

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
ANNUAL MEETING

April 10, 2024
CVES Learning Hub Conference Center, Plattsburgh, NY

2024 MINUTES

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm. by President Michael St. Pierre. The following people were present:

<u>CVES Board Members</u>		<u>Executive Officer</u>	<u>Others Present</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Leisa Boise	Emily Phillips	Dr. Mark Davey	Amy Campbell	Dan Ashine-Beaudet
Dina Garvey	Lori Saunders		Eric Bell	Rod Sherman
Patricia Gero	Michael St. Pierre	<u>District Clerk</u>	Michele Friedman	
Richard Harriman, Sr.	Eddie Webbinaro	Katelyn Smart	Matthew Slattery	
Ed Marin	Donna Wotton			
Bruce Murdock				

President St. Pierre requested nominations from the floor to elect a Chairperson for the Annual Meeting. The District Clerk then read the notice of the Annual Meeting. Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., to nominate Mr. Ed Marin as Chairperson for the Annual Meeting. All Board Members present voted yes—motion carried. Mr. Marin was named Chairman of the meeting and asked that the meeting begin.

Chairman Marin turned the meeting over to Dr. Davey, the District Superintendent. Before reviewing the Budget, the Board Members and guests in the room introduced themselves. Following introductions, Dr. Davey began the 2024-2025 Proposed Budget Presentation. Dr. Davey thanked the CVES Budget Committee members and all CVES administrators and Management Services staff for their time, hard work, and diligence on the Budget planning and its development. The presented 2024-2025 Proposed Budget is the Proposed CVES BOCES Budget, and the component districts will vote on it on April 18, 2024. The State Budget, Foundation Aid, and district tax rates directly impact our component districts' Annual School District Budget approval process. Dr. Davey and Dr. Bell spoke about the State funding cuts to education, including the Foundation Aid reductions proposed in the 2024-2025 Governor's Executive Budget. Foundation Aid cuts affecting approximately half of our component districts (8 out of 16) will significantly impact on our schools' budgets if not adjusted in the final 2024-2025 NYS approved budget. Next, Dr. Bell presented CVES's 2024-2025 Administrative Budget changes since it was last shared at our February 14th, 2024 CVES Board Meeting. Dr. Bell noted that the CEWW Health Insurance Consortium-approved premium increases drive most of the changes. The Administrative Budget was broken down for all attendees. Dr. Davey and Dr. Bell provided the breakdown of the 2024-2025 CVES Budget as follows: Total Administrative Budget - \$7,892,894; Total Capital Budget - \$800,000; Total Program Budget - \$46,040,806; Total CVES Proposed Budget 2024-2025- \$54,733,700.

Dr. Davey then introduced the 2022-2023 Annual CVES/CEWW BOCES Report Card presentation highlighting CVES' successes. Mrs. Michele Friedman presented the highlights from CV-TEC. Mrs. Friedman touched on the numerous innovative and successful pathways CV-TEC has taken during the 2022-2023 school year. Dr. Eric Bell, Assistant Superintendent of Management Services, highlighted the successes of Management Services in supporting the work and operation of CVES in supporting our overall BOCES programs and services and our component districts. Dr. Matthew Slattery, Director of Special Education, shared an example of the immeasurable successes that can be accomplished when an appropriate education is provided to a student with a disability. Ms. Amy Campbell, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services spoke about School Support Services and the importance of the growth of our Co-Sers, including the expansion within the S³ division. The 2024-2025 Annual CVES Administrative Budget Vote and Election of CVES Board members will be held on April 18, 2024, in each component district. If appropriate, each district will recommend that the CVES Board approve the 2024-2025 budget at the May 8, 2024 Board meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Murdock moved, seconded by Mr. Harriman Sr., that the Annual Meeting be adjourned at 7:38 pm. All Board Members present voted yes--motion carried.

Katelyn Smart, Board Clerk

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