

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Catskill, New York

Regular Meeting

Board of Education Minutes

February 15, 2017

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7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Darling, W. Fiske, K. Lyles, R. Osswald, J. Shah

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Jones, C. Kirch, S. Kubicek, J. Nearey

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: A. Barkman, S. Miskell, J. Enck

(A) CALL TO ORDER; DESIGNATION OF EMERGENCY EXITS; ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A.1 The meeting is called to order by Board President Lyles at 7:06 pm, emergency exits designated, the Pledge of Allegiance recited, and roll call taken.

Call to Order

(B) EXECUTIVE SESSION N/A

Executive Session

(C) RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION N/A

Return to Public Session

(D) VISITOR RECOGNITION ON AGENDA ITEMS (Maximum Fifteen Minute Period) N/A

Visitor Recognition

(E) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Students Jenna Murray and Caitlin Van Loan were recognized for their acceptance into an International Honors Series Program and performing at Carnegie Hall on February 5th**
- **2nd Budget Presentation**

Superintendent Report

(F) PERSONNEL- INSTRUCTIONAL/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
the Interim Superintendent recommends the following items for consent agenda, according to Board Policy: F.1 –F.3.f

Personnel- Instructional/ Non Instructional

F.1. Resignations

F.1.a Resignation of Priscilla Pagan, Teaching Assistant, CES

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Priscilla Pagan**, Teaching Assistant, 3 hours, CES, effective February 6, 2017, to accept another position within the District.

Resignations Priscilla Pagan

F.1.b Resignation of Priscilla Pagan, Monitor, CES

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Priscilla Pagan**, Monitor, 2.5 hours, CES, effective February 6, 2017, to accept another position within the District.

Priscilla Pagan

F.1.c Resignation of Lydia Pugh, Food Service Worker, CHS/CMS

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Lydia Pugh**, Food Service Worker, 5.75 hours, CHS/CMS, effective February 15, 2017, to accept another position within the District.

Lydia Pugh

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F.1.d Resignation of Laurie June, Teaching Assistant, CES

Laurie June

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Laurie June**, Teaching Assistant, 5.5 hours, CES, effective February 28, 2017 to accept another position within the District.

Leave of
Absence

F.2. Leave of Absence

F.2.a FMLA Leave of Absence, Annmarie Sirago-Bryant, Kindergarten Teacher, CES

Annmarie

The Board of Education hereby approves an FMLA leave of absence for **Annmarie Sirago-Bryant**, Kindergarten Teacher, CES, from April 10, 2017 to May 30, 2017.

Sirago-Bryant

F.2.b FMLA Leave of Absence Extension, Rhonda Kisting, Grade 6 Teacher, CMS

Rhonda

The Board of Education hereby approves an FMLA leave of absence extension for **Rhonda Kisting**, Grade 6 Teacher, CMS, from February 1, 2017 to April 30, 2017 (originally 10/20/16-1/31/17).

Kisting

F.3 Appointments

Appointments

F.3.a Appointment of Account Clerk Typist, Business Office

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Jacqueline Vierstra** as a 8 hour per day Account Clerk Typist, Business Office, probationary term effective February 27, 2017, terminating February 26, 2018.

Jacqueline
Vierstra

F.3.b Appointment of Teaching Assistant, CHS, 7 hours

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Priscilla Pagan** as a 7 hour per day Teaching Assistant, CHS, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, continuing her three-year probationary term effective November 24, 2014 and terminating November 23, 2017.

Priscilla Pagan

F.3.c Appointment of Teaching Assistant, CES, 7 hours

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Laurie June** as a 7 hour per day Teaching Assistant, CES, in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, continuing her four-year probationary term, effective September 1, 2016 and terminating August 31, 2020.

Laurie June

F.3.d Continuation of Short Term Substitute Teacher, Grade 6, CMS

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Christina Dillon** to continue as a Short-term Substitute Teacher, Grade 6, CMS, effective February 1, 2017 to April 30, 2017 (leave for Rhonda Kisting).

