# BOARD OF EDUCATION

The reorganizational meeting was held on July 6, 2006 in Room 145 in the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Building.

**Members Present:**
Donald Drake
Peter Freehafer
Chris Graham
Ellen Johnson
Frank McGrath
Steve Schneider
Kathleen Taylor

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:**
Nicholas J. Savin, Superintendent
Victoria P. Gaughan, Business Official
Grace Coddington, Elementary Principal

6 Staff and Community Members

Laura Carson, District Clerk

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM by District Clerk L. Carson.

Clerk of the Board led the board and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Oath of Office was administered to new Board members Donald Drake, Peter Freehafer and Ellen Johnson.

The Clerk called for nominations for President of the Board of Education for the 2006-2007 school year. Motion made by S. Schneider, to nominate D. Drake for President, seconded by C. Graham. Motion made by F. McGrath, to nominate E. Johnson for President. Mr. Drake respectfully declined. Motion seconded by C. Graham. Motion made by K. Taylor, to nominate S. Schneider for President, seconded by P. Freehafer. Discussion was held and there were no other nominations. Polls were closed. A roll call vote was held.

Donald Drake – E. Johnson
Chris Graham – E. Johnson
Frank McGrath – E. Johnson
Kathleen Taylor – S. Schneider
Peter Freehafer – S. Schneider
Ellen Johnson – E. Johnson
Steve Schneider – S. Schneider

E. Johnson received four votes and S. Schneider received three votes.

The Clerk called for nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2006-2007 school year. Motion was made by E. Johnson, to nominate D. Drake for Vice President, seconded by F. McGrath. Motion made by K. Taylor, to nominate S. Schneider for Vice President, seconded by C. Graham. There were no other nominations. Polls were closed. A roll call vote was held.

Donald Drake – S. Schneider
Chris Graham – S. Schneider
Frank McGrath – S. Schneider
Kathleen Taylor – S. Schneider
Peter Freehafer – S. Schneider
Ellen Johnson – D. Drake
Steve Schneider – S. Schneider

S. Schneider received six votes and D. Drake received one vote.

The Oath of Office was administered to the President, Ellen Johnson; and Vice President, Steve Schneider.

Meeting was turned over to President Johnson.

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Motion made by C. Graham, seconded by D. Drake to appoint the following Board positions:

1. District Clerk – Laura Carson ($100/Meeting)
2. District Treasurer – Victoria P. Gaughan(Included in total Salary 10%)
3. Deputy Treasurer – VP, Board of Education
4. Collector of Taxes – Betty Short ($2,500 Stipend)
5. Purchasing Agent – Superintendent
6. Board Secretary – Laura Carson
7. Auditor – Moore and Hart, Utica
8. Claims Auditor – Janet McCarty ($20/hour)
9. Asbestos (LEA) Designee – Paula Weaver
10. Records Access/Management Officer – Victoria P. Gaughan ($1,000 Stipend)
11. District Attorney – Hogan, Sarzinsky, Lynch, Surowka & DeWind and ONC/BOCES Legal Services
12. Comptroller, Extra-Curricular Classroom Activities Account – Charles W. Strange
13. Insurance Adviser – Larry Jouben

Motion carried unanimously.

The Oath of Office was administered to the District Clerk, Laura Carson and Superintendent of Schools, Nicholas J. Savin.

Motion made by F. McGrath, seconded by C. Graham to approve the following: NBT Bank, Cherry Valley and JP Morgan Chase, Binghamton as the bank depositories, The Daily Star as the official newspaper for legal notices, to set the meeting schedule with the first Thursday of the month being a committee meeting and the third Thursday of the month being the business meeting with the schedule to be modified as needed, to approve the Community Health Center, Cherry Valley as the school's medical facility and to have the same Board members continue on the Policy(to include new Board member P. Freehafer), Wind Turbine, Strategic Plan, Negotiations, Audit and Superintendent Evaluation Committees. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by S. Schneider, seconded by F. McGrath 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 ($500 limit).
Authorize Superintendent to approve attendance at conferences.
Authorize Superintendent to certify payroll.
Establish tuition charge for the 2006-2007 school year to be $500/family and $100/child.
Re-adopt all policies in effect as of the end of the 2005-2006 school year.
Establish mileage reimbursement rate to be one and ½ cent below the IRS rate(currently $.43).
Approve Participation in ESEA Title I, II, IV, VI, and PCEN.
Approve Title I and Title II Committee for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

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| Nancy Brown | Sandy Graham | Tom Kowall |
| Janet Williammee | Kathryn Lane | Lillian Armstrong |
| Grace Coddington | Becky Sears | Kathy West |
| Lillian Hayes | Rhonda King | Margaret Yerdon |
| Linda Hurley | Colleen Ferrone | Kelly VanSchaick |
| PJ Johnson | Kathy David | |

Appoint the Committee on Special Education for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

Bonnie Leonard, Chairperson/Special Education Coordinator and School Psychologist
Special Education Teacher
Child's Teacher
Child's Parent
Physician Member – (Dr. Sellers or Maureen Kuhn)
Grace Coddington, Elementary Principal
Charles Strange, High School Principal

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| Jean Krause, Parent Member | Richard Krause, Parent Member |
| Kathy Waro, Parent Member | Sandy Graham, Parent Member |

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Appoint the Subcommittee on Special Education for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:
Bonnie Leonard, Chairperson/Special Education Coordinator and School Psychologist
Regular Education Teacher
Special Education Teacher
Student, if appropriate
Appoint Bonnie Leonard as Section 504 Officer for the 2006-2007 school year.
Appoint Bernadette Nickerson as Title IX Compliance Officer for the 2006-2007 school year.
Appoint the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:
Bonnie Leonard, Chairperson & School Psychologist
Casie Collins, Parent Member
Child's Parent
Physician Member – (Dr. Sellers or Maureen Kuhn)
Child's Special Education Teacher/Provider
Regular Education Teacher –when appropriate

Appoint Impartial Hearing Officers for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:
School districts need to enter data into the new web-based system as soon as a request for an impartial hearing is received by the Board of Education. The Board President or Vice President will contact the Hearing Officer. Hearing officers are appointed on a rotational basis.

Appoint bus drivers and substitute bus drivers for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

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| Drivers: | | |
| Michael Fox | | James Johnson |
| Michaeleen Ward | | David Cornelia |
| Lyman Johnson | | William Armitstead |
| Robin Seamon | | Florence Clapper |
| John French | | Jeffery Bell |
| Theodore Duesler | | Sue Behr |
| Dean Cummings | | Brent Allen |
| Marion Santoro | | |
| Substitutes: | | |
| Ginger Cummings | Mark McDermitt | |
| Dennis Hathaway | Warren Stannard | Richard Collins |
| Occasional Drivers: | | |
| David Lamouret | Blaise Drugatz | |

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.
To establish the pay rate for substitute teachers as follows:
Non-Certified (NC) - $60.00/day
Non-Certified after 60 days of service - $65.00/day
Certified - $70.00 per day
Certified after 60 days of service - $75.00/day
Certified after 30 contiguous days - $80.00/day
Motions carried unanimously.

Motion made by K. Taylor, seconded by C. Graham to approve the Minutes of June 15, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Due to the early meeting date, Treasurer Reports and Warrants were not available.

Motion made by C. Graham, seconded by P. Freehafer.
RESOLVED, that the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District does hereby approve the Glimmerglass Opera Building Use Request as per Attachment VIIID.
Motion carried unanimously.

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Superintendent Savin then spoke about the numerous false fire alarms that have taken place at the school and what is and has been done to address the problem. Mr. Savin spoke about the disappointing Math B Regents Exam Results. Superintendent Savin also spoke about the PreK-K playground that has been purchased through the Creating Rural Opportunities Partnership (CROP) monies. Mr. Savin then spoke about the Advisors Handbook that the committee and sub-committees have been working on. Discussion was held regarding the next step of the committee, the equity issue, and the timeframe for the draft handbook. President Johnson asked for an update on the PreK enrollment figures. Superintendent Savin has reviewed the numbers and there are 29 students on the list that are eligible and his hope, as well as the hope of Head Start, is to help as many families as they are able.

President Johnson recognized the visitors. A community member shared her concerns with instructional writing skills and that she does not feel that students are spending enough time writing. Superintendent Savin responded as he is also concerned with this as well.

Committee Reports – Strategic Plan Vision Committee – Superintendent Savin needs to contact Rural Schools and ask them to attend a Board meeting either in August or September to help the Board with the Strategic Plan. Policy Committee – Mr. McGrath is concerned that the Policy Committee has not been able to meet due to Special Board Meetings being held. Negotiations Committee – Mr. Schneider stated that the last negotiations meeting was held on June 26, 2006 and the Committee was expecting a counter proposal however, they did not receive one. The next negotiation session is scheduled for July 12, 2006. Wind Turbine Committee – Ms. Taylor spoke about the Moratorium that the Town of Cherry Valley is considering, discussion was held.

Motion made by C. Graham, seconded by D. Drake to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel matters for particular persons. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 9:28 PM.

Motion made by D. Drake, seconded by S. Schneider to come out of Executive Session at 10:15 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by C. Graham, seconded by S. Schneider.
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS – Consider motion to approve consent agenda items to include RESOLUTIONS # 1-7-2006 through # 17-7-2006.

