

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES  
 Board of Cooperative Educational Services  
 Sole Supervisory District of Clinton, Essex,  
 Warren and Washington Counties

DATE: May 12, 2021  
 KIND OF MEETING: Regular Board Meeting  
 PLACE: Yandon-Dillon Center, Mineville, NY & Remote Via Webex Event  
 (Video & Transcription will be available on CVES Website upon completion)

Board Members Present:

Larry Barcomb  
 Leisa Boise  
 Patricia Gero  
 Linda Gonyo-Horne  
 Richard Harriman, Sr.  
 Ed Marin  
 Bruce Murdock  
 Lori Saunders  
 Doug Spilling  
 Michael St. Pierre

Board Members Absent:

Evan Glading  
 Donna LaRocque  
 Richard Malaney  
 Thomas McCabe  
 Scott Thurber

Executive Officer:

Dr. Mark C. Davey

Board Clerk:

Meaghan Rabideau

Others Present:

Teri Calabrese-Gray  
 Michele Friedman  
 Matthew Slattery  
 Eric Bell  
 Alex St. Pierre  
 Amy Campbell  
 Sarah Paquette

MEETING  
TO ORDER

Board President St. Pierre called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

BOARD MEMBER  
APPOINTMENT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Barcomb, that the Board appoint Mrs. Donna LaRocque to the CVES vacant Board seat through April 28, 2022. Mrs. LaRocque will sign the Oath of Office and file with the Board Clerk. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board go into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m., for the following reasons: #3 - A matter of information relating to a current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed; #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); #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 District Superintendent first provided the Board a brief presentation of his 2020-21 school year's highlights and accomplishments for his evaluation. The Board was given the opportunity to provide feedback and ask questions, they will now complete their portion of the District Superintendent's evaluation using SuperEval, the Superintendent evaluation online instrument. Second, Ms. Meghan Zedick, Esq. an attorney with Stafford, Owens, Piller, Murnane, Kelleher & Trombley, PLLC., was invited to attend the Executive Session. She provided legal advice on various topics including an update on

several investigations recently conducted and several contractual matters involving CVES' Capital Project. Third, a labor relations update was given regarding the District Superintendent's recommendations for the Administrator for Instructional Services (AIS) appointment and numerous personnel actions. An update was also provided on the Director of Labor Relations search progress and the planned upcoming search for the Satellite Campus Principal/CIO position due to a recent retirement. Lastly, the District Superintendent reviewed a recommended Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and provided an update on upcoming negotiations with several CVES labor associations. Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board come out of Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

#### RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

Dr. Davey shared CVES' congratulations to Mrs. Michele Friedman, Director of Career and Technical Education (CTE), who was recognized for being awarded the 2021 Women of Distinction for Education by Assemblyman Billy Jones. A Proclamation from the NYS Assembly was presented to Mrs. Friedman as an extraordinary woman who has made a difference in the North Country, been a strong partner with the business community, and as a testament to her leadership and dedication to CV-TEC's students and programs. Mrs. Friedman was nominated for this prestigious award by CVES' principals. Dr. Davey also recognized Mr. Larry Barcomb, Board member, who was recently nominated and will be awarded the Rural Schools Association (RSA) 2021 Appreciation Award at its 2021 RSA Annual Summer Conference. The nomination letter to RSA was read by Mrs. Linda Gonyo-Horne, CVES and RSA Board Member which indicated that the 2021 Appreciation Award warrants recognition for special contributions to New York State's rural schools. Mr. Barcomb has served a combined 35 years as a Board Member for the Chazy Central Rural School Board of Education for 16 years (1986-2001), 4 of those as its President, and the CVES BOCES Board for 29 years (1992-2021), with 23 of those years as the CVES Board President. He has also served in local government as the Town of Champlain Town Supervisor for 16 years and Councilman for 2 years. The nomination was submitted by Dr. Davey, Board President Michael St. Pierre, the entire CVES Board including Mrs. Linda Gonyo-Horne in her dual role as a CVES and RSA Board member. The Board then shared a round of applause for both Mrs. Friedman and Mr. Barcomb.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN SURVEY RESULTS

