

**SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING WAS ONLINE
STEAMED LIVE ON FACEBOOK
April 26, 2020 @ 7:00 pm**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bruce Murdock
Robert Claus
Eric Welch
Kevin Kelly
Susan Repko

OTHERS PRESENT:

Supt. Gratto
Danielle Fosella

BOARD CLERK

Lisa DeZalia

**MEETING
TO ORDER**

President Bruce Murdock called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Those present pledged allegiance to the flag

**PREVIOUS
MINUTES**

A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Kevin Kelly to accept minutes of March 26, 2020 as presented.
All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No- 0 motion carried

**PREVIOUS
MINUTES**

A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Robert Claus to accept minutes of April 8, 2020 as presented.
All Board Members voted Yes-5 No- 0 motion carried

**PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION**

There were no calls at this time

**CERTIFICATION
OF WARRANT**

A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Robert Claus to approve Warrant # 9 dated 04/13/20
All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried.

**TREASURER'S
REPORT**

A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Susan Repko to accept the Treasurer's Report dated 4/20/2020
All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No- 0 motion carried

Mr. Murdock acknowledged the budget status

EXTRA CURRICULAR REPORT A motion was made by Robert Claus, second by Eric Welch to approve the extra curricular report for March as presented. All Board Members voted Yes-5 No-0 motion carried

BOE ACCEPTS PETITIONS A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Kevin Kelly to accept petitions from Ashley Barry and Jarod Whitley for the two open Board Seats. All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET VOTE

It is Resolved that the Board of Education of the Schroon Lake Central School District voted to approve the tentative Administration Budget of the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the school year 2020-2021. Motion was made by Eric Welch second by Bruce Murdock All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0 motion carried

RESOLUTION FOR ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

It is Resolved that the Board of Education of the Schroon Lake Central School District cast one vote for Leisa Boise for one of the five seats vacant on the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services (Champlain Valley Educational Services) Board.

Motion made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly
All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0

Motion carried

It is Resolved that the Board of Education of the Schroon Lake Central School District cast one vote for Ed Marin for one of the five seats vacant on the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services (Champlain Valley Educational Services) Board.

Motion made by Robert Claus, second by Eric Welch
All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0

Motion carried

It is Resolved that the Board of Education of the Schroon Lake Central School District cast one vote for Thomas McCabe for one of the five seats vacant on the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services (Champlain Valley Educational Services) Board.

Motion made by Bruce Murdock, second by Susan Repko
All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0

Motion carried

It is Resolved that the Board of Education of the Schroon Lake Central School District cast one vote for Bruce Murdock for one of the five seats vacant on the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services (Champlain Valley Educational Services) Board.

Motion made by Susan Repko, second by Robert Claus
All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 Abstain – 1 (Bruce Murdock)
Motion carried

**BOE
GRANTS
TENURE**

Motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Susan Repko
"RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3013 of Board of Education Law and Part 30.3 of the rules the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of Superintendent Gratto, that Angela Slaterpryce a probationary teacher having been appointed to the position of Math 7-12 teacher by resolution of this Board dated July 1, 2016, be appointed to position of teacher in the Math 7-12 tenure area. It having been shown that Ms. Slaterpryce holds a valid New York State Certificate to teach subject in the foresaid tenure area and it further having been shown that the probationary period of Angela Slaterpryce to teach in this district will expire on June 30, 2020. The Board of Education of the Schroon Lake School District does hereby grant tenure and appoint to tenure Ms. Angela Slaterpryce effective September 2, 2020 to the position of teacher in the Math 7-12 tenure area.
All members voted Yes-5 No-0 Motion passed

**BOE
GRANTS
TENURE**

Motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Kevin Kelly
"RESOLVED, that in compliance with the provisions of Section 3013 of Board of Education Law and Part 30.3 of the rules the Board of Regents and upon the recommendation of Superintendent Gratto, that Beth Wisser a probationary teacher having been appointed to the position of Special Education teacher by resolution of this Board dated July 1, 2016, be appointed to position of teacher in the Special Education tenure area. It having been shown that Mrs. Wisser holds a valid New York State Certificate to teach subject in theforesaid tenure area and it further having been shown that the probationary period of Beth Wisser to teach in this district will expire on June

30, 2020. The Board of Education of the Schroon Lake School District does hereby grant tenure and appoint to tenure Mrs. Beth Wisser effective September 2, 2020 to the position of teacher in the Special Education tenure area.
All members voted Yes- No- Motion passed

EMERGENCY
MAINTENANCE
REPAIR

Whereas, the Schroon Lake Central School District (the School District) determined on or after April 1, 2020 that the existing main entrance concrete stair has failed and is no longer functioning properly;

Whereas, the School District requested its Architect, Bernier, Carr & Associates, Engineers, Architects, & Land Surveyors, P.C. to review the situation and the Architect has recommended the immediate replacement of the existing stair, repair of the cast stone and other exterior concrete surfaces and to perform any additional steps necessary to preserve the safety of students, staff and the public.

