

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Catskill, New York

Regular Meeting

Board of Education Minutes

January 24, 2018

(Rescheduled from January 17, 2018)

CHS Library

7:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: T. Darling, M. Dedrick, D. Johnson, C. Kirch, S.Kubicek, R. Osswald, A. Varone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: K. Lyles, J. Nearey

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: R. Cook, J. Enck, J. Jimick

- (A) **CALL TO ORDER; DESIGNATION OF EMERGENCY EXITS; ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Call to Order
- A.1 The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Johnson at 7:05 pm, emergency exits designated, the Pledge of Allegiance recited, and roll call taken.
- (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** Superintendent’s Report
- CES Student Council members Travis Bulich, Kyle Sickler, Zaeda Ferguson, John Breusch and Isabella Edwards, along with Advisor Barb Erceg, gave an update on “Project Mitchell”, a soldier stationed in Afghanistan. Student Council members read correspondence thanking members for sending care packages.**
- Dr. Cook read a letter on behalf of Mitchell which spoke in length about the wonderful students that have been working with Ms. Erceg, who, in turn is an outstanding role model for the students.**
- Mrs. Schlenker presented a donation check on behalf of Catskill Educational Foundation for the replenishment of the Catskill Elementary Super Kid Prize Award funds (\$250), for Promoting Year-Round Social/ Emotional Well Being for Students & Staff (\$525) and for the 1XL Reading Program for the Middle School (\$299).**
- Dr. Cook informed the Board that this week was Regents week and High School students reported to school only if they were scheduled to take an exam. Regular classes are in effect for Middle and Elementary students. The High**

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School will go back to their regular schedule on Monday, January 29th.
 Dr. Cook also noted that the second quarter ends on January 26th.
 Congratulations were extended to the Middle School Spelling Bee winner Karsen Chiminelli and the Elementary Winner Billy McMullen and runners up Christopher Konsul and John Breusch. He also congratulated Alexa Powell and Amara Wilson for being chosen to perform at Carnegie Hall on February 4th.
 Dr. Cook invited the public to attend the first Budget Presentation on February 7th at 7pm in the High School Library as well as the Budget Hearing On May 2nd at 6pm, also in the Library.

(F) PERSONNEL- INSTRUCTIONAL/NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

The Superintendent and the Board of Education President recommend the following items for consent agenda, according to Board Policy: F.1-F.2.f

Personnel-
Instructional/
Non-
Instructional

F.1 Resignations

F.1.a Resignation of Jennifer Ingrassia, Teaching Assistant, CHS

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Jennifer Ingrassia**, Teaching Assistant, 5.5 hrs, CHS, effective January 1, 2018.

Resignations
Jennifer
Ingrassia

F.1.b Resignation of Robert Muller, Spanish Teacher, CMS

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Robert Muller**, Spanish Teacher, CMS, effective December 20, 2017.

Robert Muller

F.1.c Resignation of Kimberly Francis, Monitor, CHS

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Kimberly Francis**, Monitor, 7 hrs per day, CHS, effective January 17, 2018, to accept another position within the District.

Kimberly
Francis

F.1.d Resignation of Patrick Hernandez, JV Boys Basketball Coach

The Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of **Patrick Hernandez**, Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, effective January 12, 2018.

Patrick
Hernandez

F.2 Appointments

F.2 a Probationary Appointment of Spanish Teacher, CMS

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby appoints **Cherokee Lynn**, who currently holds Initial Certification in Spanish (expiring 8/31/19), in the Foreign Language tenure area (replacing Robert Muller who resigned), for a four-year probationary term, effective January 16, 2018 and extending through January 15, 2022, except to the extent required by Education Law Section 3012, (in order to be granted tenure, a classroom teacher must receive composite or overall annual

Appointments

Cherokee Lynn

CHS Library

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professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least 3 of the 4 preceding years. Further, if the classroom teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he/she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time, in which case the Board of Education, in its discretion, may extend the teacher’s probationary term for an additional year), at an annual salary of B-BA Step 4 of the CTA Salary Schedule (prorated \$50,468). This position will be paid for from the General Fund.

F.2.b Appointment of Teaching Assistant, 7 hours, CHS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves that **Ms. Kimberly Francis** be appointed to the open probationary teaching assistant position (replacing Donna Overbaugh), she currently holds Continuing Teaching Assistant certification in the teaching assistant tenure area, (expiring 8/31/20), 7 hours per day, CHS, effective January 18, 2018 and extending through January 17, 2022 at the rate of \$14.39 per hour. This position will be paid from the General Fund.

