

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Chittenango Middle School
March 21, 2023
6:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Geoffrey Zimmer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held in the middle school cafeteria.

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

Absent: Phil Austin

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

Visitors: Lisa Lewis, Nicholas Miller, Matt Navin, Steve Schober, other guests (see list)

There was an Addendum to the Agenda under New Business and Personnel.

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The Budget Information session was held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:03 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.

Comments: Nick Miller and Matt Navin spoke regarding lacrosse.

III. Consent Agenda

Upon motion made by Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco, the following resolutions were offered:

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting from February 7, 2023.

B. Financial

1. It is recommended that the Treasurer's Report for January and February 2023 be accepted.
2. It is recommended that the Claims Auditor's Report for January 2023 be accepted.
3. It is recommended that the Appropriation Status Reports for February 2023 be accepted.
4. It is recommended that the Revenue Status Reports for February 2023 be accepted.

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

IV. Educational Presentation/Topics

- A. Postings of Open Positions: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

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- B. Current Enrollment Figures for Incoming Universal Pre-Kindergarten and Incoming Kindergarten: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

V. Old Business

- A. 2023-2024 Budget Preparation: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion
- B. Capital Building Project: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion
- C. Legislative Visits: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

VI. New Business

Motion by Gratien, seconded by Mayer to approve new business resolutions A-G:

- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education award the following agreements as they relate to the 2022 capital project:

- Barton & Loguidice – roof testing, \$4,100
- GTS Traffic – traffic study, \$4,500
- Appel Osborne – stormwater prevention plan (SWPP), \$10,000
- Seguin Surveying – surveys, \$7,900
- Kenny Geotech – geotechnical investigations, \$11,885
- Energy Environment – asbestos services, \$8,340

Discussion/Action

- B. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached SEQRA resolution for the 2023 Capital Outlay project. Discussion/Action
- C. It is recommended that the attached 2023-2024 School Calendar be approved.
Discussion/Action
- D. It is recommended that the Board of Education declare the attached list of books as surplus and authorize the disposition of the same. Discussion/Action
- E. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached Intermunicipal Agreement for shared fueling with the County of Madison (Office of Emergency Management). Discussion/Action

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- F. It is recommended that, per the attached resolution, the Budget, Bus, and Annual Election be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, 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 16, 2023, at the Chittenango Middle School. Petitions are available from the District Clerk beginning March 1, 2023, and must be filed in accordance with the established rules no later than Monday, April 17, 2023, 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 will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at the Chittenango Middle School Choral Room. Discussion/Action
- G. Shall the Board of Education of the Chittenango Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance two (2) full size school buses, one (1) 25-passenger transit school bus, two (2) minivans, one (1) maintenance dump truck and one (1) maintenance work van, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$613,829, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$613,829, shall be issued. Discussion/Action

VOTE: AYES – 8 NAYS – 0

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Gratien to approve new business resolution H:

- H. It is recommended that the Chittenango Central School District enter into a NYSPHSAA Section III combined contract for Varsity Lacrosse with Cazenovia School District for the 2022-2023 school year. Discussion/Action

VOTE: AYES – 8 NAYS – 0

- I. Probationary Reviews on May 2, 2023, at 5:15 pm and May 16, 2023, at 6 pm: Michael Eiffe. Information/Discussion

Motion by Cianfrocco, seconded by Mayer to approve new business resolutions J-K:

- J. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution with OCM BOCES for the provision of additional print services. Discussion/Action

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K. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution authorizing partial settlement of vaping litigation against Juul Labs, Inc. Discussion/Action

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

VII. Superintendent's Report

- A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes
- B. School Safety Update
- C. Mental Health Efforts
- D. NYSCOSS 2023 Winter Institute and Lobby Day Update
- E. District Volleyball Tournament – March 10, 2023
- F. OCM BOCES Annual Meeting, Thompson Road Campus – April 13, 2023
- G. OCM BOCES Annual Budget Meeting on April 17, 2023, at 6:30 pm
- H. Next Board of Education Meeting will be held on Monday, April 17, 2023, at Chittenango Middle School

