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THE CARDINAL REPORT

Serving students, parents and our community

class of 2024

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Valedictorian



Paige Lahti is South Shore's Class of 2024 valedictorian. Paige is the daughter of Bob & Marla Lahti.



Carter Ray is South Shore's Class of 2024 salutatorian. Carter is the son of Abe & Melissa Ray

Senior Colors: Cardinal Red & White
Class Flower: Fire & Ice Roses
Class Motto: "Together We Are Strong"
by DJ Khaled

Class Song: "Fast" by Luke Bryan
Graduation Speaker: Bill Trautt
Advisors: Ms. Benedict and Ms. Sullivan

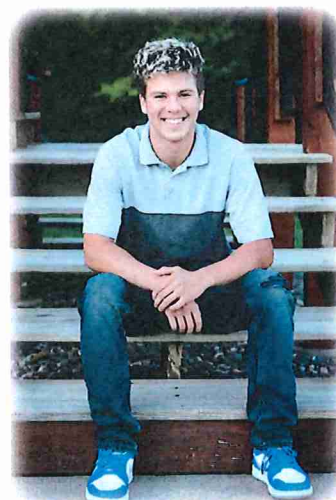


Commencement Ceremony Saturday, May 25, 2024

1:00 p.m.
High School Gym



Salutatorian



Class Officers:
President: Gracelyn Lovejoy
Vice President: Cooper Kohlman
Secretary/Treasurer: Kiley Mueller
Student Council Representative: Carter Ray



Pictured left to right: Ashton Rantala, Paige Lahti, Carter Ray, Faith Whitmore-Langley, Gavin Matke, Giorgia Pellizzoni, Jed Lovejoy, Kiley Mueller, Peyton Jardine, Emily Montgomery, Ethan Bratley, Gracelyn Lovejoy, Cooper Kohlman, Sarena Kobie



Spotlight on Student Learning: The Power of a Teacher

Michelle E. Simpson, 4K-12 Principal & Director of Curriculum & Instruction

In my parent's living room, a hand-carved, wooden shoe music box sits near a lamp on a corner table. Growing up, I was fascinated with this one-of-a-kind shoe. It was unique and so different from the rest of the decor in the room, but that wasn't the reason why it was special. The shoe had been a wedding gift to my parents from my dad's high school shop teacher. This one person made such an impact on my dad's life that I knew about him and the impact he had years later.



Most individuals can reflect on that one individual who made a profound impact on their life. It could be a parent, grandparent, or community member. However, it is often someone in a school - a cook, custodian, assistant, secretary, guidance counselor, a mentor, or teacher. May 6th - 10th is National Teacher Appreciation Week, and it is the week that we celebrate our entire staff for the amazing work they do and for the impact they have on our students! Curricular resources, experiences, extra-curricular opportunities, and facilities are all important, but research shows that teachers "matter more to student achievement than any other aspect of schooling." (RAND, n.d.) I believe that teachers, and truly all school staff, make such a difference in student academic achievement because of the relationships they build with their students and the culture they build in their classroom. This is where South Shore is truly blessed - we have an amazing staff that is not only committed to building a culture where every student belongs and knows that they are capable of achieving greatness, but is also committed to supporting every student in reaching their highest potential.



In preparation for this article, I decided to go to the experts. I had the privilege of asking a few of our high school students about which teachers had an impact on their lives and why that teacher had such an impact. The list was much too long

to put

in one *Cardinal Report*, but here are just a few of their responses:

- "Mrs. Sullivan - She helps create a positive learning environment. You are not just going into her class to learn math, but she makes it so that you are engaged."
- "Mr. Olkowski - He is super chill for a shop teacher. He lets us work on our own projects, but he is always there when we need to ask him for help."
- "Mrs. Benedict - She is an excellent teacher and very supportive of what you want to do. She guides you through how to do

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those things.”

- “Mrs. Lallemon - She was our fifth grade teacher and always seemed to genuinely care about us.”
- “Mrs. Truchon - If I ever have issues I go to her and she helps me process it and think through it. She is helpful and always very kind. She always makes sure that I know I have worth and that she cares about me.”
- “Ms. Knaack - She’s just really nice. She is our homeroom teacher so I interact with her more than other teachers, and she is funny!”
- “Ms. Kimball - She accepts everyone. She is very open minded. I can talk to her about things and she will help me through them. I can go to her if I have issues or if I need someone to talk to.”

I hope after reading this, you reflect on that one person who had a positive impact on your life or on the lives of your children or grandchildren. It might be a teacher, coach, or guidance counselor. It might be someone completely unrelated to school. Whoever it is, I encourage you to take a few minutes to reach out and thank them this week. There is a chance they don’t even know about the impact that they had!

