#### CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

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

DATE:

January 13, 2021

KIND OF MEETING:

Regular Board Meeting

PLACE:

Instructional Services Center, Plattsburgh, NY (Board Members Only)

Remote Via Webex Event (Video & Transcription will be available on CVES

Website upon completion)

Board Members Present:

**Board Members Absent:** 

Others Present:

Larry Barcomb Leisa Boise

**Evan Glading** Donna LaRocque

Teri Calabrese-Grav Michele Friedman

Patricia Gero (left 7:45pm)

Doug Spilling

Matthew Slattery

Linda Gonyo-Horne

Eric Bell

Richard Harriman, Sr.

**Executive Officer:** Dr. Mark C. Davey Alex St. Pierre Julie Jolicoeur

Richard Malaney (joined 7:00pm)

Ed Marin

Thomas McCabe Bruce Murdock

**Board Clerk:** 

Meaghan Rabideau

Lori Saunders Michael St. Pierre Scott Thurber

MEETING TO ORDER Board President St. Pierre called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE** SESSION

Mr. Harriman, Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Barcomb, that the Board go into Executive Session at 6:43 p.m., for the following reasons: #4 - A matter of discussion regarding proposed, pending or current litigation; #5 - A matter of collective negotiations pursuant to article 14 of Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law); and #6 - 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.

In Executive Session, the Board met with the District Superintendent and discussed the recommended hiring process, timeline and contractual terms for CVES' upcoming Assistant Superintendent vacancy. Several other upcoming retirements on the evening's agenda were also reviewed. Next, several COVIDrelated leaves were discussed. Third, an update was provided on a Title IX matter which is under investigation. Fourth, several updates were given involving CVES' Capital Project. Fifth, a labor relations update was given on several topics including a potential grievance and a recommended Memorandum of Agreement for approval. Sixth, an update was provided on a sophisticated ACH phishing attempt that CVES prevented and the NYS Cyber-Command and FBI was involved. Lastly, several confidential personnel matters and recommendations were reviewed related to the Board meeting's planned action.

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Note: Richard Malaney, Board Member, joined the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Patricia Gero signed off meeting at about 7:45p.m.

Mr. Harriman Sr., moved, seconded by Mr. Barcomb that the Board come out of Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

## OPINIONS AND CONCERNS

Dr. Davey introduced Mrs. Julie Jolicoeur, the newly hired Confidential Secretary to the District Superintendent, to the Board and congratulated her on the position. Mrs. Jolicoeur thanked Dr. Davey and the Board and indicated that she looks forward to serving the organization.

## CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE

Dr. Davey began the update by highlighting the weekly OACM (Owner, Architect, Construction Management) meetings that have been ongoing throughout the project and how successful they have been. He went on to thank Mr. Eric Bell, our CVES and construction team members for their ongoing, dedicated work and collaboration that takes place daily to ensure successful Capital Project construction. The presentation was then turned over to Mr. Bell, who shared with the Board several current construction photos. Progress at the South Hanger Building on the Satellite Campus has been the focus during the early winter months. Mr. Bell explained that finishing this building within the scheduled timeframe is critical to moving ISC staff and functions to the renovated area to avoid additional lease expenses to the BOCES. Mock-ups of the exterior were highlighted for the main entrance of the building and progress photos of the new addition and interior construction were also viewed. Construction has progressed with the HVAC system, framing, plumbing and in the mezzanine area. In the main hanger space, the pouring of the concrete flooring was completed, known as the "big pour" by our construction team. This completion was an important step in our site progress and has now allowed for the start of interior construction in that area. Lastly, Dr. Davey shared with the Board several considerations made for power. speakers, audio, video conferencing, etc. to provide a high-quality conference center.

# PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Barcomb to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2020 monthly Board meeting as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

#### CONSENT AGENDA FINANCIAL

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mrs. Gonyo-Horne to approve the following Consent Agenda Financial items as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

# CERTIFICATION OF WARRANT

Approve the Certification of Warrant for November 24, 2020 to January 4, 2021, as presented.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Approve the Treasurer's Reports from November 30, 2020 as presented.

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#### **DONATIONS**

Approve the following Donations:

1. For the Student Stipend Fund:

United Way (November 2020)	198.14
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Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. (December 2020)	<u>58.84</u>
TOTAL - \$	455.12

- 2. Donation of tool batteries, chargers, bits, gear bags and blades from Lowe's Home Improvement, with an estimated value of \$2,000.00. This donation will benefit the Construction Trades programs at CV-TEC.
- 3. Donation of empty medication bottles from Maggy Pharmacy. This donation will benefit the LPN program at CV-TEC.