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 Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco to accept the following CSE recommendations:

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610363397

610416719

610422528

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610422223	610409108	610359541	610421261
610344521	610408410	610421396	610421453
610420900	610416854	610421763	610408190
610354867	610421550	610420792	610392365
610379339	610387364	610421064	610420957
610363636	610393449	610421262	610394987
610394991	610421800	610421220	610382728
610354657	610402092	610402718	610421513
610421210	610403777	610420790	610354351
610422627	610422120	610394106	610421089
610422056	610354356	610345692	610421245
610422425	610421997	610408856	610421974
610359343	610359696	610401210	610412973
610422358	610420809	610421049	610421757
610422697	610404387	610421644	610422595
610421643	610419572	610420273	610422524
610422537	610357319	610375422	610421327
610416996	610399587	610422411	610422225
610422316	610421743	610354402	610391029
610408956	610417544	610421649	610398988
610394994	610422072	610421766	610421006
610402568	610376224	610422404	610421445
610421335	610422502	610354547	610416779
610421382	610421116	610422656	610422024
610420196	610412881	610408626	610408911
610421896	610421239	610408779	610422065
610419667	610422394	610408405	

VOTE:

AYES – 8

NAYS – 0

X. Personnel

A. **Motion** by Mayer, seconded by Gratien to accept personnel recommendations 1-20.

1. It is recommended that the services of Spencer Houde, part-time Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be terminated effective the close of business on February 10, 2023.

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2. It is recommended that the resignation of Charlene Iannone, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be accepted effective the close of business on February 28, 2023.
3. It is recommended that the resignation of Carlie Moss, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be accepted effective the close of business on March 31, 2023.
4. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Cynthia Green, Food Service Cook, be accepted effective June 3, 2023.
5. It is recommended that the retirement resignation of Laurie Kasdorf, Special Education teacher, be approved effective June 30, 2023.
6. It is recommended that the resignation of Joseph Meeks, Unified Basketball Coach, be approved effective February 17, 2023.
7. It is recommended that Margaret Bryerton be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective February 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through September 30, 2023.
8. It is recommended that Christina Wagoner be granted a probationary appointment as a School Bus Attendant effective February 13, 2023, through April 12, 2023, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through October 12, 2023.
9. It is recommended that Irene Sheldon be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective February 27, 2023, through April 26, 2023, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through October 26, 2023.
10. It is recommended that Traci Melvin-Ezzo be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective March 22, 2023, through May 21, 2023, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through November 21, 2023.
11. It is recommended that Betsy Brown, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.
12. It is recommended that Katherine Remillard, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.
13. It is recommended that Elayne DeFrees, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.

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14. It is recommended that Jennifer Russo, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.
15. It is recommended that Jessica Button, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.
16. It is recommended that Jennifer Blanchard's probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) be extended to June 22, 2023.
17. It is recommended that Madelaine Mandigo, Food Service Cook, be granted a permanent appointment effective March 1, 2023.
18. It is recommended that Kayla Hazard, School Bus Driver, be granted a permanent appointment effective March 9, 2023.
19. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Teacher/Substitute List for the 2022-2023 school year:

Susan Kahn Anthony Granieri Hope Toombs
20. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Support Staff Substitute List for the 2022-2023 school year:

John Wimmer
21. It is recommended that Kara May be granted a four (4) year probationary appointment as a UPK-12 Principal effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.

VOTE: AYES – 8 NAYS – 0

XI. Executive Session

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco that the Board adjourns into Executive Session at 8 p.m. for the discussion of personnel issues, negotiations, and legal matters.

VOTE: AYES – 8 NAYS – 0

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Gratien that the Board returns from Executive Session at 9:10 p.m.

VOTE: AYES – 8 NAYS – 0

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XII. Adjournment

Motion by Cianfrocco, seconded by Mayer to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

VOTE:

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NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Mahardy
District Clerk