References

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Honor Roll



3rd Quarter High Honor

3rd Quarter Honor

12th Grade:
 Peyton Jardine
 Paige Lahti
 Gracelyn Lovejoy
 Kiley Mueller
 Giorgia Pellizzoni
 Carter Ray

10th Grade:
 Lyric Belan
 Owen Bratley
 Ameri Fujimori
 Adeline L.
 Chalee Luzzatto
 Alexys Wehrman

7th Grade:
 Elijah Ciembronowicz
 Jaxson Kaseno
 Ella Kennedy
 Anna L.
 Rhyah Ray
 Owen Zakovec

12th Grade:
 Ethan Bratley
 Faith Whitmore-Langley

11th Grade:
 Thanawat Kaewrith
 Elliott Klavon
 Edward Pudas
 Maryanne Watrin

8th Grade:
 Myla Deputy-Phillips
 Brody Verne

7th Grade:
 John Truchon

11th Grade:
 Bryce Bertrand
 McKenna Coy
 Estela Dias Saiz
 Azure Grant
 Natalia Greene
 Kalyssa L'Heureux
 Rosa Lund
 Maximillano Martinez
 Emmitt Peterson
 Samuel Swanson
 Daniel Truchon

9th Grade:
 Sylas Jardine
 Trinity Maki
 Mosiah Martinez
 Sophia Truchon

8th Grade:
 Rylee Dahlgren
 Spencer Jensen
 Josephina Martinez
 Idella Wilcox



10th Grade:
 Emma Curtis
 Erica Johnson
 Ainhoa Pareja Fernandez

9th Grade:
 Richard Caratzola
 Gabriella L'Heureux
 Brooklyn Lehto
 Mads Purzner



Community Survey & Building Update

Danielle Mikula, Superintendent



Survey Update

Thank you to all who completed the Community Survey that was sent to South Shore School District residences via School Perceptions. The survey began landing in mailboxes on Friday, April 12, and the final day to respond was Wednesday May 1. The total number of surveys received back as on May 6 was 255 out of 1196 sent. This puts us at a 21.3% response rate at the time of this article. School Perceptions staff will begin compiling a summary of the results which will be presented to the South Shore School Board on May 15, 2024 at 5pm. The results from the community will help our board to determine next steps.

Snapshot of Most Recent Building Needs

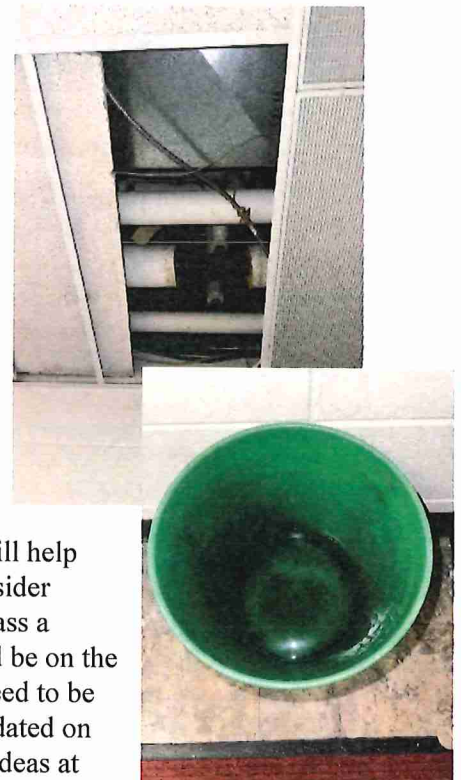
We continue to have more frequent challenges within our building with our aging infrastructure. This is a topic I don't typically update the community on, but it may provide helpful context for the needs within our facility. Here are a few examples of building-related challenges in just the last few weeks at South Shore:

We currently have heating pipes leaking from the ceiling in the elementary, which will be repaired once we are able to shut off the heat for the season.

The last week in April we had both boilers (the main and the backup) fail to function during a school day. This led to some classrooms getting uncomfortably cool for our students and teachers. We brought two portable heaters into one classroom, but when we plugged them in, we blew the breaker.

Due to poor airflow our library is hovering around 77-80 degrees currently, which makes it tough for our students to concentrate and stay engaged.

The engine on our 7-year-old generator also bit the dust a few weeks ago, after several years of constant issues and repair orders to try to fix it. Engineers have shared that they suspect the wiring and electrical infrastructure in our building may have contributed to this failure.



What's Next?

The Board of Education will consider the results of the Community Survey at the May 15 board meeting, presented by School Perceptions. The community feedback will help determine whether there is support for a potential project, or if the board needs to consider changes to the master plan proposal. In the state of Wisconsin, a school board must pass a resolution to go to referendum at least 90 days prior to the election date when it would be on the ballot. For the November 5, 2024 election, this would mean that a resolution would need to be adopted by the Board by the end of July. We will continue to keep the community updated on developments and next steps. As always, you can reach out to me with questions and ideas at dmikula@sshore.k12.wi.us. To all of you who have been contacting us with questions, concerns and ideas- Thank You. The more involvement and perspectives we have, the better our solution for the future will be.