Dr. Davey thanked Mr. Richard Harriman Sr. and Mrs. Lori Saunders, Board members, and the entire DPT Committee for their collective work with this year's Strategic Plan's continuing implementation including the 2020-21 Strategic Plan survey. The survey had strong participation again this year with 223 surveys completed, its third highest in 8 years. Dr. Davey then introduced CVES' Assistant Superintendent for Instruction & 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning, Ms. Teri Calabrese-Gray, who collaborated with Ms. Angie Waldron, Curriculum Coordinator in the Special Education Division to compile this evening's presentation. Ms. Calabrese-Gray then shared the PowerPoint presentation (PPT) on the 2021 Strategic Plan Survey results. The PPT highlighted the annual employee survey results of organizational climate feedback which will help to provide input on our ongoing Strategic Plan

improvement efforts. Ms. Calabrese-Gray indicated that this year's results were aligned with the priority areas identified by the District Planning Team (DPT) in the Fall of 2020. These priority areas included: (1) Provide Dynamic Leadership (2) Educate through Innovative, High-quality Programs and Services (3) Ensure a Quality Learning Environment, and (4) Build and Enhance Partnerships. Numerous survey questions were reviewed by Ms. Calabrese-Gray including the response trend highlights over the past years as well as the areas of continued recommended focus were noted. The survey data will be used as part of the end-of-year summary, will support next year's 2021-2022 Strategic Plan updates throughout CVES. The Board was then provided an opportunity for questions and answers and further discussion ensued.

CAPITAL PROJECT  
UPDATE

Mr. Eric Bell provided a Capital Project Update to the Board with numerous construction photos of the Satellite South Campus. The primary focus is to finish construction at the Satellite Campus and ensure CVES' Administrative and Management Services office moves will be completed by the end of summer as the lease for the Instructional Services Center will be coming to an end. Mr. Bell shared that NYSEG was recently onsite to begin underground trenching, install a new pole and remove underground wire that would allow necessary site work to be completed. Mr. Bell provided several progress photos of interior office classroom and conference space, the recent second-floor concrete pour, the lobby/entrance, and lastly he noted that water mitigation has been completed in the South Building so flooring can begin.

AUDIT  
COMMITTEE  
UPDATE

Mr. Eric Bell provided the Board an update from the recent Audit Committee meeting with internal auditors from West & Company. The auditors did a pre-visit audit at the end of April and shared with the Committee what to expect and asked the committee to share areas of concern or focus moving forward. The auditors will return at the end of August to commence the complete audit for the 2020-21 school year. The Committee also reviewed unemployment fraudulent claims and how CVES is working through that process. Mr. Bell shared that the Committee also reviewed the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) Reserve Plan and the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (EBALR) Reserve Plan regarding funding which allows to set aside resources to satisfy CVES' liability for future payments. Lastly, Dr. Davey informed the Board that the State Comptrollers Audit is now on hold until September due to construction.

PREVIOUS  
MINUTES

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 Annual Board meeting as presented. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 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 March 30, 2021 to May 3, 2021, as presented.

TREASURER’S  
REPORT

Approve the Treasurer’s Report from March 31, 2021 as presented.

