

**SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2022
7:00 PM SCHOOL LIBRARY**

- I. Call to order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of the Minutes of the Board Meeting
 - A. May 28, 2022 Regular Meeting
 - B. June 20, 2022 Special Meeting

- Public Participation

- Shared Decision Making Committee report

- IV. Financial Reports
 - A. Approval of Warrant #13
 - B. Treasurer's Report/Budget Status
 - C. Extra-Curricular Report

- V. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Recognize Retirees
 - B. Accept donation from Higgins Adventure Group
 - C. Organizational Date July 1, 2022 Time?- July 15
 - D. Discussion on Center Based Pre K classroom

- VII. Board Discussion and Action Items
 - A. CSE/CPSE/504 Recommendations
 - B. Appoint Extra Curricular 2022-2023
 - C. Appoint 1.0 Elementary Teacher
 - D. Approve Girvin & Ferlazzo retainer Agreement 2022-2023
 - E. Approve Cooperative Purchasing Agreement
 - F. Approve Special Education School Age Summer School

- Policy #3000-3310
- 2nd Read #4000-4850

- VII. Public Participation

- IX. Executive Session (if needed and called)
- X. Adjournment

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SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
SCHOOL LIBRARY
May 26, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Susan Repko (By phone @7:50)
Bruce Murdock
Kevin Kelly
Jared Whitley
Codie Aiken

BOARD CLERK

Lisa DeZalia

OTHERS PRESENT:

Supt. Gratto	Naomi Smith
Danielle Fosella	Carissa Mangan
Tamara Belanger	Teal Pitkin
Valerie LeBlanc	Melissa Whitley
Laura Corey	Amanda Drake
Jeanette Weber	Lyle Hartwell
Lee Silvernail	Becky Hartwell
Michele Crandall	Jayden Arnold
Brianna Barrett	Monique O'Connor
Angela Slaterpryce	Kateryna Otruba
Mrs. Otruba	

MEETING TO ORDER

President Jared Whitley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
Those present pledged allegiance to the flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

President Whitley called for a moment of silence for the families in Texas.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the minutes of April 28, 2022
All Board members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made Kevin Kelly, second by Bruce Murdock to approve the minutes of May 10, 2022
All Board members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried

PREVIOUS MINUTES

A motion was made Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to approve the minutes of May 17, 2022
All Board members voted Yes-4 No- 0 motion carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jeanette Weber spoke on behalf of the SLTA, and asked that the Board pause and reflect as to why we are losing exceptional teachers. The association is respectfully asking the Board to table the contracts of the Superintendent and Principal. It is important to have some genuine conversation as to why we are losing exceptional staff. Several members of the community would like to see the Resource Officer

brought back to the school building, The Resource Officer was taken out of the budget, however more discussion will be necessary in the months ahead.

Staff retention was also concern and it seems as though many people are going to homeschool.

TREASURER'S REPORT A motion was made by Kevin Kelly second by Bruce Murdock to accept the Treasurer's Report dated 5/09/2022 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes- 4 No- 0 motion carried.

CERTIFICATION OF WARRANT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve Warrant #10 dated 5/09/22 as presented All Board Members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

EXTRA CURRICULAR REPORT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to accept the Extra Curricular Report dated 4/30/22 All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried.

SUPT REPORT Mr. Gratto reported that the US History Regents exam was cancelled and any student that was scheduled to take this exam will receive an exemption on their transcript. He also reported that APPR has been revoked by the state for this school year. He reported on the end of the year schedule. Regents will take place from June 15th- June 23. There will be no school on June 20th and the Middle school retreat will take place in Newcomb on June 21-23. Elementary students will be dismissed at 12:30 on these days as well. Friday the 24th will be the last Supt. Conference Day and Graduation will be outside (weather permitting) at 7:00 PM It will be a busy end to the school year.

The reorganizational meeting will be held on Friday July 1, 2022 at 7:00 PM

DONATIONS ACCEPTED A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to accept the \$2700 donation from the Adirondack Foundation to purchase Videography Equipment and a \$500 donation from Mountain Petroleum = To cover the cost of shirts for the newly formed trap shooting team. All Board members voted Yes- 4 No- motion carried

PTSO PLAYGROUD PRESENTATION Melissa Whitley and Amanda Drake spoke on behalf of the PTSO and shared their vision to update the current playground to make it more handicap accessible. At this time no child in a wheelchair would be able to access the playground equipment. It is important to make it more inclusive. Big Dreams/ Big Goals. The total cost could be around \$200,000 depending on what pieces of equipment they purchase. They will fundraise and they have been made aware of thirty eight different grants that they can apply for to help offset the cost. Mr. Murdock stated that it is a great concept, however, depending on how big they go, State Ed may have to get involved.