Christina
Dillon

F.3.e Appointment of Substitute Cleaner

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of

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Education hereby approves the appointment of **Jose Rivera** as a Substitute Cleaner, to be paid at the rate of \$12.00 per hour. Jose Rivera

F.3.f Appointment of Cook, CHS

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Lydia Pugh** as a Cook, 5.5 hours per day, CHS (filling the vacancy created by the retirement of Ann Schwebke). Lydia Pugh

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Shah seconded by Fiske to approve the recommendations as stated above .

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

(G) BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Board Action/
Discussion

The Interim Superintendent and the Board of Education President recommend the following items for consent agenda, according to Board Policy: G.1-G.12

G.1 Acceptance of the Claims Audit Reports

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the 1/20/17 (2), 1/17/17, 1/23/17, and 2/10/17 (4) Claims Audit Reports, as submitted by the Claims Auditor.

Acceptance of
Claims Audit
Reports

G.2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board of Education hereby approves the January 18, 2017 Board of Education meeting minutes.

Approval of
Minutes

G.3 Acceptance of Additional Recommendation of the Committee on Special Education/Committee on Pre-School Special Education for Classification and Placement of Children with Disabilities

The Committees on Special Education and Pre-School Special Education have submitted additional recommendations for the classification and placement of children with disabilities in the 2016-2017 school year.

CPSE/CSE

Resolved: That the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE meetings: 1/11/17, 1/12/17, 1/17/17, 1/18/17, 1/23/17, 1/25/17, 1/26/17, 1/30/17 and 2/2/17 student's #'s: 31003769, 031000505, 31003366, 31000750, 31003808, 31003426, 31003632, 31000625, 31003778, 3100300, 1001742, 031000793, 31001915, 31003055, 1001485, 1001622, 31003355 and 31002878 are approved.

G.4 Second Reading and Adoption of Revisions to the following policies:

- #4321.6 – Use of Physical Restraints

Second
Reading
/Adoption of
Policies

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- **#5152 – Admission of Non-Resident Students**

G.5 Approval of FCCLA Leadership Conference Trip , Owego, NY FCCLA
Conference
Trip
BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby grants approval for Carrie Taylor and Kelly Marino and members of the FCCLA to attend a Leadership Conference to Owego, NY March 22-24, 2017.

G.6 Approval of Transportation Contract Transportation
Contract
BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes a transportation contract between Catskill Central School District and Coxsackie Transport for student transportation to Anderson/Astor Schools beginning 1/26/17 and ending 2/25/17 at the rate of \$290. per day.

G.7 Approval of Contract for Health and Welfare Services Contract for
Health and
Welfare
Services
BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes a Health and Welfare Services contract between Catskill Central School District and Bethlehem Central School District for 3 Catskill students enrolled in the St. Thomas School, Bethlehem Children’s School or Mt. Moriah Academy for the 2016-17 school year in the amount of \$752. per pupil.

G.8 Acceptance of Section 504 Accommodation Plan 504
Accommodation
The Section 504 Accommodation Committee has submitted recommendations for Section 504 ADA Individual Accommodation Plans of children with a disabling condition that requires accommodation in 2016-17.
Recommendation: The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the recommendation for students #: 31002710, 31000625, 310001501 and 31000635, as presented by the Section 504 Accommodation Committee.

G.9 Declaration of Obsolete/Surplus Books and Equipment Obsolete/
Surplus Books
and Equipment
WHEREAS, the District owns books and equipment, which are no longer useful or necessary for school District purposes, and is of no value to the School District, as indicated on the (list attached) and made a part of this resolution,
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby declares such books and equipment to be Surplus/obsolete property and of no value to the School District and authorizes the disposal of such obsolete books and equipment.