## SPECIAL AID FUND PROJECT

Approve the following Special Aid Fund Project:

1. Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Grant, special aid fund project, in the amount of \$35,000, for the period of October 14, 2020 through June 1, 2021. This program is funded through Harbor Freight Tools for Schools, LLC. (CV-TEC)

#### CROSS-CONTRACT BUDGETS

Approve the following Cross-Contract Budgets:

- 1. Special Education 12:1 3:1 Program Franklin-Essex-Hamilton (FEH) BOCES budget in the amount of \$64,800 for the 2020-2021 school year to accommodate for a cross contract with FEH BOCES and Northern Adirondack (Co-Ser 204 Special Ed)
- 2. Model Schools Oneida-Herkimer-Madison (OHM) BOCES budget in the amount of \$1,730 for the 2020-2021 school year to accommodate for a cross contract with OHM BOCES and Boquet Valley. (Co-Ser 548 ISC)
- 3. Smart Schools Capital Region BOCES budget in the amount of \$480 for the 2020-2021 school year to accommodate for a cross contract with Capital Region BOCES and Northern Adirondack. (Co-Ser 567 ISC)

#### BUDGET INCREASES

Approve the following Budget Increases:

- 1. Special Education, Related Services Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex (WSWHE) BOCES budget from \$7,000 to \$7,728, for the 2020-2021 school year, to accommodate for an additional service request with WSWHE BOCES and Schroon Lake (Co-Ser 202 Special Ed)
- 2. Model Schools Capital Region BOCES budget from \$100,000 to \$110,900, for the 2020-2021 school year, to accommodate for a new service request with Capital Region BOCES and Plattsburgh. (Co-Ser 544 ISC)

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- 3. Superintendent Eval. ERIE II BOCES budget from \$2,000 to \$2,130, for the 2020-2021 school year, to accommodate for an increased cost to the service with ERIE II BOCES and Beekmantown. (Co-Ser 545 ISC)
- 4. Substitute Coordination Franklin-Essex-Hamilton (FEH) BOCES budget from \$32,285 to \$33,000 for the 2020-2021 school year to accommodate for an additional service request with FEH BOCES and Willsboro. (Co-Ser 618 ISC)
- 5. Teacher Certification Capital Region BOCES budget from \$34,599 to \$35,142 for the 2020-2021 school year to accommodate for an increase in base cost fees for these services with Capital Region BOCES and all participating districts. (Co-Ser 667 Mgmt. Services)
- 6. ITIN (Itinerant) Guidance/Counseling budget from \$31,502 to \$32,455 for the 2020-2021 School Year to accommodate an increase in services from Northeastern Clinton School District. (Co-Ser 303 Special Education)

# RESCIND & APPROVE AGREEMENT

Rescind the following resolution and approve a replacement resolution as follows:

Rescind the following resolution that was approved at the October 14, 2020 Board of Education Meeting:

Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES (BOCES) and Clinton Community College (CCC) for the purpose of obtaining remote and inperson instruction and associated support from CCC for CV-TEC's New Visions Applied Engineering Program, for MAT 204 Pre-Calculus and MAT 224 Calculus courses. Educational services will take place during the September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 school year at the rate of \$1,000 per instructional credit hour. The total amount payable to CCC for all services is \$8,000. (CV-TEC)

Approve the following resolution for (2) Agreements with Margaret Courson: Agreements between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES (BOCES) and Margaret Courson for the purpose of obtaining remote and in-person instruction and associated support from Ms. Courson for CV-TEC's New Visions Applied Engineering Program, for MAT 204 Pre-Calculus and MAT 224 Calculus courses. Educational services will take place during the September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 school year at the rate of \$1,000 per instructional credit hour. The total amount payable to Margaret Courson for all services is \$8,000. (CV-TEC)

#### MEMORANDUMS OF AGREEMENT

Approve the following Memorandums of Agreement:

1. Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES (FEH BOCES) under which C-E-W-W BOCES will reimburse FEH BOCES for professional services rendered in connection with the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment & Training Venture IV (SNAP ET) in an amount not to exceed \$60,000. The period of the agreement is October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. (CV-TEC)

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2. 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 IV (SNAP ET) in an amount not to exceed \$7,250. The period of the agreement is October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. (CV-TEC)

#### **AGREEMENTS**

Approve the following Agreements:

