BOARD OF EDUCATION

The regular meeting was held on March 20, 2014 in Room 145 at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

Members Present:
Robert Tabor, President
Kevin Lennebacker, Vice President
Gregory Lowry
Hilary Lusk
Frank McGrath
Kathleen Taylor
Jeffrey Wait

Members Absent:

Others Present
Timothy Ryan, Superintendent
Lauren Crisman, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director

Laura Carson, District Clerk

Approximately 15 Faculty, Staff, Community Members and Students

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by President Tabor.

President Tabor led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Crisman introduced the students involved with the leadership program. Mr. Keane spoke about the School Connect Program, the I-Pad presentation at Sharon Springs, SAT prep classes, field testing, and spring sports. Mrs. Crisman spoke about the elementary Spanish program, the Elementary Guidance Program, the I-Pad initiative and the Health & Wellness Committee working to make the State Testing less stressful.

Addition to the agenda – K. Taylor asked to add RESOLUTION 39-3-2014 under New Business.

Correspondence Received – None was noted as having been received.

Superintendent Ryan gave an update on the water emissions issue, he spoke about attending a School Boards Workshop. It is expected that the door project will be reviewed this summer by New York State Ed. Mr. Ryan spoke about looking into having Head Start back in the building along with a special education room to generate revenue. Superintendent Ryan then spoke about summer school and the budget that they are planning on working with this summer. Mr. Ryan spoke about the March 28th Arts reception, the desire to work with Bassett Healthcare and their School Based Health Program, and Mr. Ryan is also looking for feedback from the Board regarding the land lease time frame.

Board of Education Committee Reports – No reports were given.

President Tabor recognized the visitors. A parent shared his concern regarding Driver's Education being cut to one section this summer. Superintendent Ryan responded and discussion was held.

The Board did not meet in Executive Session.

Motion made by H. Lusk, seconded by K. Lennebacker.
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS #27-3-2014 through # 37-3-2014.

RESOLUTION 27-3-2014
APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 6, 2014

RESOLUTION 28-3-2014
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER'S REPORT – February 2014
ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF CLAIM'S AUDITOR REPORTS – January & February 2014

RESOLUTION 29-3-2014
BUILDING USE REQUEST – 1) Girls on the Run – Atrium/Hallway every Tuesday & Thursday from March 18, - June 3, 2014 from 2:45 – 4:15 PM

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RESOLUTION 30-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the engagement letter with Raymond G. Preusser, CPA, P.C. for Internal Audit Work for the 2013-2014 school year as per ATTACHMENT III D.

RESOLUTION 31-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the Internal Audit for the 2013-2014 school year.

RESOLUTION 32-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the Combining Contract between the Sharon Springs Central School District and the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, for Modified Baseball athletic competition during the 2013-2014 season.

RESOLUTION 33-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Christopher Crandall to a six month probationary position as a Driver/Cleaner effective March 24, 2014 through September 24, 2014.

RESOLUTION 34-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as a Track Aide for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year:
Annie Ostrander

RESOLUTION 35-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the following as a Substitute School Nurse for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year: Elizabeth Brockert Cherry Valley

RESOLUTION 36-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the following Extra-curricular appointment for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year: James Patenaude – Track Coach

RESOLUTION 37-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following Extra- Curricular assignments for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year: SAT Prep Class – Margaret Bouck, Angela Ferrone & Jordan Rhodes
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Taylor, seconded by F. McGrath.
RESOLUTION 39-3-2014
Resolved that,
Whereas, the BOE is committed to adhering to the laws of New York State and to its own policies; and
Whereas, on March 7, 2014, Bob Freeman, Director of NYS's Committee on Open Government, reviewed the emails and the decision-making that occurred outside a properly convened BOE meeting; and
Whereas, in his opinion, the decision to limit discussion by the full BOE and by the public only to items recommended by a Committee was improperly made;
The decision to change the review process was improperly made; and
The failure to post the records scheduled to be discussed was improper;
Therefore, be it resolved, that the BOE will conduct a full and comprehensive review [a first reading] of policy 5000 in Resolution 20-3-2014 and pull resolution 38-3-2014.
Discussion was held.

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Motion made by K. Taylor, seconded by F. McGrath to amend the above RESOLUTION 39-3-2014 to include that the Board of Education will table RESOLUTIONS 38-3-2014 and 20-3-2014 and 21-3-2014 and seek advisory opinions from the Committee on Open Government and district counsel before proceeding with the review.
Motion not carried with opposition from G. Lowry, H. Lusk, J. Wait, K. Lennebacker and R. Tabor.

The request was made to cast a roll call vote for RESOLUTION 39-3-2014.

Greg Lowry – Opposed	Hilary Lusk – Opposed
Frank McGrath – Yes	Kathleen Taylor – Yes
Jeffrey Wait – Opposed	Kevin Lennebacker – Opposed
Robert Tabor – Opposed	

Motion not carried.

Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by H. Lusk.
RESOLUTION 38-3-2014
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby continue to conduct a review of the Policy Committee's recommendations regarding the Board Policy - Student Policies (Series 5000).
Discussion was held.

RESOLUTION 20-3-2014 (Tabled from March 6, 2014)
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a first reading of Board Policy – Student Policies (Series 5000).

RESOLUTION 21-3-2014 (Tabled and amended from March 6, 2014)
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby direct the District Clerk to transmit the Board Policy – Student Policies (Series 5000) section to New York State School Boards Association on March 21, 2014.

Motion made by R. Tabor, seconded by K. Lennebacker to table RESOLUTIONS 38-3-2014, 20-3-2014 and 21-3-2014 until the April 10, 2014 Board of Education meeting so that further guidance could be obtained regarding the review. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by F. McGrath, seconded by G. Lowry to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Laura Carson, District Clerk