

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The meeting was held on January 15, 2025 in the School Cafeteria at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

### **Members Present:**

Amy Garretson, President  
Erin Seeley, Vice President  
April Aramini  
Ellen Johnson

### **Members Absent:**

Megan Bosc - Work Related

### **Others Present**

TheriJo Snyder, Superintendent of Schools  
Rachel Wright, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator  
Ethan All, Student Liaison

One Visitor

Laura Carson, District Clerk

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

President Garretson led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Garretson welcomed Ethan All, the student liaison, and he spoke about spirit week that was held and planning for the Spring Fling in March. Mrs. Wright spoke about the new speech provider starting last week, practice for the computer based testing (April & May) will be held on Jan. 28th, Mrs. Slurff and Mrs. Russell attended a literacy forum at BOCES, elementary student attendance was at 94% for Dec., with 20 letters being sent home this week and observations are expected to be completed by the April break. Mrs. Wright then shared Mr. Keane's report regarding regents testing next week, all the seniors are set with their regents for graduation, the class offerings are set for next year schedules and the observations should be set by February break.

No additions to the Agenda.

Correspondence Received – President Garretson spoke about two correspondences being for executive session.

Superintendent Snyder spoke about the continuing education program and Mrs. Johnson retiring from the coordinator position, the water treatment meeting that was held with BCA and the need to address both output and input of water with multiple grants being available and it is looking like a 2-3 year process, the grants start in Feb. 2026, with it possibly being its own capital project. The water system is complex and DEC will need to be involved, there are three options which include: new, change or work with the Cherry Valley water system. Ms. Snyder then spoke about New York State Education taking about 18-22 weeks to complete their review of capital projects and the capital project review possibly being reviewed by a third party with the hope that bids can be out early to mid May instead of late June. The third party review will cost about \$26,000 and is aidable so after aid the cost would be around \$5,000. Discussion was held and the Board members decided to move ahead with the third party review. Ms. Snyder then spoke about the 25/26 school calendar being on the February Board meeting agenda. Superintendent Snyder then shared a budget assumptions document from Mrs. Wist. The health insurance rates are expected to increase either 8% or 8.5% and dental is expected to increase 3%. The first aid runs are expected on Jan. 21st. Ms. Snyder also spoke about being concerned with the increase in the Cherry Valley Town taxes and being aware of the increase with the upcoming school budget.

The one visitor did not have anything to share.

Motion made by E. Seeley, seconded by E. Johnson.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-1-2025 through RESOLUTION 14-1-2025

RESOLUTION 1-1-2025

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - December 18, 2024

RESOLUTION 2-1-2025

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER'S AND FINANCIAL REPORTS – December 2024

RESOLUTION 3-1-2025

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent does approve the following budget transfer: From A2250150 \$20,000 To A2250160 \$20,000

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**RESOLUTION 4-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve the equipment inventory removal list 12202024 as per Attachment III D.

**RESOLUTION 5-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the Agreement from January 6, 2025 through June 27, 2025 with the following Service Provider: Kathleen Frank, Independent Educational Consultant, as per Attachment III E.

**RESOLUTION 6-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the Agreement for the 2024-2025 school year with the following Service Provider: Soliant, as per Attachment III F.

**RESOLUTION 7-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the Merger Contract between the Sharon Springs Central School District and the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, for Modified and Varsity Track and Field, Baseball and Softball athletic competition during the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 8-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby accept the resignation of Tina Herrington as a part-time Teacher Aide effective January 20, 2025.

**RESOLUTION 9-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Joslyn Mabie, who is professionally certified Students with Disabilities (Grades 1 -6) on tenure as a Students with Disabilities Teacher effective February 21, 2025.

**RESOLUTION 10-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Krista Gogis, who is initially certified School Counselor, to a position as a School Counselor for a probationary period effective January 8, 2025 through January 7, 2029.

**RESOLUTION 11-1-2025**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Sarah Paradiso, who is initially certified Students with Disabilities (Grades 7-12) Generalist and initially certified Social Studies (Grades 7-12), to a position as a Students with Disabilities (Grades 7-12) Generalist Teacher for a probationary period effective January 13, 2025 through January 12, 2029.

**RESOLUTION 12-1-2025**

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 mentee/mentor pairing for the 2024-2025 school year:

Krista Gogis - Jordan Rhodes

**RESOLUTION 13-1-2025**

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 Instructional Support Substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year:

Ashley Sikkema

Brian Wilson

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**RESOLUTION 14-1-2025**

**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 Instructional Substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year:

Ashley Sikkema

Olivia Porter

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by E. Johnson to enter into Executive Session to review matters leading to the employment of particular individual(s), employment history of particular individual(s) or corporation(s) and to review recommendations made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:23 PM.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by E. Johnson to come out of Executive Session at 8:06 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by E. Johnson, seconded by A. Aramini.

**RESOLUTION 15-1-2025** to approve the following recommendation made by the Committee on Preschool Special Education:

CASE NO.

CLASSIFICATION

PLACEMENT

879930354

Preschool w/ Disability

Occupational Therapy

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by E. Seeley, seconded by A. Aramini to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Laura Carson, District Clerk