1559
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1151</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>1559</b>

**B. Proposition #2 – Proposition for Energy Performance Contract Improvements:**

**PASSED (79.26%)**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>
Machine Totals	1234	323	1557
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1234</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>1557</b>

A motion was made by Ms. Cogan and seconded by Ms. Gigliello, that the above stated Results of the Special Capital Project Vote held on October 18, 2022 be certified.

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**



**14. Approval of Emergency Situation for Lisha Kill Storm Drain**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the South Colonie Central School District hereby approves the two assignments of the interconnection agreements and the content of the letter requesting National Grid to transfer the interconnection agreements to SL Empire Solar I, LLC and SL Empire Solar IV, LLC; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the president of the Board of Education is authorized to execute the two assignments of the interconnection agreements and the eight letters to National Grid concerning the transfer of the interconnection agreements to SL Empire Solar I ,LLC and SL Empire Solar IV, LLC, all of which are attached hereto and made part hereof.

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

Roll Call Vote:	<u>✓</u>	Brian Casey	<u>✓</u>	Michael Keane	<u>✓</u>	Robert Mesick
	<u>✓</u>	Stephanie Cogan	<u>✓</u>	David Kiehle	<u>✓</u>	James T. Ryan
	<u>✓</u>	Rose Gigliello	<u>Exc.</u>	Chris Larrabee		

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain      **Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

**15. FUTURE MEETINGS**

- **November 21**      Policy Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **November 29**      Academic Achievement Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 6**      Graduation/Athletics Hall of Fame Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm– District Office
- **December 6**      Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 pm – District Office
- **December 13**      Budget Workshop – 6:00 pm – District Office
- **December 15**      Transportation/Facilities Committee Meeting – 8:30 am – District Office

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain

**Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:47 pm.

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

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain

**Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

The Board adjourned Executive Session at 8:08 pm.

**16. ADJOURN MEETING**

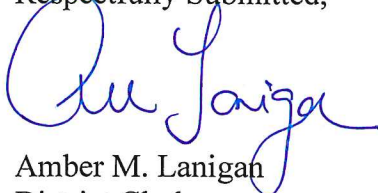
A motion was made by Mr. Keane and seconded by Ms. Gigliello, that the Regular Meeting be adjourned.

7 Yes      0 No      0 Abstain

**Vote Carried: 7 – 0 – 0**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amber M. Lanigan  
District Clerk

**10. PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTION****A. Resignation**

1. Name: Patrick Morgan  
Position: Elementary Education Teacher  
Location: Sand Creek Middle School  
Effective Date: November 9, 2022  
Reason: Personal

**B. Temporary Appointments**

1. Name: Rosemary Soltis  
Type: Temporary Per Diem  
Tenure Area: Administrator  
Location: District Wide  
Effective Date: November 10, 2022  
Ending Date: June 30, 2023  
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
2. Name: Marisa White  
Type: Temporary (1.0)  
Tenure Area: Special Education Teacher  
Location: Forest Park Elementary School  
Effective Date: December 14, 2022  
Ending Date: June 30, 2023  
Salary: Schedule II, Step 5 as per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from the College of St. Rose and M.S. from SUNY Albany  
Certification Status: Professional in Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6)

**C. Long-Term Replacement**

1. Name: Alexis Szesnat  
Type: Long-Term Replacement  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education Teacher  
Location: Sand Creek Middle School  
Effective Date: November 9, 2022  
Ending Date: June 30, 2023  
Salary: Schedule I, Step 1 as per SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. from SUNY Cortland  
Certification Status: Initial in Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)

**D. Long-Term Substitutes**

1. Name: Douglas Kilmer  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Mathematics Teacher  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Effective Date: October 5, 2022  
Salary: Schedule I, Step 1; As per the SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. and M.S. from SUNY Albany  
Certification: Permanent in Mathematics (Grades 7-12)
  
2. Name: Lorraine LaVoie  
Type: Long-Term Substitute  
Teaching Area: Music Teacher  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Effective Date: November 2, 2022  
Salary: Schedule I, Step 1; As per the SCTA Contract (pro-rated)  
Education: B.S. and M.S. from the College of St. Rose, C.A.S from MCLA  
Certification: Permanent in Music

**E. Increase of Appointments**

1. Name: Katie Rossettini  
Teaching Area: Special Education  
Location: Colonie Central High School  
Increase: .10  
Effective Dates: September 6, 2022 to January 3, 2023
  
2. Name: Krista Jiampetti  
Teaching Area: Reading/Literacy  
Location: Lisha Kill Middle School  
Increase: .20  
Effective Dates: November 9, 2022 to December 1, 2022

**F. Substitute Teachers**

Approve substitute teachers on the attached list for regular appointments.

