

## Sharon Center School Board of Education

December 11, 2023 Minutes

A hybrid meeting of the Sharon Center School Board of Education was held on Monday, December 11, 2023 in the Library Media Center of Sharon Center School.

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

Others in attendance: Lisa Carter, Superintendent; Carol Tomkalski, Principal; Carol Flaton; John Hecht; Joanne Borduas; Arlen DeBoer; Laura DeBoer, and Cindy Webb, Board Clerk.

Attendance via Google: Dr. Jeanine Rose, Assistant Superintendent, Meghan Flanagan, Deborah Suby, Carrie-Ann Olsen, Melissa Golden, 845-xxx-xx39, and 860-xxx-xx18.

Chair Cahill called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

**Motion** made by Anne Vance/2<sup>nd</sup> by Nancy Hegy Martin to approve the consent agenda as presented. Philip O'Reilly had questions regarding the cash report. Motion carried unanimously.

The Community Relations Committee met, Nancy Hegy Martin was elected chair. The committee drafted a letter to send to the newspapers. Discussion followed.

**Motion** made by Nancy Hegy Martin/2<sup>nd</sup> by Anne Vance to accept the letter with changes to send to the Lakeville Journal and Waterbury Republican. No discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Meghan Flanagan asked if town members could see the letter before it was sent to the newspapers.

**Motion** made by Kathleen Visconti/2<sup>nd</sup> by Philip O'Reilly to approve the Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2024. No discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Request from the eighth grade class to help fund their class trip.

**Motion** made by Nancy Hegy Martin/2<sup>nd</sup> by Anne Vance to release \$2,000 for the eighth grade class trip to Washington. Superintendent Carter stated that this year all Region 1 eighth graders would be going together to Washington. No discussion, motion carried unanimously.

There was discussion to give Chair Doug Cahill permission to reach out to the Board of Finance to ask for release of \$24,460 for the heat pump proposal. Item tabled to January meeting when a Trane representative could attend.

Community Health and Wellness Program information, question and answer presentation by Joanne Borduas.

Second reading of policies 6159, 5125, 6162.51 and 7000 series.

**Motion** made to approve three policies and the 7000 series by Anne Vance/2nd by Nancy Hegy Martin. Philip O'Reilly asked if the 7000 series had changes, Superintendent Carter said only minor number changes and language. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion** made by Philip O'Reilly/2nd by Anne Vance to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing an MOU regarding a Region One employee's ability to carry personal illness days from one school district to another inviting Lisa Carter, Jeannine Rose, Carol Tomkalski to join at 7:47 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Webb  
Board Clerk

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The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:47 PM and returned to Open Session at 8:15 PM

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:16 PM by Philip O'Reilly/2nd by Anne Vance, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Visconti  
Board Secretary