

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The reorganizational meeting was held on July 8, 2021 in the Cafeteria at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

Members Present:

April Aramini
Amy Garretson
Robert Tabor

Members Absent:

Kevin Lennebacker
Greg Lowry

Others Present:

TheriJo Climenhaga, Superintendent of Schools
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director

Laura Carson, District Clerk

Two Visitors

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by District Clerk L. Carson.

Clerk of the Board led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Oath of Office was administered to returning Board member Robert Tabor.

The Clerk called for nominations for President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion made by A. Garretson, to nominate R. Tabor for President, seconded by A. Aramini. There were no other nominations. Polls were closed. Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk called for nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion made by A. Garretson, to nominate K. Lennebacker for Vice President, seconded by A. Aramini. There were no other nominations. Polls were closed. Motion carried unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered to the President, Robert Tabor. (The Oath will be administered to Vice President, Kevin Lennebacker at the next Board meeting.)

Meeting was turned over to President Tabor.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini to appoint the following Board positions:

1. District Clerk -Laura Carson
2. District Treasurer/School Business Official – Denise Wist
3. Tax Collector – Ginger Thayer
4. Purchasing Agent –Ginger Thayer
5. Board Secretary -Laura Carson

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini to appoint the following Board positions:

6. Auditor – Bonadio Group
7. Claims Auditor – Shannon Rockwell
8. Asbestos (LEA) Designee Record Retention Officer - David Mayton
9. Attendance Officer – Rebecca Meehan
10. Chief Information Officer – Bonnie Georgi

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini to appoint the following Board positions:

11. Records Access/Management Officer –Laura Carson
12. District Attorney – Girvin & Ferlazzo, PC
13. Central Treasurer, Extra Classroom Activities Account – Ginger Thayer
14. Comptroller, Extra Classroom Activities Account – Kevin Keane
15. Insurance Adviser - Timothy Parsons (NYSIR)

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Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini to appoint the following Board positions:

16. Director of School Health Services – Dr. Sellers and Elletta Horth, NP/Community Health Center, Cherry Valley
17. Catskill Area School’s Employee Benefit Plan Designee to Board of Directors – TheriJo Climenhaga and the District’s interim designee – Denise Wist
18. Community Contact for Drug and Alcohol Use - Rebecca Meehan
19. Data Privacy Officer - TheriJo Climenhaga

Motion carried unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered to the District Clerk, Laura Carson and Superintendent of Schools, TheriJo Climenhaga.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson to approve the following:

NBT Bank, Cherry Valley as the bank depository.

The Daily Star and or the Cooperstown Crier and or the school website www.cvschool.org as the official newspaper/notice for legal notices.

The meeting schedule to include July 8, Aug. 19, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, Mar. 17, Apr. 7 (possible 6:30 PM), Apr. 21, May 5, May 17, & Jun. 16 with the meetings to begin at 7:00 PM, unless noted.

The Community Health Center, Cherry Valley as the school’s medical facility.

Motion carried unanimously.

President Tabor made the following Committee appointments:

Policy – Whole Board	Building - Whole Board	Operations - Whole Board
Audit – Whole Board	Negotiations - E. Johnson Designee	

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson to approve the following:

\$100.00 petty cash for the District Office and \$100.00 for the Main Office.

Authorize Superintendent to make budget transfers (\$2000 limit).

Authorize Superintendent to approve attendance at conferences.

Authorize Superintendent to certify payroll.

Authorize Bonding in amounts of Tax Collector = \$1,000,000, Treasurer = \$1,000,000, Other Employees = \$100,000/employee and Courier(inside/outside) = \$25,000/employee to be included in Insurance Package.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

To re-adopt all policies in effect as of the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

To establish mileage reimbursement rate to be one and ½ cent below IRS.