DONATIONS

Approve the following Donation(s):

1. For the student stipend fund:	
United Way (February 2021)	198.12
Pepsi-Cola (March 2021)	102.99
United Way (April 2021)	<u>171.74</u>
TOTAL	- \$ 472.85

BUDGETS

Approve the following Budgets:

1. Summer School Age Non-Specified Programs Budget in the amount of \$426,025 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 940 – Special Education)
2. Summer School Age 6:1:1 Autism Budget in the amount of \$197,091 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 941 – Special Education)
3. Summer School Age Intensive Therapeutic Support Program (ITSP) Budget in the amount of \$66,959 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 943 – Special Education)
4. Summer School Age Related Service Only Budget in the amount of \$3,293 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 962 – Special Education)
5. Summer School Age 1:1 T/A Budget in the amount of \$35,691 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 964 – Special Education)
6. Summer School Age 1:1 Nurse Budget in the amount of \$7,701 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 965 – Special Education)
7. Summer School Age 1:1 Aide Budget in the amount of \$275,257 for the 2021-2022 school year (Co-Ser 966 – Special Education)
8. Yandon-Dillon Cafeteria Fund Regular School Year Budget in the amount of \$112,237 for the 2021 - 2022 school year. (Co-Ser C791 – School Lunch Fund)
9. William A Fritz Cafeteria Fund Regular School Year Budget in the amount of

\$157,595 for the 2021 - 2022 school year. (Co-Ser C791 – School Lunch Fund)

10. William A Fritz Cafeteria Fund Extended School Year Budget in the amount of \$17,461 for the 2021 - 2022 school year. (Co-Ser C791 – School Lunch Fund)

11. Yandon-Dillon Cafeteria Fund Extended School Year Budget in the amount of \$6,538 for the 2021 - 2022 school year. (Co-Ser C791 – School Lunch Fund)

BUDGET  
INCREASES

Approve the following Budget Increases:

1. Instructional Technology Service budget from \$329,400 to \$337,400 for the 2020-2021 school year due to increased participation (Saranac CSD). (ISC)
2. High School Equivalency (HSE) Test Administration special aid fund project budget from \$7,247 to \$8,387, for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, due to rollover funding in the amount of \$1,140. (CV-TEC)

SPECIAL AID  
FUND PROJECTS

Approve the following Special Aid Fund Projects:

1. Helping North Country Students Bee All They Can Bee special aid fund project, in the amount of \$3,000, for the period of September 2020 to September 2021. This grant is funded by the 2021 Generous Acts through the Adirondack Foundation in support of the annual Spelling Bee. (ISC)
2. North Country Region Career Pathways III Program (NCRCP3P), in the amount of \$100,000 for the period of April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 (Pending fully executed contract with North Country Workforce Partnership, Inc.) (CV-TEC)

FIRE ALARM  
IMPROVEMENT  
CAPITAL PROJECT  
COST INCREASE

Approve the following project cost increase to the Fire Alarm Improvement Capital Project:

1. Increase the “Fire Alarm Improvement Capital Project at the Plattsburgh Main Campus and Yandon-Dillon Facility” total project cost from \$360,000 to \$400,000 due to additional construction costs. The original project cost of \$295,000 was approved at the December 13, 2017 Board Meeting and additional approvals to increase the total project cost to \$360,000 occurred at the June 12, 2019 Board Meeting and the May 13, 2020 Board Meeting. (Administration)

PROPOSAL

Approve the following Proposal:

1. Proposal from Schoolhouse Construction Services, LLC of Delhi, New York in the amount of \$14,250 for Construction Management Services to close out the “Fire Alarm Improvement Project at the Plattsburgh Main Campus and Yandon-Dillon Facility”. (Administration)

BID AWARD  
WELDING &  
IRONWORKER  
EQUIPMENT

Award the following Bid:

Award the “Welding and Ironworker Equipment” bid for the CV-TEC Welding Program in the amount of \$70,809.24 to Airgas USA LLC of Plattsburgh, NY.

