

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The regular meeting was held on April 22, 2021 in the cafeteria at the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

Members Present:

Robert Tabor, President
Kevin Lennebacker, Vice President
April Aramini
April Erkson
Amy Garretson
Ellen Johnson
Greg Lowry

Members Absent:

Others Present

TheriJo Climenhaga, Superintendent of Schools
James Brophy, Elementary Principal
Bonnie Georgi, Director of Special Education
Kevin Keane, Secondary Principal/Technology Director
Denise Wist, School Business Official

Laura Carson, District Clerk

Eight Visitors

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

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

Three students shared their experiences with volunteering, what they got out of it and their future plans. Mrs. Georgi spoke about holding the second week of CSE meetings and better participation through zoom as parents don't need to take time off of work. Mr. Brophy spoke about the much needed spring break, holding grade level meetings for looking back and planning, the two hour delay causing the 3-6 ELA tests to be moved to Monday and the second grade students being remote since Monday, April 19th. Mr. Keane spoke about seventh and ninth grade transition nights being held virtually, 7-8 ELA tests will be given tomorrow morning and the report cards will be in the mail tomorrow. Mrs. Wist spoke about the preliminary audit happening the second week in May, working to update the long range plan with Forecast 5, submitting the final claim for the Smart School funds the end of next week and the one time Federal COVID stimulus money that will need to be applied for but no set guidance with how the funds can be spent. Some ideas that have been mentioned for spending the funds are summer learning, air filtration systems, ways to focus on learning gaps. Mrs. Wist stated that there has not been a lot of changes to the budget from what she has been reviewing with the Board and the tax levy change is 0%.

Additions to the Agenda – RESOLUTIONS 23-4-2021 amd 24-4-2021.

Correspondence Received – President Tabor spoke about receiving contact from one parent regarding a student matter for executive session and Mrs. Garretson spoke about receiving an email regarding a football request.

Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the first positive COVID case with an elementary student, the Otsego Co. Department of Health offering to come to the school for a vaccination clinic for 16-18 year olds but there needs to be a minimum number, and Dave Bliss has been in touch to say that Co. Hwy. 54 road work will be done this summer. Mrs. Climenhaga reviewed a newspaper article that was in the Daily Star regarding the Comptroller's Audit and discussion was held regarding long range financial planning, policies and fund balance. Superintendent Climenhaga spoke about the Governor's guidance on events - including graduation, prom, athletic awards, honor societies, PreK graduation, and class night. Mrs. Climenhaga spoke about the ideas for the federal stimulus monies including garde level gaps and providing a lot for students. Discussion was held regarding graduation outside under a tent and the number of people that will be allowed to attend. Mr. Keane stated there will be a meeting with the students next week to share their ideas.

Board of Education Committee Reports – President Tabor spoke about the Superintendent's Evaluation form being in the binders and returning the completed forms to the May 6th Board of Education meeting.

President Tabor recognized the visitors – A visitor shared her happiness that sports are being played and the morale of the students being up, the concern with low spring sports numbers and also a concern with a coach.

Proposed Executive Session was not needed.

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS #12-4-2021 through RESOLUTION #20-4-2021.

RESOLUTION 12-4-2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 1, 2021

RESOLUTION 13-4-2021

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF TREASURER’S AND FINANCIAL REPORTS – March 2021

RESOLUTION 14-4-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby accept the audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, conducted by the Office of the New York State Comptroller.

RESOLUTION 15-4-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby create a Building Maintenance Mechanic position effective June 1, 2021.

RESOLUTION 16-4-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby abolish a Maintenance Worker position effective June 30, 2021.

RESOLUTION 17-4-2021

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 as Tellers for the Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election to be held on May 18, 2021:

Kathryn Lane
Paula Weaver

Ruth Schultz
Anne Lennebacker - Head Teller

Delores Weeks

RESOLUTION 18-4-2021

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 as a Substitute Teller for the Annual School Budget Vote and Board of Education Election to be held on May 18, 2021:

Betty Short

RESOLUTION 19-4-2021

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 mentee/mentor pairing for the 2020-2021 school year:

Stephanie Weaver - Tammie Waterman

RESOLUTION 20-4-2021

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 Extracurricular assignment for the 2020-2021 school year:

Soccer Game Chaperone - Chris Kilmartin

Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 21-4-2021

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby adopt the budget, in the amount of \$13,722,278, for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 22-4-2021

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase two school buses - sixty-five passengers with the total cost not to exceed \$210,000? 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.

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

RESOLUTION 23-4-2021

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 Extracurricular assignment for the 2020-2021 school year:

Modified Baseball - Joseph Grosso

Motion carried unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION 24-4-2021

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 as Instructional Support Staff Substitutes for the 2020-2021 school year:

Holly Kehoe

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:45 PM.

Motion made by A. Erkson, seconded by G. Lowry to come out of Executive Session at 8:07 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by G. Lowry, seconded by E. Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Carson, District Clerk