RESOLUTION 1-7-2006
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.

RESOLUTION 2-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby award the propane bid to the following for the 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 school years:

Suburban Energy Services

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RESOLUTION 3-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby rescind the following:
RESOLUTION 21-6-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve the salary agreements for the following: Elementary Principal, School Business Official, Account Clerk, Keyboard Specialist, Secretary to the Superintendent, Transportation Director, Director of Maintenance and Cafeteria Manager.
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, does hereby approve the salary agreements for the following: Elementary Principal, High School Principal, School Business Official, Account Clerk, Keyboard Specialist, Secretary to the Superintendent, Transportation Director, Director of Maintenance and Cafeteria Manager as per ATTACHEMNT X C.

RESOLUTION 4-7-2006
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 Nancy Mendez, Spanish Teacher, effective September 1, 2006.

RESOLUTION 5-7-2006
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 Adrienne Rowley, English Teacher, effective June 30, 2006.

RESOLUTION 6-7-2006
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 Betty Short, Keyboard Specialist, effective June 30, 2006.

RESOLUTION 7-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint Betty Short to a position as an Account Clerk/Keyboard Specialist, for a probationary period beginning July 1, 2006 through January 1, 2007.

RESOLUTION 8-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby conditionally appoint Stacey Brotherton to a English Teacher position for a probationary period beginning September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

RESOLUTION 9-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby conditionally appoint Kelly Oram to a Music Teacher position for a probationary period beginning September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2009.

RESOLUTION 10-7-2006
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 work as Activity Leaders for the 2006 Summer CROP Program:

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| Rhonda King | Michele Cleary |
| Janice Yost | Kim Gray |

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RESOLUTION 11-7-2006
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 work as Activity Leader Substitutes for the 2006 Summer CROP Program:

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| Tracy Lowry | Kathy David |
| Janine Nelson | Melissa Manikas |

RESOLUTION 12-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby conditionally appoint the following to work as an Activity Leader for the 2006 Summer CROP Program:

Sofia Abdallah

RESOLUTION 13-7-2006
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 students to work as student peer tutors for the 2006 Summer CROP Program:

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| Lyla Abdallah | Scott Sheldon | Miranda Jicha |
| Meredith Doubleday | Amanda VanBuren | Samantha VanAlstine |
| Laura Kroon | | |

RESOLUTION 14-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby approve the continuation of the probationary appointment of Eliza Oursler, Elementary Teacher, through September 15, 2007.

RESOLUTION 15-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Va lley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as Substitute Teachers for the 2006 –2007 school year:

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| Carol Page | Cherry Valley | Kathy Lane | Cherry Valley |
| Georgiana Kisch | Cooperstown | Dennis Malcolm | Ames |
| Becky-Ann Sears | Schenevus | Enid Hinkes | Cooperstown |
| Jane Yager | Canajoharie | Tammie Waterman | Fort Plain |
| Celia Garretson | Cooperstown | Melissa Manikas | Springfield Center |
| Chris Kaltenbach | Cooperstown | Diane Graf | Cherry Valley |
| Mackenzie Moschetti | Canajoharie | Vincent Stayter | Maryland |
| Richard Daley | Springfield Center | | |

RESOLUTION 16-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Va lley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as Instructional Support Staff Substitutes for the 2006-2007 school year:

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| Sue Behr | Richfield Springs | Lillian Armstrong | Springfield Center |
| Lillian Bernard | Cherry Valley | Joyce Dixon | Cherry Valley |
| Dawn Doyle | Cherry Valley | Debra Karas | Cooperstown |
| Molli McCarty | East Springfield | Karen Whiteman | East Springfield |
| Jane Yager | Canajoharie | Tammie Waterman | Fort Plain |
| Melissa Manikas | Springfield Center | Barbara LaDuke | Cooperstown |

RESOLUTION 17-7-2006
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, does hereby conditionally appoint the following as an Instructional Support Staff Substitute for the 2006 –2007 school year:

Richard Weaver Sherburne

Motion carried unanimously.

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A number of items were discussed among the Board Members including:
the Athletic Policy Committee; school website use for Board member use, finances, weekly communications, etc. Middle School; Regents results and a schedule for follow-up items. It was decided to have further discussion on the committee structure at the next Board meeting.

Motion made by S. Schneider, seconded by K. Taylor to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel matters for particular persons and to discuss collective negotiations with the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School Teachers' Association. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:55 PM

Motion made by C. Graham, seconded by S. Schneider, to come out of Executive Session at 12:15 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by D. Drake, seconded by S. Schneider to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

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Laura Carson, District Clerk