

SCHROON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Auditorium  
January 22, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jared Whitley  
Valerie LeBlanc  
Bruce Murdock  
Jennifer Pitkin  
Codie Aiken

OTHERS PRESENT:

Supt. Pemrick      Hayden Reidy  
Michele Crandall    Miranda Sheffer  
Kevin Planty        Sharon Smith  
Tim Sheridan        Megan DeZalia  
Chris Savarie        Justice Hurtado

BOARD CLERK

Lisa DeZalia

STUDENT MEMBER

Carly Smith

MEETING  
TO ORDER

President Jared Whitley called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm

Those present pledged allegiance to the flag.

AGENDA  
APPROVAL

A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to approve the agenda with the addition of the sports merger with Bolton. All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

PREVIOUS  
MINUTES

A motion was made by Jennifer Pitkin, second by Bruce Murdock to approve the minutes of December 18, 2025 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes-5 No- 0 motion carried.

STUDENT  
AMBASSADOR  
REPORT

Carly Smith gave an overview of the basketball season and reported that the Cheer Camp event was a huge success. Up Yonder Farm brought the planetarium back this year. The elementary grades enjoy this event and learning about the stars. Student Council will begin the Souper Bowl Event, collecting food items for the food pantry.

CERTIFICATION  
OF WARRANT

A motion was made by Codie Aiken, second by Bruce Murdock to approve Warrant #12 dated 12/18/2025 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

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A motion was made by Codie Aiken, second by Jennifer Pitkin to approve Warrant #13 dated 12/18/2025 as presented. All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

CERTIFICATION OF WARRANT A motion was made by Jennifer Pitkin, second by Jared Whitley to approve Warrant #14 dated 1/8/2026 as presented.  
All Board Members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

BUDGET STATUS A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to approve the current budget status dated 1-12-2026 as presented  
All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REPORT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jared Whitley to approve the payroll distribution report dated 12/01/2025- 12/31/2025.  
All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

EXTRA CURRICULAR REPORT A motion was made by Jennifer Pitkin, second by Bruce Murdock to approve the extra curricular report dated 12/01/2025 through 12/30/2025 as presented.  
All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

#### **BOE ACCEPTS AUDIT REPORT**

WHEREAS, the Schroon Lake Central School District is required to engage an independent certified public accounting firm to conduct an annual audit of the financial operations of the District; and WHEREAS, the aforesaid audits have been prepared by Telling & Hillman, PC for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025; and WHEREAS, the Audit Committee has received, examined and discussed the financial statements as presented; The Board approves the audited financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

2. Board approves the corrective action plan relating to the management letter for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025

3. Board approves the extraclassroom audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 and RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the June 30, 2025 Schroon Lake Central School District audited financial statements; and THEREFORE BE IT

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is authorized to file the June 30, 2025 Audited Financial Statements with the New York State Commissioner of Education in accordance with Education Law 2116-a(3)(a) and the Commissioners' Regulation Section 170.12(e)(2).

The above resolution was motioned by Jennifer Pitkin, second by Bruce Murdock  
All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0

FISCAL  
EDUCATION  
REPORT

Hayden Reidy gave a brief report on the revenue status reports

SUPT  
REPORT

Supt Pemrick reported that the principal search is open and currently there are five applicants. She presented each Board member with a copy of The Miraculous Journey of Edward Toulaine which is the book that was chosen for the One School One Book program It is so fun for everyone to read together. Sport sign ups have closed with great interest in Trap, Flag Football and Baseball. At this time there were not enough girls to make a Softball Team so the merge with Bolton will be approved for the spring 2026 season. The Accountability Card continues to be used for students on the ineligibility list. The card must be signed by all teachers of classes the Student is not passing in order for them to remain eligible for extra curricular activities. This program has been very successful

BOE APPROVES  
CSE/ CPSE  
RECS

A motion was made by Codie Aiken, second by Bruce Murock to approve the CSE/CPSE recommendations for #40174, 40304, 16091 10780, 40305 and 10580.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

