

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The regular meeting was held on March 16, 2017 in Room 145 at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

### **Members Present:**

Robert Tabor, President  
Kevin Lennebacker, Vice President  
April Aramini  
April Erkson  
Amy Garretson  
Gregory Lowry  
Jeff Wait

### **Members Absent:**

### **Others Present**

TheriJo Climenhaga, Superintendent of Schools  
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director  
Nicole Knapp, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator  
Bonnie Georgi, Director of Special Education

Laura Carson, District Clerk

1 Community Member and 1 student

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

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

Public Hearing – President Tabor reviewed the Repair Reserves fund utilization (RESOLUTION 6-2-2017).

Mr. Keane spoke about focusing on curriculum and instruction and wrapping-up the Annual Professional Performance Reviews (APPR). Mrs. Knapp spoke about digging into the curriculum, Ag Week next week, the Red Hot Ropers will be visiting next week and she and Mr. Keane will be flip flopping teachers for APPR's after Spring Break. Mrs. Georgi spoke about the continuation of CPI Training and start of the Committee on Special Education meetings.

Additions to the Agenda – None

Correspondence Received – President Tabor shared a thank you note that was received.

Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the many activities that our students are a part of including inductions into Honor Societies, All County, and the Drama Club's performance of The Sound of Music next week. She also thanked the maintenance staff for all of their hard work with snow removal. As a result of the two emergency days being used school will now be in session on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Climenhaga and Mr. Tabor attended the second Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) meeting that was held through BOCES. Superintendent Climenhaga would like set a date for a Board retreat in July, the Health Insurance Labor Management meetings would benefit from having a Board member attend the meetings, the next meeting is scheduled for June. Mrs. Climenhaga also spoke about the newly formed Task Force and their short-term goal of holding a meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup> regarding heroin usage, etc. the long-term goals include looking at the whole child and dealing with stress and Health Education for K-12 students. Superintendent Climenhaga shared her concerns with the eligibility policy and discussion was held. As a result the following will take place with regards to eligibility: For the next month students will not be ineligible. Mr. Keane will run the report on Monday and he will set up plans, with the assistance of the teachers, for those students on tier 2. Parents will be included. He will communicate with teachers on what our goal (process) is for the next month to see if this makes a difference. At the end of the month we will review and make a decision on the direction we need to go. Mrs. Climenhaga then reviewed the budget figures to date. Superintendent Climenhaga also spoke about the need to purchase one bus and lease one bus instead of leasing two buses. Mrs. Climenhaga also spoke about the annual BOCES meeting that will be held on April 4th.

Board of Education Committee Reports – None to report.

President Tabor recognized the visitors – No one spoke.

The Board elected not to enter into Executive Session.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Garretson.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-3-2017 through RESOLUTION 8-3-2017. J. Wait asked to pull RESOLUTION 8-3-2017

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Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by K. Lennebacker.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-3-2017 through RESOLUTION 7-3-2017.

RESOLUTION 1-3-2017

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 16, 2017

RESOLUTION 2-3-2017

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER’S REPORT – February 2017

RESOLUTION 3-3-2017

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the retirement of Gordon T. Brigham effective June 30, 2017 and the employee shall be eligible for all contractual retiree benefits by contract at the time of his retirement.

RESOLUTION 4-3-2017

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 appointments for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:  
SAT Prep - Josh Blair (Verbal)      Drama Chaperone – Sarah Williams

RESOLUTION 5-3-2017

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 Weight Room Monitors for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:  
Charles Alex, Sara Valenta and Kyle Jaquay

RESOLUTION 6-3-2017

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 Substitute Teacher for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:  
Emily Shults    Canajoharie

RESOLUTION 7-3-2017

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 an Instructional Support Staff Substitute for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:  
Emily Shults    Canajoharie

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by J. Wait.

RESOLUTION 8-3-2017

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 volunteers for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year:  
Catherine Hayes      Richard Collins, Jr.

Motion carried with opposition from J. Wait.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Erkson.

RESOLUTION 9-3-2017

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and as per requirements of Civil Service Law, does hereby provisionally reappoint Brandon Haller to the Micro Computer Specialist position effective January 20, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by J. Wait.

RESOLUTION 10-3-2017

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to enter a lease for one 65 passenger bus for a period of 5 years, with the total cost not to exceed \$16,500 per year which will be paid in annual or more frequent installments for a period of up to 5 years? The source of the funds shall be a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by K. Lennebacker.

RESOLUTION 11-3-2017

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase one 65 passenger bus, with the total cost not to exceed \$105,000? The source of the funds shall be a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by J. Wait.

