Board of Education Sullivan West Central School

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MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Scheutzow, President R. Joyce-Turner, V-President L. Arzilli, Member

R. Brey, Member K. Cohen, Member 6:40pm J. Glase, Member 7:26pm

K. Meckle, Member T. Peachey, Member

ABSENT: R. Huggler, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy M. Hackett, Supt. L. Poston, Asst. Supt for Adm Services

M. Luty, District Public, Staff, Students & CSArch

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM. Mrs. Scheutzow led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Dr. Hackett presented the Academic Achievement information. A question and answer period followed. A public hearing was held on the Voter Referendum that is scheduled for October 27, 2015. Public comments were heard.

At 7:15 pm the public hearing was adjourned and the regular board of education meeting began.

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the Agenda. Unanimously carried

Accept Agenda

Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mrs. Brey to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 17, 2015 as submitted.

**Approve Minutes** 

Unanimously carried

Mrs. Scheutzow opened the meeting for public comment. There was none.

The student member report was shared by Tim Jacobson.

Sue Peters from Cooper & Arias presented the 2015 Independent Audit and answered questions from the Board.

The annual SAVE plan updated was presented by Mrs. Poston.

Board members discussed the Proposed Bylaw Amendments & Resolutions that were going to be presented at the NYSSBA

Convention, October 20, 2015. Mr. Arzilli will be the voting delegate representing Sullivan West.

Committee reports were shared: SCSBA/Mrs. Meckle; Facility/Ms. Glase and Policy/ Mr. Arzilli.

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to conduct, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the 1<sup>st</sup> reading, waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adopt the following policies:

Adopt policies 5630; 5661; 6215 6216; 7220; 7550 7553; 7555; 7650

5630-Facilities : Inspection, Operation and Maintenance - REVISED 5661-Wellness-REVISED

6215 - Probation & Tenure - REVISED

6216 - Disciplining of a Tenured Teacher or Certified Personnel - REVISED

7220 - Graduation Requirements/Early Graduation/Accelerated Programs - REVISED

7550 - Dignity for All Students - REVISED

7553 – Hazing of Students - REVISED

7555 - Student Gender Identity - NEW

7650 - Identification & Register of Children with disabilities (Child Find) - REVISED

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mr. Arzilli, seconded by Mr. Peachey to approve the Sullivan West Central School District
Annual Goals for 2015-2016.

Approve Annual Goals 2015-16

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Arzilli to accept the 2015 Independent Audit Report, submitted by Cooper & Arias and the recommendations from the Audit Finance Committee.

Accept the 2015 Independent Audit Report, Independent Audit Report, Submitted by Cooper & Arias and the recommendations from the Audit Finance Committee.

Unanimously carried

Accept 2015 Independent Audit Report

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey that:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("Board") of the Sullivan West Central School District ("District") is the sponsor of proposed activities which would include making repairs, replacements, alterations and improvements at school buildings and facilities at existing buildings and properties within the District (the "Projects"); and WHEREAS, the Projects are proposed to occur at the Sullivan West Elementary School and the Sullivan West High School; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, as amended, the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC"), being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the "Regulations"), the District desires to comply with SEQRA and the Regulations with respect to the Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, in furtherance of this objective, the Board prepared Part 1 of a Full Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF") for the Projects, and considered the Projects as a single action for purposes of SEQRA review; and

("EAF") for the Projects, and considered the Projects as a single action for purposes of SEQRA review; and WHEREAS, a copy of Part 1 of the EAF is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and describes the Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the District, and based upon consideration and review of all known approvals for the Projects, the only "involved agency" (as this quoted term is defined in the Regulations) in regard to the Projects is the New York State Education Department ("SED"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to conduct a coordinated review of the Projects, and therefore, by letter dated October 6, 2015, sought the concurrence of SED to proceed as the "lead agency" (as this quoted term is defined in the Regulations) with respect to the Projects; and

**WHEREAS**, SED has consented to the Board serving as lead agency for the Projects, and provided no comments regarding the Projects; and

**WHEREAS,** the District also provided notice of the Projects to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and the NYSDEC; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to comply with the provisions of SEQRA and the Regulations with respect to the Projects and to determine whether undertaking the Projects may have a significant adverse environmental impact and therefore require preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this objective, pursuant to SEQRA and the Regulations, Part 2 of the EAF has been

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prepared for the Projects, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Board has considered the significance of the potential environmental impacts of the Projects by (a) using the criteria specified in Section 617.7 of the Regulations, and (b) examining the EAF for the Projects, together with other available supporting information, to identify the relevant areas of environmental concern, and (c) thoroughly analyzing the identified areas of relevant environmental concern; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board as follows:

Based upon an examination of the EAF for the Projects and other available supporting information, Section 1. and considering both the magnitude and importance of each relevant area of environmental concern, and based further upon the Board's knowledge of the area surrounding the Projects and such further investigation of the Projects and their potential environmental impacts as the Board has deemed appropriate, the Board makes the following findings and determinations: The Projects are subject to SEQRA; and