Note: One additional vendor submitted a bid:

1. Haun Welding Supply, Inc. Syracuse, NY with a bid of \$76,045

CONSENT  
AGENDA  
PERSONNEL

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

RESIGNATION  
FOR THE PURPOSE  
OF RETIREMENT  
O’CONNELL

Approve the following letter(s) of resignation for the purpose of retirement:

1. Louise O’Connell, Teaching Assistant, Effective November 24, 2021

RESIGNATIONS  
LUCAS, INMAN

Approve the following letter(s) of resignation:

1. Sarah Lucas, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, Effective April 28, 2021
2. Kaila Inman, Publication Specialist, Effective May 28, 2021

LEAVES OF  
ABSENCE  
PAYNTER,  
MERRITT

Approve the following leave(s) of absence:

1. Melody Paynter, Teacher Aide/Student Aide, unpaid leave, May 3, 2021 through June 6, 2021
2. Julie Merritt, Teaching Assistant, unpaid leave, May 12, 2021 through June 30, 2021

TENURE  
APPOINTMENTS  
MITCHELL,  
WALENTUK

Grant Tenure to the following person(s):

1. Tina Mitchell, Speech & Hearing Teacher, Effective October 11, 2021
2. Matthew Walentuk, Interscholastic Athletics Administrator, Effective October 23, 2021

TEMPORARY  
APPOINTMENTS  
BORDEAU,  
HANLEY

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

1. Cristina Bordeau, Teaching Assistant (uncertified), Effective April 20, 2021 through June 30, 2021, Annual Base Salary of \$23,751, Prorated Salary of \$6,293.98.

Approve the following person(s) to a Temporary Appointment for the 2021-22 school year:

1. Ryan Hanley, Special Education Teacher (uncertified), Effective September 1,

2021 through June 30, 2022, Annual Base Salary of \$45,365.

PART-TIME  
HOURLY  
APPOINTMENT

Appoint the following person(s) to a Part-Time Hourly Appointment for the 2021-22 school year:

TASC Examiner, \$28.00/hour  
Patricia Goodell           not to exceed 50 hours

SPECIAL  
EDUCATION  
SUMMER SCHOOL  
STAFFING  
ADDITIONS

Approve the following 2021-22 Special Education Summer School Staffing Additions:

Registered Nurse, hourly rate of pay per contract  
Maria Hurteau                   WAF

2021 SUMMER  
WORK

Approve the following 2021 Summer Work:

LPN CVPH Mandatory Orientation, hourly rate of pay  
Emily LeFevre                   not to exceed 6 hours  
Erin Spoor                       not to exceed 6 hours  
Maria Hurteau                   not to exceed 6 hours

Classroom Move/Setup, hourly rate of pay  
Ryan Hanley                   not to exceed 12 hours  
Todd Menia                   not to exceed 12 hours  
Ellen Supinski               not to exceed 12 hours

CV-TEC PD/Curriculum Development, hourly rate of pay per contract  
Shelly Bouyea               not to exceed 6 hours  
Mark Brown                 not to exceed 6 hours  
Lisa Fisher                 not to exceed 6 hours  
Lucy Marbut                 not to exceed 6 hours  
Jennifer Parker             not to exceed 6 hours  
Nicole Santaniello         not to exceed 6 hours  
Lance Sayward             not to exceed 6 hours  
Dawn Waters                 not to exceed 6 hours

Curriculum Development, hourly rate per contract  
Abram Benko                 not to exceed 18 hours  
Mark Brown                 not to exceed 18 hours  
Kelly Gowett                not to exceed 18 hours  
Maria Hurteau               not to exceed 18 hours  
Emily Lefevre               not to exceed 18 hours  
Erin Spoor                   not to exceed 18 hours

CTE Program Reapproval Curriculum, hourly rate per contract

Stephen Bassett	not to exceed 12 hours
Mark Brown	not to exceed 12 hours
Erin Meyer	not to exceed 12 hours
Susan J Richards	not to exceed 12 hours
Thomas Tedford	not to exceed 12 hours

Provide Continued Instruction for Adult Literacy, HSE, GRASP and Job Skills Training Program, hourly rate of pay

