# BOARD OF EDUCATION SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2014

### APPROVED AS WRITTEN - 1/28/15 - OFFICIAL COPY

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Sal Tripi, President Robert Scavo, Vice President Teri Ahearn Douglas Duncan, Jr. Michael J. Isernia, Esq. Dorothy Roberts Michael J. Timo Jeffrey Bai, Student Member
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Vic Canales Anthony Falco Brendan Lauth, Student Member
ALSO PRESENT:	James J. Nolan, Superintendent of Schools Gail Grenzig, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel Paul Manzo, Deputy Superintendent Jessica Schmettan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction - Elementary Bruce Singer, Associate Superintendent Chris Clayton, Esq. Carol Adelberg, District Clerk
CALL TO ORDER:	The regular meeting held at Samoset Middle School was called to order at 7:30pm by President Tripi.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	Mr. Tripi reopened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silent Meditation.
MINUTES:	Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a <b>Motion</b> was made by Ms. Isernia, seconded by Ms. Ahearn, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following minutes: November 5, 2014 – Work Session Meeting November 19, 2014 – Regular Meeting
RECOGNITIONS:	<ol> <li>North Boys Volleyball - State Champions</li> <li>East Girls Field Hockey - State Finalists</li> <li>North Boys Cross Country - County Champions</li> <li>East Girls Cross Country - County Champions</li> <li>Ryan Leone - News 12 Scholar/Athlete</li> </ol>
COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:	The Board heard comments and concerns from members of the audience.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS:**

## Consent Agenda

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve a consent agenda for the business items.

### Bid Award

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following bid awards:

The bid/RFP awards presented for action are:

	RFP/Bid Number & Title	Action
		<u>Required</u>
a.	B 14-512A Swimming Pool Chemicals & Supplies - Supplemental	Approve
b.	B 14-409B Project Adventure Course - Annual Inspection, Preventative	Approve
	Maintenance & Repair	
c.	B 14-86A Educational Assessment Testing - Materials & Supplies	Approve

#### Treasurer's Report

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the monthly Cash Reconciliation Report as of October 31, 2014 for each fund as submitted by the District Treasurer, Diane Kollmer.

FURTHER, that the Board of Education approve the monthly Budget Status Report as of October 31, 2014 as submitted by the District Treasurer, Diane Kollmer.

Treasurer's Report Revenues Expenditures Balance Sheets (as of October 31, 2014)

## PERSONNEL ITEMS

Consent Agenda Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve a consent agenda for the personnel items.

#### Leaves of Absence of Teaching Personnel

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the leaves of absence of teaching personnel as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Grade/Subject	School	Reason	<u>Dates</u>
Gibbons, Elizabeth	Physical Education	North	Child Care Leave	12/4/14-2/01/15
Hochmuth, Colleen	Mathematics	Sagamore	Child Care Leave	12/5/14-6/30/15
Ing, Michelle	Mathematics	Samoset	Child Care Leave	12/9/14-2/01/15
Martin, Kathryn	Elementary	Grundy	Child Care Leave	12/4/14-6/30/15

#### **Probationary Appointments of Teaching Personnel**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the appointment of probationary teachers as follows:

Name	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Lecarreaux, China	Elementary	Hiawatha	8-9	8/28/14*
O'Hara, Mary	School Media Specialist	Sagamore	2-6	1/5/15-1/4/18

\*Excessed teacher recalled. Previously tenured.

### Leave Replacements Appointments of Teaching Personnel

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the leave replacement appointments of teaching personnel as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Step</u>	Dates
Alfredson, Salvatore	Math	Sagamore	1-1	12/18/14-6/30/15
D'Auria, Jessica	Physical Education	Wenonah	1-4	12/18/14-6/30/15

### **Salary Changes for Teaching Personnel**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the salary changes for teaching personnel as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Date of</u> <u>Change</u>	<u>From Step</u>	<u>To Step</u>	<u>Salary</u> Difference
Benson, Kelly	Chippewa	8/28/14	7-6	7-7	2,698.00
Fernandez, Lori	Seneca	8/28/14	7-3	7-4	2,698.00
Holl, Erin	Sagamore	8/28/14	3-2	3-4	4,906.00
Isaksson, Aisha	Nokomis	8/28/14	7-8	7-9	2,698.00
Perun, Kathleen	Seneca	8/28/14	9-8	9-9	2,697.00
Sarvis, Denise	North	8/28/14	4-1	4-2	2,454.00
Sarvarese, Jaclyn	Samoset	8/28/14	11-4	11-5	2,698.00

