

CHAMPLAIN VALLEY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
ANNUAL MEETING

April 9, 2025
Yandon-Dillon Educational Center, Mineville, NY

2025 MINUTES

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:13 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	Tracey Cross-Baker
Bob Bourgeois	Michael St. Pierre		Dr. Eric Bell	
Patricia Gero	Eddie Webbinaro	<u>District Clerk</u>	Michele Friedman	
Richard Harriman, Sr.	Donna Wotton	Katelyn Smart	Dr. Matthew Slattery	
Bruce Murdock			Christine Myers	

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. Mrs. Boise moved, seconded by Ms. Wotton, to nominate Mr. Murdock as Chairperson. All Board Members present voted yes - the motion carried. Mr. Murdock was named Chairman of the meeting, and he began the meeting.

Chairman Murdock then turned the meeting over to Dr. Davey, District Superintendent, who began the presentation of the CVES Proposed 2025 – 2026 CVES Budget. Dr. Davey expressed his appreciation to the CVES Board members for their ongoing support and engagement. He also highlighted the upcoming 2025 – 2026 Administrative Budget Vote and BOCES Board Member Elections, which will take place on April 29, 2025, in our component districts' Boards of Education meetings. Dr. Davey then turned the presentation over to Dr. Bell, who provided an overview of the 2025 – 2026 CVES Proposed BOCES Budget, including updates to the Administrative Budget since our CVES Board Meeting on February 12th, 2025. Dr. Bell noted that the primary changes reflected updated premium rates approved by the CEWW Health Insurance Consortium. He reviewed the updated Administrative Budget and, together with Dr. Davey, presented the full proposed budget, which includes a Total Administrative Budget of \$8,203,886, a Capital Budget of \$800,000, and a Program Budget of \$49,563,154. The total proposed CVES Budget amounts to \$58,567,040. Dr. Bell concluded by outlining the next steps in the budget process for the Board and attendees.

Dr. Davey began the 2023 – 2024 Annual CVES/CEWW BOCES Report Card presentation by thanking the Board for their outstanding support of CVES students, staff, programs, and services throughout the year. He emphasized the Board's commitment to the Strategic Plan and the annual goals that continue to guide the organization's progress. Dr. Davey acknowledged the active involvement of Board Members, Mrs. Lori Saunders and Mr. Richard Harriman, Sr., in the District Planning Team, and highlighted the successful rebranding initiative for CVES and its divisions. He also highlighted the strong collaboration across divisions and the systemwide efforts that continue to enhance CVES.

Dr. Davey then welcomed Ms. Amy Campbell, who introduced our approach this year, identifying a single word to describe CVES and each division. For CVES as a whole, "Anticipation" was selected, noting that at the start of the 2023 – 2024 school year, there had been no discussion of a new CTE Center—but by the end of September, anticipation was building around the project's next steps. Ms. Michele Friedman, the word "Unprecedented" was selected for CV-TEC, referencing record-breaking enrollment and the division's life-changing impact across high school programs, Adult Education, and Corrections Education. Dr. Eric Bell described Management Services with the word "Ascension," recognizing the long-serving staff whose expertise helps propel CVES forward while supporting the non-instructional needs of component districts. Dr. Matthew Slattery selected "Evolution" to capture the ongoing growth of the Rise Center for Success and its work in transforming the lives of the Rise Center's students. Lastly, Ms. Campbell described School Support Services (S³) with the word "Amplification," highlighting the division's role in strengthening programs across CVES through high-quality Co-Ser offerings and behind-the-scenes support.

The presentation concluded with a reminder that the CVES Budget Vote and Board Member Election will be held in all component districts on April 29, 2025, with final budget approval anticipated at the May 14, 2025, CVES Board Meeting.

There being no further business, Mrs. Boise moved, seconded by Mr. Bourgeois, that the Annual Meeting be adjourned at 7:37 p.m. All Board Members present voted yes; the motion carried.


Katelyn Smart, Board Clerk