

Board of Education Regular Meeting	April 14, 2016	Sullivan West Central School High School Library	Page -1-
MEMBERS PRESENT:	M. Scheutzow, President J. Glase, Member	R. Brey, Member K. Meckle, Member	K. Cohen, Member
ABSENT:	L. Arzilli, R. Huggler, R. Joyce-Turner and T. Peachey		
OTHERS PRESENT:	Nancy M. Hackett, Supt. M. Luty, District	L. Poston, Asst Supt for Adm Services Staff & Press	
The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM. Mrs. Scheutzow led in the Pledge to the Flag.			
Motion was made by Mrs. Meckle, seconded by Mrs. Brey to recess into executive session for the following purpose: review the employment history of a particular person. Unanimously carried			Go into Executive Session
Motion was made by Mrs. Meckle, seconded by Ms. Glase to come out of executive session at 6:30 PM. Unanimously carried			Come out of Executive
Dr. Hackett opened the budget work session with an overview of the proposed 2016-2017 proposed revenue projections and fund balance. A question and answer period followed.			
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mrs. Meckle to accept the Agenda. Unanimously carried			Accept Agenda
Motion was made by Ms. Glase, seconded by Mrs. Brey to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 17, 2016 as submitted. Unanimously carried			Approve Minutes
Mrs. Scheutzow opened the meeting for public comment. Parents of a SW student presented suggestions to the district regarding the graduation ceremony. A petition was presented by a group of seniors to amend the snow day give back day from May 26 to April 25.			
Motion was made by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mrs. Brey to amend the 2015-16 school year calendar to reflect the return of unused snow days to: if there are three snow days unused, school will be closed on April 22, April 25, and June 24, 2016. Unanimously carried			Amend the 15- 16 calendar- Give back days
The student member report was presented by Tim Jacobson. The music department presented their PreK-12 Program Review. Susan Schmidt from Sullivan County BOCES presented the 2016-2017 Budget Overview. The following committee reports were shared: Finance/Audit and Facility Committee. Administrative Reports were reported by Dr. Hackett and Mrs. Poston.			
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to approve the Budget Transfer for February 2016. Unanimously carried			Approve budget transfer
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept the Treasurers Report for February 2016. Unanimously carried			Accept treasurer report
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept the Extra-curricular report for March 2016. Unanimously carried			Accept extra- curricular report
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Ms. Glase that: WHEREAS , Section 2023-a of the New York Education Law (a central component of what is commonly known as the “Tax Cap” law) limits the amount of revenue that public school districts can raise through the school tax levy to fund school programs and activities, unless 60% of a school district voters (i.e. a supermajority) who are present and vote on the proposed school district budget for the ensuing school year approve the budget and thereby authorize the district’s board of education to exceed the tax levy limit; and WHEREAS , the tax levy limit varies from district-to-district based on a formula set forth in law; and WHEREAS , the tax levy limit that is currently applicable to the Sullivan West Central School District (the “District”), with respect to the District’s proposed budget for the ensuing 2016-2017 school year, is a “negative” tax levy limit; and WHEREAS , this negative tax levy limit means that even if a majority of the District’s voters approve the District’s proposed budget for the 2016-2017 school year, the District will be required by law to reduce the overall school tax levy for the ensuing school year, below the amount of the overall tax levy that was issued for the current 2015-2016 school year; and WHEREAS , on a practical level, the negative tax levy limit faced by District means that even if District spending remains flat under the proposed District budget, the District will have fewer tax dollars available to fund next year’s budget with than were available to fund this year’s budget; and WHEREAS , the District’s Board of Education (the “Board”) has been made aware, through the advocacy of the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA), that legislation is pending in both the state Senate and Assembly which would eliminate the possibility of any school district being subjected to a “negative” tax levy limit, if the pending legislation becomes law; and WHEREAS , the Board understands the need to control school spending and to contain the corresponding tax burden on the District’s taxpayers; the Board also supports the efforts that are underway in the state Senate and Assembly to effectuate common sense reform to the Tax Cap law by amending the law to eliminate the specter of a “negative” tax levy limit for any school district; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED , that the Board hereby endorses and expresses support for: Senate Bill S.7178, introduced by Senator Seward, and for Assembly Bill A.9792, introduced by Assemblywoman Lupardo, inasmuch as both bills propose to eliminate the “negative” tax levy limit; and			Support legislation in Senate & Assembly that would eliminate “negative” tax levy

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes and directs the District Clerk to provide a copy of this Board resolution to Senator Seward, to Assemblywoman Lupardo, and to NYSSBA, as an expression of our appreciation for their advocacy on this important issue.
Unanimously carried

Motion was made by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mrs. Brey, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Sullivan West Central School District (the “District”) hereby expressly approves and ratifies the Capital Reserve Fund ballot proposition as it appears in the Notice of the 2016 Annual District Meeting and Election which was approved by the Board at a public meeting held on March 17, 2016.
Unanimously carried

Approve capital reserve proposition on ballot

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to approve upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, the 2016-2017 private/parochial school transportation requests. (File #041416-01).
Unanimously carried

Approve 16-17 Transportation requests

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept the Judgement as specified by the Supreme Court of the State of New York in the County of Sullivan for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 school year:

Tax Payer	S-L-B	Original Tax bill	Correct Tax Bill	Refund
J. A. Goodfriend	104.-1-1.1	\$2,878.80	\$2,136.61	\$742.19
J. A. Goodfriend	104.-1-1.1	\$2,878.17	\$2,136.14	\$742.03