Dalton Castine	not to exceed 150 hours
Katie LaBonte	not to exceed 150 hours
Alexis Dirolf	not to exceed 150 hours
Bridget Snow	not to exceed 180 hours
Laura Johnson	not to exceed 150 hours
Karen Manning	not to exceed 150 hours
Tiffany Snow	not to exceed 120 hours

Continuation of Normal Workday Duties, hourly rate of pay

Susanne Ford-Croghan	not to exceed 140 hours
Lucy Marbut	not to exceed 35 hours
Kevin Donoghue	not to exceed 175 hours
Nicole Santaniello	not to exceed 100 hours
Donna Wyant	not to exceed 18 hours

ADULT  
EDUCATION  
COURSE  
INSTRUCTORS

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

Adult Education Health Careers, hourly rate per contract

Kelly Gowett  
Lauren Heath  
Maria Hurteau

Approve the following Adult Education Course Instructors for the 2021-22 school year:

Adult Education, hourly rate per contract

Thomas Aubin  
Lisa Banker  
Chad Blair  
Shelley Bouyea  
Mark Brown  
Amy Burdo  
Dalton Castine  
Fay Cheney  
Stephen Couture  
Alexis Dirolf



Michael Drew  
Lori Ducharme  
Jennifer Gero  
Laura Johnson  
Katie Labonte  
Karen Manning  
Lucy Marbut  
Todd Menia  
Frank Mercier  
Erin Meyer  
Dana Poirier  
Susan J Richards  
Lance Sayward  
Tanner Senecal  
Kevin Shaw  
Bridget Snow  
Tiffany Snow  
Dawn Waters

Adult Education Health Careers, hourly rate per contract

Shelley Bouyea  
Kelly Gowett  
Maria Hurteau  
Emily LeFevre  
Jaimie Plumadore  
Maria Spadafora  
Erin Spoor  
Dena Tedford

Adult Education, \$28.00/hour

Christina Beck  
Scott Fairchild  
Patricia Goodell  
Brad Kiroy  
Kieran Kivlehan  
Susan Levaque  
Dylan Limlaw  
Ann Schmitt

FACILITATOR

Approve the following Facilitator for the 2020-21 school year:

Facilitator, \$30.00/hour  
Melissa LaVallee

SUBSTITUTES

Approve the following list of Substitute and Temporary-On-Call appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Christopher Huchro	Permanent Building Sub
Karlea Luxon	Food Service Helper
Michele Patnode	Bus Driver

Dr. Davey recognized and congratulated the retirement of Teaching Assistant Louise O'Connell, and acknowledged her 20 years of service with CVES.

CVES TOTAL BUDGET

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Spilling that the Board approve the total CVES Budget for the 2021-22 school year in the amount of \$40,799,609.00. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

2021-22 CVES BOARD MEETING DATES

Mr. Spilling moved, seconded by Mr. Murdock, that the Board approve the following CVES Board Meeting dates for the 2021-22 school year:

July 14, 2021 – Plattsburgh  
August 18, 2021 – Plattsburgh  
September 8, 2021 – Plattsburgh  
October 13, 2021 – Plattsburgh  
November 10, 2021 – Mineville  
December 8, 2021 – Plattsburgh  
January 12, 2022 – Mineville  
February 9, 2022 – Plattsburgh  
March 9, 2022 – Mineville  
April 13, 2022 – Plattsburgh  
May 11, 2022 – Mineville  
June 8, 2022 – Plattsburgh

All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO ATTEND CONFERENCE/WORKSHOP

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Spilling that the Board approve the following request for approval of attendance to conference/workshop for the following Board member(s):

Linda Gonyo-Horne & Richard Harriman, Sr.  
Rural Schools Association Summer Conference  
July 11-13, 2021 Cooperstown, NY (overnight accommodations needed) All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

ADJUSTED LEASE RENEWAL AGREEMENT

Mr. Harriman Sr. moved, seconded by Mr. Murdock that the Board approve the following Adjusted Lease Renewal Agreement:

