

CHITTENANGO BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Chittenango Middle School  
December 10, 2019  
6 P.M.

**MINUTES**

Geoffrey Zimmer called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was held in the Board of Education Conference Room.

Present: Phil Austin, James Boswell, Siubhan Bongiovanni, Louis Cianfrocco, Daniel Mayer, Geoffrey Zimmer

Absent: Dan Gibbons, Edward Gratien, Russell Wehner

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

Visitors: Kadin Atkinson, Connor VanPatten, Miranda Copley, Cory Jackowski, Ezra Cummings, Jenna Barbagallo, Anna Giannantonio, Andrew Whaley, Chris Roller, Cody Hendrix, Celeste Ferguson, Clea Revette, Amber Stoutenger, Dana Kent, Brandon Turner, Chris Funk, Brianna Kelly, Kenny Matthews, Shirley Ward

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 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 Austin, seconded by Mayer, the following resolutions were offered:

A. Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting from November 19, 2019.

B. Financial

1. It is recommended that the Treasurer's Report for October 2019 be accepted.
2. It is recommended that the Claims Auditor's Report for October 2019 be accepted.
3. It is recommended that the Budget Status Report for November 2019 be accepted.
4. It is recommended that the Revenue Status Report for November 2019 be accepted.

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

**IV. Educational Presentation/Topics**

- A. Character Education Presentation: Arnie Merola and Staff Members – Information/ Discussion

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**V. Old Business**

- A. Capital Building Project: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion
- B. 2020-2021 Budget Preparation: Michael Eiffe/Scott Mahardy – Information/Discussion

**VI. New Business**

**Motion** by Boswell, seconded by Mayer to approve new business recommendation A.

- A. It is recommended that the Board of Education reject all bids for the 2019-2020 Capital Outlay project. – Discussion/Action

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

**VII. Superintendent's Report**

- A. Tradition of Excellence, Celebrations, and Successes
- B. School Safety Update
- C. Pre-Kindergarten Update
- D. Upcoming Contract Negotiations Awareness
- E. Personnel Openings/Changes
- F. Holiday Giving/Kindness/Sullivan Community Chest
- G. Holiday Concerts
- H. BOCES Services Meeting Review – December 11, 2019
- I. Next Board of Education Meeting on January 7, 2020, in the high school at 6:30 p.m.

**VIII. Board Members' Reports**

- A. Member Reports
  - 1. Audit Committee
  - 2. Budget Committee
  - 3. Facilities/Transportation Committee

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4. Policy Committee

B. Board Member Comments

**IX. CSE Recommendation**

A. **Motion** by Mayer, seconded by Cianfrocco to accept the following CSE recommendations:

610346867	610378483	610408325	610416489
610413389	610409111	610421293	610421254
610360222	610411245	610350140	610333381
610329199	610410719	610354355	610415522
610333410	610407614	610409119	610421050
610420057	610421732	610391538	610326506
610420662	610404139	610329089	610421613
610421362	610421136	610421122	610419667
610354581			

VOTE:

AYES – 6

NAYS – 0

**X. Personnel**

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

1. It is recommended that Belinda Merithew be granted a probationary appointment as an Office Assistant II effective December 20, 2019 through February 19, 2020, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to extend the probationary period through June 19, 2020.
2. It is recommended that Paul Eisinger, Cleaner, be granted a permanent appointment effective December 3, 2019.
3. It is recommended that Deborah Markle, Head Cleaner I, be granted a permanent appointment effective December 3, 2019.
4. It is recommended that Todd Steding, Head Cleaner II, be granted a permanent appointment effective December 3, 2019.
5. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Support Staff Substitute List for the 2019-2020 school year:

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Engle, Ginger

Griffiths, Jennifer

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Cianfrocco to accept personnel recommendation 6.

6. It is recommended that the following names be approved for the Teacher/Nurse Substitute List for the 2019-2020 school year:

McCormick, Robert  
Stell, Erin

Mayer, Megan

Napoli, Denise

VOTE:                      AYES – 6                      NAYS – 0                      ABSTAINED – 1 (Mayer)

**XI. Executive Session**

**Motion** by Mayer, seconded by Boswell that the Board adjourns into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. for the discussion of negotiations and personnel issues.

VOTE:                                      AYES – 6                                      NAYS – 0

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Mayer that the Board returns from Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

VOTE:                                      AYES – 6                                      NAYS – 0

**XII. Adjournment**

**Motion** by Austin, seconded by Mayer to adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

VOTE:                                      AYES – 6                                      NAYS – 0

Respectfully submitted,

Scott P. Mahardy  
District Clerk