February 11, 2025 Date:

Type: Regular Location: **Board Room** 

Present: Craig Giroux, Mary LaPierre, Dan Bernard, Lee Barcomb, Chris Demers,

Jason Bruce and Tim Howley

Others: Rob McAuliffe, Superintendent; Krista Ringer, Elementary

> Principal; Megan Walls, Middle/High School Principal; Kerry Adams, Director of Special Education; Kaitlin Tetrault, Business Manager; Kait

Breton, District Clerk

Call to Order

Mr. Giroux, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00

Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment** 

No public comment.

Recognition

- A. Extend congratulations to the CCRS Harvard Model UN Team and faculty advisor Steve Cross who recently took part in the 72nd session of the Harvard Model United Nations in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The students who participated were: Kennedy Columbus, Wynter Jarus, Ava Bedard, Dawson Hebert, Griffin Durocher, Sophia Lynch, Calleigh Clark, Emma Howell, and Gwyneth Compeau.
- B. Recognize the following CCRS student who took part in the Clinton County All-County Festival held January 31, 2025 -February 1, 2025 held at Peru High School: Gabriel Lizardi played the trumpet. Further commend Mike Lewandowski as his advisor/teacher.

Minutes

Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to approve the following meeting minutes presented by District Clerk:

A. January 14, 2025

Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

A. Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to approve Chazy Central Rural School's NYSPHSAA Section VII Combining of Teams application to merge with Peru Central School District for the sport of Boys Modified Lacrosse for the 2024-25 school year and further authorize the Superintendent and Board President to sign the application, with no additional cost to the District beyond league administrative fees

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Mr. Howley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to table the Chazy Central Rural School's NYSPHSAA Section VII Combining of Teams application to merge with Beekmantown Central School District for the sport of Girls Varsity Flag Football for the 2024-25 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

Financials

- A. Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mrs. LaPierre to approve the following December 2024 Financial Reports:
  - a. Monthly Financial Summary Memo
  - b. Treasurer's Monthly Reports
  - c. Appropriation Status Report Motion carried unanimously.
- B. 2025-26 Budget Presentation

## Discussion

- A. Director of Special Education Report
  - a. Continued with 504 meetings and annual review meetings are coming up in March. Mrs. Adams is trying to get the JR/SR students to participate in their own meetings.
  - b. Mrs. Adams went to a few preschool visits. She went to Saranac and North Country Kids.
  - c. Would like the new kindergarten students to have visits with their new classrooms before their screenings.
  - d. New teacher assistant starts February 12, 2025.
- B. Secondary Principal Report
  - a. Sweethearts and Heroes presentations have started in the elementary school, K-2.
  - b. 3rd quarter has started and Ms. Walls and Mrs. Chapman are looking at requests for courses for the fall of 2025.
  - c. The "Pay It Forward" program has started as all students have received their books.
  - d. Ms. Walls is going to start reviewing with Department Heads, teachers, and students plans for going to a "No Cell Phone" school moving forward.
  - e. Ms. Walls has been in communication with Maria from EF Tours in regards to the trip planning process for the Spring 2026 trip to Costa Rica.
- C. Elementary Principal Report
  - a. Sonya Lambert was honored as a Master Teacher.
  - b. Maintenance team was very helpful when there was no water at the school due to the water main break.
  - c. The Wellness Committee met last week and discussed options on how to spend the \$9,000 left in the budget. Mrs. Ringer met with a representative of Clinton County Health Department to review the wishlist of things like kayaks and paddles, and a party cart.
    - David Miller and Sara Sutherland both have grow carts in their classrooms.
  - d. Report cards went out with very thoughtful commentary.
  - e. Kudos to Kathryn Brown and all her work with sweethearts and heroes as those students made their presentation to grades K-2.
  - f. 100 days of school will be celebrated on Thursday, February 13, 2025.
  - g. In the coming weeks, grades 4,5, and 6 will be making their way to Titus Mountain for a ski trip.
- D. Superintendent Report

  - a. Winter Weekend is coming up.b. A message went out to staff and parents that the Superintendent Day that was originally scheduled for March 18th will be moved to March 25. This is due to a scheduling conflict with the people who will be putting on the training in regards to suicide awareness.
    - i There will be a presentation for staff as well as students.
  - c. We are looking into adding more Distance Learning Courses as well as becoming a host school for the next school year.

## Points of Information

- A. Winter Break: February 17, 2025- February 21, 2025
- B. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 6:00PM.

## **Executive Session**

Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to enter Executive Session at 7:08PM to

- A. Discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular person or persons, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension dismissal, or removal of a particular person (#6)
- B. Resolve that the Board of Education returns to regular session at 8:50 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

## Personnel

- A. Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to appoint the following people as per diem substitutes:
  - a. Kassidy Turek at \$140/day
  - b. Georgia Belrose at \$140/day
  - c. Nathan Kinblom at \$150/day
  - d. Alyssa Virga at \$140/day
  - e. Mallory Hughes at \$140/day
  - f. Jillian Kain at \$140/day
  - g. Denise Bushey at \$140/day

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Mrs. LaPierre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to appoint Kaelynn Hernandez as a Teacher Aide at Step 3, \$20,886, with a start date of 2/24/25.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barcomb to grant tenure to the following teachers in the following tenure areas:

Name	Teaching Area
Nick Brindisi	Elementary
Saania Brindisi	Elementary
Morgan Esposito	Elementary
Ryan Fessette	Biology 7-12,Chemistry 7-12
Misty LeRoux	Mathematics 7-12

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mrs. LaPierre to approve the following 2025 Baseball/Softball Coaches:

Name	Sport	Stipend
Josh Howell	Varsity Baseball	\$3,542
Rob McAuliffe	Assistant Varsity Baseball	N/A
Cory Thompson	Varsity Softball	\$3,542
Olivia McLennan	Modified Softball	\$2,770
Bailey Cross	Modified Baseball	\$2,770

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Demers to appoint Emma Howell as part time lifeguard.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Demers to adjourn the meeting at 8:53PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn