

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Chittenango Middle School  
March 10, 2026  
6:30 PM

**MINUTES**

Daniel Mayer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held in the Board of Education conference room.

Present: Siubhan Bongiovanni, Dan Gibbons, Edward Gratien, Dana Kent, Daniel Mayer, Jason Thomas, Russell Wehner, Geoffrey Zimmer, Muhammad Murray-Student Representative, Lily Wynkoop-Student Representative

Absent: Louis Cianfrocco,  
Adrianna Kam, District Clerk

Also Present: Michael R. Eiffe, Superintendent of Schools  
Scott P. Mahardy, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Matthew J. Morkel, Business Administrator  
Jason P. Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction

Visitors: Paul Gloska, Carrie-Ann Ronalds

There was no Addendum to the Agenda.

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**The Budget Information session was held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:01 p.m. followed by the regular Board of Education meeting.**

**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 Dan Gibbons, seconded by Edward Gratien, the following resolutions were offered:

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Board of Education meeting from February 10, 2026.

B. Financials

1. It is recommended that the Treasurer's Report for February 2026 be accepted.
2. It is recommended that the Claims Auditor's Report for January 2026 be accepted.
3. It is recommended that the Appropriation Status Reports for February 2026 be accepted.
4. It is recommended that the Revenue Status Reports for February 2026 be accepted.

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

**IV. Old Business**

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

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B. Legislative Visits

**V. New Business**

Motion by Geoffrey Zimmer, seconded by Edward Gratien, to approve new business resolutions A through F and H through J:

- A. It is recommended that, per the attached resolution, the Budget, Bus, and Annual Election be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, for the purpose of electing three (3) members to the Board of Education and to vote upon the proposed school propositions be approved. The time and place of the Budget, Bus, and Annual Election will be from noon to 9 p.m. on May 19, 2026, at the Chittenango Middle School. Petitions are available from the District Clerk beginning March 1, 2026, and must be filed in accordance with the established rules no later than Monday, April 20, 2026, at 4 p.m. The following vacancies are to be filled: three (3) three-year terms currently held by Geoffrey Zimmer, Louis Cianfrocco, and Edward Gratien. A Budget Information Meeting (Public Hearing) will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at the Chittenango Middle School Choral Room. Discussion/Action
- B. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached 2026-2027 School Calendar. Discussion/Action
- C. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached list of medical supplies deemed surplus and disposed of in the most cost-effective manner. Discussion/Action
- D. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the technology lease. Discussion/Action
- E. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution for the 2026-2027 transportation proposition. Discussion/Action
- F. It is recommended that the Board of Education declare itself a lead agent and adopt SEQR for the proposed 2026-2027 capital outlay project. Discussion/Action
- G. It is recommended that the Board of Education discuss/review the Food Service Handbook.
- H. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Educational Trip Proposal - Trip to Quebec in February 2027. Discussion/Action
- I. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached mentoring agreement between Scott Mahardy and the District. Discussion/Action

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J. It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Wendy Swift as Director of Food Service effective March 1, 2026. Discussion/Action

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

**VI. Superintendent’s Report**

- A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes
- B. School Safety Update
- C. 2026 Winter Institute and Lobby Day Update
- D. Next Board of Education Meeting will be held on April 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chittenango Middle School

**VII. Board Members’ Reports**

- A. Member Reports
  - 1. Audit Committee – No report
  - 2. Budget Committee – Met on 3/10/26 at 6 p.m.
  - 3. Facilities/Transportation Committee – Bus vote
  - 4. Policy Committee – Working on two policies
- B. Board Member Comments – Thank you from Board of Education President

**VIII. CSE Recommendations**

A. Motion by Dan Gibbons, seconded by Edward Gratien, to accept the following CSE recommendations:

610423332	310423187	610423380	610408410
610423104	610422253	610422194	610420900
610421964	610408190	610423382	610422873
610423097	610379339	610363636	610393449
610421220	610422415	610422424	610422376
610422694	610422414	610422815	610421969
610421997	610408856	610421974	610401210
610412973	610421049	610422095	610400485

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610423123	610419572	610423149	610422916
610375422	610422411	610402507	610421743
610422978	610400820	610422072	610422383
610421766	610420863	610423117	610402568
610376224	610421445	610416779	610421382
610420196	610408626	610422346	610408911
610408779	610419667	610408405	

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

**IX. Personnel**

- A. Motion by Edward Gratien, seconded by Dana Kent, to accept personnel recommendations 1 through 14.
1. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Sheila Leamer, Health Teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2026.
  2. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Helen Korosec, Grade 6 Teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2026.
  3. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Susan Lamphere, Grade 1 Teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2026.
  4. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Alaina Leib, Special Education Teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2026.
  5. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Elizabeth Carpenter, Science Teacher, be accepted effective June 30, 2026.
  6. It is recommended that the resignation of Taylor Wilhelm, Bus Attendant, be approved effective February 26, 2026.
  7. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the change of effective dates for Amber Miller's probationary appointment as a Cleaner to February 23, 2026, through April 22, 2026, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through August 22, 2026.
  8. It is recommended that Mark Boswell, Bus Attendant, be granted a permanent appointment effective February 14, 2026.
  9. It is recommended that David Hunter, Food Service Helper, be granted a permanent appointment effective February 18, 2026.



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Respectfully submitted,

Michael R. Eiffe  
District Clerk Pro Tem