Date: April 8, 2025
Type: Regular Meeting
Location: Board Room

Present: Craig Giroux; Mary LaPierre; Dan Bernarnd; Jason Bruce; Chris Demers;

Lee Barcomb; Tim Howley

Others: Robert McAuliffe, Superintendent; Krista Ringer Elementary

Principal; Megan Walls, Secondary Principal; Kerry Adams, Director of Special Education; Kait Breton, District Clerk; Kaitlin Tetrault, Business

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Call to Order	Mr.Giroux, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
	Motion carried unanimously.
Public Comment	No public comment.
Minutes	Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Lapierre made a motion to approve the following meeting minutes as presented by the District Clerk:  A. March 11, 2025 (Regular Meeting)  B. March 26, 2025 (Special Meeting)
	Motion carried unanimously.
Recognition  Presentation	<ul> <li>A. Mr. McAuliffe extended congratulations to the following CCRS student-athletes for earning the 2025 MVAC Winter Scholar Athlete designations: Carly LaPierre(Grade 12) and Landon Duprey(Grade 10).</li> <li>B. Extend congratulations to the Spelling Bee team for their performance on March 19, 2025 at Regionals. A special shout out to Max Barcomb for placing 5th overall in the region, setting a new Chazy record.</li> <li>C. Extend congratulations to the students who competed in the CV-TEC SkillsUSA Showcase at the 2025 NYS Area III Regional Skills Competition. A special shout out to</li> </ul>
	Kadence Rivera who placed 3rd in Early Childhood Education.
Financials	Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mrs. LaPierre to approve the following Financial Reports from February 2025:  A. Monthly Financial Summary Memo B. Treasurer's Monthly Report C. Appropriation Status Report Motion carried unanimously.
Superintendent's Report	A. Nothing to report at this time.
Secondary Principal's Report	<ul> <li>A. 4/9/25 NYS testing will begin on the chromebooks.</li> <li>B. The Professional Development day on March 25, 2025 was very successful. Bonnie Black presented in the morning on suicide awareness and what to be on the look out for.</li> <li>C. The Costa Rica Meeting that happened earlier in the month had such a great turn out. In fact there were 40 kids who signed up when there are only 36 spots for the trip.</li> <li>D. The Spring Concert was really successful for both Elementary and Middle/High School Chorus and Band.</li> <li>E. The Sprior Play went really well and had a great interactive.</li> </ul>

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F. Mr. Miller took his students on 3 field trips over the past

month.

- G. Ms. Walls is working on the cell phone ban having full intention to take place next school year. The plan is to have grades 7-12 keep their cell phones in their lockers with no access to the cell phones during lunch or between periods.
  - a. There will be a "70's Day" in order to get a little buy in from the students. This will entail no electronics for the teachers as well.

# Elementary Principal Report

- A. 7th and 8th grade students went to the gym to watch Morse Academy perform their Irish step dancing.
- B. Sam O'Hagan invited Joanne Trombley to read to the 2nd graders about seeds/plants.
- C. On March 28th, there was a professional development day in which Krist Moser taught phonics, Keri LaMare and Sara Sutherland reviewed the zightboard, and Sonya Lambert reviewed some of her skills. There was also a TCIS (therapeutic crisis intervention in schools) refresher that happened as well.
- D. Mrs. Garrand and Mr. Norcross received kayaks from the wellness grant. They have been used a few times in the pool, teaching kids how to use them properly especially if the kayak is flipped over.
- E. Mrs. LaMare also taught an intense workout class after the Professional Development Day was ending.
- F. 3rd Grade Sweethearts and Heroes Presentations have finished up.
- G. The Spartan Race is coming up.
- H. Report cards are going to be going home Monday, April 14th
- 3-6 NYS Testing will take place on Thursday.
- J. April 30th is early dismissal for grades K-6.

## Special Education Director

- A. Mrs. Adams has had very successful parent participation CSE meetings.
- B. Mrs. Adams has also started her meetings for Preschool age kids.
- C. She attended the MTSS Chairperson conference.

#### **Action Items**

A. Mr. Howley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Demers to approve the tax levy in the amount of \$5,859,307.00 and the Property Tax Report Card.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mrs. LaPierre **RESOLVE** that the Board of Education of the Chazy Union Free School District votes to approve the tentative Administrative Budget of the Clinton-Essex-Warren-Washington BOCES in the tentative amount of \$8,203,866.00 for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to authorize the Superintendent to execute a Lease Agreement with the Chazy After School Program(CASP) for CASP's usage of program spaces at Chazy Central Rural School for the 2025-26 school year, at \$130 dollars a month, and authorize the Superintendent to take all actions necessary on behalf of the District in effectuating the terms of the agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barcomb to establish the proposed 2025-26 school budget as \$14,388,000.00, the dollar amount (sum) that the Board of Education shall place before qualified eligible voters of the Chazy Union Free School District, as Budget Proposition No.1 at the Annual Meeting/Budget Vote & School Board Election to be held Tuesday, May 20, 2025.

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to adopt the following resolution authorizing the submission of a proposition to be voted upon by the qualified voters of the District at the Annual Budget Vote and School Board Election (Annual Meeting) thereof to be held on May 20, 2025, and BE IT RESOLVED that the District Clerk is directed to advertise these propositions, in accordance with the law, in the District's Notice of Annual Meeting, which notice shall contain the full text of such propositions:

#### **RESOLUTION #1**

BE IT RESOLVED that the District hereby establishes that at the Annual Meeting, following proposition shall be put before eligible voters of the District as Budget Proposition No. 1:

Shall the Board of Education of the Chazy Union Free School District be authorized to expend a sum not to exceed \$14,388,000.00 for the 2025-26 school year, and to levy the necessary tax thereof?

## **RESOLUTION #2**

BE IT RESOLVED that the District hereby establishes that at the Annual Meeting, the following proposition shall be put before eligible voters of the District as Budget Proposition No.2:

Resolved, that the Board of Education of the Chazy Central Rural School, Town of Chazy, County of Clinton, be authorized to raise by tax levy, a sum, not to exceed \$38,000 for the purpose of supporting the Chazy Public Library.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### Points of Information

- A. April 29: Special Board Meeting 7:00 AM (BOCES Budget)
- B. May 13: Next Regular Board of Education Meeting at 6 PM and Budget Hearing at 7 PM.
- C. May 20: School Budget Vote & Election 7 AM- 8 PM; Board Meeting to Follow 8:15 PM; Spring Concert 6 PM.

## **Executive Session**

Mr. Howley made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bruce to resolve to enter the Executive Session at 6:47PM.

- A. Discuss matters regarding proposed, pending, or current litigation (#5), and 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), and student matters.
- B. Resolve that the Board of Education returns to regular session. Time: 8:52 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

## Personnel Agenda

A. Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to approve Taylore Bourdeau as a per diem substitute teacher.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Mrs. LaPierre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to approve Samantha Gonyo as a per diem substitute teacher, pending fingerprinting clearance.

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barcomb to approve Olivia McLennan as a Teacher Assistant, effective May 1, 2025 at a step 1, \$21,659.00.

	Motion carried unanimously.  D. Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to approve Travis Duprey as volunteer Varsity Baseball Coach.  Motion carried unanimously.
Adjourn	Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barcomb to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 PM.
	Motion carried unanimously.