Kimberly Francis

F.2.c Appointment of Teacher Aide, 7 hours, CES

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Molly Shanley** as a Teacher Aide, 7 hours per day, CES (filling the vacancy created by Deirdre Van Loan’s move to CMS), effective January 18, 2018.

Molly Shanley

F.2.d Appointment of Teacher Aide, 7 hours, CES

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the appointment of **Jennifer Lane** as a Teacher Aide, 7 hours per day, CES (New Position), effective January 25, 2018.

Jennifer Lane

F.2.e Appointments of Extra-Curricular Advisors 2017-2018

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves the following Advisors for the 2017-18 school year to be paid the stipend amount as stated below:

Extra-Curricular Advisors

<u>ADVISOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Jessica DuPont	Basketball Scoreboard Operator	\$30 per game

Jessica DuPont

F.2.f Approval of Changes to Instructional/Non-Instructional Substitute List

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the following additions to the current instructional/non-instructional substitute list for the 2017-2018 school year.

Instructional/Non-Instructional

SUBSTITUTE NAME	INSTRUCTIONAL	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

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Chris Blauberg	k-5	
Carly Martin	K-5	

Substitutes

Chris Blauberg
Carly Martin

_____END OF CONSENT AGENDA_____

Motion by Kubicek, seconded by Darling to approve the recommendations as stated above .

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

(G) BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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

Board Action/
Discussion

G.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board of Education hereby approves the December 13, 2017 Board of Education meeting minutes.

Approval of
Minutes

G.2 Acceptance of the Claims Audit Reports

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts Claims Audit Reports dated 12/08/17 and 12/29/17 (3) as submitted by the Claims Auditor.

Claims Audit
Report

G.3 Acceptance of the 2017-2018 Tax Collector’s Report

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Tax Collector’s Report for the 2017-2018 school year as attached.

Acceptance of
Tax
Collector’s
Report

G. 4 Increase in District Substitute Pay Rates

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the increase in District Substitute Monitor/Cafeteria and Clerical (lunch monitor, recess monitor and greeter) employees which reflects the New York State minimum wage increase (\$10.40 per hour) effective January 1, 2018.

Substitute Pay
Rate Increase

G. 5 Acceptance of Donation from Catskill Educational Foundation

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the donation of \$1074 from Catskill Educational Foundation to be used for:

- 1) To replenish the Catskill Elementary Super Kid Prize Award funds (\$250)
- 2) For Promoting Year-Round Social/ Emotional Well Being for Students & Staff (\$525)
- 3) For 1XL Reading Program for Middle School (\$299)

Acceptance of
CEF Donation

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G. 6 Acceptance of Additional Recommendations 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 2017-2018 school year.

Acceptance of CPSE/CSE Recommendations

Resolved: That the recommendations of the CSE/CPSE meetings: 12/04/17, 12/07/17, 12/08/17, 12/12/17, 12/14/17, 12/15/17, 12/18/17, 12/19/18 and 12/20/17

student's #'s: 31003565, 31003888, 31003924, 31003994, 31003925, 31003178, 31000816, 31001835, 31003366, 31003402, 31002367, 31001750, 31000708, 1001786, 31004036, 31003232, 31002571, 31004031, 31002388, 31003674, 31002504, 31003169, 31000749, 31002682, 31002463, 31001992, 31003056, 31002515 and 31003895 are approved.

G.7 Acceptance of Section 504 Accommodation Plan

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 2017-18.

Acceptance of 504 Accommodation Plan

Recommendation: The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the recommendations for student #'s: 31000205, 31000824, 31000907 31003053 and 31003932 as presented by the Section 504 Accommodation Committee.

G.8 2017-2018 Senior Citizen & Disabled Tax Exemption Maximum Income Limits

G.8.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

Senior Citizen and Disabled Tax Exemption

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 of 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:

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Percentage Assessment Valuation Exempt from Taxation 2017-2018	Senior Citizen & Disabled Citizen Tax Exemptions
	Annual Income
50%	Max. income limit \$27,500.00
45%	\$27,500.01 - \$28,499.99
40%	\$28,500.00 - \$29,499.99
35%	\$29,500.00 - \$30,499.99
30%	\$30,500.00 - \$31,399.99
25%	\$31,400.00 - \$32,299.99
20%	\$32,300.00 - \$33,199.99
15%	\$33,200.00 - \$34,099.99
10%	\$34,100.00 - \$34,999.99
5%	\$35,000.00 - \$35,899.99