#### Approval of Substitute Teachers

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the substitute teacher list as follows:

#### <u>Name</u>

Cervino, Jamie Lee Manfredi, Marissa

## **Termination/Resignation of Substitute Teachers**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the termination/resignation of substitute teachers as follows:

Name	Date
Andrews, Allison	12/8/14

Baranec, Kerri	12/8/14
Bellafiore, Bryan	12/3/14
Bradley, MaryKate	12/3/14
Coope, Jacqueline	12/3/14
Crisci, Michael	12/1/14
Dasaro, Jonathon	12/3/14
Gentzlinger, Peter	12/3/14
Grimm, Alexander	12/3/14
Hagan, Brian	12/3/14
Hennessy, April	12/5/14
Leselrod, Lorna	12/3/14
Lombardi, Jessica	12/5/14
O'Brien, Denise	12/3/14
Olsen, Michael	12/3/14
Palmieri, Jaclyn	12/9/14
Wehrheim, Kasey	12/8/14
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## **Resignation of Teaching Assistants**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the resignation of teacher assistants as follows:

Name	Grade/Subject	<u>School</u>	<b>Dates</b>
Colasanto, Amanda	Special Education Teaching	Administrative Office	12/3/14
	Assistant		

## **Resignation of Support Services Personnel (All Civil Service Classifications)**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the resignation of support services personnel (all Civil Service classifications) as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Position & Assignment	<u>Service Ends</u>
Landgrover, Kenneth	Campus Security	12/20/14
Scarpetta, Delia	Special Ed Aide/Wenonah	12/6/14

#### Termination of Support Services Personnel (All Civil Service Classifications)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the termination of support services personnel (all Civil Service classifications) as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Position & Assignment	<u>Service Ends</u>
Cruz, Jose Cristobal*	Custodian/East	11/24/14

\*Deceased

## Resignation/Termination of Substitute Support Services Personnel (Exempt, Labor and Non-Competitive)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the resignation/termination of substitute support

services personnel (exempt, labor and non-competitive) as follows:

Name	<u>Service Ends</u>
<u>Aide</u> Scaccio, Emily	12/9/14
Custodian	
Torregrosa, Paul	12/9/14

## Appointment of Support Services Personnel (Exempt, Labor and Non-Competitive)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the probationary appointment of support services personnel (exempt, labor and non-competitive) as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position &amp;</u> <u>Assignment</u>	<b>Base Salary</b>	Service Begins	<u>Probationary</u> <u>Appointment</u>
Ogiejko, Judy	Special Ed Aide/	\$11.68/hr.	1/5/15	None
	Samoset			
Scaccio, Emily	Special Ed Aide/	\$11.68/hr.	12/10/14	None
	Lynwood			
Torregrosa, Paul	Custodian/Waverly	\$51,032	12/10/14	90 days
				12/10/14-3/9/15

#### Appointment of Substitute Support Services Personnel (Exempt, Labor and Non-Competitive)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the substitute support services personnel (exempt, labor and non-competitive) as follows:

Name	Service Begins
Aide	
Fichera, Theresa	12/17/14
<u>Clerical</u>	
Grazia, Louise	12/17/14
Custodian	
Rickert, Michael Jr.	12/17/14
Nurse	
Dodenhoff, Michele	12/10/14
Hummel, John	12/10/14

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

## Mini Contracts:

### Consent Agenda

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve a consent agenda for mini contracts a –e.

### a. Approval of Agreement with Taylor Publishing Company

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the agreement between the Sachem Central School District and Taylor Publishing Company for providing Class of 2015 Yearbooks for Sachem High School North. The estimated cost for this service is \$35,200 for 550 copies paid for by the students. This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the school district's attorney.