CSE A motion was made by Jared Whitley, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the
RECS CSE/504/CPSE recommendations as presented for # 10491, 40176, 40179,
APPROVED 10780,40169, 40229
All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

PROPOSED RESOLUTION GRANTING TENURE

Motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken
"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 Monique O'Connor probationary teacher having been appointed to the position of Elementary teacher by resolution of this Board beginning September 4, 2018 be appointed to position of teacher in the Elementary tenure area. It having been shown that Ms. O'Connor 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 Monique O'Connor to teach in this district will expire on June 30, 2022. The Board of Education of the Schroon Lake School District does hereby grant tenure and appoint to tenure Monique O'Connor effective August 31, 2022 to the position of Elementary teacher.
All members voted Yes-4 No-0 Motion passed

PROPOSED RESOLUTION GRANTING TENURE

Motion was made by Codie Aiken, second by Bruce Murdock
"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 Melissa Whitley probationary teacher having been appointed to the position of Teaching Assistant by resolution of this Board beginning September 4,2018 be appointed to position of teacher assistant in the assistant tenure area. The probationary period of Melissa Whitley to be a teaching assistant in this district will expire on June 30, 2022. The Board of Education of the Schroon Lake School District does hereby grant tenure and appoint to tenure Melissa Whitley effective August 31,2022 to the position of teaching assistant.
All members voted Yes-3 No-0 Abstain- 1 (Jared Whitley) Motion passed

PROPOSED RESOLUTION GRANTINGTENURE

Motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken
"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 Michele Crandall probationary School psychologist having been appointed to the position by resolution of this Board beginning September 1,2018 be appointed in this tenure area. The probationary period of Michele Crandall to be a school psychologist in this district will expire on June 30,2022. The Board of Education of the Schroon Lake School District does hereby grant tenure and appoint to tenure Michele Crandall effective August 31, 2022.
All members voted Yes-4 No-0 Motion passed

BOE
APPOINTS
SCHOOL
NURSE

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Bruce Murdock to appoint Linda Leavens as the school nurse effective September 6, 2022. This appointment carries a six month probationary period beginning September 6, 2022 and ending on March 6, 2023. Mrs. Leavens will be compensated Step 3 (\$35,531.00) of the salary schedule negotiated with the Schroon Lake Central Teachers Association. All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried

BOE
APPOINTS
ELEMENTARY
TEACHER

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to appoint Kateryna Otruba as a 1.0 Elementary teacher effective September 6, 2022. This appointment begins a four year probationary period in the Elementary tenure area, to expire on June 30, 2026. Ms. Otruba will be compensated Step 1 Bachelors (\$46,382.00) as negotiated in the SLTA contract. All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

BOE
APPOINTS
READING
TEACHER

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to appoint Korrie Flemming as a 1.0 Reading teacher effective September 6, 2022. This appointment begins a three year probationary period in the Reading tenure area, to expire on June 30,2025. Mrs. Flemming will be compensated Step 10 Masters (\$64,830.00) as negotiated in the SLTA contract. All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried

BOE
ACCEPT
RESIGNATION

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Bruce Murdock to regretfully accept the resignation of Michele Crandall as school psychologist and Director of Special Education. effective June 30,2022 All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

BOE
ACCEPT
RESIGNATION

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jared Whitley to regretfully accept the resignation of Sarah Silvernail as Elementary teacher effective June 25, 2022 All Board members voted Yes- 3 No-1- (Kevin Kelly) motion carried

BOE
ACKNOWLEDGED
RESIGNATION

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jared Whitley to regretfully acknowledge the resignation of Tabitha Gillings as Elementary teacher effective June 25, 2022. All Board members voted Yes- 2 No--2 (Kevin Kelly & Codie Aiken) letter acknowledged

President Whitley thanked them for their service to the district and wished them well in their new endeavors.

