

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The meeting was held on April 13, 2023 in the School Cafeteria at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

Members Present:

Amy Garretson, President
Gregory Lowry, Vice President
April Aramini
Erin Seeley

Members Absent:

Robert Tabor

Others Present

TheriJo Snyder, Superintendent of Schools
Rachel Wright, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coordinator
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director
Bonnie Georgi, Director of Special Education
Denise Wist, School Business Official

Eight Visitors

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.

There were four students who shared their experiences with volunteering, what they got out of it and their future plans. Lydia Lusk, the student liaison, was not able to attend the meeting due to a softball game. Mrs. Wright shared her congratulations with the Drama Club, thanked the staff for the support with the Easter eggs, thanked the PTO for the purchase of the Easter costumes, goodies with grown-ups is being planned the Patriot Dash will be held at Glimmerglass, the PAX (behavior) program is being reviewed, summer program is being worked on and next Tuesday the therapy dog will be at school. Mrs. Georgi spoke about the Committee on Special Education meetings being held in person with a great turn-out and she met with the teachers prior to the meetings and plans for a 15:1:1 program next year. Mr. Keane spoke about the end of the third marking period and the Val. & Sal. will be announced next week. Mrs. Wist spoke about still waiting for the legislative budget to be approved, the investments are earning about 4.5%, the MOE report has been submitted and we are receiving the final payment for COVID funds from Otsego County. Mrs. Meehan then shared her report including her role as the school nurse and what the Wellness Committee is doing. Mr. Keane shared information regarding the Work-Based Learning Program that he has been working towards.

Additions to the Agenda – RESOLUTION 14-4-2023

Correspondence Received – An email that was received will be discussed in executive session.

Superintendent Snyder spoke about the School Based Health Center project being ahead of schedule, she attended the fourth Diversity, Equity & Inclusion workshop, the BOCES safety office shared information regarding school shootings and that it is very important to keep classroom doors locked at all times, the hiring of the English teacher, the interviews being held for the CSE Chairperson, reviewing the LTA positions, the need to reschedule a capital project meeting and researching possible agricultural education opportunities.

Visitors were recognized and no one had anything to share.

Motion made by G. Lowry, seconded by E. Seeley.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS 1-4-2023 through RESOLUTION 7-4-2023

RESOLUTION 1-4-2023

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 16, 2023

RESOLUTION 2-4-2023

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER'S AND FINANCIAL REPORTS – March 2023

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RESOLUTION 3-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby revise the school calendar for the 2022 - 2023 school year due to contractual obligations regarding unused emergency closing days. There will be no school on the following date: Friday, May 26, 2023. In the event we do need to use an emergency day; this date may be readjusted.

RESOLUTION 4-4-2023

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 2023 Summer Program position:

Grades 7-8 Summer Program Coordinator: September Schecter

RESOLUTION 5-4-2023

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 Tellers for the Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election to be held on May 16, 2023:

Kathryn Lane
Paula Weaver

Ruth Schultz
Anne Lennebacker

Delores Weeks - Head Teller

RESOLUTION 6-4-2023

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 Teller for the Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election to be held on May 16, 2023:

Janet McCarty

RESOLUTION 7-4-2023

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 Substitutes for the 2022-2023 school year:

Caroline Bade Christopher Aguirre

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 8-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent to cast one vote on the Otsego Northern Catskills BOCES Administrative Budget as presented for the 2023-2024 school year and cast three votes for BOCES Board of Education members. Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 9-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District approves the Otsego Northern Catskills BOCES Administrative Budget as presented for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote.

April Aramini	___ Yes ___	Erin Seeley	___ Yes ___
Robert Tabor	___ Absent ___	Greg Lowry	___ Yes ___
Amy Garretson	___ Yes ___		

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 10-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District elects three (3) of the following candidates to the Otsego Northern Catskills BOCES Board of Education:

Joseph Ballard	Yes	4	No	___
Kurt Holcherr	Yes	4	No	___
Al Rubin	Yes	4	No	___

Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by G. Lowry, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 11-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby adopt the budget, in the amount of \$14,601,663, for the 2023-2024 school year.

Discussion was held regarding the amount being a 2% increase. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by G. Lowry, seconded by A. Aramini.

RESOLUTION 12-4-2023

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase two school buses - one sixty-five (65) passenger and one thirty (30) passenger with the total cost not to exceed \$260,000? 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. Discussion was held regarding the pricing - 65 passenger = 143,000 and 30 passenger = 108,000 both with warranties and trade ins. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by G. Lowry.

RESOLUTION 13-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby conduct a first reading of 5405 Student Wellness. Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 14-4-2023

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Hilary Lusk to a position as a Long-term Substitute Technology Teacher effective April 11, 2023 through April 26, 2023.

Motion made by G. Lowry, seconded by A. Aramini to table RESOLUTION 14-4-2023 to after Executive Session.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by G. Lowry to enter into Executive Session to review matters leading to the employment of particular individual(s), employment history of particular individual(s) and a student issue. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:12 PM.

Motion made by A. Aramini, seconded by E. Seeley to come out of Executive Session at 9:17 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Hilary Lusk to a position as a Long-term Substitute Technology Teacher effective April 11, 2023 through April 26, 2023.

Motion carried, G. Lowry abstained.

Motion made by E. Seeley, seconded by G. Lowry to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Carson, District Clerk