To approve Title I and Title II Committee for the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Heather Benson	Kathryn Lane	Tracy Lowry	Kathleen Urban
PJ Johnson	Kaitlin Bullinger	Erin Seales	Rhonda King
Rachel Wright	Michelle Gage	Kathi Lennebacker	Audrey Maldonado

To appoint the Committee on Special Education: Bonnie Georgi, Chairperson/Special Education Coordinator and School Psychologist, Special Education Teacher, Child’s Teacher, Child’s Parent, Student (if appropriate), Physician Member – upon request, Parent Member – upon request and Laura Buck, Parent Member. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

To appoint the Subcommittee on Special Education: Bonnie Georgi, Chairperson/Special Education Coordinator and School Psychologist, Regular Education Teacher, Special Education Teacher and Student- if appropriate.

Appoint Bonnie Georgi as Section 504 Officer.

Appoint Bonnie Georgi as Title IX Compliance Officer.

To appoint the Committee on Preschool Special Education: Bonnie Georgi, Chairperson & School Psychologist, Rachel Wright, Back-up Chairperson, Parent Member – upon request, Child’s Parent, Physician Member – upon request, Child’s Special Education Teacher/Provider, Regular Education Teacher –when appropriate, County Representative and Erin Seeley, Parent Member

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District appoints and authorizes its President, Vice President and Superintendent to approve the appointment of an impartial hearing officer in accordance with laws, regulations of the Commissioner of the New York State education Department section 200.5(j)(3)(ii) and the Compensation Policy of the Board of Education.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby designate, Amy Garretson to act on behalf of the Board of Education to make temporary decision regarding CSE/CPSE recommendations pending full Board approval and/or to appoint an Impartial Hearing Officer, for the 2021-2022 school year.

Appoint bus drivers and substitute bus drivers for the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Drivers:

Gary Tyler	Thomas Spencer	Anton Nirschl	
Marian Davis	Robert Wayman	Ginger Cummings	Travis Morton

Substitutes:

Richard Collins, Sr.	Michaeleen Ward	Dean Cummings	Melissa Davidson
Patrick Shirey	Richard Collins, Jr.	Timothy Fish	James Johnson
David Mayton	John French	Robin Seamon	Raymond Key
David Cornelia	Paul Collison	Ruth Reardon	

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District empowers the Treasurer to invest funds as they become available pursuant to School Board Policy.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District empowers the Treasurer to borrow needed funds using Revenue and/or Tax Anticipation Notes upon the recommendation of the Superintendent with the Board of Education approval.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson.

To establish the pay rate for substitute teachers as follows:

Non-Certified (NC) - \$90.00/day	Non-Certified after 60 days of service - \$95.00/day
Certified - \$95.00 per day	Certified after 60 days of service - \$100.00/day
Substitute Bus Drivers - \$21.00/hour	

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby grant approval of Superintendent to appoint employees on a temporary basis with the understanding that the Board of Education will make the final determination at the next subsequent Board of Education meeting.

Approve Federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP).

Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF EDUCATION BUSINESS MEETING

Mr. Keane shared Mrs. Wright’s report which included the curriculum team working on summer professional development, summer program enrollment is at 102, she is looking forward to meeting everyone and appreciates the warm welcome. Mr. Keane then shared the enrollment for the secondary summer program/school - 14 and 6 respectively. Professional development will be held on August 23 and 24 regarding grading and assessment and Mr. Keane also spoke about the recruiting that needs to be completed over the summer.

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Additions to the Agenda - RESOLUTIONS 28-7-2021 through RESOLUTION 32-7-2021

Correspondence Received – A. Garretson mentioned there would be an executive session matter and President Tabor read a thank you note that was received for a graduation award.

Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the forest exemptions resolution request from Otsego Co. and that the school attorney does not recommend that the Board of Education support the resolution. Discussion was held and the members present wished to have the full board present before any decisions are made. So tabled to August 19, 2021 meeting. Mrs. Climenhaga then spoke about the recruiting needs, including secondary math, elementary teacher, social worker, LTA's varsity boys soccer coach, after school program coordinator, and the new positions for lunch hour monitors. Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the Board of Education goals needing to be updated and President Tabor spoke about each Board member coming up with two goals each. Mrs. Climenhaga then spoke about the federal stimulus funds - CRRSA has been submitted and ARP has not been opened yet for submission. Planning is being done for next year. Discussion was held regarding mask requirements and school based health.

Board of Education Committee Reports – None to share.

President Tabor recognized the visitors – A visitor asked about posting an updated student handbook on the school website, the dress code policy regarding hats in classrooms and if there are any negatives to school based health. Another visitor asked for clarity regarding hats and backpacks and if critical race theory will be taught at CV-S. Discussion was held.

Proposed Executive Session was not needed.

Motion made by A. Garretson seconded by A. Aramini.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS #1-7-2021 through #26-7-2021.

RESOLUTION 1-7-2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 17, 2021.

RESOLUTION 2-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, responsible for administration of one or more schools referred to as the school food authority (SFA), hereby agrees to enter into an agreement to participate in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, and accepts responsibility for providing free and reduced price meals and/or free milk to eligible children in the schools under its jurisdiction. The SFA further assures that the school will uniformly implement the required policy with respect to determining the eligibility of children for free and reduced price meals. The following prices will be effective September 1, 2021: Breakfast – 1.25, Lunch – 2.50 (Adult – 4.05), Milk – .50 (Adult - .50), Snack Milk & Juice - .50.

RESOLUTION 3-7-2021

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 September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with the following Provider: Complete Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Language Pathology Services PLLC as per Attachment X C.

RESOLUTION 4-7-2021

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 July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 with the following Provider: Donna Amberman, Certified School Psychologist, as per Attachment X C 1.

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RESOLUTION 5-7-2021

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 2021 summer and the 2021-2022 school year with the following Special Education Service Provider: Sandra Preston, Physical Therapist, owner and sole employee of Starting Gait Physical Therapy as per Attachment X C 1a.

RESOLUTION 6-7-2021

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 and the 2021-2022 school year with the following Special Education Service Provider: Sharon Koerner, vision therapy evaluations and vision therapy services as per Attachment X C 1b.

RESOLUTION 7-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the 2021-2022 Tutorial Contract with Four Winds Saratoga as per Attachment X C 1c.

RESOLUTION 8-7-2021

The Superintendent provided the Board with information showing that Kevin Keane, Rachel Wright and Bonnie Georgi have completed New York State Education Department Training as lead evaluators/evaluators for purposes of Education Law section 3012-d and the District's Annual Professional Performance Review Plan;

Therefore it is

RESOLVED, Kevin Keane, Rachel Wright and Bonnie Georgi are hereby certified as lead evaluators/evaluators for purposes of Education Law section 3012-d and the District's Annual Professional Performance Review Plan.

RESOLUTION 9-7-2021

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 with the CV-S Administrative Association from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

RESOLUTION 10-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Holly Sessock, Elementary School Counselor, effective August 28, 2021.

RESOLUTION 11-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Kylee Horender, Elementary Teacher, effective July 25, 2021.

RESOLUTION 12-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of Kristie Fassett, Licensed Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2021.

RESOLUTION 13-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby accept the resignation of September Schecter, Licensed Teacher Assistant, effective September 1, 2021.

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RESOLUTION 14-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Kelly Taggart, who is Professionally Certified Physical Education, on tenure as an Physical Education Teacher effective September 8, 2021.

RESOLUTION 15-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Jessika Bartlett, who is Professionally Early Childhood Education (Birth - Grade 2), Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) and Literacy (Birth - Grade 6), Certified Childhood Education Grades 1-6, on tenure as an Elementary Teacher effective September 21, 2021.

RESOLUTION 16-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Kristie Fassett, who is emergency COVID-19 certified Childhood Education (1-6), to a position as an Elementary Teacher for a probationary period effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2025.