Whereas, the Architect has advised the School District that this condition and current situation is an unforeseen occurrence which constitutes an emergency which requires immediate action to protect the public safety and requires remediation on an emergency basis for the protection of the public and the preservation of the School District property; and

Whereas, the health and safety of the students, staff and public could be threatened by this situation; and

Whereas, the emergency project work is required in order to preserve the health, safety of the students, faculty, staff and the public as well as for the protection of the District's property; and

Whereas, the Board wishes to fully comply with its obligations under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the regulations thereunder with respect to the proposed action; and

Whereas, upon review of the foregoing, the Board makes the following determinations:

1. The Board of Education finds the proposed represent maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility within the meaning 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(1); and/or alternatively the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility in kind within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(2); and/or alternatively a routine activity of an educational institution, including the expansion of an existing facility by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area, within the meaning of 6NYCRR 617.5(c)(8), and as such is a *Type II action not subject to review under SEQRA*.

2. The proposed action will in no case have a significant adverse impact based on the environment based on the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c), and is not otherwise a Type I action as defined by 6 NYCRR § 617.4.
3. The proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and is therefore not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.
4. The Board of Education hereby determines that the replacement of the failing exterior concrete stairs, and repair of the existing cast stone is an ordinary maintenance and repair expense to preserve property and to assure the health and safety of students, staff and the public. The Board of Education further determines that the current condition of the existing exterior stair and cast stone is in a condition that could affect the health and safety of students, staff and the public and that this requires an emergency project and, immediate action to preserve the property.
5. As a result of the above, the Board of Education hereby finds pursuant to New York State Education Law, the immediate replacement of the exterior stair and repair of the existing cast stone is necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the students, faculty, staff and public and for the protection of the School District's property, and such work is authorized to be performed by the School District.
6. The School District is hereby authorized to undertake the necessary work as described above and as described the District's Architect and to expend from the Maintenance and Repair Fund in an amount not to exceed **\$256,170.00**. The Project will be financed by the District's Maintenance & Repair to the maximum extent possible, and by State Building Aid.

Any unused funds not utilized for the replacement of the standby generator project shall be returned to the District's Maintenance and Repair Fund.

The Superintendent of Schools and all officers and authorized employees of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps reasonably necessary or appropriate to complete the Project and to carry out the intent of this Resolution and to apply for any eligible State Aid available through the New York State Education Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board finds and concludes that the proposed action is a Type II action within the meaning of 6 NYCRR 617.5 and therefore is not subject to review under SEQRA and the regulations thereunder.

1. This Resolution shall take effect immediately. The Board of Education vote on this Resolution was as follows:

Bruce Murdock, President	Yes
Eric Welch, Vice President	Yes
Kevin Kelly	Yes
Robert Claus	Yes
Susan Repko	Yes

BUDGET

PRESENTATION

Supt. Gratto went over the budget that would require the use of \$530,884 of the fund balance. It is necessary to make additional cuts to reduce the amount of deficit spending. Suggestions to reduce the budget were to eliminate the School Resource Officer in the amount of \$60,000.00 This action is strictly budgetary and will be reconsidered in the next school year. Eliminate the reimbursement of college courses, allow students to continue to attend Hudson Falls BOCES providing their own transportation. This creates a savings of \$20,000-\$24,000 annually. Consider looking at the amount of money spent transporting for sports. Requisition amounts have been reduced. With these additional cuts it brings the fund balance usage to \$440,884.00. It is estimated that the tax levy will be \$8.50 per thousand for the 2020-2021 school year.

PUBLIC

PARTICIPATION

There were no concerns at this time

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Robert Claus go into executive session at 7:48pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, promotion demotion discipline, suspension dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

All Board members voted Yes –5 No-0 Motion Carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Eric Welch, second by Kevin Kelly to move out of executive session at 9:15 no action taken.
All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0 Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Robert Claus to adjourn at 9:15 pm.
All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0 Motion Carried

District Clerk