## b. Approval of Special Education Services Agreement with West Islip UFSD 2014-15

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the agreement between Sachem Central School District and West Islip Union Free School District to provide special education services to parentally placed students with disabilities, when such students attend private schools in the West Islip UFSD but reside in Sachem CSD. The cost for these services is in accordance with Education Law Section 3602-c and the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, Part 177. The term of this agreement shall be from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

## c. Approval of Health and Welfare Services Agreement with West Islip UFSD 2014-15

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the agreement between Sachem Central School District and West Islip Union Free School District to provide health and welfare services to students who reside in the Sachem Central School District. The rate for this service is \$746.90 per student. The term of this agreement shall be from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the school district's attorney.

## d. Approval of Health and Welfare Service Agreement with Central Islip UFSD 2014-15

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the agreement between Sachem Central School District and Central Islip Union Free School District to provide health and welfare services to students who reside in the Sachem Central School District. The rate for this service is \$1,035.70 per student. The term of this agreement shall be from September 3, 2014 through June 26, 2015. This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the school district's attorney.

## e. <u>Approval of Agreement with AHRC/eWorks Electronic Services, Inc.</u>

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the agreement between Sachem Central School District and AHRC/eWorks Electronic Services, Inc. to provide recycling and disposal of computer equipment, hardware and other related devices. There will be no charges for this service. The term of this agreement will commence on the effective date and continue until terminated by the Parties. This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the school district's attorney.

## Approval of Healthplex/Dentcare Renewal Rates with J.J. Stanis and Company, Inc.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve thHealthplex/Dentcare renewal rates from J.J. Stanis and Company, Inc. The rates will remain the same. The e current rates are \$17.74 for individual coverage and \$43.49 for family coverage. These rates are effective January 1, 2015.

## Approval of Excess Major Medical Renewal Rates

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Timo, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the Excess Major Medical renewal rates from J.J. Stanis and Company, Inc. The current rates will continue as follows:

	Current Rates	Renewal Rates
Single Coverage	\$6.25	\$6.25
Family Coverage	\$15.00	\$15.00

There is no cost increase. This is fully paid by employees. There is no district contribution. The renewal is scheduled to take place effective January 1, 2015.

### **Donation - Lake Grove Lions Club**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to accept with gratitude, the donation of Wal Mart gift cards totaling \$1,200.00 from the Lake Grove Lions Club. Gift cards will be sent to Sachem High School North, Samoset Middle School, Gatelot, Cayuga and Wenonah Elementary Schools to be distributed to families in need as determined by school nurses and social workers.

### Adoption of Revised Purchasing Policies - 6700, 6740, 6740E - Second Reading

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to adopt as a second reading the following revised purchasing policies/exhibits:

Revised 6700 - Purchasing Revised 6740 - Purchasing Procedures Revised 6740E - Purchasing Procedures Exhibit

#### **Suspension of Policy 2410**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Scavo, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the suspension of Policy 2410, Formulation, Adoption, and Amendment of Policies, in order to adopt the revised the Wellness Policy normally requiring four weeks' notice for adoption.

#### Adoption of Revised Wellness Policy 5405

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Ms. Roberts, and carried unanimously (7-0) to adopt Revised Policy 5405 - Wellness Policy.

#### Approval of Municipal Continuing Disclosure Cooperative Resolution

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, NEW YORK, RELATING TO CONTINUING DISCLOSURE MATTERS APPLICABLE TO BONDS AND NOTES OF THE DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District, in the County of Suffolk, State of New York (the "District") has previously issued its bonds, bond anticipation notes and/or other debt obligations

(collectively, the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the issuance of certain of the Bonds and for purposes of assisting underwriters/purchasers to comply with Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the District has covenanted and/or entered into one or more undertakings or agreements to provide continuing disclosure (the "Continuing Disclosure Obligation") to the public marketplace; and