- 1. Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and Cornell University for the purpose of obtaining the following virtual half-day training sessions: "Therapeutic Crisis Intervention for Schools Update: Relevant Refreshers" for the dates of February 1 and February 2, 2021. The total amount for all services is \$6,500. (ISC)
- 2. Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and Stern Center for Language and Learning, Inc. for the purpose of obtaining the following virtual courses and workshops: "Wilson Reading System Introductory Course," "Fundations Level K/1 Workshop," and "Fundations Level 2 Workshop." The course and workshop dates are February 23, 2021 through February 25, 2021, March 11, 2021 and March 18, 2021. The total amount for all services is \$11,850. (ISC)
- 3. Software License Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and eFile Cabinet, Inc. for a license to utilize eFile's document management software tools for the period of January 14, 2021 through January 13, 2022. The software license will renew annually unless a 30-day written notice of cancellation is provided prior to the end of the then-current subscription term. The current annual expenditure for the product is \$6,311.20 with renewal costs estimated at approximately \$5,711.20 per year. (Management Services)

TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT RENEWAL Approve the following Transportation Agreement Renewal:

1. Renewal Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and AuSable Valley Central School District, to provide certain transportation services for students in CV-TEC programs for the period of September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 at a current estimated cost of \$15,000. (CV-TEC)

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Audit Committee Meeting Minutes from the October 14, 2020 meeting were shared with the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA PERSONNEL Mr. Boise moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman, Sr., to approve the following Consent Agenda Personnel items as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

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RESIGNATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RETIREMENT CALABRESE-GRAY, BIASINI, Approve the following letter(s) of resignation for the Purpose of Retirement:

- 1. Teresa Calabrese-Gray, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction and 21st Century Learning, Effective July 1, 2021
- Anthony Biasini, Special Education Teacher, Effective July 1, 2021
   Michael Guillette, Graphic Arts Teacher, Effective July 1, 2021

# RESIGNATION MAYHEW, CUMMINGS

**GUILLETTE** 

Accept the following letter(s) of Resignation:

- 1. Grace Mayhew, Teaching Assistant, Effective December 19, 2020
- 2. Jacob Cummings, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, Effective December 28, 2020

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE SPRING

Approve the following leave(s) of absence:

1. Sara Spring, Teaching Assistant, January 4, 2021 through June 25, 2021, for the purpose of accepting a temporary teaching position.

#### CIVIL SERVICE PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENTS LAGREE, MARTINO

Appoint the following person(s) to a 52-week Civil Service Probationary Appointment as follows:

1. Jessica Lagree, Account Clerk/Typist, Effective January 19, 2021, Annual Base Salary of \$26,712, Prorated Salary of \$12,020.40.

Appoint the following person(s) to a 26-week Civil Service Probationary Appointment as follows:

1. Andrea Martino, Behavior Analyst, Effective December 14, 2020, Annual Base Salary of \$59,414.

#### PROVISIONAL CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENT WILKINS

Appoint the following person(s) to a Provisional Civil Service Appointment as follows:

1. Victoria Wilkins (pending fingerprint clearance), Accountant (Schools), Effective January 20, 2021, Annualized Salary \$42,000, Prorated Salary of \$18,738.46. (EFFECTIVE PERMANENT DATE TO BE DETERMINED UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF CIVIL SERVICE EXAM)
Grant a Permanent Appointment (Civil Service) to the following person(s):

#### PERMANENT APPOINTMENT HAMBLETON

1. Heather Hambleton, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, Effective February 10, 2021.

#### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT SPRING

Approve the following person(s) to a Temporary Appointment for the 2020-21 school year:

1. Sara Spring, Special Education Teacher, Effective January 4, 2021 – June 25, 2021, Annual Base Salary of \$43,468, Prorated Salary of \$26,080.80.

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**ADULT** 

EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR

Approve the following Adult Education Course Instructors for the 2020-21 school

year:

Adult Education non-contract, (\$28.00/hour)

Dylan Limlaw

ADDITIONAL WORK

Approve the following Additional Work for the 2020-21 School Year:

School Bus Driver Recertification, per diem rate of pay

Kim Mayer

Not-To-Exceed 4 hours

**SUBSTITUTES** 

Approve the following list of Substitute and Temporary-On-Call appointments for

the 2020-21 school year:

Name

<u>Position</u> Teacher

Michael Magee Lydia Ducharme

Teacher

Michael Magee

Teaching Assistant

Donald Barber Jr.