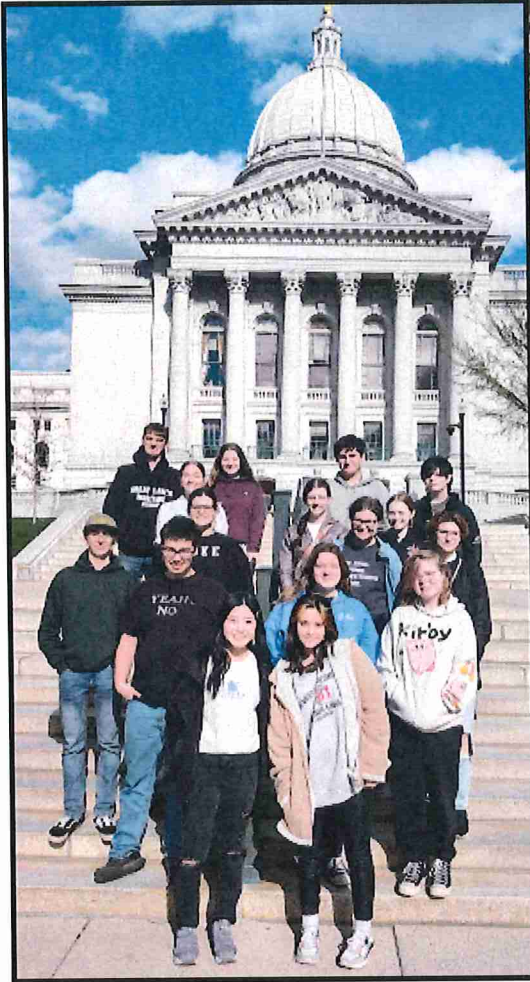


Drama club had a other successful season thanks to all the support from our South Shore families, community, and school. With a cast and crew of over 25 with 3 graduating seniors, The Dummiest Play Ever was a chance to showcase everyone's talents. Special thanks to our graduation seniors for their leadership and determination to help make our production run smoothly.





Congratulations to our Forensics team!!



Congratulations to our Forensics team!! We are SO proud of you all. Way to get out there, take on challenges and show the world what you've got.

Results: 5 golds, 7 silvers, 3 bonze

A special shoutout goes to our Forensics Advisors: Becci Lallemon, Mikaela Franson, and Emma Kimball. These educators pour so much time and passion into what they do. You are all deeply appreciated!

Forensics students: Mads Purzner, Mosiah Martinez, Lily Nollet, Addy Lafontaine, Peyton Jardine, Skyy Larson, Ameri Fujimori, McKenna Coy, Chalee Luzzatto, Erica Johnson, Eddie Pudas, Shaliyah Lovejoy, Azure Grant, Gracelyn Lovejoy, Kiley Mueller

Our 4th graders have been learning about the importance of global citizenship and understanding different cultures through CESA #12's Global X program this year. They've been communicating and exchanging cultural information with a partner school in Wahiawa, Hawaii. The class enjoyed attending the Global X culminating event in Ashland on April 30th.



WSMA State Solo-Ensemble



Music students that elect to perform for District Solo/Ensemble in the Class A category sometimes perform at a near perfect level and are given a *1 rating. This means they are entered into the state event a few weeks later. This is an incredible honor that does not happen to that many performers.



This year we had an incredible number of solos move onto the state level. 17 events from South Shore High passed on to state! We traveled with 9 students and performed in 14 of the possible entries. We are so proud of these musicians. Their dedication to keeping their performances at a high level over more than 4 months is incredible, and we are so privileged to work with them.



Scott Neumann, resident of Iron River and friend of South Shore School has a 3-D printer and made a power point presentation about how it works. He made all the 1st graders in Mrs. Olson's class, animals and insects to keep. They loved it!



National Honor Society Sponsors Blood Drive

South Shore's National Honor Society will be sponsoring a Blood Drive by Memorial Blood Center on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, from 11am to 3pm at the Jr-Sr High School.

For additional information or to schedule an appointment please contact Jodi Truchon, Guidance Counselor at 715-774-3103 or email her at jtruchon@sshore.k12.wi.us. To ensure the safety and reliability of the blood supply, there are some requirements for giving blood. While some restrictions may temporarily defer you from making a blood donation, we encourage you to find out if you would be eligible to save lives by donating blood or platelets.

Memorial Blood Centers' **iDonate** makes it easy and convenient for you to complete your health history questionnaire online on the day of your donation.

Gifted & Talented Students Participate in Spring PSA Day

Mrs. Lallemond's 6th grade students participated in the CESA 12 Gifted and Talented Public Service Announcement Spring PSA Day on Wednesday, April 24.