WHEREAS, in general the Continuing Disclosure Obligation requires the District to file certain financial information and notice of certain events in specified places and at specified times; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the sale of certain of the Bonds, the District issued one or more official statements that, among other things, described the District's Continuing Disclosure Obligation and whether or not the District had previously complied with its Continuing Disclosure Obligation in all material respects; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Enforcement (the "Enforcement Division") of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") announced its Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative (the "Initiative"), to address potentially materially inaccurate descriptions in official statements (made innocently, inadvertently or otherwise) of prior compliance with continuing disclosure obligations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the Initiative, the Enforcement Division will recommend "favorable settlement terms" for issuers and underwriters that self-report by 5:00 p.m., eastern standard time, on December 1, possible materially inaccurate statements in official statements in the last five years relating to prior compliance with continuing disclosure obligations by submitting a specified questionnaire (the "Questionnaire") to the Enforcement Division; and

WHEREAS, the District has been provided with a copy of the Initiative, a copy of an advisory and memorandum prepared by bond counsel to the District describing the Initiative, and a copy of the Questionnaire released by the Enforcement Division; and

WHEREAS, if an issuer takes advantage of the Initiative by self-reporting possible materially inaccurate statements and if any of such statements are determined to be materially inaccurate by the Enforcement Division, the Enforcement Division will recommend to the SEC a settlement in which (i) the issuer consents to a cease-and-desist order, (ii) the issuer neither admits nor denies the findings of the SEC and (iii) there is no payment of any civil penalty by the issuer; and

WHEREAS, any such settlement will require the issuer to (i) establish appropriate policies and procedures and training regarding continuing disclosure obligations within 180 days, (ii) comply with existing continuing disclosure undertakings, including updating past delinquent filings within 180 days, (iii) cooperate with any subsequent investigation by the Enforcement Division regarding the false statement(s), including the roles of individuals and/or other parties involved, (iv) disclose in a clear and conspicuous fashion the settlement terms in any final official statement for an offering by the issuer for five years and (v) provide the SEC staff with a compliance certification regarding the applicable undertakings by the issuer in one year; and

WHEREAS, the Initiative cautions that if an issuer does not take advantage of the Initiative by submitting a Questionnaire identifying any possible materially inaccurate statement with respect to prior compliance with a continuing disclosure obligation and the Enforcement Division later determines that such a materially inaccurate statement was made, then the Enforcement Division will likely recommend and seek financial sanctions against the issuer; and

WHEREAS, in light of the foregoing, the District has requested its financial advisor to examine and review the District's Continuing Disclosure Obligation and previous continuing disclosure filings and to report to the District any noncompliance with its Continuing Disclosure Obligation; and

WHEREAS, the District has received such report, and such report has been reviewed with its

#### bond counsel; and

WHEREAS, as a result of such review, it may be desirable for the District to take advantage of the Initiative by submitting one or more Questionnaires to the Enforcement Division identifying a statement with respect to prior compliance with its Continuing Disclosure Obligation that is potentially materially inaccurate; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with its financial advisor and bond counsel, the District is desirous of authorizing the submission of one or more Questionnaires to the Enforcement Division;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Authorization to Submit Questionnaire</u>. The President of the Board of Education, the Vice-President of the Board of Education, and Assistant Superintendent for Business are each hereby authorized to take advantage of the Initiative by executing and submitting on behalf of the District one or more Questionnaires to the Enforcement Division by the December 1, 2014, deadline established by the Initiative.

Section 2. <u>Various Incidental Actions</u>. The President of the Board of Education, the Vice-President of the Board of Education, and the Assistant Superintendent for Business are each hereby authorized to execute and deliver all documents and instruments and to do all matters and things as may be necessary, useful, convenient or desirable in connection with the foregoing.

Section 3. <u>Prior Action</u>. All action heretofore taken by the District relating to the foregoing is hereby ratified, confirmed, adopted and approved, including without limitation requesting the financial advisor to undertake the continuing disclosure review described in this resolution and seeking advice and assistance of bond counsel in respect thereto.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

#### **Approval of Payment to Given Associates**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the payment of \$2,100.00 to Given Associates for the appraisal of real property located at 950 Grundy Avenue, Holbrook NY.

## Approval of Renewal with Global Compliance Network, Inc.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the renewal of the software package of unlimited tutorials from Global Compliance Network, Inc. which provides online Human Resources, OSHA and Professional Development tutorials and any new tutorials developed during the license period for a complete 12 months (January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015). The cost of this unlimited tutorials package is \$1,400 and will be paid through the General Fund.

