

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Bridgeport Elementary School
October 7, 2025
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 school cafeteria.

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

Absent: None

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

Visitors: Melissa Stanek, Jahanna Donegan-Wurz, Katherine Hamer, Thomas Allport, Paul Gloska, Hanna Henderson, Emmaline Noon, Kara Slawoniewski, Ryan Olk, Caleb Schiebler, Alexis Thompson, Sydney Cole, Addyson Pendock, Erica Ezzo, Dylan Brownson, Nathan Philo, Brindy Byrnes

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

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Board of Education meeting from September 23, 2025.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

IV. Educational Presentation/Topics

- A. New Teaching Staff Introductions: Michael Eiffe/Jason Clark – Information/Discussion
- B. Bridgeport Presentation – Robotics

V. Old Business

- A. Capital Project Update - Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion
- B. Ex-Officio Student BOE Member: Micheal Eiffe– Information/Discussion

VI. New Business

Motion by Edward Gratien, seconded by Russell Wehner, to approve new business resolutions A through D:

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- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education deem the attached list of books from the Chittenango Middle School as surplus and authorize the disposal of the same.
Discussion/Action
- B. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2025 independent external audit, including the corrective action plan. Discussion/Action
- C. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the agreement with the Madison County Sheriff's Department for the provision of three (3) SPO's for the contract period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. Discussion/ Action
- D. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the attached list of annual stipends for additional duties. Discussion/Action

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

VII. Superintendent's Report

- A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes
- B. School Safety Update
- C. Madison County School Partnership Meeting
- D. Athletic Senior Nights
- E. NYSSBA Annual Education Expo at New York City Hilton - October 23-25, 2025
- F. Board of Education Recognition Week - October 13-17, 2025
- G. Next Board of Education Meeting will be held on November 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Bolivar Road Elementary School

VIII. Board Members' Reports

- A. Member Reports
 - 1. Audit Committee – Committee met on 10/7/25 at 6 pm with the external auditors.
 - 2. Budget Committee
 - 3. Facilities/Transportation Committee

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4. Policy Committee

B. Board Member Comments

IX. CSE Recommendations

A. Motion by Edward Gratien, seconded by Jason Thomas, to accept the following CSE recommendations:

610423332	610423306	610423331	610416382
610423360	610423278	610423258	610422815
610421852	610423307	610423329	610423330
610423325	610423324	610423319	610423326
610423305	610402553	610423274	610423298

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

X. Personnel

A. Motion by Geoffrey Zimmer, seconded by Russell Wehner, to accept personnel recommendations 1 through 6.

1. It is recommended that the approved resignation date for Aubrey Bennett, Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities), of September 29, 2025, be reapproved to be effective September 22, 2025, at the close of business.
2. It is recommended that JoAnn Jones be granted a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Teaching Assistant effective September 15, 2025, through September 14, 2029, pending verification of Teaching Assistant Certification.
3. It is recommended that Peyton Clarke be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective October 6, 2025, through December 5, 2025, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through April 5, 2026.
4. It is recommended that Sadia Ambure be granted a probationary appointment as an Instructional Aide (Students with Disabilities) effective October 8, 2025, through December 7, 2025, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through April 7, 2026.
5. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Teacher/Substitute List for the 2025-2026 school year:

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Mary Colagiovanni	Jennifer Geehrer	Sallie Igou
Julia Ketcham	Kathleen Lanphear	Liliana Russo
Nilde Wozniczka		

6. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Support Staff Substitute List for the 2025-2026 school year:

Roseanne Jones	Robert Liddycoat	Liliana Russo
Sharrol Thurston	Elaine Webb	

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

XI. Executive Session

Motion by Dan Gibbons, seconded by Russell Wehner, 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 Russell Wehner, seconded by Edward Gratien, that the Board returns from Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Dan Gibbons, seconded by Geoffrey Zimmer, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

VOTE:

AYES – 9

NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Mahardy
District Clerk