Students enjoyed this inquiry-based project where they were able to choose an important topic or social problem and create a Public Service Announcement (or PSA) as a movie. It is GREAT practice for our scholars in giving and receiving feedback!

Students created a PSA for their peers, followed copyright guidelines and research requirements, and adhered to a rubric for the video. This was such a great learning experience, and as always our students' engagement and behavior sure made us proud!!



Thank you, South Shore Education Foundation!!

Thanks to a grant from the South Shore Education Foundation, our 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students were able to attend *Finding Nemo Jr.* at the NorShor Theatre in Duluth!

The students were entertained and inspired by the live musical performance which was made up of a cast of students their own age. Thank you SSEF for continuing to provide enriching opportunities for our students!





South Shore Takes 1st Place In CESA 12 Battle of the Books Competition

Our students had great success participating in the Battle of the Books program this year! The program is designed to promote a love of reading among students in grades 4-6. It encourages them to read twenty books from a variety of genres and remember information about the plots, characters, and settings of the books. It is a fun, academic-based competition.

Our students met after school every Wednesday from October through April to read and discuss books from the Battle List. Eleven teams from six area school districts met in face-to-face competition on May 1st for the annual Battle of the Books Competition. All three of our South Shore teams correctly answered enough questions to make it into the 2nd round of the competition. Two of our teams made it into the 3rd round which resulted in South Shore Team 1 winning 1st place and South Shore Team 2 winning 3rd place! It was a very exciting competition for all!



South Shore Team 1: Olivia, Vivienne, Logan, Henry
(not pictured, Ryan)



South Shore Team 3: Norah, Finley, Aniela, Aubrey, Kendra (above)

South Shore Team 2 Brock, Isabelle, Cass, Mya (at right)



2s Frees 3s - THE ULTIMATE SHOOTING COMPETITION MAY 29, 2024 ~ South Shore School ~ 6pm - 8pm

- Anyone is welcome to participate in the competition!
- Participants will compete in divisions based on the division brackets determined by 2s, Frees & 3s
- Trophy balls will be awarded to the 5 champions (1 per division)

**2s Frees 3s is a 2 minute shooting competition made up of 21 spots.
The goal is to make it all the way to spot 21 before time runs out!**



**South Shore School District
Board of Education Meeting Agenda
In Compliance with the Wisconsin
Open Meeting Law**

Public Notice §19.84 (3)

Clyde Clauson, President
Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held in the **Instructional Media Center (IMC)** at **South Shore Jr-Sr High School**, Port Wing, WI at **5:30 p.m.** on **Wednesday, April 24, 2024.**

Any person wishing to attend who, because of a disability, requires special accommodations, should contact the office at least 24 hours before the scheduled meeting time, so appropriate arrangements can be made.

**Regular School Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, May 15, 2024
5:30 p.m.
Jr-Sr High School IMC**

1. Welcome
 - 1.01 Call to Order /Roll Call
 - 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance
2. Recognition/Highlight
 - 2.01 We Are South Shore
 - 2.02 Acknowledge and Accept Donations
3. Audience Participation
 - 3.01 Audience Participation Guidelines – limited to five (5) minutes
4. Agenda Modifications
 - 4.01 Modifications to Agenda Items or Prior Minutes
5. Consent Agenda
 - 5.01 Approve Meeting Minutes - April 24, 2024
Regular Board Meeting & May 1, 2024 Special Board Meeting
 - 5.02 Approval of Bills and Budget Report
(Ending April 2024)
 - 5.03 Approve Personnel Report
6. Committee Report/s
 - 6.01 Policy & Governance
 - 6.02 Finance & Operations
 - 6.03
7. New Business
 - 7.01 Community Survey Data Review
 - 7.02 Generator Repair & Replacement
 - 7.03 Approve Student Assurance Insurance
 - 7.04 Approve 2024 Graduation Roster
 - 7.05 2024-25 Handbook Updates
 - 7.06 Approve Transportation Contract
8. Policies
 - 8.01 2nd Reading Neolo Policies
9. Board/Admin Reports
 - 9.01 CESA 12 Delegate Report
 - 9.02 Superintendent's Report
10. Upcoming Dates
11. Meeting Closing

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School Board Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held Wednesday, March 20, 2024

5:30pm - 7:21pm

(Minutes to be approved at the 5-15-24 Board meeting)

A REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 in the LMC at South Shore Jr-Sr High School, Port Wing, WI. The meeting had been properly publicized in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

1. Welcome

1.01 Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Hoefling at 5:30 pm. Roll call: Present: Justine Broderson, K. Terry Burhans, Clyde Clauson, Merlyn Coy, Mark Hoefling, Rebecca Kavajecz, James Stemwedel. Absent: None. Also present: Danielle Mikula, Superintendent.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. RE-ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 2.01 Re-Organization