**G. Elementary Robotics Club for the 2022-23 School Year**

Appoint per Policy 9290:

Veeder Elementary School	Richard Thompson	1.0
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**H. Math Olympiad for the 2022-2023 School Year**

Approve per Policy 9290:

Building Coordinator	Veeder Elementary School	Richard Thompson
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**I. ENL After School (grant funded) for the 2022-2023 School Year**

Sally Ward	Shaker Road Elementary School	.50
Michelle Kovall	Shaker Road Elementary School	.50
Vanessa Mauriello	Forest Park Elementary School	.50
Briana Gualtieri	Forest Park Elementary School	.50
Brianna Marchese	Saddlewood Elementary School	1.0

**J. Study Hall Supervision for the 2022-23 School Year**

Appoint the following previously approved position at the approved rate of compensation effective 10/31/2022:

**Lisha Kill Middle School**

Tami Hanley	1.0
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**Sand Creek Middle School**

Gina Gizzi	.50
Jennifer D’Arcy	.50

**K. Interscholastics for Winter – 2022-23 School Year**

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

Assistant Coach Boys Indoor Track	Mike Palmer	1.0
Assistant Coach Boys Indoor Track	Gabe Young	.20
Assistant Coach Girls Indoor Track	Gabe Young	.20

**11. PERSONNEL – SUPPORT****A. Resignations**

1. Name: Asante Chandler  
Position: School Bus Driver (.69)  
Location: Bus Garage  
Effective: May 20, 2022  
Reason: Personal
  
2. Name: Sherri Pape  
Position: Secretary I (10 month 1 week)  
Location: Saddlewood Elementary School  
Effective: November 19, 2022  
Reason: Accepted a position outside of the District

**B. Appointments**

1. Name: Taylor Garhartt  
Position: Probationary Custodial Worker  
Effective: November 3, 2022  
Salary: Schedule G, Job Rate, per CSEA Contract  
Hours: 8.0 hours per day  
Current Location: Sand Creek Middle School  
Probationary Period: November 3, 2022 through April 3, 2023
  
2. Name: Ines Mele  
Position: Temporary School Monitor (.81)  
Effective: November 14, 2022– June 30, 2023  
Salary: \$13.90 per hour per Teamsters Contract  
Hours: 6.5 hours per day  
Current Location: Forest Park Elementary School  
Probationary Period: November 14, 2022 – April 14, 2023
  
3. Name: Joann DelSignore  
Position: School Monitor Substitute  
Effective: November 3, 2022  
Salary: \$13.50 per hour
  
4. Name: Patricia Kirkpatrick  
Position: Food Service Helper Substitute  
Effective: November 7, 2022  
Salary: \$13.50 per hour

5. Name: Matthew Bandlow  
Position: Probationary School Bus Driver (.75)  
Effective: November 9, 2022  
Salary: \$19.58 per hour per CSEA Contract  
Hours: 6.0 hours per day  
Current Location: Bus Garage  
Probationary Period: November 9, 2022 through April 9, 2023
6. Name: Raymond Kopps  
Position: Probationary School Bus Driver (.75)  
Effective: November 10, 2022  
Salary: \$19.58 per hour per CSEA Contract  
Hours: 6.0 hours per day  
Current Location: Bus Garage  
Probationary Period: November 10, 2022 through April 10, 2023
7. Name: Sherri Pape  
Position: Clerical Substitute  
Effective: November 21, 2022  
Salary: \$15.00 per hour
8. Name: Patricia Kirkpatrick  
Position: School Monitor Substitute  
Effective: November 7, 2022  
Salary: \$13.50 per hour
9. Name: Jacqueline Culqui  
Position: School Monitor Substitute  
Effective: November 10, 2022  
Salary: \$13.50 per hour

**C. Change of Appointment**

1. Name: Lacie DiGiuseppe  
Position: Probationary Senior Keyboard Specialist (10 month 1 week)  
Effective: October 31, 2022  
Salary: Schedule C per CSEA Contract  
Hours: 7.0 hours per day  
Current Location: Colonie Central High School