

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Bolivar Road Elementary School
February 6, 2024
6:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Geoffrey Zimmer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held in the cafeteria.

Present: Siubhan Bongiovanni, Louis Cianfrocco, Dan Gibbons, Edward Gratien, Dana Kent, Daniel Mayer, Jason Thomas, Russell Wehner, Geoffrey Zimmer

Absent:

Also Present: Michael R. Eiffe, Superintendent of Schools
Scott P. Mahardy, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Visitors: Lisa Lewis, Paul Gloska, Karlee Wilhelm, Carrie-Ann Ronalds

There was no Addendum to the Agenda.

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II. Public Comments

The Chittenango Central School District Board of Education welcomes and encourages public input and comments. Board meetings are open meetings held in public, but are not public meetings in the sense of traditional town meetings. The Board accepts and understands its obligation to represent and to listen to the community. The time for public comments is offered at the beginning of every Board meeting. Members of the public are also encouraged to contact Board members before or after Board meetings to express concerns. The Board reserves the right to encourage or exclude comments at any other time. Public comments, at Board meetings, are welcomed within a controlled forum format, as facilitated by the Board President, which does not permit open discussion of confidential issues, such as, but not limited to, student discipline and personnel performance. Issues of a confidential nature would be forwarded to the Superintendent for further review and response.

There were no public comments at this time.

III. Consent Agenda

Upon motion made by Wehner, seconded by Gibbons, the following resolutions were offered:

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting from January 9, 2024.

B. Financial

1. It is recommended that the Claims Auditor's Reports for November 2023 and December 2023 be accepted.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

IV. Educational Presentation/Topics

A. New Teaching Staff Introductions: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

B. Bolivar Road Elementary Wellness Committee: Kara May – Information/Discussion

V. Old Business

A. Capital Project Update: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion

B. 2024-2025 Budget Preparation: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion

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Motion by Wehner, seconded by Gibbons to approve old business resolution C:

C. 2024-2025 Draft School Calendar: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

VOTE: AYES – 9 NAYS – 0

Motion by Cianfrocco, seconded by Mayer to approve old business resolutions D-H:

D. (Required Policy) Policy 0101, Gender Neutral Single-Occupancy Bathrooms Policy: Third Reading and Approval – Information/Discussion

E. (Required Policy) Policy 0110, Sexual Harassment: Third Reading and Approval – Information/Discussion

F. (Required Policy) Policy 0110.1, 0110.1-R, Sexual Harassment of Students Policy/Regulation: Third Reading and Approval – Information/Discussion

G. (Required Policy) Policy 0110.2, 0110.2-R, 0110.2-E, Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Policy/Regulation/Exhibit: Third Reading and Approval – Information/Discussion

H. (Required Policy) Policy 0115, 0115-R, Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy/Regulation: Third Reading and Approval – Information/Discussion

VOTE: AYES – 9 NAYS – 0

VI. New Business

Motion by Gibbons, seconded by Cianfrocci to approve new business resolutions A-B:

A. It is recommended that the Board of Education adopt the I.R.S. mileage reimbursement rate of .67 per mile effective 1/1/2024. Discussion/Action

B. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the purchase of a 2024 Chrysler Pacifica from My Friendly Auto (Hamilton, NY) for \$43,472. Three quotes were received in the amounts of \$43,472, \$46,064.50, and \$44,702.50. Discussion/Action

VOTE: AYES – 9 NAYS – 0

VII. Superintendent's Report

A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes

B. School Safety Update/Madison Co. Threat Assessment Team

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- C. Legislative Meetings Update
- D. All County MCMEA Music Festival Update
- E. Science Olympiad & Robotics Updates
- F. BoE Budget Planning Session
- G. PARP at Bolivar Road & Bridgeport Elementary
- H. NYSCOSS 2024 Winter Institute, March 3-5, 2024
- I. Public Budget Presentation will be held on March 12, 2024, at 6:30 pm in the Chittenango Middle School Music Room
- J. Next Board of Education Meeting will be held on March 12, 2024, in Chittenango Middle School following the Public Budget Presentation.