2.02 Election of President

Motion by Hoefling, second by Coy to nominate Clyde Clauson as President. Motion by Kavajecz, second by Burhans to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Clyde Clauson. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.03 Meeting Gavel Presented to the Elected President

2.04 Election of Vice-President

Motion by Coy, second by Burhans to nominate Mark Hoefling as Vice-President. Motion by Stemwedel, second by Kavajecz to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mark Hoefling. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.05 Election of Clerk

Motion by Burhans, second by Hoefling to nominate Rebecca Kavajecz as Clerk. Motion by Burhans, second by Hoefling to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Rebecca Kavajecz. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.06 Election of Treasurer

Motion by Coy, second by Hoefling to nominate James Stemwedel as Treasurer. Motion by Burhans, second by Coy to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for James Stemwedel. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.07 Appoint Deputy Clerk / Treasurer

- Deputy Clerk: Diana Reijo
- Deputy Treasurer: Diana Reijo

2.08 WASB Representative

Motion by Burhans, second by Kavajecz to appoint Justine Broderson

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as the WASB Representative. Motion by Coy, second by Stemwedel to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Justine Broderson. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.09 CESA Delegate

Motion by Clauson, second by Burhans to appoint Mark Hoefling as the CESA Delegate. Motion by Burhans, second by Coy to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mark Hoefling. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.10 CESA Alternate

Motion by Hoefling, second by Kavajecz to appoint Merlyn Coy as the Alternate CESA Delegate. Motion by Stemwedel, second by Hoefling to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Merlyn Coy. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.11 Annual CESA Convention Representative

Motion by Kavajecz, second by Burhans, to appoint Mark Hoefling as the Annual CESA Convention Representative. Motion by Coy, second by Clauson to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Mark Hoefling. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2.12 Committees

Policy & Governance - Merlyn Coy, Becky Kavajecz, and James Stemwedel

Finance & Operations - Mark Hoefling, Terry Burhans, and James Stemwedel

Teaching & Learning - Justine Broderson, Terry Burhans, and Merlyn Coy

RECOGNITION / HIGHLIGHT 3.01 We Are South Shore

Recognize the Forensics team for their incredible accomplishments at the State Competition

3.02 Acknowledge and Accept Donations

The Fig Leaf Thrift donated \$1150.00 so each of our students receives a special book (or books) of their own. Thank you to the Fig Leaf!!

4. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

4.01 Audience Participation Guidelines - Limit 5 minutes

- Stacy Jardine regarding keeping our school phenomenal.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

5.01 Modifications to Agenda Items or Prior Minutes

None

CONSENT AGENDA

6.01 Approve Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

6.02 Approval of Bills and Budget (ending March 2024)

Approval of Bills and Budget (ending March 2024) General fund 96973-96986 and 96996-97095, payroll/direct deposit

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6.03 Approve Personnel Report Hires:

- Aidan Olkowski, Facilities Manager (extra duty contract)
- Michele Duckworth, Custodian (evening shift) effective June 10, 2024
- Keri Lewis, Elementary Special Education, effective August 19, 2024

Separations:

- Resignation/Transfer: Michele Duckworth, Paraprofessional, Effective June 5, 2024
- Retirement: Tracy Olson, 1st grade teacher

Motion by Hoefling, second by Burhans to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.01 Policy & Governance

Reviewed, discussed and revised as needed:

- po0142.1 - Electoral Process
- po2340 - District Sponsored Trips
- po2451 - Program and Curriculum Modifications
- po2521 - Selection of Instructional Materials and Equipment (NEW - Check with Chris) 3139 - Staff Discipline
- po5113 - Open Enrollment Program (Inter-District)
- po5215 - Missing and Absent Children - Not taking
- po5250 - Rescind
- po5350 - Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention for Death by Suicide
- po5505 - Academic Honesty (NEW)
- po5530 - Student Use or Possession of Intoxicants, Drugs, or Paraphernalia
- po6151 - Returned/Outstanding Stale Checks - Not taking
- po6610 - Non-district-Supported Student Activity Accounts (ask Chris)
- po7250.01 - Memorials for Staff and Students
- po8500 - Food Services

Next time go through the Please Complete folder in NEOLA.

7.02 Finance & Operations

Review Bills and Budget Balances

Technology Updates & Considerations

- CITON representatives attended meeting to present to committee
- Committee discussed chromebook and laptop rotation schedules
- Committee discussed 3 scenarios including budget projections for technology plan including student and staff replacement recommendations
- Committee recommends bringing option 2 to the board for approval

CESA #12 Contract

Committee discussed professional learning costs and needs

8. New Business 8.01 Class of 2024 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Motion by Kavajecz second by Stemwedel to approve Paige Lahti as Valedictorian and Carter Ray as Salutatorian of the 2024 graduating class. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

8.02 CESA #12 Contract

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Motion by Burhans second by Stemwedel to approve the CESA 12 Contract for 2024-25 school year as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoeftling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

8.03 Technology Updates & Considerations

Motion by Hoeftling second by Coy to approve Option B for technology replacement schedule. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoeftling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

8.04 Certified Staff Contract Update

Motion by Hoeftling second by Kavajecz to approve the 2024-25 teacher contract format including edits from board discussion. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoeftling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

8.05 Review of Stakeholder Feedback

Reviewed overviews of staff, student and parent stakeholder surveys.

