

COHOES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Board of Education
Cohoes, New York
Live Streamed (per Governor Executive Order 202.1)**

**Business Meeting & Budget Workshop
May 6, 2020
6:00 PM**

(The Board of Education may entertain a motion to enter into an executive session subject to Board approval.)

MINUTES

- I. The Meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. by the Board President, Mr. Nolin.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Giller
Mr. Pascale
Mrs. Annely
Mr. Jackson
Mrs. Dion
Mrs. Carey
Mr. Nolin

Also Present: Dr. Jennifer Spring, Superintendent
Ms. Peggy O'Shea, Assistant Superintendent for Educational services
Mrs. Stacy Mackey, School Business Official

II. DISTRICT REPORTS

- A. Dr. Spring provided the Board with a closure update.
B. Dr. Spring provided the Board with the detailed results of the Thoughtexchange Program which was up and running on our website for a week. We received 427 participants, 294 thoughts and 14,773 ratings to our question "What are some elements of our students' educational experience that you value most?"
C. Budget Update- Dr. Spring and Mrs. Mackey provided the Board with an update.

III. BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

IV. COMMUNITY DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- A. THAT the Board of Education accepts the Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting of April 22, 2020.

VII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT – PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTIONAL

- A. THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Fiona Recchia from her

position of Science Teacher (CHS).
Effective: June 30, 2020

- B. Kerry Bottenfield
 Position 1.0 FTE ENL Teacher
 Certification English to Speakers of other Languages (in process)
 Tenure Area ESL
 Effective Date September 1, 2020
 Tenure Date August 31, 2023
 Salary Step 12 of the current CTA Contract
 Reason Replaces Katya Kats

- C. THAT the Board of Education approves that the following employees whose work assignment requires in-district travel between buildings to be compensated in the amount (Pro-Rated Rate*) indicated below for the 2019 - 2020 school year.

Kelly Atkinson	\$350	Daniel Honsinger	\$350
Moira Coons	\$350	Daniel Hykto	\$560

*September 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

- D. Deborah Goyette
 Position 1.0 FTE Senior Typist (12 Month CO) (CHS)
 Effective Date May 1, 2020
 Probation Period N/A
 Salary per CSEA contract
 Reason Replaces Brianna Patrick

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT - BUSINESS/FINANCE

IX. FINANCIAL REPORTS (Recommended by the Superintendent)

BOARD ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: THAT the Board of Education adopts the following resolutions from the May 6, 2020 Agenda:

VI (A) and VII (A-D)

Moved by: Mr. Pascale
All voted "Aye"

Seconded by: Mrs. Dion
Motion carried 7-0

X. INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION

- A. THAT the Board of Education is aware of a donation in the amount of \$500 from CSArch to purchase mobile hot spot devices that can enhance the Wi-Fi coverage

- for remote learning by the district’s students.
- B. THAT the Board of Education is aware of a donation in the amount of \$750 from Stewart’s Holiday Match Program to be used for Chromebooks for 1st grade students at Van Schaick Grade School.
 - C. THAT the Board of Education is aware of a donation in the amount of \$500 from Stewart’s to be used for Cohoes High School’s Backpack Program.
 - D. THAT the Board of Education be notified of the following CTA unit members whose work assignment requires in-district travel between buildings to be compensated in the amount of \$175 (Pro-Rated Rate*) per the CTA contract for the 2019-20 school year unless otherwise noted.

Erin Abbott	Natalie Partyka
Aaron Boudreau	Valerie Peretin
Jennifer Ballard	Jennifer Sangiacomo
Carrie Briggs	Phil Tommasino
Laura Gerhard	Kay Weiss
Katya Kats	Heather Bradt **
TJ Keegan	Patty Caputo **
Laurie Merola	Bill Sheldon **
Alicia Ozols	Michelle Cipriano **

*September 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020 ** CARE Program

- E. THAT the Board of Education be notified of the following CTA unit member whose work assignment requires in-district travel between buildings to be compensated in the amount of \$245 (Pro-Rated Rate*) per the CTA contract for the 2019-20 school year.
Gabrielle White *September 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020
- F. THAT the Board of Education be notified of the following CTA unit member whose work assignment requires in-district travel between buildings to be compensated in the amount of \$137.50 (Pro-Rated Rate*) per the CTA contract for the 2019-20 school year.
Kelly Soriano *October 21, 2019 – March 31, 2020
- G. THAT the Board of Education be notified of the following CTA unit members whose work assignment requires in-district travel between buildings to be compensated in the amount of \$210 (Pro-Rated Rate*) per the CTA contract for the 2019-2020 school year.

Kristie Calderon	Raychel Marcil
Elaine Flatow	Evelyn Smith
Angela Tommasini	

*September 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020

XI. COMMENTS FROM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

XII. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

Mr. Nolin read questions and comments aloud that were emailed to and the Board discussed and replied.

XIII. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

XIV. DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

May 20, 2020, Live streamed at 6 PM (per Governor Executive Order 202.1).

XV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:42 p.m.

Moved by: Mr. Nolin
All voted "Aye"

Seconded by: Mrs. Giller
Motion carried 7-0

District Clerk