Teacher Aide/Student Aide

Ryan Hanley

Permanent Building Sub, \$130/day

AUTHORIZATION OF INDIVIDUALS TO COLLECT Authorize the following individual(s) to collect money at all CVES locations for

the 2020-21 school year:

MONEY CV-TEC Satellite Campus

Kathy Mallette - Adult Education Tuitions and Fees & other CV-TEC program

income (Replacement for Diana Handly)

Management Services

Deanna Akin - Bank Deposits and General Collections - Business office

(Replacement for Gabrielle Dion)

PETTY CASH FUNDS Approve the following change funds and custodians of the funds for the 2020-21

school year:

CV-TEC Satellite Campus Petty Cash Fund - Kathy Mallette - \$100 (Replacement

for Diana Handly)

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY BOARD CLERK Appoint Julie Jolicoeur to the position of Deputy Board Clerk, as needed, effective January 4, 2021 through the July 2021 Reorganization Meeting, with an additional compensation of \$39.15/hour for hours worked beyond the contractual workday. The Deputy Board Clerk will sign the Oath of Office and file with the Board

Clerk.

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Dr. Davey acknowledged the retirees on this evening's agenda and thanked them for their years of service and dedication to CVES and our students. He gave special recognition to Mrs. Teresa Calabrese-Grey, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning, for her 16 years of service at CVES. Mrs. Calabrese-Grey has been an esteemed colleague of many statewide and a distinguished leader throughout her career.

# CERTIFICATION OF LEAD EVALUATOR RESOLUTION

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Harriman Sr. that the Board approve the following Lead Teacher Evaluator Certification resolution:

Be it resolved that Ms. Nicole O'Connell is hereby certified as a Qualified Lead Evaluator of classroom teachers having successfully completed the following training requirements prescribed in 8 NYCCR §30-2.9(b):

- (1) The New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators/the Leadership Standards and their related functions;
- (2) Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research;
- (3) Application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in 8 NYCCR §30-2.2;
- (4) Application and use of the State-approved rubrics selected by the BOCES for use in the evaluation of classroom teachers, including training on the effective application of such rubric to observe a classroom teacher's practice;
- (5) Application and use of the assessment tools that the BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teachers, including, but not limited to, structured portfolio reviews, professional growth goals\*, school improvement goals, etc.;
- (6) Application and use of the State-approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the BOCES to evaluate its classroom teachers;
- (7) The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and the BOCES to evaluate a classroom teacher under 8 NYCCR §30-2, including (a) how scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score of classroom teachers, and (b) application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the overall rating of classroom teachers and their subcomponent ratings; and
- (8) Specific considerations in evaluating classroom teachers of English language learners and students with disabilities. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

# RE-CERTIFICATION OF LEAD EVALUATORS AND LEAD PRINCIPAL EVALUATORS

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board approve the following Lead Evaluator Certification resolutions:

1. The re-certification of the following Lead Teacher Evaluators for the 2020-2021 school year, who have attended various CVES in-house meetings and state, regional and/or local professional development offerings: Bonnie Berry, Teri Calabrese-Gray, Adam Facteau, Michele Friedman, Jim McCartney, Matthew Slattery, Grace Stay, Matthew Walentuk, and Daniel Valenzuela.

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2. The re-certification of the following Lead Principal Evaluators for the 2020-2021 school year, who have attended various CVES in-house meetings and state, regional and/or local professional development offerings: Bonnie Berry, Teri Calabrese-Gray, Michele Friedman and Matthew Slattery. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

MEMORANDUM
OF AGREEMENT
CEWW BOCES
AND CVES
ADMINISTRATIVE
UNIT

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mrs. Gonyo-Horne, that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services and the C-E-W-W BOCES Administrative Unit that acknowledges the addition of the Adult Services Administrator. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

# ADOPT SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board adopt the school calendar for the following year as recommended by the component school district calendar committee: 2021-22. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

#### JUUL AGREEMENT

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Thurber, that the Board extend the probationary appointment period through January 27, 2022, Shawna Deangelo, to allow for additional time for tenure recommendation per agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services, CVES United Professionals, and Shawna Deangelo. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

AUTHORIZE MEDICAL EXAMINATION RESOLUTION Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board, upon the recommendation of the District Superintendent and advice of counsel, approve the following resolution authorizing medical examination:

WHEREAS, Section 913 of the Education Law empowers the Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to require employees to submit to a medical examination to safeguard the health of children attending public schools; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, school employees may be required to be tested for the Coronavirus in order to control the spread of Coronavirus; and WHEREAS, medical examinations under Law 913 may need to be conducted on an expedited basis if the BOCES is required to test employees for Coronavirus and employees will not provide consent.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the BOCES hereby requires that employees who are to be tested for Coronavirus and do not provide written consent to the BOCES shall be required to submit to a medical examination under Education Law 913, which examination shall include a Coronavirus test; and RESOLVED, that during the Covid-19 pandemic, the District Superintendent or his designee is authorized on behalf of the BOCES to direct such medical examinations which include Coronavirus testing of employees, in accordance with this Resolution. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