G.8.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

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 2017-2018	Senior Citizen & Disabled Citizen Tax Exemptions
	Annual Income
50%	Max. income limit \$27,500.00

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45%	\$27,500.01 - \$28,499.99
40%	\$28,500.00 - \$29,499.99
35%	\$29,500.00 - \$30,499.99
30%	\$30,500.00 - \$31,399.99
25%	\$31,400.00 - \$32,299.99
20%	\$32,300.00 - \$33,199.99
15%	\$33,200.00 - \$34,099.99
10%	\$34,100.00 - \$34,999.99
5%	\$35,000.00 - \$35,899.99

G. 9 Approval of 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 St. Catherine/ George Washington Schools beginning 12/18/17 and ending 6/22/18 at the rate of \$346 per day.

Approval of
Transportation
Contract

G.10 Approval of 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 Catskill students enrolled in St. Thomas the Apostle School for the 2017-18 school year in the amount of \$4035.00.

Approval of
Health and
Welfare
Contract

G.11 Approval of Attendance to the FCCLA Leadership Conference in East Syracuse, NY

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby grants approval for Kelly Marino, Carrie Taylor and 8 students to attend the FCCLA Leadership Conference in East Syracuse, NY from March 21-23, 2018.

Approval of
FCCLA
Conference

G. 12 Approval of 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/from Kingston residence beginning 1/16/18 and ending 2/15/18 at the rate of \$258 per day.

Approval of
Transportation
Contract

_____END OF CONSENT AGENDA_____

Motion by Dedrick, seconded by Kubicek to approve the recommendations as stated above .

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

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G. 13 BOARD DISCUSSION

The Revised Meeting Calendar was presented to Board to accommodate the Questar Annual Budget and Board Member vote. The revised calendar for the remainder of 2017 18 is as follows:

CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS 2017-2018 (revised 1/24/18)

Board Discussion

1. July 5, 2017 – CHS Library – 6:00 PM - Annual Reorganizational/Regular Business
2. July 19, 2017 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
3. August 23, 2017- CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
4. September 20, 2017 – New Employee Reception 6:30 PM – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
5. October 18, 2017 — CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
6. November 15, 2017 — CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
7. December 13, 2017 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
8. January 17, 2018 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business** rescheduled to 1/24
9. February 7, 2018 — CHS Library – 7:00 PM – Budget Workshop
10. February 28, 2018— CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
11. March 7, 2018 — CHS Library – 7:00 PM – Budget Workshop
12. March 21, 2018 – CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
13. April 17, 2018 (Tuesday)- CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business** Vote on BOCES Annual Budget & BOCES Board Members
14. May 2, 2018 – Public Hearing on Budget-CHS Library- 6:00 PM
15. May 15, 2018 – Tuesday - Board Member & Budget/Propositions VOTE 1:00 PM – 9:00 P.M. – CHS Gymnasium
16. May 16, 2018 –CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**
17. June 20, 2018 — CHS Library – 7:00 PM – **Regular Business**

Revised Meeting Calendar

(H) COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS

Ms. Johnson, Chair of the Policy Committee reported that the Policy Committee met and to discuss Policy 1742- Services to Students Who Are Home Schooled and determined that no changes to the current policy are recommended. She also stated that they are reviewing the current policies one by way to see if any need to be revised. *Ms. Kubicek noted that (regarding the Homeschool Policy) she understands the insurance and supervision issues but felt bad for the students who would like to participate in our District’s extra-curricular programs.

Committee and Other Reports

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(I) VISITOR RECOGNITION ON SCHOOL RELATED NON-AGENDA ITEMS
Sue Schamerhorn, Treasurer of the Catskill Public Library Board of Trustees, read a letter to the Board regarding the 2017 Library Tax Levy.

(J) Appointment of District Clerk Pro-Tem

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby appoints **Dr. Ronel Cook** as District Clerk Pro-Tem for the remainder of this meeting.

Visitor
Recognition

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

Clerk Pro Tem

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

(K) EXECUTIVE SESSION

For: Review of programs and placements of students with disabilities.

No action to be taken upon return.

Motion by Detrick, seconded by Kubicek to go in to Executive Session at 7:35 pm

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

Executive
Session

(L) RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by Darling, seconded by Detrick to return to Public Session at 8:15 pm

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

Return To
Public Session

(M) ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn by Detrick , seconded by Kubicek at 8:17 pm.

Results: Aye 7 Nay 0 Abstain 0 Absent 2 Motion carried.

Adjournment

Board Clerk

Clerk Pro-Tem