Summer School Appointment

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by second by Codie Aiken to appoint Laura Corey as a teacher for the mid/high summer school program. Ms. Corey will be compensated \$41.21 per hour during the 2022-2023 school year. All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

BOE ACCEPTS CONTRACTS

A motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Bruce Murdock, to approve the contract of The District Treasurer as presented. Mrs. Fosella will be compensated \$81,323.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried

The Superintendent contract and Principals contract were tabled

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock second by Kevin Kelly to approve the Labor Relations Intermunicipal Agreement with Cocksackie-Athens Central School District as presented for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes-4 No-0 motion carried

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock second by Codie Aiken to approve the resolution designating Bernard P. Donegan as Municipal Advisor to the Schroon Lake Central School District for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 4 No- 0 motion carried

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the resolution approving the engagement letter of Harris Beach for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 4 No- 0 motion carried

BOE APPROVES SOCCER MERGER Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Codie Aiken to approve the soccer merger with Newcomb Central School for the 2022-2023 school year. All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

POLICY- 2nd read A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the 2nd read of Policy # 1500-1925 and 2000-2560 All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 motion carried

POLICY -1 read A first read was completed of policy #3000-3310 and # 4000-4850

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION There were no concerns for public participation

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to go into executive session at 7:50 PM for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law. All Board members voted Yes- 4 No-0 Motion carried

Susan Repko joined the meeting by phone @ 7:50 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to move out of executive session at 9:40 PM All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0 Motion Carried

BOE APPROVES CONTRACT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the contract of Stephen Gratto as presented. Mr. Gratto will be compensated \$149,816.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All Board members voted Yes- 3 No-2 (Codie Aiken & Jared Whitley) motion carried

BOE APPROVES CONTRACT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to approve the contract of Tamara Belanger as presented. Mrs. Belanger will be compensated \$97,850.00 for the 2022-2023 school year. All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to adjourn at 9:42 PM All Board members voted Yes - 5 No-0 Motion Carried

SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
SCHOOL LIBRARY

June 20, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Susan Repko
Bruce Murdock
Kevin Kelly
Jared Whitley
Codie Aiken

OTHERS PRESENT:
Supt. Gratto
Danielle Fosella

BOARD CLERK
Lisa DeZalia

MEETING TO ORDER President Jared Whitley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Those present pledged allegiance to the flag.

EXECUTIVE SESSION A motion was made by Susan Repko, second by Codie Aiken to go into executive session at 7:01 PM for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, 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 Susan Repko, second by Kevin Kelly to move out of executive session at 8:07 PM
All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0 motion Carried

BOE APPROVES CONTRACT A motion was made by Kevin Kelly, second by Bruce Murdock to reaffirm the contract of Superintendent Gratto for the 2022-2023 school year.
All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

BOE APPROVES AMENDMENTS A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Susan Repko to approve the amendments to Superintendent Gratto’s contract as presented.
All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0 motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Kevin Kelly to adjourn at 8:10 PM Yes – 5 No-0 motion Carried

District Clerk

Appointment

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by _____, second by _____ to appoint Daniel Rice as a 1.0 Elementary teacher. Mr. Rice will be placed on a four year tenure track beginning September 6, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2026. Mr. Rice will be compensated Step 5 M \$56,535.00 for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- No- motion carried

Approve Retainer Agreement

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Gratto, a motion was made by _____, second by _____ to approve the retainer agreement letter with Girvin and Ferlazzo as presented for the 2022-2023 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- No- motion carried

GIRVIN FERLAZZO, PC

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June 14, 2022

Steve Gratto, Superintendent
Schroon Lake CSD
PO Box 338, North Main St
Schroon Lake, NY 12870

RE: **Fee Agreement for the 2022-23 School Year**

Dear Superintendent Gratto:

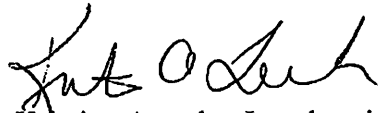
Enclosed please find our retainer agreement for the 2022-2023 School Year. Please note, in light of the increase in prices all around us we were forced to raise our rates slightly this year.

Please review the Agreement, and if all is satisfactory, sign and return to our office at your earliest convenience. Thank you for allowing Girvin and Ferlazzo, PC the opportunity to assist your School District.

Very truly yours,

GIRVIN & FERLAZZO, P.C.

By:



Kristine Amodeo Lanchantin

School District Legal Counsel Agreement

This agreement is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2022, by and between the **SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT** with its offices located at North Main Street, Schroon Lake, NY 12870 hereinafter referred to as the “**DISTRICT**,” and **GIRVIN & FERLAZZO P.C.**, with its offices located at 20 Corporate Woods Blvd, Albany, New York 12211, hereinafter referred to as the “**FIRM**”.

The District hereby retains and employs the Firm as its general legal counsel to provide the District comprehensive legal advice and consultation regarding legal matters which might arise in the course of the District’s operations and as requested by the District and as are more specifically set forth below.

1. The Firm will provide School District legal services for any school district matters including but not limited to labor relations and general education law services on an hourly fee basis for all legal services.

2. The Firm will coordinate to meet the District’s needs. Such work may be required during particular hours, on particular days or in a particular location, in order to complete the assignment. The Firm will coordinate with the District to minimize the disruption to staff and students.

