

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

The reorganizational meeting was held on July 10, 2024 in the Cafeteria at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

### **Members Present:**

April Aramini  
Amy Garretson  
Ellen Johnson  
Erin Seeley

### **Members Absent:**

### **Others Present:**

TheriJo Snyder, Superintendent of Schools  
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Director of Technology  
Rachel Wright, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator

Laura Carson, District Clerk

Three Visitors

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

The clerk of the Board led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A visitor was recognized and a student requested permission to play football for Cooperstown CSD and permission was granted with the reminder to complete the necessary paperwork.

The Oath of Office was administered to returning Board members Ellen Johnson and April Aramini.

The Clerk called for nominations for President of the Board of Education for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion made by A. Aramini, to nominate Amy Garretson for President, seconded by E. Seeley. 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 2024-2025 school year. Motion made by A. Garretson, to nominate Erin Seeley 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, Amy Garretson and Vice President, Erin Seeley. Meeting was turned over to President Garretson.

Motion made by E. Johnson, 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
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 – Rachel Wright
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 - NYSIR
16. Director of School Health Services – Bassett Healthcare School Based Health Center, Cherry Valley-Springfield CSD
17. Catskill Area School's Employee Benefit Plan Designee to Board of Directors – TheriJo Snyder and the District's interim designee – Denise Wist
18. Community Contact for Drug and Alcohol Use - Rebecca Meehan
19. Data Privacy Officer - TheriJo Snyder
20. McKinney-Vento Liaison - Rachel Wright

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

Motion made by E. Johnson, seconded by E. Seeley to approve the following:

NBT Bank, Cherry Valley and NYLAF as the bank depositories.

The Daily Star and or the Cooperstown Crier and or the school website [www.cvscs.org](http://www.cvscs.org) as the official newspaper/notice for legal notices.

Discussion was held regarding the meeting schedule to include Aug. 21, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb. 12, Mar. 19, Apr. 9, May 7, May 20, & Jun. 18 with the meetings to begin at 7:00 PM.

The Community Health Center, Cherry Valley as the school's medical facility for employees.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

President Garretson made the following Committee appointments:

Policy – A. Aramini & E. Seeley Building - A. Garretson, E. Johnson and R. Tabor

Operations - A. Aramini & A. Garretson Audit – Whole Board Negotiations - E. Johnson and E. Seeley

Motion carried unanimously.

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

To re-adopt all policies in effect as of the end of the 2023-2024 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 2024-2025 school year as follows:

Deb Whiteman Ethan All Amber VanScooter Tom Garretson Rachel Wright Michelle Johnson

Stephanie Weaver September Schecter MaryBeth Flint Samantha Seamon

To appoint the Committee on Special Education: Samantha Seamon, CSE Chairperson, 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.

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

To appoint the Subcommittee on Special Education: Samantha Seamon CSE Chairperson, School Psychologist, Regular Education Teacher, Special Education Teacher and Student- if appropriate.

Appoint Samantha Seamon as Section 504 Officer.

Appoint Gary Wannamaker as Title IX Compliance Officer.

To appoint the Committee on Preschool Special Education: Samantha Seamon, CSE 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 Chelsea Fasset, 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.

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 2024-2025 school year.

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Appoint bus drivers and substitute bus drivers for the 2024-2025 school year as follows:

Drivers:

Anton Nirschl	David Evans	Marian Davis
Robert Wayman	Ginger Cummings	Travis Morton

Substitutes:

Michael Ward	Timothy Fish	Melissa Davidson	Melva Rodriguez
Richard Collins, Jr.	James Johnson	David Cornelia	Michael Cardamone
David Mayton	Robin Seamon	Raymond Key	Paul Collison
Donald Herringshaw			

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. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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.

To establish the pay rate for substitute teachers as follows:

Non-Certified Teacher(NC) - \$105.00/day	Non-Certified Teacher after 60 days of service - \$110.00/day
Certified Teacher - \$110.00 per day	Certified Teacher after 60 days of service - \$115.00/day
Substitute Bus Drivers - \$23.30/hour	Substitute Nurse - \$26.00/hour
Licensed Teacher Assistant and Teacher Aide Substitute - Minimum Wage	

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.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby grant approval of Superintendent to appoint volunteers 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

Mrs. Wright spoke about the celebrations and end of the year activities. Summer Program has 100 students with 2 on a waiting list, professional development will be held, data collection to be finalized and interviews are being held. Mr. Keane spoke about completing interviews, upcoming professional development and prepping for the August Regents.

