

## Sharon Board of Education Special Meeting

June 17, 2024 Minutes

A virtual meeting of the Sharon Board of Education was held on Monday, June 17, 2024.

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

Others in attendance: Superintendent, Lisa Carter; Principal, Carol Tomkalski, Sam Herrick, Business Manager and Cindy Webb, Board Clerk.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

**Motion** made by Anne Vance/seconded by Nancy Hegy Martin to approve all the Consent Agenda items. Motion carried unanimously.

Boiler Discussion: Sam Herrick provided information regarding the process for purchasing new boilers. Sam Herrick will send information to contractors for quotes by Wednesday, June 26. The Board will call a special meeting Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

**Motion** made by Anne Vance/2nd by Philip O'Reilly to approve Sam Herrick to move forward to get three or four quotes for new boilers using the information we have. Motion carried unanimously.

No public comment.

Superintendent Search Sub Committee - Nancy Hegy Martin presented a proposed motion.

The Board shall appoint a Superintendent Search Sub-Committee that will review and make recommendations for improving the:

- o Communications between the Board of Ed and the ABC Superintendent Search Committee,
- o Transparency of the BOE approval process,
- o Balance of the candidates' right to privacy and the right of the board for full information.

Discussion followed regarding making changes to the proposed motion.

**Motion** made by Nancy Hegy Martin/2nd by Philip O'Reilly that the Sharon Board of Education shall appoint a sub committee that will review and make recommendations on communications between the Board of Education and the Superintendent Search Committee. Transparency of the process and the balancing of the candidate's rights of privacy versus the rights of the Board for full information. Philip O'Reilly suggested that it is an Ad Hoc Committee. Change in the motion from sub committee to Ad Hoc Committee. Motion carried with four yes votes: Doug

Cahill, Nancy Hegy Martin, Philip O'Reilly and Kathleen Visconti and one abstention: Anne Vance.

The date was set for the Board Self Assessment on Saturday, July 20, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Unexpended funds:

**Motion** made by Philip O'Reilly/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin to approve the Principal's recommendations for using unexpended funds as noted in the document she prepared. Discussion followed regarding removing the Phillips Boards purchase from unexpended funds as they are in next year's budget. This will make the amount of unexpended funds \$90,635.

**Motion** by Nancy Hegy Martin/2nd by Anne Vance to amend the motion on the floor to take out the \$27,005 for the Phillips Boards, no discussion, motion carried unanimously.

**Motion** made by Philip O'Reilly/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin that we use unexpended funds from fiscal year 24 to meet the recommendations of the Principal's document shared at tonight's Board meeting minus the Phillips Boards. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion** made by Anne Vance/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin to instruct Carol Tomkalski and Cindy Webb to create a non-lapsing account.

Question: Philip O'Reilly asked that this is not a town account? Superintendent Carter said it is a school account.

**Motion** carried unanimously.

**Motion** made by Nancy Hegy Martin/2nd by Anne Vance to authorize Carol Tomkalski and Cindy Webb to fund the account with up to 2% of the 23-24 local budget from the unexpended funds. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion** made by Anne Vance/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin to approve all the policies for 2nd read in item #9. (Policies 1312, 3280, 4118.2/4218.2, 5112, 5141.21, 5141.5, 6148, 6163.1). No discussion, motion carried unanimously.

First Read of Policies 5131.911 and 5141. Second read will be on the agenda for June 26, 2024.

No public comment.

Motion made by Kathleen Visconti/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Webb, Board Clerk