

Sharon Center School Board of Education

The Regular Meeting of the Sharon Board of Education was held on Monday, December 14, 2020 as a virtual meeting.

PRESENT:

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

Interim Superintendent: Lisa Carter

Interim Assistant Superintendents: Scott Fellows & Jill Pace

Principal: Karen Manning

Board Clerk: Kathryn Amiet

Staff: Lilly Barnett, Glen MacGillivray

Guests:, Peter Austin, Mike Flint (CATV6), Kelly Hitt, Al Jacunski, Kathleen McEnroe, 1-914*** **14

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chairman Doug Cahill.

Recognition of those who contribute to Sharon Center School:

Principal Manning introduced Kelly Hitt of "Equus Effect" and thanked her for her presentation on Veterans Day. Ms. Hitt explained that Equus Effect is "Experiential Assisted Learning with Horses" for veterans, first responders, and others who may be affected by PTSD.

Al Jacunski (Jancunski Humes) and Peter Austin (RZ Design Associates), spoke about the UV Light Sanitizer, describing how it works and its effectiveness.

Motion by Monica Connor/2nd by Plamen Petkov to move forward with this UV Light Sanitizer project, with an approximate cost of \$30,000 for the entire building, using monies from the 2020-2021 budget. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Spotlight on Student Learning:

Art teacher Lilly Barnett gave a power point presentation of the 8th grade students' self portraits, explaining the procedure each student followed to create their self portrait.

"Receipt of Region One Representative's Report" was removed from the consent agenda.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Deborah Rathbun to approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

No public comment was heard.

Principal Karen Manning gave a power point presentation of recent activities at Sharon Center School. She also told of two upcoming virtual assemblies:

December 18 – Diversity Circus – 8:45 a.m.

December 22 – Boogin Chillun – 2:00 p.m.

Jill Pace and Scott Fellows, Interim Assistant Superintendents, each gave a short review of their written report.

Lisa Carter, Interim Superintendent, also gave a brief review of her written report.

First Reading – Policies 1150, 1210, 1220, 1240, 1250, 1250.1, 1251, 1311.1, 1311.2, 1312, 1312.2, 1313, 1314, 1322, 1325, 1330

(The Second Reading will take place after all policies in the 1000 series have been reviewed by the policy committee and brought to the entire Board for a first reading.)

There was discussion about Transition to Non-Emergency Distance Learning. The Board members indicated that they would like to be involved in any decision of this type.

The NESCED Enrollment Projections were briefly reviewed. There will be a revised projection done in May 2021, which will give a more accurate projection of future enrollment numbers.

No public comment was heard.

Motion by Amanda Thompson/2nd by Monica Connor to move into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m., for the purpose of discussing the Region One ABC Committee's Recommendation to hire Lisa Carter as Region One Superintendent. Principal Manning was invited to attend. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:10 p.m.

Motion by Anne Vance/2nd by Monica Connor to recommend Lisa Carter, with great enthusiasm, as the Region One Superintendent. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Kathleen Visconti/2nd by Monica Connor to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Amiet
Board Clerk

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