

SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR & BUDGET MEETING
School Auditorium
January 28, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert Claus
Eric Welch
Susan Repko
Dana Shaughnessy

OTHERS PRESENT:

Supt. Gratto	David Williams
Danielle Fosella	Bruce Murdock
Jeff Cutting	Mike Pockett
Craig Maisonville	Cathy Peace
Brett Bernhard	Lee Silvernail
Mark Davey	Michelle Friedman
Jon Belsrose	Mike Tracy
Derek DeZalia	Savanah Macri
TJ Garcia	Tom Garcia
Paul Macri	

BOARD CLERK

Lisa DeZalia @7:00

MEETING
TO ORDER

President Robert Claus called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Those present pledged allegiance to the flag.

CV- TEC
PRESENTATION

Dr. Davey and CV-TEC director Michelle Friedman came to give an overview of the CV TEC programs that are available to our students. Dr. Davey commended the Board for their continued support of the CV-TEC program. Ms Friedman explained the work involved to become an accredited program recognized by New York State. She is very pleased with the programs and the percentage of students that earn their Career and Technical Endorsement. These programs are also Post Secondary accredited. Post Secondary learners can file a FASFA and be eligible for federal and state aid to attend these programs. Three of our students, Derek DeZalia, T J Garcia and Savannah Macri were present to speak about their experience within the CTE program. All three students are feeling very successful within the program. Bruce Murdock also spoke on behalf of the program.

SMART
MONEY
GRANT

Mr. Pockett presented a Power Point Presentation from the Technology Committee on their recommendation for the use of the Smart Grant money received from the state. The total is just over \$100,000.00 and the purchases include items to be used by both students and staff. Many hours were spent by the committee deciding on how to best use this grant money.

A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Dana Shaughnessy to approve the purchase of technology equipment as presented using the Smart Money Grant provided by New York State.

All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

SPECIAL ED ANNUAL REPORT David Williams gave the annual special education report. He strongly recommends continuation of early intervention as well as summer programs. Professional Development opportunities are necessary to ensure the success of our students. He would also like to see the district support the effort to improve services to appropriately serve students with more diverse needs within our building rather than out of district placement.

PREVIOUS MINUTES A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Eric Welch to approve the minutes of December 17, 2015 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried.

PREVIOUS MINUTES A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Eric Welch to approve the minutes of December 30, 2015 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION There were no concerns for public participation

STUDENT AMBASSADOR REPORT Cheyenne Bowers reported to the Board that the Cancer Awareness Game hosted by the Varsity Basketball Teams and the Cheerleaders raised \$300.00. Students are busy preparing for the upcoming musical. This year they will be presenting The Sound of Music.

TREASURER'S REPORT A motion was made by Dana Shaughnessy, second by Susan Repko to accept the Treasurer's Report for December dated 01/15/16 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried.

CERTIFICATION OF WARRANT A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Dana Shaughnessy to approve Warrant #6 dated 1/15/16 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

EXTRA CURRICULAR REPORT A motion was made by Dana Shaughnessy, second by Susan Repko to accept the Extra Curricular Report dated 12/31/15. All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried.

SUPT REPORT Supt. Gratto reported to the Board that next year's schedule is being developed. Course Selection Sheets have been distributed to next year's juniors and seniors. A career fair is being planned for April 20th for students in Grades 7-12. The district has two host families at this time and hopes to recruit a few more. A public meeting has been scheduled for February 8th @ 6:00 PM to discuss the baseball/ softball sports merger with Bolton. Schedules, practice times and transportation will be on the agenda. The April Board meeting date has been changed from April 28th to April 21st to avoid any scheduling conflicts over

Spring Break. A community breakfast has been scheduled for February 10th. Members of the community that attended the Community Forum in October were invited to share ideas on working together to share resources.

- CSE/CPSE RECS A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Eric Welch to accept the 504/CSE recommendations as presented for # 2713, 10295, 10085, 10541 10542
All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried
- EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Susan Repko to go into executive session at 8:35 pm for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person.
All Board members Voted Yes- 4 No-0 Motion carried
- EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Susan Repko to move out of executive session at 8:55 pm.
All Board members voted Yes –4 No-0 Motion Carried
- SPECIAL EDUCATION INCREASED Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Susan Repko second by Eric Welch to increase the special education position filled by Beth Wisser from .4 to .8 for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year. Mrs. Wisser will be compensated at a pro rated annual salary of \$30,318.00 effective February 1, 2016 as negotiated in the agreement with the Schroon Lake Teacher’s Association.
All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried
- BOE APPOINTS HEALTH INSTRUCTOR Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Susan Repko second by Dana Shaughnessy to employ Susan Armbrecht for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year one period a day for health instruction. Mrs. Armbrecht will be compensated at a pro rated salary not to exceed \$3481.00 effective February 1, 2016 as negotiated in the agreement with the Schroon Lake Teacher’s Association
All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried
- 2nd READ POLICY 4000-4317 The second read of Policy 4000-4317 was completed by the Board
A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Dana Shaughnessy to adopt the policy as presented.
All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried
- 1ST READ POLICY 4320-4990 The first read of Policy 4320-4990 was completed by the Board

SAFETY PLAN The first read of the district safety plan was completed by the Board

BOE APPROVES PPD PLAN The second read of the Professional Development Plan was completed and adopted by the Board

DRAFT BUDGET PRESENTED The first Draft of the 2015-2016 budget was presented to BOE members. Preliminary numbers have been used as the district awaits more definite numbers from the state. The tax cap has been calculated as 1.4 percent this year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION On behalf of the Teachers Association, Jeff Cutting advocated the Board to consider reinstating the Technology position to full time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Susan Repko to go into executive session at 10:05 pm for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person.
All Board members Voted Yes- 4 No-0 Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Susan Repko to move out of executive session at 10:35 pm.
All Board members voted Yes –4 No-0 Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Dana Shaughnessy, second by Eric Welch to adjourn at 10:35 pm.
All Board members voted Yes – 4 No-0 Motion Carried

District Clerk