Unanimously carried

Accept judgement

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the Sullivan Renaissance Healthy Community Initiative Grant of \$250.00 from the Gerry Foundation, Inc. to be deposited into the Special Aid Fund for use by the Elementary School Garden Club as approved by the Elementary School Principal.
Unanimously carried

Accept grant from Gerry Foundation

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, the donation of \$250.61 from the Talina Milk Book Fund (Beverly McCausland) to pay for books to add to the Sullivan West Elementary Library.
Unanimously carried

Accept donation Talina Milk

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen 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 Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to create, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, one (1) FTE teacher aide position effective for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.
Unanimously carried

Create 1 FTE Teacher aide

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the following election personnel:
Board of Registration – May 11, 2016 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Election District 1 – DV – Janet Hawley & Jane Buddenhagen
Election District 2 – JY –Lucy Karadontes & Joan Papa
Election District 3 – NB – Carol Creamer
Hourly rate of \$9.00
School District Budget/Election Vote May 17, 2016– 12:00 to 9:00 PM
Election District 1:
DV Machine Custodian: Harold Russell
Poll Workers: Jane Buddenhagen; Shirley Buddenhagen; Ethel LeClere; Noreen Mudge; Kristin Porter & Janet Hawley
Election District 2:
JY Machine Custodian: Peter Grosser
Poll Workers: Deborah Bose; Ross Dimler; Barbara Hauschild; Lisa Rose; Yvonne Schmidt; Lucy Karadontes & Joan Papa
Election District 3:
NB Machine Custodian: Keith Krauss
Poll Workers: Lauren Bunch; Carol Creamer; Doreen Kraus & Charles Knapp, Jr.
Daily rate of \$100.00
Unanimously carried

Appoint election personnel

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to accept the extra-curricular resignation from Russ Johansen in the following positions effective June 30, 2016:
Auditorium sound/lighting
Drama Director/Drama Club Advisor
Auditorium Light/Sound non-school/diem
Unanimously carried

Accept extra curricular resignations

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett, the following extra- curricular coaching positions effective the 2015-2016 school year:
Charlotte Peters Assistant Varsity Track Coach \$2,538
Will Schlott Co-Assistant Varsity Track Coach \$1,269
Unanimously carried

Appoint extra curricular positions

Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to appoint, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Hackett the additional substitute personnel for the 2015-2016 school year:
Teacher Assistant/Aide: Catherine Peters
Unanimously carried

Appoint substitute personnel

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. Luty
District Clerk

Board of Education Special Meeting/Adopt Budget	April 19, 2016	Sullivan West Central School High School Library	Page -1-
MEMBERS PRESENT:	M. Scheutzow, President K. Cohen, Member T. Peachey, Member	R. Joyce-Turner, Member J. Glase, Member	R. Brey, Member K. Meckle, Member
ABSENT:	L. Arzilli, R. Huggler		
OTHERS PRESENT:	Nancy M. Hackett, Supt. M. Luty, District	L. Poston, Asst Supt for Adm Services	
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. Mrs. Scheutzow led in the Pledge to the Flag.			
Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mrs. Brey to recess into executive session for the following purpose: review the employment history of a particular person. Unanimously carried			Go into Executive Session
Motion was made by Mrs. Meckle, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-Turner to come out of executive session at 7:09 PM. Unanimously carried			Come out of Executive
Motion was made by Mrs. Brey, seconded by Mr. Peachy to accept the agenda. Unanimously carried			Accept Agenda
Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mrs. Brey to approve the following Proposition for the Annual Meeting & Budget Vote to be held on May 17, 2016: RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Sullivan West Central School District, Sullivan County, New York, shall be authorized to expend the sum set forth in the budget for the 2016-2017 school year in the total amount of \$36,350,468. , and to assess and levy upon the taxable property for the District the necessary tax therefore. Unanimously carried			Adopt 16-17 budget
Motion was made by Mrs. Joyce-Turner, seconded by Mr. Peachey to approve the 2016-2017 Board of Cooperative Educational Services Administrative Budget in the amount of \$2,600,745. Unanimously carried			Approve BOCES 16-17 Budget
Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to cast one vote for Dr. Kenneth Hilton (incumbent) to a three-year term in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services. Unanimously carried			Cast vote for BOCES board K. Hilton
Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to cast one vote for Mr. Scott Mickelson (incumbent) to a three-year term in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services. Unanimously carried			Cast vote for BOCES board S. Mickelson
Motion was made by Mr. Peachey, seconded by Mr. Cohen to cast one vote for Mrs. Carol Park (incumbent) to a three-year term in the annual election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services. Unanimously carried			Cast vote for BOCES board C. Park
Motion was made by Mrs. Meckle, seconded by Mr. Peachey to recess back into executive session (7:13 PM) for the following purpose: review the employment history of a particular person. Unanimously carried			Go into Executive Session
Motion was made by Mrs. Meckle, seconded by Mrs. Joyce-Turner to come out of executive session and adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Unanimously carried			Come out of Executive & Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. Luty
District Clerk

Board of Education Public Hearing on the Budget	May 5, 2016	Sullivan West Central School High School Library	Page -1-
MEMBERS PRESENT:	M. Scheutzow, President R. Brey, Member	R. Joyce-Turner, Member J. Glase, Member	L. Arzilli, Member
OTHERS PRESENT:	Nancy M. Hackett, Supt. M. Luty, District	L. Poston, Asst Supt for Adm Services Public	

The public hearing was called to order at 6:30 PM. Dr. Hackett led in the pledge to the flag and proceeded to review the proposed 2016-2017 Budget and answered questions.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret L. Luty
District Clerk