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CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Board of Cooperative Educational Services Sole Supervisory District of Clinton, Essex, Warren and Washington Counties

DATE:

March 9, 2016

KIND OF MEETING:

Regular Board Meeting

PLACE:

Yandon-Dillon Center, Mineville, NY

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent: Linda Gonyo-Horne Craig Jackson Others Present:
Michele Friedman
Teresa Calabrese-Gray
Reginald McDonald

Evan Glading Dr. Jan Guffey

Leisa Boise

Larry Barcomb

District Superintendent

Christine Myers
Keith Baugh
Grace Stay

Richard Harriman, Sr. Donna LaRocque

Dr. Mark C. Davey

Richard Malaney Thomas McCabe

Board Clerk:

Ed Marin

Paul Mudie Bruce Murdock

Tammy I. Johnson

Michael St. Pierre

Lori Saunders

MEETING TO ORDER President Barcomb called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Modification Made May 11, 2016 Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board go into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m., for the following reasons: (1) as a matter of information relating to a current or future investigation(s) or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed; (2) a matter of discussion regarding proposed, pending or current litigation; and (3) a matter of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, to come out of Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

OPINIONS &
CONCERNS FROM
THE AUDIENCE

Teri Calabrese-Gray shared a review and implementation timeline pertaining to ELA and Mathematics Standards, Curriculum and Assessment Implementation; Institutional Evaluation; and Teacher and Principal Evaluation with the Board for informational purposes.

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIVISION HIGHLIGHTS Reggie McDonald, Director of Special Education, Dr. Grace Stay, Principal of the Mineville Campus, and Keith Baugh, Principal at the WAF Center, presented some Special Education Division highlights for both the Plattsburgh and Mineville Campuses. Student success stories were shared and a PowerPoint with pictures of the students was shown.

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PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board approve the minutes of the February 10, 2016, Board Meeting as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

CERTIFICATION OF WARRANT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Certification of Warrant for February 4-19, 2016, be accepted as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman, that the Treasurer's Report for January 31, 2016, be accepted as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

DONATIONS

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board approve the following donations:

1. Donation of \$250 cash from Patrick Perry of NYS Correction & Youth Services Association, to benefit the CV-TEC Plattsburgh Campus Security & Law Program

2. For our student stipend fund:

Pepsi (11/6/15)	\$115.30
Pepsi (12/1/15)	79.83
United Way (12/23/15)	181.88
Pepsi (1/22/16)	91.11
United Way (2/5/16)	198.92
Pepsi (2/18/16)	66.59
Total	\$733.63

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

BUDGET INCREASES

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board approve the following budget increases:

- 1. Increase the Arts in Education budget from \$47,265 to \$55,265, due to increased participation from school districts, for the 2015-16 school year (Crown Point, Elizabethtown-Lewis, Keene, Moriah, Northern Adirondack, Peru, Westport & Willsboro) (ISC)
- 2. Increase the Library Automation budget from \$69,888 to \$74,888, due to increased participation from school districts for the 2015-16 school year (AuSable Valley, Crown Point, Elizabethtown-Lewis, Keene, Moriah, Northeastern Clinton, Northern Adirondack, Peru, Plattsburgh, Putnam, Schroon Lake, Ticonderoga, Westport & Willsboro) (ISC)

All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

SPECIAL AID FUND PROJECT CONTINUATION

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board authorize the following:

1. That the High School Equivalency Test Administration Special Aid Fund project be allowed to continue providing services for the period April 1- June 30, 2016. Expenditures are not to exceed \$1,626. (CV-TEC) All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. St. Pierre, that the Board approve the following Memorandum of Agreement:

Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and the Clinton County Employment and Training Agency (CCETA) under which C-E-W-W BOCES will reimburse CCETA for professional services rendered in connection with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training Venture III Program (SNAP E&T III) in an amount not to exceed \$7,250. The period of the agreement is October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. (CV-TEC)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RESIGNATION **BAKER**

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. LaRocque, that the Board accept the following letter of resignation:

1. Sue Baker, Temporary Health Careers Coordinator, effective March 10, 2016 All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RETIREMENTS BENWARE, BYERS

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board accept the following letters of resignation for the purpose of retirement:

1. Deborah Benware, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective June 30, 2016 (17.5 years

2. Natalee Byers, Speech & Hearing Teacher, effective May 3, 2016 (26.5 years of service)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RESIGNATION/ THREE-YEAR **PROBATIONARY** APPOINTMENT **TEDFORD**

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board accept the following letter of resignation and appoint the following person to a three-year probationary appointment as follows:

1. Accept the resignation of Dena Tedford, Allied Health Teacher/School Practical Nurse 7-12, effective March 10, 2016, and appoint Dena Tedford to a three-year probationary appointment as follows:

Dena Tedford, Health Careers Program Coordinator, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$72,636 (prorated)(actual earned salary for 2015-16 is \$22,093.45) All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RESIGNATION/ **TEMPORARY** APPOINTMENT **DEANGELO**

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board accept the following letter of resignation and appoint the following person to a temporary appointment as follows:

1. Accept the resignation of Shawna Deangelo, Registered Professional Nurse, effective March 10, 2016, and appoint Shawna Deangelo to a temporary appointment as follows:

Shawna Deangelo, Allied Health Teacher, effective March 10-June 30, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$34,911 (uncertified) (prorated) (actual earned salary for 2015-16 is \$12,742.52)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

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CIVIL SERVICE
PROBATIONARY
APPOINTMENTS
MOORE,
TOLOSKY,
LAFAVE, JAVAFARNSWORTH,
BAUGH, REUSSER

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. LaRocque, that the Board appoint the following people to a 52-week Civil Service probationary appointment as follows:

- 1. Katherine Moore, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$13,816 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$5,067.71)
- 2. Emily Tolosky, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$13,816 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$5,067.71)
- 3. Miranda Lafave, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$13,816 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$5,067.71)
- 4. Kelly Java-Farnsworth, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$13,816 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$5,067.71)
- 5. Kaden Baugh, 50% Teacher Aide/Student Aide, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$13,816 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$2,533.85)
- 6. Cathleen Reusser, Registered Professional Nurse One to One, effective March 10, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$33,455 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$12,211.08)

All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

TENURE APPOINTMENT KINGSLEY Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board grant tenure to the following person:

1. Janel Kingsley, School Counseling & Guidance, effective May 1, 2016 All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

ADDITIONAL WORK Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman, that the Board approve the following additional work for the 2015-16 school year:

<u>Name</u>

Reason

<u>Rate</u>

Lance Sayward

NTHS Advisor

\$200 stipend

Kathy Billings

Mentor

\$250 stipend (prorated \$91.25)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

FACILITATOR

Mrs. Saunders moved, seconded by Mr. Murdock, that the Board appoint the following Facilitator for the period of March 10-June 30, 2016:

Facilitator (\$25.15/hour)

Dena Tedford

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

SUBSTITUTES

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. LaRocque, that the Board appoint the following list of substitutes:

Temporary On-Call Teacher Aide/Student Aide

Kaden Baugh

Katherine Moore

Elaine Fortin

Emily Tolosky

Kelly Java-Farnsworth

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

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ABOLISH POSITION BURKE

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board abolish the following position in the tenure area of Interpreter for the Deaf, due to reduced component school districts requests for service:

Erin Burke, Interpreter for the Deaf, effective April 8, 2016

The above employee will be placed on a preferred eligible list for a period of four (4) years, during which time she will have the right to be recalled on the basis of seniority in accordance with statute.

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RECALL BURKE

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. LaRocque, that the Board appoint (recall) the following person from the eligibility list as per statute:

1. Erin Burke, Interpreter for the Deaf 50%, effective April 8, 2016, at an annualized salary of \$70,431 (prorated) (actual earned salary for the 2015-16 school year is \$9,684.26)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ATTEND CONFERENCE/ WORKSHOP

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board approve the following Request for Approval of Attendance to Conference/Workshop for the following Board Member:

Linda Gonyo-Horne, Rural Schools Association Meeting, April 15, 2016 in Cortland (overnight accommodations needed)

All Board Members present voted yes-motion carried.