#### Additions to the Agenda - RESOLUTION 33-7-2024

Correspondence Received – President Garretson read a thank you note from the Class of 2024.

Superintendent Snyder spoke about not knowing what caused the initial power issues (July 8 & 9), there is more information on the water pump, more info. is also forthcoming regarding the septic and DEC, the student attendance data shows a decline so a plan is being worked on and a full report is forthcoming, a report was shared on the Adult Education Program, and the open board seat will be discussed further. Ms. Snyder spoke about the Board Goals being set last year for three years and they are shared in the team drive. There will be five public forums across New York State regarding the Portrait of a Graduate. One forum will be held in Laurens on August 8th from 2:30-8:30. Ms. Snyder spoke about addressing student cell phone usage/access and reviewing the Code of Conduct Policy. Ms. Snyder also spoke about the New York State Education Department having conversations about reorganization of school districts, the Annual Professional Performance Review control returning back to the districts, the Temperature Bill (costs associated with the Bill), the electric bus requirement date being reviewed and pushed back, mixed competition - with both NYSCOSS and NYSSBA not supporting it, as far as interviewing for open positions the secondary is set as of now, the Cabinet Retreat will be held next week and the newsletter will be out by Friday. Mrs. Seeley thanked Ms. Snyder for the power outage updates.

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President Garretson recognized the visitors and one visitor explained they are an observer on behalf of the League of Women Voters.

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-7-2024 through 8-7-2024

RESOLUTION 1-7-2024

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 20, 2024

RESOLUTION 2-7-2024

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, 2024: Breakfast – 1.25 (Adult Main - 1.50 plus tax & Complete 3.00 plus tax), Lunch – 1.50 (Adult Main - 3.00 plus tax & Complete 5.31 plus tax), and Carton of Milk - .50.

RESOLUTION 3-7-2024

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby authorize the District Clerk to advertise the request for proposals for universal pre-kindergarten program services.

RESOLUTION 4-7-2024

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, 2024 through June 30, 2025 with the following Provider: Complete Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Language Pathology Services PLLC as per Attachment X D.

RESOLUTION 5-7-2024

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, 2024 through June 30, 2025 with the following Provider: Achievements, PLLC as per Attachment X E.

RESOLUTION 6-7-2024

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, 2024 through June 30, 2025 with the following Provider: Bonnie Georgi, Certified School Psychologist, as per Attachment X F.

RESOLUTION 7-7-2024

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, 2024 through June 30, 2025 with the following Provider: Sandra Preston, the owner and sole employee of Starting Gait Physical Therapy, PLLC as per Attachment X F 1.

RESOLUTION 8-7-2024

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, 2024 through June 30, 2025 with the following Provider: Tina Caswell, MS, CCC-SLP as per Attachment X F 1 a.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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

**RESOLUTION 9-7-2024**

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, 2024 through August 31, 2024 with the following Provider: Jacqueline Marsh as per Attachment X F 1 b.

Motion carried with E. Seeley abstaining.

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

**RESOLUTION 10-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the agreement with The ARC Otsego for the 2024-2025 school year as per Attachment X G. Motion carried with E. Seeley abstaining.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** – Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include  
**RESOLUTIONS 11-7-2024 through 32-7-2024**

**RESOLUTION 11-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the Land License Agreement as per Attachment X H.

**RESOLUTION 12-7-2024**

The Superintendent provided the Board with information showing that Kevin Keane and Rachel Wright 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 and Rachel Wright 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 13-7-2024**

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 Hannah Decker as a 2024 Summer Program Student Worker, effective July 3, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 14-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint any full time teacher, licensed teacher assistant or aide to work as Chaperones for Dances, Basketball Games, Concerts, Drama Performances or Track & Field or After School Program Activity Leaders or to volunteer (except for athletics) during the 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 15-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Katelyn Pasternak to a position as a part-time aide for the 2024-2025 school year, effective September 1, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 16-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Emily Schwall to a position as a teacher aide for a probationary period effective September 1, 2024 through March 1, 2025.