The other involved agency with respect to the Projects is the New York State Education Department; and The District declares itself "lead agency" with respect to the Projects; and The Projects are limited in their scope of work and are properly classified as a Type I action under SEQRA and the

Regulations; and

In making its determination of significance, the Board examined all the criteria set forth in Section 617.7 of the Regulations, and evaluated the Projects in light of the standards set forth in 617.7; and

The Board hereby accepts, approves, and adopts Parts 2 and 3 of the EAF as set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto; and The reasoning supporting the Board's findings and determination of significance for the Projects is more fully set forth in Exhibit "A" to this Resolution, which Exhibit "A" contains the completed EAF Part 1, Part 2, and Part 3 with the written reasoned elaboration of the reasons supporting its determination of significance; and

The information available concerning the Projects was sufficient for the Board to make its determination. The Board has not identified any significant adverse environmental impacts associated with the Projects and none are known to the Board. Therefore, for the reasons identified in Exhibit "A," the Board hereby determines that the Projects will not have a significant adverse environmental impact and issues a Negative Declaration, and the Board will not require preparation of an environmental impact statement with respect to the Projects; and

As a consequence of the foregoing, the Superintendent is directed to execute Part 3 of the EAF, and arrange for execution by its preparer, setting forth the Negative Declaration for the Projects and to make any filing(s) and publication required by law of the Negative Declaration, including publishing notice of the Negative Declaration in the Environmental Notice Bulletin; and The Board hereby directs that all SEQRA documents and notices, including but not limited to the EAF and Negative Declaration, are to be maintained in files that are readily accessible to the public and made available upon request, subject only to the limitations established by the Freedom of Information Law.

The Board hereby directs that a certified copy of this resolution, the EAF, the Negative Declaration, and any other required documents be filed with the New York State Education Department, Office of Facilities Planning, as required by law. The District will continue to comply with guidance issued by the New York State Education Department; and This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Unanimously carried

In honor of New York State School Board Recognition Week, the Sullivan West Video Club interviewed each of the board members and will preview a video clip on the district website.

Dr. Hackett gave her Superintendent's Report, followed by Mrs. Poston's update and Dr. Lane's.

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to approve the Budget Transfer for August 2015. Approve budget Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the Treasurers Report for August 2015. Accept treasurers Unanimously carried report

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the Extra-curricular report for Accept Extra August 2015. Curricular report Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the Tax Collector's Trial Balance Report 2015 dated September 30, 2015.

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the donation of \$1,500.00 from Reeves Mountain Construction to be deposited in the Sullivan West Extra-Curricular account and to be used for the French Club trip to Europe in April, 2016. Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, the donation of \$740.00 to be deposited into the Trust and Agency Fund for the Henry Umnik Memorial Scholarship Award.

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey, that the Board of Education ("Board") of the Sullivan West Central School District (the "District") ratifies and approves an extension of the term of the current fee agreement (the "Agreement") with the law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King, PPLC, for the period from July 1, BS&K 2015 through June 30, 2016; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes and directs the Board President to sign and thereby execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board and District. Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey, effective July 1, 2015, that the Sullivan West Central School District, Location Code 74813, hereby establishes the following standard work days for this title and will report to the officials of the New York State and Local Retirement System based on time keeping system Establish standard work day: tax collector

Ratify & approve extension with

Accept Tax

Collectors Trail

Balance Report

Accept donation

for French Club

Accept donation

for Henry Umnik

Scholarship

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records or their record of activities: Tax Collector

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the correction of errors (2015-2016) as specified by the Delaware County Director of Real Property Tax as summarized below; and to direct the Tax Collector to take the necessary actions in accordance with Real Property Tax Law.

Accept correction of errors

Tax PayerS-L-BOriginal Tax billNew Tax BillScott O'Leary457.-1-35\$933.92\$503.92

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the correction of errors (2015-2016) as specified by the Sullivan County Director of Real Property Tax as summarized below; and to direct the Tax Collector to take the necessary actions in accordance with Real Property Tax Law.

Accept correction

Tax Payer	S-L-B	Original Tax bill	<b>New Tax Bill</b>
PA Lines LLC	11-2.2	\$32,869.69	\$-
PA Lines LLC	181-31	\$43,284.74	\$-
Wecherle & Bebbino	221-14.3	\$ 630.50	\$ 222.50
Joseph McFadden	21-55	\$ 2,682.87	\$1,431.30

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President and Superintendent of Schools to execute the attached Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by and between the Sullivan West Central School District and the Western Sullivan United Teachers to create the extracurricular club titled – Game Club – as outlined in the attached agreement. (File 101515-01). Unanimously carried

Authorize MOA for Game Club

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey, that the Board of Education of the Sullivan West Central School District approves an amendment dated October 6, 2015 to the original agreement dated December 6, 2012 between Sullivan West CSD and Collins+Scoville Architecture (CSArch) to include the design of a new 400 KW generator at the Elementary School as outlined in the agreement; and

amendment with CSArch to include design of 400KW generator at SWE

Approve

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes and directs the Board President to sign and thereby execute said Agreement on behalf of the Board and District. (File 101515-02) Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to approve the CSE report as recommended by the Chairperson of the Committee on Special Education.