RESOLUTION IN RESPONSE TO GOVERNOR'S JANUARY 2016 EXECUTIVE BUDGET PROPOSAL Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Saunders, that the Board approve the following resolution:

Whereas, Public school districts that serve the less wealthy rural communities across the state and throughout the North Country are focused on the Governor's January 2016 Executive Budget proposal; and

Whereas, the Governor's Executive Budget, as proposed, would continue to hold away from this BOCES region's public school communities for the 2016-17 school year a majority (53% - \$1,351,828) of the \$2,548,846 in remaining Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) monies that Albany continues to hold away from the public school communities of the Champlain Valley BOCES region; and

Whereas, the Governor's Executive Budget, as proposed, would also hold away from this region's public school communities for the 2016-17 school year (3.5% - \$4,014,618) of Foundation Aid monies originally intended to help provide a stronger foundation for public schools and student success throughout the Champlain Valley BOCES region; and

Whereas, the Governor's proposed state aid increase is well below what public school communities need in 2016-17 simply to maintain instructional programs and support services that remain after multiple years of budget cuts and reductions; and

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RESPONSE TO
GOVERNOR'S
JANUARY 2016
EXECUTIVE
BUDGET
PROPOSAL
CONTINUED

Whereas, the Governor's Executive Budget, as proposed, holds away more than \$245 million in GEA reductions and \$4.1B in Foundation Aid monies; and

Whereas, contingency budget caps fail to consider increased costs required for sustaining solid, basic public education programs and essential support services in the state's less wealthy rural communities; therefore

Be it resolved, that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services strongly urges the Legislature to act decisively and promptly, by providing the following measures to help provide public school districts and students a foundation for success:

- A. Provide to public school districts every dollar of the remaining **GEA** monies Albany has continued to hold back even while the State has experienced budget surpluses;
- B. Provide a statewide minimum of at least \$1.7 Billion in additional revenue to at least maintain current programs and services in our BOCES' component school districts and the rest of our State's public school communities;
- C. Fix the Property Tax Cap law for school districts to address its most damaging shortcomings, especially the use of the Consumer Price Index;
- D. Exclude BOCES capital expenses from the tax levy cap;
- E. Increase the BOCES Aid for Career and Technical Education (CTE) from the current limit of \$30,000 to 100% of CTE instructor salaries or \$65,000 to support strengthened CTE Pathways success;
- F. Authorize establishment of a Workers' Compensation Reserve Fund and a Repair Reserve Fund;
- G. Engage with the New York State School Boards Association and the New York State Council of School Superintendents to ensure that the well-intended school safety initiatives outlined in the Governor's Plan are planned and made operational in a manner that would limit academic disruption and reduce the administrative burden on the State's public school districts;
- H. Do not allow further legislative mandates placed on school districts, without a complete accounting of the fiscal impact on local governments, which must include full documentation, local government input and proposed revenue sources to fund the new mandates;
- I. Commission the State Comptroller to publish an annual public report which includes the cumulative cost to localities of complying with all new regulatory mandates and all new legislative mandates; and

Be it further resolved, that the CVES Board of Cooperative Educational Services requests the District Superintendent forward a copy of this adopted resolution to every component school district Superintendent of Schools in the CVES BOCES region,

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requesting each component school district's Superintendent of Schools forward a copy of this adopted resolution to that school district's Board of Education; and

Be it further resolved, that the CVES Board of Cooperative Educational Services requests the District Superintendent forward a copy of this adopted resolution to our BOCES region's elected State representatives, the chairpersons of the Assembly and Senate committees for education and budget development, and to the Honorable Governor Cuomo.

All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

STRATEGIC PLAN <u>UPDATE</u>

Dr. Davey indicated that the next DPT meeting will be held on March 23rd. The team will be working on updating the survey. Dr. Davey wanted to acknowledge the diligent work being done in all divisions as they are moving forward and further updates will be provided at future board meetings.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Dr. Davey thanked Reggie McDonald for his presentation earlier in the meeting and acknowledged Reggie, his administrators, and his staff for their dedication across the board. Reggie's leadership plays an important role with all our districts in supporting our Special Education students and all districts' CSE Chairpeople, special education staff, parents and students, in implementing quality special education instruction and programming. Dr. Davey reviewed Board Governmental & Board of Regents Updates from Hinman Straub, upcoming NYSSBA Board invitations, and a reminder of the Clinton County School Boards Academic Awards. He also updated the Board on his component visits.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, at the Instructional Services Center in Plattsburgh. A proposed Executive Session will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the Annual Meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. and the regular monthly meeting to follow.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

Tammy I. Johnson, Board Clerk