3. In consideration of the foregoing, the District hereby agrees to compensate the Firm as follows:

- Services will be billed at the attorney hourly rate of \$190.00 and paralegal hourly rate of \$80.00 for all general labor and education law services except for special education, construction matters, litigation and hearings.
- Legal services for special education, litigation and hearings will be billed at the litigation attorney hourly rate of \$210.00 and paralegal hourly rate of \$80.00. “Litigation” refers to matters under the jurisdiction of the state and federal courts and/or agencies. “Hearings” are defined as any proceeding in which witnesses will be called, sworn, examined, and cross examined before an independent finder of fact who will decide or recommend the outcome of the case.
- Construction matters will be billed at \$215.00 per hour.
- Other Billable/Reimbursable items:

Only significant costs or expenses which are incurred by the Firm on behalf of the District will be billed to the District. Such costs are large photocopying projects, large postage fees, stenographic reporters’ fees, witness fees and court costs. Travel to the District or routine office costs such as local telephone costs, faxes, routine copies, etc. will not be billable to the District.

4. The Firm is an independent contractor and not an employee of the District. The Firm is not entitled to any benefit plan afforded to the employees of the District. The Firm is responsible for payment of taxes due for payments under this Agreement.

5. Payment pursuant to this Agreement is dependent upon the satisfactory completion of work, faithful compliance with the Agreement, acceptance of work by District, and periodic submission of invoice(s) describing work performed.

6. The Firm shall observe and require the observance by all its employees of all applicable Federal and New York State requirements relating to the confidentiality of records and information provided to the Firm by the District, including but not limited to, student records.

7. All records generated by the Firm as a result of rendering services under this agreement shall be the property of the District and maintained in District files. The firm may maintain duplicate records for its purpose consistent with confidentiality requirements.

8. The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. The District may, in its sole discretion, for any reason, terminate this Agreement earlier than June 30, 2023, upon thirty (30) days' written notice from the District to the Firm, subject only to payment of earned fees, including a pro rata determination of the paid retainer, and disbursements as of the date of termination. The Firm shall also have the right to terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year first written above.

SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

By: _____
Superintendent of Schools

GIRVIN & FERLAZZO, P.C.

By: 
Kristine A. Lanchantin, Esq.

Extra Curricular Appointments 2022-2023

Summer School 6-12	\$ 41.21 per hour	Laura Corey
Varsity Girls Soccer	\$3120	Marylou Shaughnessy
Senior Class Advisor	\$2448	
Junior Class Advisor (To be shared equally)	\$2237	Melissa Whitley Amanda Drake
Sophomore Class Advisor (To be shared equally)	\$1351	Rebecca Hartwell Suzanne Hurtado
Freshmen Class Advisor (To be shared equally)	\$1141	Anita Masiello Sharon Smith
Yearbook Advisor	\$2494	Melissa Whitley
Extra Curricular Treasurer	\$2350	Beth Root
NHS Advisor	\$867	Angela Slaterpryce
Student Council	\$1777	Anita Masiello
Musical Director	\$3167	Wendy Sargent
Costumes	\$928	Wendy Sargent
Accompanist	\$1030	Mike Tracy



**St. Lawrence-Lewis
BOCES**

*Building Futures *
Creating Meaningful Lives*

Board of Cooperative Educational Services

**Thomas R. Burns
District Superintendent
Executive Officer**

Cooperative Purchasing

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**Darlene Bessette
Supervisor of Purchasing Services**

**St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES
Cooperative Purchasing Agreement**

All school districts participating in the St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES Cooperative Purchasing program through annual board resolution, agree to the following:

- 1.) To bid jointly any or all commodities on the attached list together with a number of public school districts comprising Clinton-Essex, Franklin-Essex, Jefferson-Lewis and St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES in New York State.
- 2.) The school district will participate with other schools in the BOCES listed above in the joint bidding of any or all commodities on the attached list as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0.
- 3.) The school district agrees to appoint the St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Agent and related committees to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting results to the boards of education and making recommendations thereon.
- 4.) The Board of Education of the school district agrees to appoint the St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Agent and related committees to represent it in all matters related above.
- 5.) The Board of Education of the school district authorizes the above mentioned to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of any and /or all commodities on the attached list.
- 6.) The Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of cooperative bidding.
- 7.) The Board of Education agrees:
 - a.) To abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards;
 - b.) That unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Agent and related committees.
 - c.) That after the award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations with the successful bidder(s).



