Members present
Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline and Joseph Cataldo

Meeting called to order at 6:31 PM

1. Opening of Meeting
Procedural: 1.1 Call to Order
Procedural: 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Christopher Kuretich called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Recognition
Recognition: 2.1 Tiger Paw Recipient

Brayden Bushnell, Cynthia Dann, Andrea Davis and Alana VanWinkle were recognized as Tiger Paw recipients for helping with traffic control to and from the lower lot of the high school and making our students safer and our buses able to depart from the high school in a timely fashion.

3. Presentations
Reports: 3.1 One Book, One Community

Kim Hay talked about a school and community project, One Book, One Community. All that want to participate are reading the book by Katherine Applegate called Wishtree. Our schools will have trees prepared for people to make a wish on a wishtree near May 1st.

Reports: 3.2 Cortland High School Presentation

Joe Mack, John Zarcone and Janesa Cornish joined the meeting to give a report from the high school. Some of the bullet points were:

- The graduation rate for 2021 was 89%
- The many advanced placement, honors and college level classes offered
- What teachers are working on
- Social/Emotional
- Challenges
- Compass Team
- Communication

4. Communications
Procedural: 4.1 Audience Participation
Donald Chu addressed the board regarding action items from meetings.

Jaime Francey-Henry addressed the board regarding COR101.

Christopher Kuretich thanked Donald and Jaime for their comments.

Lori Megivern asked if members of the public that wish to address the board could enter the meetings and speak for themselves. She also asked if the questions from the public get a response.

Discussion: 4.2 Discussion Items

Mr. Edwards gave an update on the sale of Parker and Virgil Schools.

The Common Council was meeting at the same time as this board meeting and it was hopeful that they would vote on buying Parker School.

The school's law firm is working on the resolution to bring to the board on the sale of Virgil School. We will plan a special board of education meeting for October 26th to bring the resolution to the board. He also shared the new timeline for the vote if the resolution is adopted. We are looking at a vote date of December 14, 2021.

The board discussed their goals. At the October 5th meeting, the board had agreed on three goal statements. Tonight they discussed the definition of SMART goals and the action items and measurable related to each goal. The board will coordinate a time for a future goals workshop to complete these items.

Reports: 4.3 Board Committee Reports

Christine Gregory mentioned Governor Kathy Hochul signing into legislation a requirement that documents to be discussed at open meetings need to be made available at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Christopher Kuretich said this would be discussed at the agenda setting meeting.

Janet Griffin asked the board to look at the policy minutes and let her know if they like the sample policy of public participation.

Lori Megivern mentioned that maybe public participation should be a protocol rather than a policy because she feels it would be easier to revise.

The board will communicate on this through email and bring it to the November 9th board of education meeting.

5. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent), Minutes: 5.1 Approval of Minutes
Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education accept the minutes of the regular Board Meeting on October 5, 2021 as presented.

Action (Consent): 5.2 Approval of CSE/CPSE Recommendations
Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education accept the approval of CSE/CPSE recommendations as presented.

Lori Megivern asked for an additional chart to be added to the CSE reports that says where the kids are and what they’re getting.

Action (Consent): 5.3 Approval of Financial Reports
Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City Schools District Board of Education accept the approval of financial reports as presented.

Action (Consent): 5.4 Approval of Personnel Action
Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education accept the approval of personnel action as presented.

Action (Consent): 5.5 Consent Vote
Resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education accept the consent agenda as presented.

Motion by Christine Gregory, second by Janet Griffin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Bob Edwards congratulated the new hires and welcomed them aboard.

6. Old Business

There were no items under Old Business.

7. New Business
Action: 7.1 Capital Project Referendum Results
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cortland City School District accept the final results of the Capital Project Referendum as presented per the Tabulation Sheet below that will be attached to these minutes.
Motion by Lauren M Mossotti-Kline, second by Christine Gregory.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Action: 7.2 Approval of Settlement
Upon the recommendation of the School District’s attorneys and having had an opportunity to consider the proposed settlement in the Matter of Conifer Cortland Associates, LP v. City of Cortland et. al, Respondents, County of Cortland, New York, Index No. EF21-388
On motion of , seconded by , it is

RESOLVED that the above settlement is approved and that the President of the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Schools and the School District’s attorneys are each separately authorized to sign any documents necessary to complete the settlement.

Motion by Janet Griffin, second by Christine Gregory.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Action: 7.3 Memorandum of Agreement between CECSD and The Cortland United Teachers
BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between CECSD and The Cortland United Teachers as presented.

Motion by Brett Barnes, second by Lauren M Mossotti-Kline.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Action: 7.4 Independent Contractor Agreement
BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Robert Edwards, Superintendent of Schools, that the Cortland Enlarged City School District Board of Education accept the independent contractor agreement as presented.

Motion by Christine Gregory, second by Janet Griffin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

8. Leadership Reports
Reports: 8.1 Cabinet
Amanda Viel
- Recognition of broadcasting students and staff. Great job with the mayoral debate! Amanda is proud of their work and involvement in the community.

Jordan Ashley
- The SEL committee will begin their work. Thank you to all the people that volunteered to be on the committee.
- Shout out to all the buildings for their work.
- Flu vaccination clinic coming.

Katie Swanson
- Excited about the One Book, One Community project. She is looking forward to what we can do with this.
- Shout out to related services providers.

Bob Edwards
- Tonight is senior night for field hockey.
- Boys and girls soccer teams are in sectionals tonight.
- Thank you to the voters for voting in favor of the Capital Project. We will be working with King & King on the next steps. Right now it is a sort of waiting game while applications are processed.
- CHS Alumni Association met last week. They are working to reinvent the association. CECSD will offer support in growing the association in the years ahead. We are looking for more people to attend the meetings. The next meeting date will be published when it is set.

Reports: 8.2 Board of Education
Lauren Mossotti-Kline
- Public comments are being followed up on.
- Recommends having Adrianne Traub, get paired with the proper person/group in our district that can help bring her vision to our schools. Cabinet will discuss the best place for the Farm to School initiative. Then they will circle back with the board and Adrianne.

Lori Megivern
- Asked if the absentee voter expandability that is on the ballot of the November vote have an effect on school board votes.

Christine Gregory
- The Common Council voted 6 to 2 in favor of the City of Cortland purchasing Parker School.
- Save the dates: March 10 – 12 for an exciting surprise from the music department and CRT. Transit, an acapella group, will have workshops at Randall and CHS.

9. Other Communication
Discussion: 9.1 Audience Participation

There were no additional requests to address the board.
10. Executive Session
Action: 10.1 Convene Into Executive Session
Motion to convene into executive session.

Motion by Christine Gregory, second by Lauren M Mossotti-Kline.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

There will be no action taken after the executive session.

Time: 8:25 PM

Action: 10.2 Reconvene In Open Session

Motion by Eugene Waldbauer, second by Janet Griffin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Time: 8:51 PM

11. Closing of Meeting
Action: 11.1 Adjourn

Motion by Christine Gregory, second by Janet Griffin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Aye: Christine Gregory, Janet Griffin, Eugene Waldbauer, Christopher Kuretich, Lori Megivern, Brett Barnes, Lauren M Mossotti-Kline

Time: 8:52 PM