

CORTLAND ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education Meeting – Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland NY

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was held on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at the Kaufman Center, 1 Valley View Drive, Cortland, New York.

Present: Ms. Melissa Davis-Howard, Ms. Christine Gregory, Ms. Janet Griffin, Ms. Judith Murphy, Mr. John Natoli and Ms. Alane Van Donsel

Absent: Mr. Daniel Sidebottom

Also Present: Mr. Michael Hoose, Superintendent; Ms. Judi Riley, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil and Personnel Services; Ms. Kimberly Vile, Director of Business Services; Ms. Kristie Bliss, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Mr. Robert Martin, Director of Facilities; School and Community Members; and Ms. Alicia Zupancic, Clerk

Budget Workshop – 6:00 p.m.

Board of Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Ms. Davis-Howard called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. COMMUNICATIONS and RECOGNITION:

a. Kudos Korner – None

b. Audience Participation – on items related to the Agenda (speakers are asked to limit their comments to two minutes). - There were no requests to address the Board.

c. Board Member Reports:

1.) BOE Policy Committee – Report on November 4, 2015 meeting – The policy committee has been through all of the policies. They are going back through the ones that there were questions on or additional input is needed.

2.) BOE Facilities Committee – Next meeting November 19, 2015

3.) BOE Audit Committee – Next meeting TBD

3. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Assessment Reports of English, Math, Science, and Social Studies – The department leader of each core subject shared the results of their regents exams.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:

a. Minutes of November 3, 2015 Regular Meeting

b. CSE/CPSE (Committee on Special Education/Committee on Pre-school Special Education)
Recommendations

610328932, 610354459, 607000488, 610351024, 610353315, 610384925, 607001167, 607002038, 607000814, 607001933, 607001932, 610375288, 607000899, 610328934, 610393803, 610346089, 607002093, 610340881, 610308256, 610382948, 610363583, 610385319, 607001828, 610330751, 607000287, 607000499, 610293582, 610360297, 607001678, 610372054, 607001418, 610350591, 610365680, 610382248, 610375511, 607000095, 610383944, 610381714, 610327908, 610363271, 610296156, 607001043,

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Consent Items as presented.

Moved by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Natoli Discussion: None

Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business

6. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Approval of OCM BOCES Resolution for Renewal of Lit Fiber Services Lease
Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the renewal of the Lit Fiber Services Lease through OCM BOCES, as presented.
Moved by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Ms. Gregory Discussion: Ms. Vile clarified that this is a five year contract renewal
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
- b. Approval of a Private School Transportation Request for 2015-16
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the Private School Transportation Request as presented.
Moved by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Natoli Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.

7. PERSONNEL ACTION:

- a. Approval of Personnel Resignations and Leaves
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Resignations and Leaves as presented on Resignations and Leaves Schedule 11.62.
Moved by Mr. Natoli, seconded by Ms. Gregory Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
- b. Approval of Administrative and Instructional Personnel Appointments
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the appointments for Instructional Personnel as presented on Schedules of Appointment 2374, 2375 and 2376.
Moved by Ms. Gregory, seconded by Ms. Griffin Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
- c. Approval of Tenure Recommendations
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Tenure appointments as presented on Schedule of Appointment 2377.
Moved by Mr. Natoli, seconded by Ms. Griffin Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
- d. Approval of Non-Instructional Personnel Appointments
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the appointments for Non-Instructional Personnel as presented on Schedule of Appointment 1162.
Moved by Mr. Natoli, seconded by Ms. Murphy Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes - 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.

8. LEADERSHIP REPORTS:

- a. Director of Business Operations – None
- b. Assistant Superintendent for Pupil and Personnel Services
 - 1.) Introduction of Dr. John Sheehan, Director of Special Education. – Ms. Riley introduced Dr. John Sheehan, our new Director of Special Education, to the Board.
- c. Director of Curriculum and Instruction
 - 1.) New Course Proposals – Review – Ms. Bliss presented three new course proposals that would not require new staff:
 - 1.) Food Science - 1 year course that offers a science credit for grades 10-12
 - 2.) Nutrition – ½ year course
 - 3.) Food Service – ½ year course
- d. Superintendent – Mr. Hoose shared that the first quarter academic report will focus on targets not data.

9. BOARD MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Ms. Gregory is doing the online fiscal training. She said it is very difficult. She attended the “TIES” presentation at SUNY Cortland along with Ms. Murphy. Ms. Murphy also attended Barry teacher conferences, small fry banquet, and Barry family portrait night. Ms. Griffin attended the Parker science center night.

10. **AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:** (Individuals are requested to keep their comments to two-minutes per speaker). – Eileen Fitzgerald-Spiehs commented on the pins that were given to all school-related professionals from nysut. The pins recognized any school employee that is not instructional as an essential part of education.
11. **NEXT MEETING AGENDA REVIEW** – JSHS referral data. The Board members would like Surfaces.
12. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**
In accordance with Public Officer’s Law Section 96, Subdivision 1, Ms. Davis-Howard called for an Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person.
 Moved by Mr. Natoli, seconded by Ms. Griffin. Discussion: None
 Final Vote: Yes – 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
The Executive Session adjourned at 8:55 p.m..
 Moved by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Ms. Gregory. Discussion: None
 Final Vote: Yes – 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.
13. **ADJOURNMENT**
As there was no further business to discuss, Ms. Davis-Howard asked for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:56 p.m.
Moved by Ms. Griffin, seconded by Ms. Gregory. Discussion: None
Final Vote: Yes – 6, No – 0. Motion Carried.