8.06 Appoint Northern School District Trust Representative Mark Hoeftling appointed.

9. Policy

9.01 2nd Reading Neola Policies

- po0143.1 - Public Expression of Board Members
- po0144.3 - Conflict of Interest (Revised)
- po0164V1 - Meetings (New)
- po0164.1 - Regular Meetings (Rescind)
- po0164.2 - Special Meetings (Rescind)
- po0165.1 - Notice of Meetings (Rescind)
- po1260 - Incapacity of the District Administrator (Revised)
- po1421 - Criminal History Record Check and Employee Self-Reporting Requirements (Revised)
- po1623 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Rescind)
- po1630.01 - Family & Medical Leave of Absence ("FMLA") (Revised)
- po3120.07 - Employment of Casual Resource Personnel (Rescind)
- po3121 - Criminal History Record Check and Employee Self-Reporting Requirements (Revised)
- po3123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Rescind)
- po3139 - Staff Discipline (Revised)
- po3430.01 - Family & Medical Leave of Absence ("FMLA") (Revised)
- po4121 - Criminal History Record Check and Employee Self-Reporting Requirements (Revised)
- po4123 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Rescind)
- po4139 - Staff Discipline (Revised)
- po4430.01 - Family & Medical Leave of Absence ("FMLA") (Revised)
- po4430.05 - Nursing Mothers (Rescind)
- po5200 - Attendance (Revised)
- po5517 - Student Anti-Harassment (Revised)
- po6236 - Community Services Fund (Fund 80) (New)
- po7440.01 - Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring (Revised)
- po8146 - Notification of Education Options (Revised)

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- po8310 - Public Records (Revised) po8420 - School Safety (Revised) po8531 - Free and Reduced-Price Meals (Revised)
- po8913 - Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (New/Renum.)
- po9210 - Parent Organizations (Rescind)
- po9211 - District-Support Organizations (Revised)

Motion by Kavajecz second by Coy to approve the second reading of the policies as presented. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoeftling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

9.02 1st Reading Neola Policies

- po2340 District-Sponsored Trips
- po2451 Program or curriculum Modifications
- po5113 Open Enrollment Program (Inter-District)
- po5350 Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention
- po5505 Academic Honesty
- po5530 Drug Prevention
- po7250.01 Memorials for Staff and Students
- po7540.08 Artificial Intelligence
- po8500 Food Services

10. Board/Admin Reports 10.01 CESA 12 Delegate Report

- CESA 12 will be holding a Board Retreat on May 2nd. There will be a presentation regarding the responsibility of board members in regards to student issues.
- CESA 12 will be holding a leadership retreat in June. We have invited the leadership teams from all of your districts for a couple of days to develop your teams.
- Early Learning Technical Assistance and Implementation Grant.
 - Sue Erickson helps to provide various degrees of support within our districts and the state. Universal Supports are open to all Districts. Targeted Supports offers assistance to districts per request or invitation. Intensive Support is offered to those districts that need additional assistance and is by invitation only.
 - A few of the items that the technical assistance and support focuses on include special education in the early childhood realm, along with early literacy practices, and strategies. Discussion in regards to removing inactive Board of Control members. Action would have to be taken at the Annual Convention
- Jennifer Ledin will be taking over as the lead of the Statewide RSN, but will continue as the director of special education for CESA 12 as well. Congratulations!

10.02 Superintendent's Report

- Random acts of Kindness is the April focus. Donations will be made to CASDA in Duluth and Ashland
- Administrative Assistants Day was today and we honor Diana Reijo, Linda Kavajecz and Bridget Montgomery
- Recognize Kylie Mueller received the DAR Good Citizen Award
- Today, the 6th graders did public speaking at CESA 12 and did well
- Another successful Drama play was held last weekend
- Professional learning days for teachers tomorrow and Friday.
- Prom is this weekend
- Music Concerts May 7.
- Ten Students are going to the state music contest.

11. Upcoming Dates

- May 1, 2024 - Finance & Operations Committee Meeting at 5:30pm
- May 1, 2024 - Special Board Meeting following Committee Meeting

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- May 2, 2024 - 2024 CESA 12 Board/Admin Conference 5:30pm at Hayward Steakhouse & Lodge
- May 8, 2024 - Policy & Governance Committee Meeting at 5:30pm
- May 15, 2024 - Regular Board Meeting at 5:00pm
- Board Governance Workshop: Discuss and select date in June.

