

These minutes to be accepted/amended at the June 13, 2022 Board of Education meeting.

Sharon Center School Board of Education

The regular meeting was held on Monday, May 9, 2022 in the school library.

PRESENT:

Board of Education Members: Doug Cahill, Monica Connor, Plamen Petkov,
Deborah Rathbun, Amanda Thompson, Anne Vance, and Kathleen Visconti

Superintendent: Lisa Carter

Interim Assistant Superintendent: Scott Fellows

Principal: Karen Manning

Board Clerk: Kathryn Amiet

SCS Staff: Lilly Barnett

Guests: Al Jacunski, Samantha Saliter, Leo & Wilson Cajilima and Hortencia Basurto,
Finian, Colin & Rebecca Malone

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 P.M. by Chair Doug Cahill.

Chair Cahill requested that "Focus on Student Learning" be added as #6 on the agenda.

*Motion by Anne Vance/2nd by Deborah Rathbun to approve the agenda as amended.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.*

*Motion by Monica Connor/2nd by Plamen Petkov to approve the consent agenda as
presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote, after clarification about the line item
"Asbestos Removal", which is listed on the cash report*

No public comment was heard.

Superintendent Lisa Carter honored Samantha Caranci, who received the Litchfield County Superintendent's Award.

She also honored Leonardo Cajilima and Finian Malone who were both recipients of CABA Leadership Awards.

Principal Manning honored and thanked Miss Sam, Children's Librarian at the Hotchkiss Library of Sharon for all her work with Sharon Center School students, both at the school and at the library.

Architect Al Jacunski reviewed his firm's 5 year Capital Plan for Sharon Center School, explaining the anticipated costs for each of the proposed projects.

Focus on Student Learning was presented by Lilly Barnett, art teacher at Sharon Center School. She discussed the project the 8th grade students focused on, which was "The Great Migration", and a short film of the students' artwork was shown.

Principal Manning gave a Power Point presentation highlighting some of the activities and programs at the school recently.

The school play "Law and Order: Fairy Tale Unit" will be presented Friday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 14 at 1:00 p.m.

8th grade Commencement is scheduled for Tuesday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 16 will be the last day of school for students.

Principal Manning announced that the Policy Committee has completed its audit of Sharon Center School's policies.

As the written reports of the Assistant Superintendents and the Superintendent were available prior to the Board meeting, no additional review took place.

The Superintendent gave a brief update on the COVID status within Region 1 schools.

There was discussion about the possibility of continuing with hybrid meetings in the future, and the consensus of the board members was to move ahead with this.

Principal Manning received requests for three students to be accepted for enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year.

Motion by Deborah Rathbun/2nd by Amanda Thompson to accept these three students for enrollment at Sharon Center School for the 2022-2023 school year. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Plamen Petkov to accept Policy 5113. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Monica Connor to accept policies 3323, 4000.1, 4152.6, 5131.911, 5145.44. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Anne Vance to accept the entire 5000 policy series. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Town Budget Vote will take place on Friday, May 13, 2022.

No public comment was heard.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Anne Vance to move into Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. for the purpose of Contract Negotiations. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Monica Connor to invite Superintendent Lisa Carter to attend the Executive Session. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

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The Board returned to Open Session at 8:21 p.m.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Monica Connor to enter into a 3 year contract with Carol Tomkalski for the position of Principal of Sharon Center School with the salary of \$122,500 for school year 2022-2023. This contract includes 215 work days per school year and health and dental insurance the same as the SCS certified staff under the SCS Faculty Association Agreement. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Kathleen Visconti/2nd by Anne Vance to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Amiet
Board Clerk