COHOES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education
Cohoes, New York
Library, Cohoes Middle School

Business Meeting
October 21, 2026
6:00 PM

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

AGENDA

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Evacuation Procedure for Emergency
- C. Roll Call

II. EX OFFICIO STUDENT REPORT

III. DISTRICT REPORTS
- Superintendent's Update – Ms. O'Shea
  - School Board Recognition Week – Presentation by Van Schaick Grade School
  - Secondary Level Building Plans
- Business Update- Stacy Mackey

IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

V. COMMUNITY DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEMS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VII. REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

A. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education adopts the minutes of the October 7, 2026 Business Meeting.

B. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts the minutes for the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Pre-School Special Education for the following dates:

9/4/26, 9/5/26, 9/9/26, 9/11/26, 9/14/26, 9/15/26, 9/17/26, 9/18/26, 9/20/26, 9/22/26, 9/23/26, 9/25/26, 9/28/26, 9/29/26, 9/30/26, 10/1/26, 10/5/26, 10/8/26, 10/9/26

C. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education amend item VI (M) of the August 26, 2026 Agenda to read as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the contract for Positivity Project Annual Partnership, PO Box 87644, Fayetteville, NC 28304 for use at Cohoes Middle School and Cohoes High School for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 for ~~$3,995.00~~ **$7,990.00** in accordance with the terms and conditions herein. (grant funded)

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT – PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTIONAL

A. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves a salary increase due to additional teaching assignments for the following individuals for the 2026-2027 school year:

John Flanigan– 0.1 FTE as per CTA contract – Special Education (CHS)
Effective: September 25, 2026 through December 31, 2026

Thomas Supeau– 0.2 FTE as per CTA contract – ENL (CHS)
Effective: October 9, 2026 through December 31, 2026

B. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education amend item VII (Q) of the April 15, 2026 Agenda to read as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individual as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher.

Emily Durkee
Position……...Long-Term Substitute Special Education Teacher (CHS)
Tenure Area……Special Education
Effective Date……May 4, 2026 through ~~**December 31, 2026**~~ **June 30, 2027**
Salary ……..……..Step 1 of the current CTA contract

C. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education amend item VII (L) of the June 30, 2025 Agenda to read as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individual as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher.

Michael Eisenstein
Position……..…..……Long-Term Special Education Teacher (CHS)
Tenure Area……..……Special Education
Effective Date…….September 1, 2025 through ~~**December 31, 2026**~~ **June 30, 2027**
Salary ……..……..Step 4 of the current CTA contract

D. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individual as a Long-Term Substitute Teacher.

Aaron Madej
Position……..…..……Long-Term Special Education Teacher (CHS)
Tenure Area……..……Special Education
Effective Date……..……October 26, 2026 through June 30, 2027
Salary ……..……..Step 1 of the current CTA contract

E. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints Jaimee Wagner to a four - year probationary term in the tenure area of Elementary, effective November 2, 2026, and expiring on November 1, 2030. Ms. Wagner holds Professional Certification in the areas of Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) and Early Childhood Education (Birth -Grade 2).

Jaimee Wagner
Position.....1.0 FTE Elementary (AL)
Certification.....Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Tenure Area.....Elementary
Effective Date .....November 2, 2026
Tenure Date.....November 1, 2030
Salary ..... Step 10 of the current CTA contract

NON- INSTRUCTIONAL

F. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Katelynn Howes from her position as a Part Time Teacher Aide (HH).

Effective: October 9, 2026

G. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education accepts the resignation of William Darcy from his position as a Director of Facilities III (DW).

Effective: October 30, 2026

H. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education hereby appoints the following individual to the Cleaner Substitute list, subject to the rules of the Cohoes Civil Service Commission, such appointments are temporary appointments.

Carol Gaudette
Effective: September 21, 2026
Candice Siracuse
Effective: October 14, 2026

I. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education appoints Tamara Messier to the position of Substitute Part-Time Teacher Aide subject to the rules of the Cohoes Civil Service Commission, such appointment is a temporary appointment.

Tamara Messier
Position.....Substitute Part-Time Teacher Aide (DW)
Effective Date.....October 19, 2026 through June 30, 2027
Salary.....$16.50 per hour

IX. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT - BUSINESS/FINANCE

X. FINANCIAL REPORTS (Recommended by the Superintendent)

A. I recommend that the following reports be accepted by the Board of Education:
- Warrants- September 2026
- Budget Transfers – August 2026
- Budget Status Report – August 2026
- Revenue Status Report – August 2026
- Bank Reconciliation Report – August 2026
- Internal Claims Audit Report – September 2026

XI. INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION

XII. COMMENTS FROM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

XIII. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

XIV. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

XV. DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

November 4, 2026 - Cohoes Middle School Library at 6 PM
November 18, 2026- Cohoes Middle School Library at 6 PM

XVI. ADJOURNMENT