Letter of Agreement between Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of

Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) and The Development Corporation "TDC" for the purpose of allowing the BOCES to renew an existing lease for 12,597 square feet of space at 14 Area Development Drive in Plattsburgh, NY on a month-to-month basis effective October 1, 2021. The monthly rent shall be \$7,873.13. All other conditions of the original lease agreement dated October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2021 remain in effect. The month-to-month lease may continue as needed or may be cancelled by either party on thirty (30) days written notice. (Management Services) All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

FOUR-YEAR  
PROBATIONARY  
APPOINTMENT  
PAQUETTE

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., appoint the following person(s) to a Four-Year Probationary Appointment as follows:

1. Sarah Paquette, Administrator for Instructional Services, Effective July 1, 2021 Annual Base Salary of \$95,000. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

(The Expiration date for the above appointments are tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time).

MEMORANDUM  
OF AGREEMENT  
CEWW BOCES  
AND CVES  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
UNIT

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services and the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington Board of Cooperative Educational Services Administrative Unit that acknowledges the addition of the Administrator of Instructional Services position. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

REQUEST FOR  
APPROVAL TO  
ATTEND  
CONFERENCE/  
WORKSHOP

Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Board approve the following request for approval of attendance to conference/workshop for the following Board member(s):

Michael St. Pierre, Board President  
Rural Schools Association Summer Conference  
July 11-13, 2021 Cooperstown, NY (overnight accommodations needed) All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

DISTRICT SUPT.  
UPDATE

Dr. Davey began by providing an update on CVES' end-of-year planning for graduations & other celebrations. Due to COVID-19 guidance on capacity restrictions to these events, our administrative teams have worked hard to schedule events. Several draft dates were recently shared with the Board. Both CV-TEC and Special Education divisions will be holding events with limited capacity and once final details have been decided, they will be shared with the Board. Second, the

Board was updated on the continued CVES & component district check-in meetings with Clinton and Essex County Departments of Health, vaccination eligibility and clinics that are being offered to the districts if interested. Dr. Davey noted that CVES' 2021-22 School Re-opening Planning Committee will reconvene to begin preparations this summer, and a notice to the Committee will be forth coming. Next, Dr. Davey reminded the Board about the upcoming component school district budgets and Board of Education (BOE) elections that will be held on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Fourth, Dr. Davey shared that the next CVES Board meeting will be on June 9<sup>th</sup> in Plattsburgh at ISC and that the Board meetings planned for this summer will remain in Plattsburgh due to construction in Mineville. He looks forward to alternating locations once CVES' new conference center is open and construction is completed on both campuses. Lastly, the Board was updated on the recent Board of Regents action on measures to support the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Policy and to promote Civics education opportunities in New York's schools. Dr. Davey shared a brief overview of CVES' planned review steps under discussion within our BOCES to support and implement meaningful DEI policies, practices and improvements as needed moving forward.

#### OTHER


Mr. St. Pierre, Board Member asked about the format for the National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) ceremonies this year. Mrs. Friedman responded that they will be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Moriah CSD High School Auditorium for Mineville Campus students and on May 24<sup>th</sup> at the West Side Ballroom at 5:30 & 7:30 pm for Plattsburgh Campus students. There is very limited capacity due to COVID-19 guidance and CVES is asking all attendees to RSVP for occupancy purposes. The events will be livestreamed for viewing from home for those that cannot attend. Mrs. Teri Calabrese-Gray reminded the Board of the upcoming Spelling Bee on May 17<sup>th</sup> and noted that a link for remote viewing can be found on the CVES website. Lastly, Mrs. Gonyo-Horne, Board member recognized Alex St. Pierre CVES' Network and Systems Coordinator for his outstanding work and excelling at his continued professional development and education.

#### NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 9, 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 Mr. Harriman Sr. to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried.

  
Meaghan Rabideau, Board Clerk