RESOLUTION 12-3-2017

RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 16, 2017, AUTHORIZING A CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE DISTRICT IN THE OVERALL AMOUNT OF \$3,120,000, AND CALLING FOR THE INCLUSION OF A PROPOSITION AUTHORIZING SUCH PROJECT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DISTRICT'S NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND VOTE.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. That provisions in substantially the following form (subject to final review and approval of the District's bond counsel) shall be added to the District's notice of annual meeting and vote, to wit:

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the following Proposition No. \_\_ will be submitted for voter approval at such time:

PROPOSITION NO. \_\_ (CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT)

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, Otsego County, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to undertake a capital improvement project consisting of the construction, reconstruction, renovation and improvements to facilities of the District generally described in (but not to be limited by) a building/site project plan prepared by the District with the assistance of Griffith Dardanelli Architects, PC (the "Project Plan") that is available for public inspection in the offices of the District Clerk, including but not limited to the following: (A) the reconstruction of the existing Main Building, (B) the reconstruction of the existing Transportation Building, (C) miscellaneous site work and improvements at each of the two facilities, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof (collectively, the "Project"), the foregoing to include the acquisition of furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such facilities are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including for preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$3,120,000, provided that the detailed costs of the Project (as generally described in the Project Plan) may be reallocated among such components, or such components may be deleted, revised or supplemented if (i) the Board shall determine that such reallocation, deletion, revision or supplementation is in the best interests of the District, (ii) the aggregate amount to be expended for the Project shall not exceed \$3,120,000 and (iii) no material change shall be made in the overall scope and nature of the Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board is hereby authorized to expend or apply toward such Project (during the current fiscal year of the District) the amount of \$460,700 from the District's Capital Reserve Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a tax is hereby voted to finance the balance of such maximum estimated total cost of the Project in an amount not to exceed \$2,659,300, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$2,659,300, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and be it further

RESOLVED, that New York State Building Aid funds expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds shall, to the extent received, be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that such Proposition No. \_\_ shall appear on the paper ballot used for voting on such Proposition at the Annual Meeting and in substantially the following abbreviated form:

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Proposition No. \_\_ (Capital Improvement Project)

YES

NO

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that (a) the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District (the "District") is hereby authorized to undertake a capital improvement project consisting of the construction, reconstruction, renovation and improvements to facilities of the District, including but not limited to the following: (A) the reconstruction of the existing Main Building, (B) the reconstruction of the existing Transportation Building, (C) miscellaneous site work and improvements at each of the two facilities, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof (collectively, the "Project"), the foregoing to include the acquisition of furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such facilities are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including for preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$3,120,000; (b) the District is hereby authorized to expend funds in the amount of \$460,700 from the District's Capital Reserve Fund to finance a portion of such cost, (c) a tax is hereby voted in an amount not to exceed \$2,659,300 to finance the balance of such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; (d) in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$2,659,300, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and (e) New York State Building Aid funds expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds, to the extent received, shall be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the School District has adopted the findings of Griffith Dardanelli Architects which determined that the undertaking of the Project is a Type II action that will not have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, no other determination or procedures under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") is required.

2. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to add the above-referenced provisions to the notice of the annual meeting of the District, working in consultation with the District's bond counsel.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The resolution set forth above was duly put to a vote as follows, and was thereupon declared as having been duly adopted:

AYES – 7

NAYS – 0

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 13-3-2017

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 budget transfers:

A2250490 to A225400 – Amount \$30,000

A2630150 to A2610490 - Amount \$40,000

A2110490 to A2610490 - Amount \$10,000

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by K. Lennebacker.

RESOLUTION 6-2-2017 (Postponed from Feb. 16, 2017)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the utilization of funds in the amount of \$20,000 from the Repair Reserves that was voter approved during the 2016-2017 budget vote.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by J. Wait.

RESOLUTION 14-3-2017

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation from the Policy Committee, does hereby conduct a second reading of Policies and Regulations: 0100 Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity, 5405 Wellness, and 8414.5 Drug and Alcohol Testing of Drivers as per Attachment V A I.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 15-3-2017

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby direct the District Clerk to transmit the NYSSBA updated Policies and Regulations: 0100 Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity, 5405 Wellness, and 8414.5 Drug and Alcohol Testing of Drivers to the New York State School Boards Association by March 24, 2017.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by A. Garretson to enter into Executive Session to review recommendations made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education, matters leading to the appointment and employment of particular individual(s) and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law). Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:50 PM.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by A. Aramini to come out of Executive Session at 8:41 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Lennebacker, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 16-3-2017 to approve the following recommendations made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education:

<u>CASE NO.</u>	<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>PLACEMENT</u>
607315997	Preschool w/Disability	Speech
607315943	Preschool w/Disability	Speech/SEIT

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by J. Wait, seconded by A. Aramini to adjourn the meeting at 8:52PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Laura Carson, District Clerk