G.10 Approval of Nomination of Questar III Board Candidate Questar Board
Candidate
Approval
BE IT RESOLVED that the Catskill Central School District Board of Education hereby nominates the following candidate to fill a vacancy on the Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene Counties Board of Cooperative Educational services:

- Marilyn Noonan

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G.11 2016-2017 Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption Maximum Income Limits Senior Citizen/ Disabled Tax Exemption

G.11.a Partial Property Tax Exemption for Certain Persons 65 Years of Age or Older Resolution WHEREAS, Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law authorizes taxing municipalities, including school districts, after a public hearing, to adopt a resolution exempting real property owned by certain qualified persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over to the extent of fifty per centum of the assessed valuation thereof, and

WHEREAS, Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law allows school districts to adopt a sliding scale income level provision for property owned by certain qualified persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over to the extent of fifty per centum of the assessed valuation thereof, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Catskill Central School District Board of Education grants an exemption to eligible persons in accordance with the sliding income schedule hereinafter set forth, said exemption to be subject to the income and all other provisions of Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law:

Percentage Assessment Valuation Exempt from Taxation 2016-2017	Senior Citizen & Disabled Citizen Tax Exemptions Annual Income
50%	Max. income limit \$26,500.00
45%	\$26,500.01 - \$27,499.99
40%	\$27,500.00 - \$28,499.99
35%	\$28,500.00 - \$29,499.99
30%	\$29,500.00 - \$30,399.99
25%	\$30,400.00 - \$31,299.99
20%	\$31,300.00 - \$32,199.99
15%	\$32,200.00 - \$33,099.99
10%	\$33,100.00 - \$33,999.99
5%	\$34,000.00 - \$34,899.99

G.11.b Partial Property Tax Exemption for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income Resolution

WHEREAS, Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law authorizes taxing municipalities, including school districts, after a public hearing, to adopt a resolution exempting real property owned by persons with disabilities to the extent of fifty per centum of the assessed valuation thereof, and

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WHEREAS, Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law allows school districts to adopt a sliding scale income level provision for property owned by certain qualified persons with disabilities,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Catskill Central School District Board of Education grants an exemption to eligible persons in accordance with the sliding income schedule hereinafter set forth, said exemption to be subject to income and all other provisions of Section 459-c of the Real Property Law:

Percentage Assessment Valuation Exempt from Taxation 2016-2017	Senior Citizen & Disabled Citizen Tax Exemptions Annual Income
50%	Max. income limit \$26,500.00
45%	\$26,500.01 - \$27,499.99
40%	\$27,500.00 - \$28,499.99
35%	\$28,500.00 - \$29,499.99
30%	\$29,500.00 - \$30,399.99
25%	\$30,400.00 - \$31,299.99
20%	\$31,300.00 - \$32,199.99
15%	\$32,200.00 - \$33,099.99
10%	\$33,100.00 - \$33,999.99
5%	\$34,000.00 - \$34,899.99

G.12 Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Reports

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the July 31, 2017, August 31, 2017 and September 30, 2017 Treasurer Reports, as submitted by the District Treasurer.

Treasurer’s Reports

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Osswald, seconded by Shah to approve the recommendations as stated above .

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

(H) COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

The CASDA(Capital Area School Development Association) Report was reviewed by Scott Hunter, Terry Brewer and Greg Aidala, CASDA Faculty Members who collected data, interviewed personnel and developed goals and strategies for the Catskill Central District Maintenance, Food Services and Transportation Departments.

Committee and Other Reports

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Mr. Fiske expressed the need for a Policy Committee meeting.

**(I)VISITOR RECOGNITION ON SCHOOL RELATED NON-AGENDA
ITEMS N/A**

Visitor
Recognition

(J) APPOINTMENT OF BOARD CLERK PRO-TEM

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby appoints **Annemarie Barkman** as District Clerk Pro Tem for the remainder of this meeting.

Appointment
of Clerk Pro-
Tem

Motion by Fiske, seconded by Osswald to approve the recommendation as stated above.

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

(K) EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the matters leading to the employment of a particular individual(s). No action to be taken.

Executive
Session

Motion by Osswald, seconded by Darling to go in to Executive Session at 8:58 pm.

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

(L) RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Return to
Public Session

Motion by Osswald, seconded by Lyles to return to Public Session at 10:30 PM.

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

(M) ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn by Fiske, seconded by Shah at 10:31 pm.

Results: Aye 5 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 4. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Board Clerk

Clerk Pro-Tem