RESOLUTION 17-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Adrienne Haig to a position as a Licensed Teacher Assistant for a probationary period effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2025.

RESOLUTION 18-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Lindsay Monser to a position as a Licensed Teacher Assistant for a probationary period effective September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2025.

RESOLUTION 19-7-2021

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 permanently appoint Jeffrey Davern as a Network Administrator effective June 23, 2021.

RESOLUTION 20-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent does hereby approve the request from Erin Seales for a leave of absence from her full time math teacher position during the 2021-2022 school year. Mrs. Seales will work part time under the federal stimulus grant position during the 2021-2022 school year.

RESOLUTION 21-7-2021

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 to 2021 Summer School/Program positions: Summer School - Molly McAvoy Summer Program - Diane Kroon
Summer Program Substitute - Sara Valenta & Suzanne Giachetti

*Summer School/Programs are contingent on the enrollment figures.

RESOLUTION 22-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Rachel Wright and Kevin Keane as the Dignity for All Students Act co-coordinators for the 2021-2022 school year.

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RESOLUTION 23-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint PJ Johnson to the position as the Continuing Education Coordinator for the 2021-2022 school year.

RESOLUTION 24-7-2021

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 Support Staff Substitutes for the 2021-2022 school year:

Terence Brant Savannah Duncan Amy Graig

RESOLUTION 25-7-2021

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 Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 school year:

Terence Brant Wendy Ertefai Amy Graig Katelyn Kwiatkowski
Hilary Lusk Janet McCarty Lori Shuster Charles Strange

RESOLUTION 26-7-2021

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 2021-2022 school year: Hilary Lusk Ryan Bartlett
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini and seconded by A. Garretson.

RESOLUTION 27-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a first reading with the second reading waived of Policy 2100 School Board Legal Status (5 members instead of 7) and Policy 2351 Quorum (3 members instead of 4). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 28-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Ushuaia Diaz as a long term substitute in the position of vocal music, pending her certification as a Music Teacher. Ms. Diaz's appointment will be effective September 1, 2021 and continue for a period not to exceed 90 instructional days, unless sooner terminated by the Board. Provided Ms. Diaz obtains certification in the area of Music during this time period, the Board shall reappoint Ms. Diaz to a probationary position in the Music tenure area. No term of employment is conferred by this resolution, unless and until a probationary appointment is subsequently granted by the Board of Education.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 29-7-2021

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District hereby appoints and employs Kelly Jennings to a term position as school psychologist for the maximum period November 3, 2021 to June 30, 2023. This is a term appointment, in effect until no later than June 30, 2023 only, unless terminated earlier or extended by further action of the Board, and is not a probationary appointment. It is specifically acknowledged that Ms. Jennings has agreed to waive any rights she may have to a probationary appointment and consideration for tenure and such agreement will be evidenced by a writing to be signed by both parties. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 30-7-2021

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 to 2021 Summer School/Program positions: Summer Program - Charles Alex Summer Program Substitute - Brin Whiteman

*Summer School/Programs are contingent on the enrollment figures.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 31-7-2021

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 Support Staff Substitute for the 2021-2022 school year: Hilary Lusk

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson.

RESOLUTION 32-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve the equipment inventory removal list 07012021 as per Attachment XI C.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 33-7-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a second reading of Policy 1750 Acceptance of Online or Private Instruction.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 34-7-2021

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 Policy 1750 Acceptance of Online or Private Instruction, Policy 2100 School Board Legal Status and Policy 2351 Quorum to the New York State School Boards Association by July 15, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by A. Garretson to enter into Executive Session to review the matters leading to the employment of particular individual(s) the employment history of particular individual(s) or corporation(s), and to review the collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:01 PM.

Motion made by A. Garretson, seconded by R. Tabor to come out of Executive Session at 8:29 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by R. Tabor to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Carson, District Clerk