Unanimously carried

Approve CSE report

Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-Turner the Superintendent of Schools ("Superintendent") recommends that Catherine M. Hart ("Ms. Hart") be appointed by the Board of Education ("Board") of the Sullivan West Central School District (the "District") to a probationary term as a teaching assistant, at an annualized salary of Step 5, \$27,350 minus applicable withholdings and deductions;

Appoint Cathy Hart-teaching assistant

WHEREAS, Ms. Hart possesses certifications as Nursery, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6 Teacher (Permanent) and Reading Teacher (Permanent);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the Superintendent's recommendation, the Board here

*NOW*, *THEREFORE*, *BE IT RESOLVED*, that upon the Superintendent's recommendation, the Board hereby appoints Ms. Hart, in accordance with §3012 of the Education Law, to a four-year probationary term, in the teaching assistant tenure area, commencing on October 16, 2015 and ending on October 15, 2019;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that nothing in this resolution shall be construed to limit the unfettered statutory right of the District to terminate Ms. Hart for any statutorily and constitutionally permissible reason while she remains in probationary status.

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, Linda Schaefer to the long term leave appointment for Randi Strouse (elementary teacher) effective October 22, 2015 and ending December 23, 2015 at a salary of Step 1, \$44,789., with compensation for Masters Degree and additional credits when documentation is presented. Unanimously carried

Appoint Linda Schaefer to long term leave-R. Strouse

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey, that the Board of Education of the Sullivan West Central School District, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoints Lisa Moran to the position of Technical Data Specialist effective October 16, 2015 at an annual salary of \$50,000., to be prorated.

Appoint Lisa Moran-Technical Data Specialist

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the Board President to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Lisa Moran, Technical Data Specialist effective October 16, 2015 to June 30, 2016. A copy of this document shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. (File #101515-03)

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the resignation from Lisa Moran (Account Clerk) effective the end of business October 15, 2015. Unanimously carried

Accept resignation L. Moran-account clerk

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to authorize the Superintendent and Board President to sign a Participation Agreement dated October 16, 2015 by and between the Sullivan West Central School District and the Western Sullivan United Teachers and School Related Personnel, offering the Insurance Program benefit provided under the WSUT & SRP Welfare Benefit Trust to Lisa Moran, Technical Data Specialist who is not a bargaining unit employee. A copy of the Participation Agreement to be included as part of the minutes of this meeting. (File #101515-04)

Sign participation agreement SWCS WSUT/SRP Welfare Benefit Trust

Unanimously carried

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Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, the following election personnel to work at the Voter Registration on October 21, 2015 and the Voter Referendum Vote to be held on October 27, 2015:

Appoint election personnel for 10/27/2015 Vote

## Board of Registration - October 21, 2015 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Election District 1 – DV – Janet Hawley, Ethel LeClere Election District 2 – JY – Joan Papa, Lucy Karadontes

Election District 3 – NB – Charlie Knapp

Hourly rate: \$8.75

Referendum Vote – October 27, 2015 – noon – 9:00 PM
Election District 1 – DV – Election Inspector: Kristin Porter – Clerks – Jane Buddenhagen; Janet Hawley,

Ethel LeClere; Jackie Peters

Election District 2 – JY – Election Inspector: Debbie Bose – Clerks - Joan Papa; Lucy Karadontes; Barbara

Hauschild; Lisa Rose; Yvonne C. Schmidt

Election District 3 – NB – <u>Election Inspector</u>: Charlie Knapp, Jr. – <u>Clerks</u> - Lauren Bunch; Bernard Creamer;

Helena Swinnes Daily rate of \$100.00 Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to accept the resignation from Scott Scardino

as the elementary running club advisor effective immediately.

Unanimously carried

running

Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the following extra-curricular positions effective the 2015-2016 school year:

9th Grade Advisor \$1,300 Jenna Savers Channyn Culligan Art Club (HS) \$1,000 Dianne Coffey Art Club (Elementary) \$1,000 Michele Brockner SADD Advisor \$2,000 Brian Mullally Technology Club \$1,000 \$1,000 KC Club Tara Brey Sara Jahrling Running Club \$1,000

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mr. Arzilli, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-Turner to appoint, upon the recommendation of

Superintendent Hackett the additional substitute personnel for the 2015-2016 school year:

Teacher: Paige Schoonmacher; Dakota Hahl Teacher Assistant: Courtney Shelton; Dakota Hahl

Teacher Aide: Dakota Hahl

Nurse: Christina Haff; Christine Burlingame

Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mrs. Brey to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM

Unanimously carried

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. Luty District Clerk

Accept resignation S Scardino-running club/elementary

Appoint extra curricular

positions

substitute personnel

Appoint

2015-16

Adjourn