**BOE APPOINTS LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Jennifer Pitkin, second by Bruce Murdock to appoint Amanda Grey as a long term certified substitute teacher beginning on February 2, 2026- February 13, 2026. Ms. Grey will be compensated \$278.74 per day

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

**BOE APPOINTS SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_ to appoint Megan DeZalia as a 1.0 special education teacher beginning on February 23, 2025 Mrs. DeZalia will be placed on Step 1 of the SLTA salary schedule \$50,452.00. This amount will be prorated for the 2025-2026 school year. ( \$278.74 per day) This position carries a four year tenure period in the area of Special Education/ Elementary beginning on February 23, 2026 and ending on February 23, 2030

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

### **BOE APPOINTS TEACHING ASSISTANT**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Codie Aiken, second by Jared Whitley to appoint Alexis Valenza as a 1.0 teaching assistant effective December 20, 2025-June 26, 2026. Mrs. Valenza will be compensated \$146.73 per day for the 2025-2026 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

### **BOE APPOINTS FOOD SERVICE WORKER**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jennifer Pitkin to appoint Carrie James as a full time 10 month food service worker retroactive to January 14, 2025 Ms. James will be compensated \$16.97 per hour per CSEA contract for the 2025-2026 school year. This position is contingent upon the clearance of NYSED fingerprints.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

### **BOE APPOINTS TEACHERS AIDE/FOOD SERVICE WORKER**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to appoint Laura Pitkin as a .8 teachers aide and a .2 food service worker retroactive to January 21, 2026 Ms. Pitkin will be compensated \$18.50 for each position per the CSEA contract for the 2025-2026 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

### **BOE APPROVES DAILY RATE FOR ASSISTANT ON LEAVE**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Valerie LeBlanc to approve the daily rate of \$125.00 for Amanda Grey for each day she subs while on leave.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No- 0 motion carried

## **BOE ACCEPTS RETIREMENT LETTERS**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jennifer Pitkin to regretfully accept the retirement letter from Brent DeZalia, transportation supervisor effective June 26, 2026.

All Board members voted Yes- 5      No-0    motion carried

Mr. Whitley thanked Mr. DeZalia for his seven years of dedicated service to the staff and students of the district.

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Valerie LeBlanc to regretfully accept the retirement letter from Lisa DeZalia, Superintendent secretary / District Clerk effective June 26, 2026

All Board members voted Yes- 5      No- 0    motion carried

Mr. Whitley thanked Mrs. DeZalia for her twenty five years of service to the staff and students of the district.

## **BOE APPOINTS TEACHING ASSISTANT**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Valerie LeBlanc, second by Bruce Murdock to reinstate Tonya DeVoe as a 1.0 teaching assistant effective February 2, 2026- June 26, 2026. Ms. DeVoe will be compensated \$151.34 per day for the 2025-2026 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 5      No- 0    motion carried

## **BOE APPOINTS TEACHING ASSISTANT**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Codie Aiken to reinstate Amanda Grey as a 1.0 teaching assistant effective February 23, 2026- June 26, 2026. Ms. Grey will be compensated \$151.34 per day for the 2025-2026 school year.

All Board members voted Yes- 5      No- 0    motion carried

### **BOE APPOINTS SUBSTITUTE DRIVER**

Upon the recommendation of Supt. Pemrick, a motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Valerie LeBlanc to appoint Brent DeZalia as a substitute driver for the remainder of the 2026 school year. Mr. DeZalia will be compensated \$25.00 per hour for the 2026 school year.

All Board members voted Yes-5 No-0 motion carried

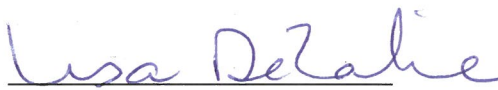
### **BOE APPROVES SPORTS MERGER**

A motion was made by Valerie LeBlanc, second by Codie Aiken to approve the softball merger with Bolton for the 2026 spring season.

All Board members voted Yes- 5 No-0 motion carried

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION There were no concerns at this time

ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Bruce Murdock, second by Jared Whitley to adjourn at 6:35 pm.  
All Board members voted Yes -5 No-0 Motion Carried

  
District Clerk