

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Chittenango Middle School
July 1, 2026
6:30 PM

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Daniel Mayer called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held in the Board of Education conference room.

Present: Siubhan Bongiovanni, Louis Cianfrocco, Dana Kent, Daniel Mayer, Russell Wehner, Geoffrey Zimmer

Absent: Dan Gibbons, Edward Gratien, Jason Thomas

Also Present: Michael R. Eiffe, Superintendent of Schools
Adrianna M. Kam, District Clerk
Matthew J. Morkel, Business Administrator

Visitors:

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 Russell Wehner, seconded by Geoffrey Zimmer, the following resolutions were offered:

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Board of Education meeting from June 16, 2026.

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

IV. Educational Presentation/Topics

V. Old Business

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

B. High School Graduation: Michael Eiffe – Information/Discussion

VI. New Business

Motion by Geoffrey Zimmer, seconded by Louis Cianfrocco, to approve new business resolutions A through I:

- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached OCM BOCES services contract for the 2026-2027 school year. Discussion/Action

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- B. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached Abolishment & Layoff Resolution for Civil Service - Teacher Aides. Discussion/Action
- C. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached Health and Welfare Services Agreement with East Syracuse Minoa School District. Discussion/Action
- D. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached list of annual stipends for additional duties. Discussion/Action
- E. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached contract of employment with Scott Mahardy for clerk of the works from June 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026. Discussion/Action
- F. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the donation from the Central New York Community Foundation. Discussion/Action
- G. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution of Board of Education. Discussion/Action
- H. It is recommended that the Board of Education does a first review of the support dog policy. Discussion/Action
- I. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached 2026-2027 Board of Education Calendar. Discussion/Action

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

VII. Superintendent's Report

- A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes
- B. School Safety Update
- C. Special Education Extended School Year
- D. Revised and finalized employment agreements by the Board on June 16, 2026, have finished review by District counsel and ready for signatures

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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 Geoffrey Zimmer, seconded by Dana Kent, to accept the following CSE recommendations:

610422154	610423036	610422075	610422120
610423265	610423179	610422947	610423307
610402467	610422958	610422365	610423284

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

X. Personnel

- A. Motion by Louis Cianfrocco, seconded by Russell Wehner, to accept the personnel recommendations 1 through 9.

1. It is recommended that the resignation of Katherine Hamer, Special Education Teacher, be accepted effective August 31, 2026.
2. It is recommended that the resignation of Amy Abma, Orchestra Teacher, be accepted effective August 31, 2026.
3. It is recommended that the resignation of Samantha Given, Teaching Assistant, be accepted effective August 31, 2026.
4. It is recommended that the resignation of Holly Russell, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) for the 2026-2027 Special Education Extended School Year Program, be approved effective immediately.

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5. RESOLVED, in accordance with the Board's approval of the terms of the Superintendent's employment and contract at the Board's meeting on June 16, 2026, and upon review of the Superintendent's proposed employment agreement by the District's school attorney, the Board approves the Superintendent's employment agreement as revised and as attached.
6. RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves the four (4) year probationary appointment for Matthew Morkel in the tenure area of Business Administrator, effective March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2032; and further, approves the contract of employment with Matthew Morkel as Business Administrator from March 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029, as attached.
7. It is recommended that Patricia Giffune be approved for an administrative internship from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
8. It is recommended that Danielle Caivana be approved for an administrative internship from September 2, 2026 to June 30, 2027.
9. It is recommended that the following be approved as interscholastic coaches/advisors for the fall 2026 season:

Name

Brian Thomas
Kyle Coon
Andrew Young
Kassie Kleine
Thomas Allport
Bradley Williams
Jack Hayes
Curt Kielbasa
Dave Baran
Nicholas Bacon
Michael Stump
Reynolds (RJ) Davis
William Cretaro
TBD
Harold Muller
Christian Rohrer
Derek Gott
Kelly Logan
Katie Thomas
Teghan Landers
Kari Cumber

Position

Varsity Boys Soccer Head
JV Boys Soccer
Modified Boys Soccer
Varsity Girls Soccer Head
JV Girls Soccer Head
Modified Girls Soccer
Varsity Football Head
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Football Assistant
Varsity Boys XC
Modified Boys Cross Country
Varsity Girls XC
Modified Girls XC
Varsity Tennis
Modified Tennis 7/8/9
Varsity Cheer Head

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Sarah Beagle	JV Cheer Head
Eric Saunders	Varsity Boys Golf
Gabrielle Giblin	Girls Varsity Volleyball Head
David Chizzonite	JV Girls Volleyball

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

XI. Executive Session

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

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

Motion by Dana Kent, seconded by Geoffrey Zimmer, that the Board returns from Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Russell Wehner, seconded by Dana Kent, to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Adrianna M. Kam
District Clerk