12. Closed Session - The Board will Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1) (c) and (e) as Specified 12.01 Adjourn to Closed Session 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) to Discuss Compensation of any Public Employee Over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility, and Deliberating or negotiating the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

12.02 Superintendent Evaluation 19.85(1)(c) Superintendent Goals and Mutual Expectations Check-In

Motion by Burhans, second by Hoefling, to adjourn to Closed Session (7:10pm) 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) to discuss compensation of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and deliberating or negotiating the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and superintendent evaluation 19.85 (1) (c) superintendent goals and mutual expectations check-in.

Roll call vote: Yes: Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz. No: None. Excused: Broderson, Stemwedel. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

13. Meeting Closing 13.01 Adjournment

Motion by Clauson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

11 Meeting Closing

11.1 Adjournment

Motion by Stemwedel to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk
South Shore Board of Education

• Board of Education •

Special School Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held Wednesday, May 1, 2024

6:12pm - 7:22pm

(Minutes to be approved at the 5-15-24 Board meeting)

A REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING was held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024 in the LMC at South Shore Jr-Sr High School, Port Wing, WI. The meeting had been properly publicized in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

1. Welcome

1.01 Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Hoefling at 5:30 pm. Roll call: Present: Justine Broderson, K. Terry Burhans, Clyde Clauson, Merlyn Coy, Mark Hoefling, Rebecca Kavajecz, James Stemwedel. Absent: None. Also present: Danielle Mikula, Superintendent.

2.0. Closed Session - The Board will Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1) (c) and (e) as Specified

2.01 Adjourn to Closed Session 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) to Discuss Compensation of any Public Employee Over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility, and Deliberating or negotiating the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

2.02 Superintendent Evaluation 19.85 (1) (c) Superintendent Goals and Mutual Expectations Check-In

Motion by Coy second by Stemwedel, to adjourn adjourn to Closed Session (6:13pm) 19.85 (1) (c) and (e) to discuss compensation of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and deliberating or negotiating the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session and superintendent evaluation 19.85 (1) (c) superintendent goals and mutual expectations check-in. Roll call vote: Yes: Broderson, Burhans, Clauson, Coy, Hoefling, Kavajecz, Stemwedel. No: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

3.0 Reconvene to Regular Session for Possible Action on Closed Session

3.01 Reconvene to Regular Session for Possible Action on Closed Session

Motion by Hoefling, second by to Coy to reconvene to regular session. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Burhans, second by Hoefling to approve the staff salaries as presented, plus increases to the Administrative Assistants. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Stemwedel, second by Broderson to approve a 3% increase for Principal and District Administrator each year the next two years. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Meeting Closing

4.01 Adjournment

Motion by Kavajecz to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Kavajecz, Clerk
South Shore Board of Education



GRADUATION
Saturday,
May 25th, 2024
1:00 p.m.
High School Gym

SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT
Wednesday, May 15, 2024
High School Commons

Hello Spring



Food Service Information

Free / Reduced Meal Application Forms:

We encourage everyone to fill out the application for free or reduced price meals. You must complete a new application form each school year, even if you were approved the previous year. The application must be filled out completely and correctly.

If returning the application before school starts please send to: South Shore School District, Attn: Diana Reijo, Administrative Assistant, P O Box 40, Port Wing, WI 54865.

If returned after school starts, forms may be given to your child's teacher or brought to the office.

Only one application form per family is needed.

All of the children's names, school and grade must be listed on the form. (Including foster children.)

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.

Lunch Program/Offer Verses Serve: In an effort to reduce plate waste, the District participates in the "Offer Verse Serve" provision of the National School Lunch Program. Each day the school lunch will consist of the following 5 items:

- Meat or a meat alternate
- 2 fruits or 2 vegetables or 1 fruit and 1 vegetable
- Bread or bread alternate
- ½ pint of milk

Students must choose at least 3 of the 5 food items offered (one of which must be a fruit or vegetable), in order to meet the student's meal eligibility.

FAFSA

To be considered for federal student aid for the 2024–25 award year, you can complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form between October 1, 2024, and 11:59 p.m. Central time (CT) on June 30, 2025.



"Summer EBT: Summer EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer) is a new program that helps families buy food for their children during the summer. Families will get \$120 in benefits for each eligible child to use to buy food. To be eligible for Summer EBT, in general, children must meet the requirements for receiving free and reduced-price meals at school during the 2023-2024 school year. Benefits will start to be sent to families of eligible children in late June.

To learn more about this program, to update your contact information, or to opt out of receiving these benefits visit [Summer EBT Benefit Management.](#)"



To find meals for kids when schools are closed during the summer please go to <https://www.fns.usda.gov/meals4kids>. The Summer Meals for Kids site Finder will be available in early May 2024.