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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION


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Management Services	
Business Office	FAX 518-561-9382
Employee Services	FAX 518-324-6612

CVES MISSION

Champlain Valley Educational Services empowers students, schools and communities by providing exemplary education, training, support and shared services.

To: Chief School Officers

From: Mark C. Davey, Ed.D. 
District Superintendent

Date: June 1, 2022

Re: **Special Education School-Age Summer School 2023 Reminder**

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding pertaining to Special Education School-Age Summer School. The CEWW Board of Cooperative Educational Services passed the following resolution at their August 18, 2021 meeting which allows BOCES to provide Special Education School-Age Summer School for 2022:

WHEREAS, the stated vision of CEWW BOCES is to “meet the needs and expectations of our component schools, the communities and all learners who are affected by our services,” and such vision is central to the desire of the Districts who wish to continue to have CEWW BOCES provide regional Special Education School- Age Summer School; and

WHEREAS, CEWW BOCES provides Special Education School-Age Summer School services in a cost-effective manner, due to the ability of CEWW BOCES to offer and provide services to multiple Districts which are able to share costs; and

WHEREAS, the CEWW BOCES has received written notification from the following school districts indicating their commitment to participate in the 2022 Special Education School-Age Summer School and to pay the actual costs of operating the 2022 summer program, notwithstanding State Education Department tuition rates: AuSable Valley, Beekmantown, Boquet Valley, Chazy Union Free, Crown Point, Keene, Moriah, Northeastern Clinton, Northern Adirondack, Peru, Plattsburgh City, Saranac, Schroon Lake, Ticonderoga, Willsboro;

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that after diligently analyzing written notices provided by component Districts via Board Resolution, committing to pay the actual costs of operating the 2022 summer program, notwithstanding State Education Department tuition rates, the CEWW Board of Cooperative Educational Services authorizes the CEWW BOCES Special Education Director to provide 2022 Special Education School-Age Summer School.

The CEWW BOCES Board also passed the following resolution regarding Special Education School-Age Summer School for 2023. The resolution entails that "if component districts commit by board resolution to pay the actual costs of operating the 2023 summer program, notwithstanding State Education Department tuition rates, as indicated by written notice from those Districts, no later than August 1, 2022; CEWW BOCES will diligently analyze its ability to provide services in summer 2023, based in part on the number of component participants and students".

WHEREAS, the stated vision of CEWW BOCES is to “meet the needs and expectations of our component schools, the communities and all learners who are affected by our services,” and such vision is central to the desire of the Districts who wish to continue to have CEWW BOCES provide regional Special Education School- Age Summer School; and

WHEREAS, CEWW BOCES provides Special Education School-Age Summer School services in a cost-effective manner, due to the ability of CEWW BOCES to offer and provide services to multiple Districts which are able to share costs; and

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED, that if component Districts commit by Board Resolution to pay the actual costs of operating the 2023 summer program, not-withstanding State Education Department tuition rates, as indicated by written notice from those Districts, no later than August 1, 2022; CEWW BOCES will diligently analyze its ability to provide services in summer 2023, based in part, on the number of component participants and students; and

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this RESOLUTION or any application of the RESOLUTION shall be found contrary to law, then such RESOLUTION or application shall not be deemed to be valid and subsisting, except to the extent permitted by law.

Please consider passing the attached resolution at your reorganizational meeting in July 2022 (or before) to participate in CEWW BOCES 2023 Special Education School-Age Summer School.

Thank you once again.

MCD:mr

RESOLUTION
(District to Participate in BOCES Summer School 2023)

WHEREAS, the _____ District and its Board of Education have consistently appreciated, relied upon and subscribed to this region's Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) shared services for special education summer programming, on behalf of particular students who have individual education plans (IEPs) calling for such specialized summer services; and

WHEREAS, this region's BOCES has the specialized administrative staff, program staff, facilities, expertise and general mission to provide for such services that are generally not feasible for individual component school districts to implement as efficiently and cost-effectively, as the BOCES offers this service on a shared basis for the component school districts and their Boards of Education; and

WHEREAS, the _____ District cannot provide special education school-age summer school services in a more cost-effective manner than BOCES, due to the ability of BOCES to offer and provide services to multiple districts who are able to share costs; therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED that the _____ District intends to participate in the 2023 Special Education School-Age Summer School, and agrees to pay the actual CEWW BOCES costs for the 2023 summer school; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no later than August 1, 2022, the Clerk of the Board shall notify the CEWW BOCES in writing of the District's commitment as described herein and the District's intent to participate in the 2023 Special Education School-Age Summer School. A copy of this adopted resolution is to be provided to the CEWW BOCES and its District Superintendent.