#### Appointment of Position for the 2014-15 School Year

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the appointment of the following personnel for positions as indicated for the 2014-15 school year:

<u>Principal Aide</u> Laura Wasdo – Hiawatha

### Approval of Extracurricular Club/Activity for the 2014-15 School Year

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Scavo, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following extracurricular club/activity for the 2014-15 school year:

<u>School</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Advisor</u>
East	Math Honor Society	William Carmon

#### **Approval of Resolution ACA for Ongoing Employees**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the resolution to define the parameters for the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for ongoing employees in order to establish eligibility for health insurance coverage.

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act authorizes the Sachem Central School District to determine full-time status of ongoing employees in order to establish eligibility for health insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, eligibility will be determined prior to the start of the health plan year each year; and

WHEREAS, the regulations under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act allow for lookback measurement periods to be used for ongoing employees to determine whether an employee is a fulltime employee; and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District desires to establish a look-back standard measurement period, administrative period and stability period for its ongoing employees; and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District provides a health plan and is a participating municipality under the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP); and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District's health plan year is a calendar year which runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the standard measurement period for ongoing employees shall be a period of 12 consecutive months to be measured from November 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> the following year, beginning with November 1, 2014 and continuing each year thereafter; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the administrative period for ongoing employees shall be a period of 61 days to begin immediately after the standard measurement period on November 1<sup>st</sup> and continue until December 31<sup>st</sup>; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the stability period for ongoing employees, determined to have averaged at least 30 hours of service per week (130 hours of service per calendar month) during the standard measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period on January 1<sup>st</sup> and continue until December 31<sup>st</sup>, beginning with January 1, 2016 and continuing each year thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for ongoing employees, determined not to have averaged 30 hours of service or more per week (130 hours of service or more per calendar month) during the standard measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin

immediately after the administrative period on January 1<sup>st</sup> and continue until December 31<sup>st</sup>, beginning with January 1, 2016 and continuing each year thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the Sachem Central School District reserves the right to elect to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees who are not currently provided insurance coverage or to elect not to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees.

### Approval of Resolution ACA for New Variable Hour Employees

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Scavo, seconded by Ms. Ahearn, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the resolution to define the parameters of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for new variable hour employees in order to establish eligibility for health insurance coverage.

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2013, the Sachem Central School District adopted the attached resolution establishing measurement periods for new variable hour employees; and

WHEREAS, the practice has been to begin the initial measurement period for new variable hour employees on the first day of the first calendar month following the employee's start date; and

WHEREAS, the term "new variable hour employee" includes new part-time employees and new seasonal employees; and

WHEREAS, an administrative period was not included in the resolution, however the School District intends to utilize an administrative period; and

WHEREAS, a full time employee under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act includes those employee who average at least 30 hours of service per week or 130 hours of service per calendar month; and

WHEREAS, reference to "proposed regulations" is no longer necessary as same have been subsequently finalized; and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District reserves the right to elect to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees who are not currently provided insurance coverage or to elect not to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees; and

NOW THEREFORE, the attached resolution adopted December 18, 2013 is amended, effective December 18, 2013, in accordance with the foregoing, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act authorizes the Sachem Central School District to determine full-time status of new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees in order to establish eligibility for health insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the regulations under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act allow for lookback measurement periods to be used for new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees to determine whether an employee is a full-time employee; and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District desires to establish a look-back initial measurement period, administrative period and stability period for its new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees; and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District provides a health plan and is a participating municipality under the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP); and

WHEREAS, the Sachem Central School District's health plan year is a calendar year which runs

from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the initial measurement period for new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees shall be a period of 12 consecutive months which shall begin the first day of the first calendar month following the employee's start date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the administrative period for new variable hour/new parttime/new seasonal employees shall be a period which shall begin at the end of the initial measurement period and shall continue through the end of the first full calendar month beginning on or after the end of the initial measurement period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees, determined to have averaged at least 30 hours of service per week (130 hours of service a calendar month) during the initial measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees, determined not to have averaged 30 hours of service or more per week (130 hours of service or more per calendar month) during the initial measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the Sachem Central School District reserves the right to elect to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees who are not currently provided insurance coverage or to elect not to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees.