VIII. Board Members' Reports

- A. Member Reports
 - 1. Audit Committee
 - 2. Budget Committee
 - 3. Facilities/Transportation Committee
 - 4. Policy Committee
- B. Board Member Comments

IX. CSE Recommendations

- A. **Motion** by Gibbons, seconded by Cianfrocco to accept the following CSE recommendations:

610420821	610354296	610422869	610422870
610422351	610421358	610421964	610416854
610422873	610421550	610420792	610359693
610421827	610354329	610421588	610422932
610422932	610402092	610420352	610354341
610422855	610422856	610422186	610391455
610403777	610421723	610420138	610420790

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610420043	610420534	610422414	610421124
610354356	610421384	610422703	610421738
610409119	610421206	610422095	610419354
610421757	610359354	610379334	610421603
610420899	610422432	610422271	610421255
610402507	610422659	610422603	610391029
610402159	610422158	610411959	610422395
610411810	610422435	610422228	610413413
610422024	610412881	610398577	610421488
610413360	610418533	610417702	610422523
610421628	610422617		

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

X. Personnel

A. **Motion** by Wehner, seconded by Gibbons to accept personnel recommendations 1-24.

1. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Jennifer Geehrer, Mathematics Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
2. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Elizabeth Grogan, Social Studies Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
3. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Mary Klucznik, Library Media Specialist, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
4. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Karen Tashkovski, Art Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
5. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Elizabeth Bennett, Grade 6 Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
6. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Sarah Schultheis, Social Studies Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
7. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Arnold Merola, Jr., Principal, be approved effective June 30, 2024.
8. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Linda Ceilly, AIS Reading Teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2024.

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9. It is recommended that the resignation of Rebecca Connelly, 6-8 Science Chairperson, be accepted effective April 1, 2024.
10. It is recommended that Anne Shanahan, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a leave of absence effective January 22, 2024 through June 26, 2024.
11. It is recommended that Rebecca Connelly, Science Teacher, be granted a parental leave of absence with allowable disability leave on or about April 5, 2024 through June 30, 2024.
12. It is recommended that Sarah Blair, Elementary Teacher, be granted a parental leave of absence with allowable disability leave on or about April 29, 2024 through June 30, 2024.
13. It is recommended that Roberta Schaefer, Food Service Cook, be granted a permanent appointment effective February 5, 2024.
14. It is recommended that Anne Shanahan be granted a long-term substitute position as a Teaching Assistant effective January 22, 2024 through June 26, 2024 pending verification of Teaching Assistant Certification.
15. It is recommended that Mackenzie Callahan be granted a long-term substitute position as a Teaching Assistant effective January 22, 2024 through June 26, 2024 pending verification of Teaching Assistant Certification.
16. It is recommended that Kate Lappin be granted a long-term substitute position as a Grade 5 Teacher effective January 30, 2024 through June 26, 2024 at Step 1, Class 13 pending verification of official transcripts.
17. It is recommended that Kelly Logan be approved as the 6-8 Science Chairperson effective April 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024.
18. It is recommended that Amanda Preischel be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective January 16, 2024, through March 15, 2024, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through September 15, 2024.
19. It is recommended that Katrina Agans be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective January 25, 2024, through March 24, 2024, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through September 24, 2024.

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20. It is recommended that Kirsten Warner be granted a long-term substitute appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective January 29, 2024, through June 25, 2024.
21. It is recommended that John Olmsted be granted a probationary appointment as a Cleaner effective February 7, 2024, through April 6, 2024, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through August 6, 2024.
22. It is recommended that the following be approved as interscholastic coaches/advisors for the 2024 Spring season:

Michael Stump	Varsity Baseball
Michael Logan	JV Baseball
Glenn Phillips	Modified Baseball
Robin Penoyer	Varsity Softball
Kimberly Pierce	JV Softball
Carly Willey	Modified Softball
Mark Bailey	Varsity Boys Lacrosse Assistant
David Chizzonite	Modified Boys Lacrosse
Bradley Williams	Modified Boys Lacrosse Assistant
TBD	JV Girls Lacrosse
Curt Kielbasa	JV Girls Lacrosse Assistant
Christian Rohrer	Modified Girls Lacrosse
Harold Muller	Varsity Boys Outdoor Track Head
Donald Clark	Varsity Boys Outdoor Track Asst.
Derek Gott	Varsity Girls Outdoor Track Head
Jennifer Geehrer	Varsity Girls Outdoor Track Asst.
William Cretaro	Modified Boys Track Head
Melissa Scheidelman	Modified Girls Track Head
Lori Shephard	Modified Girls Track Assistant
Brian Thomas	Varsity Boys Tennis
John Clancy	Varsity Girls Golf
Amy Simmons	Unified Basketball
Alaina Leib	Unified Basketball

23. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Teacher/Substitute List for the 2023-2024 school year:

Barnard, Caleb

Velardi, Morgan

Wilson, Nicole

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24. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Support Staff Substitute List for the 2023-2024 school year:

Horton, Jill

Snyder, Pamela

Velardi, Morgan

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

XI. Executive Session

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco that the Board adjourns into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. for the discussion of personnel issues, negotiations, and legal matters.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco that the Board returns from Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Cianfrocco, seconded by Gibbons to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Mahardy
District Clerk