**RESOLUTION 17-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the individual salary agreement for the following: CSE Chairperson.

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**RESOLUTION 18-7-2024**

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 Support Staff Association from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

**RESOLUTION 19-7-2024**

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 Teacher's Association from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.

**RESOLUTION 20-7-2024**

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 2024 Summer Program positions: \*Summer Program is contingent on the enrollment figures.  
Main Office Coverage (July 12, 19 and 26) - Ashlee Cornelia

**RESOLUTION 21-7-2024**

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District hereby re-appoints Andrew McConnell from the seniority/recall list, pursuant to Education Law 3013, to a leave replacement LTA position in the LTA tenure area, effective September 1, 2024. Andrew McConnell will be reinstated with the two (2) years and eight (8) months seniority which he had accrued prior to being excessed.

**RESOLUTION 22-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Michelle Gage, who is professionally certified Literacy Birth – Grade 6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6, on tenure as an Elementary Teacher effective August 31, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 23-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Beth Spaulding, who is permanently certified PreK, K Grades 1-6, Special Education and Coordinator of Work Based Learning for Career Awareness, on tenure as an Elementary Teacher effective August 31, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 24-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Dawn Frank, who is permanently certified Library Media Specialist, on tenure as a Library Media Specialist effective August 31, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 25-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Jennifer LeJeune, who is initially certified Visual Arts, on tenure as a Visual Arts Teacher effective August 31, 2024.

**RESOLUTION 26-7-2024**

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 2024-2025 school year.

**RESOLUTION 27-7-2024**

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 2024-2025 school year.

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**RESOLUTION 28-7-2024**

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 Extracurricular assignments for the 2024-2025 school year:

Class Advisor - Seventh Grade - Mary Mattson      Boys Varsity Soccer - David Mayton

**RESOLUTION 29-7-2024**

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 After School Program assignments for the 2024-2025 school year: Coordinator - Stephanie Weaver

Coordinator Substitutes - Deb Whiteman and Tammie Waterman

Activity Leaders - Deb Whiteman, Tammie Waterman and Fran Mabie

**RESOLUTION 30-7-2024**

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 2024-2025 school year:

Terence Brant   Zoe Climenhaga   Lisa Gerdin   Amy Graig   Chelsea Hull   Dakota Jicha  
Holly Kehoe   Pamela Key   Shelbi Kinsley-Tracy   Hope Lowry   Corinne Peretin  
Elena Sheldon   Ashlee Cornelia   Melanie Schrader   Sarah Stannard   Linda Hurley  
Kelly Fernandez   Keri Constable   Jennifer Bishop   Katelyn Pasternak

**RESOLUTION 31-7-2024**

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 2024-2025 school year:

Charles Alex   Terence Brant   Amy Graig   Chelsea Hull   Corinne Peretin   Elena Sheldon  
Charles Strange   Keri Constable   Linda Hurley   Maxine Antunes   Ashlee Cornelia  
Melanie Schrader   Katelyn Pasternak

**RESOLUTION 32-7-2024**

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 volunteer for the 2024-2025 school year:

Kathleen Urban

Motion carried unanimously.

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

**RESOLUTION 33-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Meghan Mccaffrey, who is Provisionally Certified School Counselor, to a position as a School Counselor for a probationary period beginning September 1, 2024 through September 1, 2028. Motion carried unanimously.

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

**RESOLUTION 34-7-2024**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a second reading of Policies and Regulations: 1120 School District Records, 4772 Graduation Ceremonies, 5500 Student Records, 5550 Student Privacy, and 8635-R Information and Data Privacy, Security, Breach and Notification Regulation. Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 35-7-2024

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby direct the District Clerk to transmit to NYSSBA updated Policies and Regulations: 1120 School District Records, 4772 Graduation Ceremonies, 5500 Student Records, 5550 Student Privacy, and 8635-R Information and Data Privacy, Security, Breach and Notification Regulation to the New York State School Boards Association by July 31, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the open Board of Education member seat, as there was no interest from a couple of prior members. The clerk was directed to send a legal notice for letters of interest to The Daily Star (1X), the Pennysaver (2X) and to post it to the school's website through August 9th.

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

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:53 PM.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by E. Johnson to come out of Executive Session at 9:10 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by E. Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Laura Carson, District Clerk