CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Bolivar Road Elementary School

November 6, 2018

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 Bolivar Road Elementary School Library.

Present: Phil Austin, Siubhan Bongiovanni, James Boswell, Louis Cianfrocco, Russell Wehner, Geoffrey Zimmer

Absent: Dan Gibbons, Edward Gratien, Daniel Mayer

Also Present: Michael R. Eiffe, Superintendent of Schools

Scott P. Mahardy, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Visitors: Nicholas Fersch, Elizabeth Wilcox, Suzanne Kaercher, David Chizzonite, Courtney Aversano, Kassie Kleine, Katie Weiss, Erma Boswell, Tina McNulty, Heather Cowburn, Melissa Biviano, Reneé Burgess, Angela Rudd, Dana Kent

There was an Addendum to the Agenda under New Business.

**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 comment 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 Cianfrocco, the following resolutions were offered:

1. Minutes
   1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting from October 16, 2018.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**IV. Educational Presentation/Topics**

1. Board of Education Recognition: Michael Eiffe/CTA Members – Information/Discussion
2. New Staff Introductions: Reneé Burgess & Nicholas Fersch – Information/Discussion

Reneé Burgess introduced new Bolivar staff member Angela Rudd (Special Education). Nicholas Fersch introduced new High School staff members Elizabeth Wilcox (Special Education) and Suzanne Kaercher (Social Studies).

1. Board of Education Presentation – Character Education: Reneé Burgess and Bolivar Road Staff – Information/Discussion

Reneé Burgess and the Bolivar Road Elementary Team presented their building program concerning character education and the continued work of Rachel’s Challenge.

1. Bolivar Road Elementary Award Grant for Literacy Project – Information/Discussion

Reneé Burgess offered information on the Bolivar Road Elementary Grant Award for a Community Literacy Project.

**V. Old Business**

1. Policy 8505, Student Meal Charge and Prohibition Against Meal Shaming: Third Reading and Approval – Discussion/Action

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Wehner to approve.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

1. Title I/ESSA Policies: Family Engagement Policy and McKinney Vento Policy – Information/Discussion. The Policy Committee referred to the Board for immediate approval per Board Policy.

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Boswell to approve.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

1. Capital Building Project: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion

Scott and Mike provided an update on the status of the Capital Building Project (our review by NYSED is complete and building permits to be issued shortly).

1. 2019-2020 Budget Preparation: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion

**VI. New Business**

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Boswell to approve new business A-D.

1. It is recommended that the World Language Department’s extended field trip to Costa Rica be approved for February 15, 2020 through February 21, 2020. Discussion/Action
2. It is recommended that the Board of Education add two Unified Sports coaches to the CTA Agreement for the September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020 school years. Discussion/Action
3. It is recommended that the Board of Education add one YAC (Youth Activation Committee) Club Advisor to the CTA Agreement for the September 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020 school years. Discussion/Action
4. It is recommended that the Science Olympiad teams’ extended field trip to Boston, Massachusetts to attend the 5th Annual MIT Invitational Tournament be approved for January 11, 2019 through Saturday, January 12, 2019. Discussion/Action

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**VII. Superintendent’s Report**

1. Student Achievement Celebrations – Information/Discussion
2. Curriculum Half Day – October 26, 2018 – Information/Discussion
3. Parent/Teacher Conference Day – November 13, 2018 – Information/Discussion
4. Fall Play at Chittenango High School – "The Brothers Grimm" - November 15-17, 2018 at 7:00 PM – Information/Discussion
5. District Wide Evacuation and Go Home Early Drill – November 20, 2018 – Information/Discussion
6. Next Board of Education Meeting on November 20, 2018 at the Middle School at 6:30 PM – Information/Discussion

G. Sullivan United Community Chest Drive – Information/Discussion

**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 Recommendation**

1. **Motion** by Boswell, seconded by Wehner to accept the following CSE recommendations:

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610421050 610421049 610421269 610391501

610410729 610388970 610390452 610365827

610400820 610382938 610312934 610408716

610416779 610416487 610389177 610376242

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VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**X. Personnel**

1. **Motion** by Austin, seconded by Cianfrocco to accept personnel recommendations 1-5.

It is recommended that the resignation of Renae Sirles Office Assistant II, be accepted effective October 26, 2018.

It is recommended that Arnold Merola be granted the title of Middle School Lead Principal effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

It is recommended that the permanent appointment of Laurie Colin, Head Cleaner II, be discontinued effective October 11, 2018.

It is recommended that the following name be approved for the Support Staff Substitute List for the 2018-2019 school year:

McHugh, Caitlin

It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Teacher/Nurse Substitute List for the 2018-2019 school year:

McHugh, Caitlin Myka, Katelyn

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**XI. Executive Session**

**Motion** by Boswell, seconded by Austin that the Board adjourn into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. for the discussion of negotiations and personnel issues.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**Motion** by Boswell, seconded by Cianfrocco that the Board return from Executive Session at

8:45 p.m.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

**XII. Adjournment**

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Wehner to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

VOTE: AYES – 6 NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Mahardy

District Clerk