#### Appointment of Individual Nurses for the 2014-15 School Year

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Ms. Ahearn, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the appointment of the following Individual Nurses for the 2014-15 school year:

Dodenhoff, Michele

### Approval of District Wide Lifeguards

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Ms. Ahearn, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following personnel as District Wide Lifeguards for the 2014-15 school year as follows:

Tutone, Christopher

#### **Approval of Athletic Trip**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Scavo, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the following Athletic Trip.

The Sachem East Girls Winter Track Team will be attending the Rhode Island Classic Invitational on December 26-27, 2014. This invitational will be held at the Providence Career & Technical Academy in Providence, Rhode Island.

#### **Recommendations from the Committee on Special Education**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded

by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to accept the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education for the following meetings:

12/4, 12/5, 12/9, 12/10, 12/11, 12/15, 12/16, 12/17

### **Reinstatement of Policy 2410**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a **Motion** was made by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Isernia, and carried unanimously (7-0) to approve the reinstatement of Policy 2410, Formulation, Adoption, and Amendment of Policies

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

#### Damage & Loss Summary

The summary report reflects damage and loss for the period ending November 2014.

#### **Determinations from the Committee on Preschool Special Education**

The determinations from the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the following dates are on file in the office of the District Clerk:

12/5, 12/8, 12/10, 12/16, 12/17

#### **Board of Education Sub Committees**

- 1. Sachem Legislative Committee Mr. Nicosia provided an update.
- 2. Sachem Citizens' Advisory Audit Committee
- 3. Sachem Budget Advisory Committee

#### 2014-15 Updates to the Board

- 1. Substance Abuse Initiative with County
- 2. Field Testing

#### 2014-15 Board Goals

Goal #1 - Provide Safe and Secure Schools

The Board is dedicated to maintaining a safe, secure and orderly environment where anti-bullying and character education programs will be utilized K-12 to promote positive peer relationships, and successful student learning environments.

Goal #2 - Enhance Student Achievement, Quality of Instruction and Leadership Skills

The Board is committed to implementing a curriculum which incorporates critical thinking, collaboration, creativity and civic responsibility. The curriculum is supported by a K-12 Curriculum Council of educators and administrators. Graduates will be college ready and be prepared for 21<sup>st</sup> century careers.

### Goal #3 - Improve Parent, Community and Staff Communication

Continue to enhance communication through a variety of print media and technology resources in an effort to be environmentally responsible.

Goal #4 - Improve Fiscal Responsibility and Accountability throughout the District

Continue to focus on balancing the needs of students with taxpayer sensitivity.

### Goal #5 - Technology Integration

Curriculum will require students to exhibit a range of functional and critical thinking skills related to information media and technology.

Goal #6 - Committed to Providing the Staff With the Necessary Tools and Support to Provide the Students With the Highest Quality Education

Creating an environment conducive to personal and career growth. Encouraging employees to reach their full potential and positively impact the sachem students. Encouraging and empowering employees to think outside of the box, make recommendations for improvement in order to help students reach new levels of success. Encouraging participation in district activities/events aimed at improved employee and student moral and increased community involvement. Making Sachem a great place to work, live and learn.

### Goal #7 - We Are Sachem

The Board is dedicated to promoting one Sachem family and collaboration amongst our 18 schools. This will support consistent academic programs and activities.

## **PRESENTATION:**

1. Facilities – Following a discussion, there was a consensus of the Board not to entertain closing of schools absent an unforeseen and catastrophic event.

## COMMENTS FROM

VISITORS None.

## FUTURE AGENDA

**ITEMS:** 1. The movement of the monuments from 245 Union Avenue

## NEXT MEETING:

The next Work Session meeting of the Board of Education will be held on January 7, 2015 at 7:30 PM in the Board Room at Samoset Middle School.

## EXECUTIVE

- SESSION: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Scavo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to convene into Executive Session at 9:35pm to discuss a specific personnel item.
- ADJOURN: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, a Motion was made by Mr. Isernia, seconded by Mr. Timo, and carried unanimously (7-0) to adjourn at 10:07pm

Respectfully submitted,