WE ARE HIRING!



JOIN THE SOUTH SHORE FAMILY

See website for more
information!

Current Openings:
Business Education Teacher
Substitute Teachers & Substitute Support Staff



Calling All Musicians!

The South Shore Community Band is celebrating its 20th season and we want you to be a part of it! We're a group of musicians of all ages and abilities playing a variety of band music and we're always looking for new members. Auditions are not required. Rehearsals are on Mondays from 6:30-7:30 pm at South Shore High School music room starting June 10th.

Concerts are planned for 7 pm on July 1st, July 8th, August 12th, and August 15th.

Interested? Contact Jacob at
(715) 969-4750 or
kavaj006@d.umn.edu.

We hope you'll join us this summer

WALL OF FAME OVERVIEW & GUIDELINES

A Wall of Fame was established at South Shore Schools to recognize graduates who have distinguished themselves in one or more of the following areas: academics, athletics, service to others, business or government. These individuals are recognized by the community at large and have been nominated for induction and authorized to receive this honor by the Wall of Fame Committee. Representatives from the five organizations of School Board, Alumni, Administration, Staff and the South Shore Education Foundation make up the committee. The Wall of Fame Committee will oversee a formal process to select and honor inductees.

General Guidelines

- Approval of nomination by the committee shall be unanimous.
- Nominees shall be out of school a minimum of 10 years.
- There will be no more than three elected per year.
- A thorough background check will be conducted in confidence by the committee before a nominee is considered for induction.
- Wall of Fame inductees may be removed for cause by unanimous vote of the committee.
- South Shore Education Foundation will provide the funding to maintain the Wall of Fame.
- The Wall of Fame Committee will be managed by the School Administrator. Individual members will be appointed by their group.
- Induction ceremonies will be coordinated with alumni gatherings and community events.
- The form to nominate Wall of Fame honorees is available at the school office by contacting Diana Reijo at 715-774-3500 ext. 611.

In brief, the form asks for: name and address of proposed honoree; year the person graduated from South Shore High School; and a brief description of the nominees distinguishing accomplishments and a brief biography of the nominee.

The committee wants to stress that if you have nominated a person in the past and they have not been chosen, please **RENOMINATE** them to be considered for inclusion now!

Nominations are being accepted through May. Nominations will be reviewed and selection of the inductees will be decided in June.



PTO Meeting

YOU'RE INVITED

to our next PTO meeting which will
be held on Monday, 10, 2024
Jr-Sr High School Library
5:30pm



South Shore High School
"Wall of Fame"

"Wall of Fame" Nomination Form

Name of proposed honoree: _____ Year Graduated: _____

Address/City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email address: _____

Brief description of distinguishing accomplishments: *Add additional page, if needed*

Brief biography of nominee: *Add additional page, if needed*

Nominator: _____

Address/City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone number: _____ Email address: _____

Comments:

Nominating Committee review:

Comments:

Accepted: _____

Denied: _____

Comments: _____



When School's Out, Summer EBT is Here to Help!

Summer EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer) is an income-based program that helps families buy food for their children while school is out. Wisconsin will send \$120 for each child who qualifies. You can use these benefits anywhere that FoodShare benefits are accepted, like most grocery stores, many convenience stores, and some farmer's markets.

Your child should get benefits automatically if:

- Your child was approved to get free or reduced price meals at their National School Lunch Program school.
- You have given your child's school an alternate household income form that shows you meet the income requirements for Summer EBT.
- Your child is school-aged and your household is part of FoodShare, W-2, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, or an income-based Medicaid program; or if we know they are a migrant, in foster care, or experiencing homelessness.



Watch your mail towards the end of June! If your family qualifies, you'll get a letter about your child's benefits.



Getting Summer EBT will **not** affect your child's or family's immigration status.



WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT
of HEALTH SERVICES

Thanks to the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's School Nutrition Team for their guidance in promoting the Summer EBT program to schools.



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JUNE ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 Baseball Sectional	5 Last Day for Students Finance & Operations Committee Meeting	6 Staff In-Service	7 Staff In-Service	8
9	10 Swimming (Gr 1-5) Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6) PTO Meeting	11 Swimming (Gr 1-5) Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	12 Swimming (Gr 1-5) Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6) Policy & Governance Committee Meeting	13 Swimming (Gr 1-5) Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	14 Swimming (Gr 1-5) Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	15
16	17 Oulu Heritage (Gr 1-12)	18 Oulu Heritage (Gr 1-12)	19 Oulu Heritage (Gr 1-12) School Board Meeting	20 Oulu Heritage (Gr 1-12)	21 Oulu Heritage (Gr 1-12)	22
23	24 Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	25 Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	26 Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	27 Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	28 Camping Out (Gr K-3) Camping Out (Gr 4-6)	29
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