

**Sharon Board of Education**  
September 16, 2024 Minutes

A virtual meeting of the Sharon Board of Education was held on Monday, September 16, 2024.

In attendance were Board members: Doug Cahill, Anne Vance, Philip O'Reilly, Nancy Hegy Martin and Plamen Petkov.

Others in attendance: Superintendent, Melony Brady-Shanley; Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Jeanine Rose; Principal, Carol Tomkalski; Casey Flanagan, David Levinson, Meghan Flanagan and Cindy Webb, Board Clerk.

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.

**Motion** made by A. Vance/2nd by N. Hegy Martin to accept the Consent Agenda. Discussion to have the Non-Lapsing account show in the latest cash reports.

**Motion** made by N. Hegy Martin/2nd by A. Vance to amend the August 8, 2024 minutes to reflect the start time of the meeting as 4:02 PM.

Carried unanimously for both motions.

Public Comment: none

Solar Panel Update: First Selectman, Casey Flanagan gave an update on the cancellation of the solar panel project due to the electrical panel at Sharon Center School not being large enough.

Written communication: Email from neighbor regarding concern of the outside lighting. Email from David Levinson who donated a small portable solar generator to Sharon Center School for educational purposes. Letter from a parent requesting their two students who will be moving to New York state be allowed to complete the year at Sharon Center waiving the tuition fee. Letter from parent to request tuition student to attend Sharon Center School.

**Motion** made by A. Vance/2nd by N. Hegy Martin to approve the 8th grade trip contract and fee. Discussion regarding obligation to pay if the trip was canceled. Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** made by A. Vance/2nd by P. Petkov to approve the requested half day for Professional Development on February 14, 2024. Motion carried with three yes votes A. Vance, D. Cahill, N. Hegy Martin and two opposed P. O'Reilly and P. Petkov.

**Motion** made by P. O'Reilly/2nd by P. Petkov to approve the School Nursing Consultant for Sharon at the expense of \$1,386.00. Discussion clarifying the consultant will be

responsible for communication between the schools and the Medical Advisor. Motion carried unanimously.

Board of Ed Goals: A poll will be sent out to determine another time to meet.

The Principal, Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent reviewed their written reports and answered questions from the Board.

Policies to be brought back for a second reading:

School Climate Policy 5131.911- forms have been added

Sexual Harassment/Title IX 4000.1/4200.1/5145.44

Reserve Account 3171.1

Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process 5114 Nondiscrimination Policy and Notice 0521

Board of Education Round Table: Discussion followed.

Public Comment: David Levinson spoke regarding the solar panel project.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Webb  
Board Clerk