

Sharon Board of Education
December 9, 2024 Minutes

A virtual meeting of the Sharon Board of Education was held on Monday, December 9, 2024.

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

Others in attendance: Principal Carol Tomkalski, Sara Cousins and Carol Flaton.

Virtual: Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jeanine Rose, Dallas Speranzo, Heather Mathews, Justine Smith and Cindy Webb, Board Clerk.

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

Motion made by P. O'Reilly/2nd by N. Hegy Martin to accept the Consent Agenda. K. Visconti had a question regarding the ABC minutes. P. O'Reilly noted that the cash report was in the same position as last year.

Motion amended to accept with expectation from Superintendent Brady-Shanley to have the ABC minutes amended. Motion carried unanimously

No public comment.

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

First Reading of Policies: 3542.43- Food Service Charging Policy, 5131.81- Cellular Phone/Electronic Communication Devices and 6148 - FAFSA Completion Program. Superintendent Brady Shanley presented her policy summary. Policies will go for a second read in January.

Payroll Update: Waiting to see if this may become regional.

Motion made by P. O'Reilly/2nd by N. Hegy Martin to accept the Proposed Spending Time Line with the change of the Personnel Committee meeting from December 19 to January 13 at 5:00 PM before the regular Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

No public comment.

Board of Education Round Table: 1st Update: Chair Cahill had a conversation with Donna DiMartino from the Sharon Long Range Planning Committee. She had questions on where the school was going with their long range planning. She was going back to her board and

possibly the Sharon BOE would be invited to one of their meetings. K. Visconti asked if there was a list of questions from the Sharon Long Range Planning Committee so they would be prepared. The board will review questions and talk about them prior to going to a meeting. 2nd Update: Tom Bartram reached out to Chair Cahill asking if there was an update regarding the MBR. The Board last had asked Business Manager Sam Herrick and Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley to send a letter to the state asking if they would excuse the amount the MBR was off. P. O'Reilly asked again to have Maria Horn come to a board meeting to discuss the MBR. Discussion followed.

Motion made by K. Visconti/2nd by P. O'Reilly to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Webb
Board Clerk