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#### LETTERS OF RESIGNATION RYAN

Mr. Barcomb moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman, Sr., that the Board approve the following letter(s) of Resignation:

1. Gillian Ryan, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, Effective January 1, 2021. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

#### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT MISIK

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise., that the Board approve the following person(s) to a Temporary Appointment for the 2020-21 school year:

1. Deborah Misik, Food Service Teacher, Effective January 14, 2021– June 30, 2021, Annual Base Salary of \$43,468, Prorated Salary of \$24,342.08. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

# ADDITIONAL WORK

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board approve the following Additional Work for the 2020-21 School Year:

# School Bus Driver Recertification, per diem rate of pay Thomas Rodriguez Not-To-Exceed 4 hours All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

#### **AGREEMENT**

Mr. Harriman Sr, moved, seconded by Mrs. Boise, that the Board approve the following Agreement:

1. Second Amendment to the Revocable Permit between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES and SUNY Plattsburgh to amend an agreement that was Board approved August 21, 2019 for the rental of classroom space at SUNY's Sibley Hall during the dates of August 22, 2019 through August 21, 2021 at a rate of \$6,070 per year. A First Amendment to the rental agreement was approved October 14, 2020 and provided for additional classroom space at SUNY's Redcay Hall for the dates of September 14, 2020 through December 31, 2020 at no additional cost to BOCES. The proposed Second Amendment to the rental agreement allows for the additional use of room 106 at Sibley Hall, to accommodate COVID-19 social distancing necessities, for the dates of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021. The additional space will be provided by SUNY in the amount of \$5,040 and will bring the total annual rent payable to \$11,110 for the current period ending August 21, 2021 (Special Education) All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

### STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Dr. Davey reviewed the planning efforts underway for the mid-year DPT meeting scheduled for January 27<sup>th</sup>. The focus will be on improving remote instruction, action steps for promoting Equity, Inclusion & Acceptance initiatives to implement across the BOCES and rebranding the CVES website & logo, in terms of refreshing the BOCES image to help promote our programs and services. Mrs. Michele Friedman briefly stated that promoting the depth of CVES's services, provides a direct link to the workforce and our community.

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#### DISTRICT SUPT. UPDATE

Dr. Davey referenced several updates that were communicated to the Board this week, including the CVES and component districts instructional status update listing that is shared twice a week to confirm the in-person/remote instruction that each district is utilizing in the region. The Superintendents continue to meet weekly with the County Health Departments to receive the latest updates, ask questions and discuss concerns. Next, Dr. Davey indicated that with the recent increase in COVID cases, the divisions have been assisting in contact tracing efforts and informing parents, staff and our component districts of positive results. CVES recently received our LSL (Limited Service License) that would allow for COVID testing by CVES if the county is deemed a Yellow Zone by NYS. CVES continues to work closely with the county DOHs and CSOs to provide information and support regarding "POD" or "Point of Dispensing" locations to administer vaccines if necessary. Fourth, the Board discussed a fully remote vs. hybrid model meeting for the February 10th Board meeting and President St. Pierre recommended waiting two-weeks to make decision. Dr. Davey will work with the Board's Officers on confirming that recommendation. Dr. Davey then shared that the Executive Budget is forthcoming and references during the Governor's State of the State Address indicate that the deficit may not be as bad as first anticipated. However, federal stimulus monies will be critically important to NYS and our district's education budgets in 2021-22. This information will be taken into consideration when formulating the budget for next year and continuing financial outlook. Lastly, the Board was notified of the "virtual" BOCES Lobby Day that will take place during the last week of February 2021. The Board was asked to please notify the District Office if they wish to participate.

#### **OTHER**

Board Member Ed Marin briefly inquired about the 2021-22 school calendar and the school break surrounding the December holiday season. Discussion ensued on the 180-day state requirement and Mrs. Calabrese-Gray indicated that the calendar is based on the recommendation of the Calendar Committee made up of representatives from the component districts and the Superintendents. She also noted that the districts have the ability to determine individual component calendars. Dr. Davey also noted that the administrative team will make necessary adjustments to this calendar per NYS requirements or guidance.

NEXT BOARD MEETING The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 10, 2021, at the Instructional Services Center in Plattsburgh, NY. An anticipated Executive Session will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the monthly meeting to follow.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mrs. Gonyo-Horne to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

Meaghan Rabideau, Board Clerk