COOPERSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

DATE:	August 19, 2020
KIND OF MEETING:	Regular
PLACE:	Videoconferencing Meeting ID# 939 2550 9580
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Timothy Hayes, Anthony Scalici, Marcy Birch, Matthew Schuermann, and Gillian Spencer.
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Wendy Kiuber and Marielle Ainsworth
OTHERS PRESENT:	William T. Crankshaw, Superintendent of Schools Amy B. Kukenberger, Business Administrator

President Hayes called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 PM. There were no public comments.

Motion by Timothy Hayes, seconded by Marcy Birch. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the regular meeting minutes of August 5, 2020, as presented.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Anthony Scalici gave a Budget and Finance Committee meeting report of August 12, 2020. The next Committee meeting is September 9, 2020 at 8:15 am.

Motion by Timothy Hayes, seconded by Matthew Schuermann. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby sets the food services prices effective September 1, 2020 as follows: Breakfast: Grades K-6 $1.35 and Grades 7-12 $1.50; Lunch: Grades K-6 $2.35 and Grades 7-12 $2.70, and Milk $0.55.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Anthony Scalici, seconded by Marcy Birch. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby awards the following bids for the 2020-2021 school year as recommended:

- Bread bid to Bimbo Bakeries USA, Inc., 1 Petra Lane, Albany, NY 12205
- Milk bid to Instantwhip Foods, Inc., 701 Innovation Way, Johnson City, NY 13790
- Ice cream bid to Hershey, 1370 Upper Lenox Avenue, Oneida, NY 13421-2640

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Anthony Scalici, seconded by Matthew Schuermann. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby accepts the Monthly Treasurer's report for the period of July 1-31, 2020, as prepared by Amy Kukenberger, Business Administrator.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Matthew Schuermann gave Buildings, Grounds & Safety Committee meeting reports of August 6, 2020. The next Committee meeting is August 20, 2020 at 7:30 am.

Motion by Matthew Schuermann, seconded by Anthony Scalici. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves to contract with the John W. Danforth Company ("Danforth") to perform an Investment Grade Energy Audit with the goal of securing an Energy Performance Contracting Program (EPC); BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board authorizes William Crankshaw, Superintendent of Schools, to sign EPC Letter of Intent with Danforth that authorizes Danforth to proceed with an Investment Grade Energy Audit.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Gillian Spencer gave Curriculum & Instruction Committee meeting reports of August 13, 2020. She stated the next Committee meeting is August 27, 2020 at 8:30 am.

Motion by Gillian Spencer, seconded by Anthony Scalici. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the purchase of books recommended by Rebecca Burk Sciallo, English Department Chairperson, for students in grades 7-12, as follows:

Grades 11 & 12:
So, You Want to Talk About Race by Ljeoma Oluo
Driving While Black by Gretchen Sorin
Between the World and Me by Ta-Nehisi Coates (AP Lit)
Just Mercy Adapted for Young Adults by Brian Stevenson

Grades 9 & 10:
Stamped: Racism, Anti-Racism and You (a remix) by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
March by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell

Grades 7 & 8:
Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson
M.L.K.: Journey of a King by Tonya Bolden
We Rise, We Resist, We Raise our Voices edited by Wade Hudson and Cheryl Wilis Hudson

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Gillian Spencer, seconded by Anthony Scalici. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the new course syllabi proposals beginning with the 2020-2021 school year, as follows:

- 2D Design
- Meteorology
- Marine Biology
- Mobile App Development with Java Script
- Astronomy
- Musical Theatre Workshop

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Mr. Hayes commented that new course syllabi should be reviewed by the Board of Education prior to course being offered to students, to make sure course meets CORE standards.

Marcy Birch gave a Personnel & Recruitment Committee meeting report of August 13, 2020. The Committee meeting is August 27, 2020 at 7:30 am.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby abolishes the position of Director of Extra-curricular Advisement and Athletics, effective July 23, 2020.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Timothy Hayes. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves a salary increase for Wendy Lansing, Confidential Secretary, to $26.16 per hour, retroactive to July 1, 2020.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by March Birch, seconded by Timothy Hayes. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the administrative assignment of the following individuals as coaches for the 2020 fall sports season, effective upon commencement of season starting; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, they be paid per the Agreement between the Superintendent of Schools of the Cooperstown Central School Board of Education and the Cooperstown Central School Faculty Association, July 1, 2018-June 30, 2023. Appointments are contingent upon clearance from the State Education Department to comply with the fingerprinting provisions of Project Save and/or meeting all certification/ licensing requirements as per NYSED; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all Fall 2020 Athletic Coaching appointments are made contingent upon the decisions by the NYSPHSAA to commence with the Fall Sports Season, which at this time is set to begin on September 21, 2020 and at the District's decision to reopen in person in a hybrid model will also bear on the decision. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all Fall 2020 coaching appointments may be temporarily and uniformly rescinded due to a COVID-19 School Closure if it is in the opinion of the Board of Education and its administration.

Motion by Matthew Schuermann, seconded by Marcy Birch, motioned to table Fall 2020 Coaching appointments until next regular meeting.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the 2020-2021 Professional Services appointments as presented; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED each person shall be paid a stipend according to the Agreement Between the Superintendent of Schools of the Cooperstown Central School Board of Education and the Cooperstown Central School Faculty Association July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023.

DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON

- Academic Intervention Services Department, Jaime Burse
- Counseling Department, Katie Baldo
- English Department, Rebecca Burk-Sciallo
- Language Department, Marjorie Schleining

- Math Department, Mike Toulson
- Fine Arts Department, Tim Iversen
- Physical Education Department, Mike Niles
- Science Department, Barb Davis
- Social Studies Department, Jennifer Pindar
- Special Education Department, Katie Lambert

GRADE ADVISOR

- Seventh Grade, Deborah Miller
- Eighth Grade, Mike Leggett
- Ninth Grade, Chalya Pudlewski
- Tenth Grade, Katie Lambert
- Eleventh Grade, Marjorie Schleining
- Twelfth Grade, Nick Marcantonio

GRADE LEVEL CHAIRPERSON

- Kindergarten, Lisa Lippitt
- First Grade, Lindsay Hayes
- Second Grade, Michealle Cole
- Third Grade, Ann Szwejbka
- Fourth Grade, Anne Reis
- Fifth Grade, Jenna Wratten
- Sixth Grade, Diana Garcia
- Seventh Grade, Deborah Miller
- Eighth Grade, Brad Smith

Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstained 1 (Mr. Hayes) Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the creation of an Athletic Coordinator position for the 2020-21 academic year, effective September 1, 2020, to be paid a stipend of $15,945 to provide interim leadership for interscholastic athletics. Position adheres to the Memorandum of Understanding being development with the CCS Faculty Association.

It was stated that we may need to prorate the stipend based on start date.

Motion by Anthony Scalici, seconded by Matthew Schuermann, motioned to table the Creation of the Athletic Coordinator position until next regular meeting

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Matthew Schuermann. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rules and Regulations of the Civil Service Law, does hereby appoint Thomas J. Fay to the 12 month, full-time (8 hours per day) position of Cleaner, for a probationary period of 52 weeks, effective September 1, 2020; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that he be paid at a rate of $16.38 per hour, per the Agreement between the Cooperstown Central School District Service Unit and the Superintendent of Schools on behalf of the Board Of Education 2018-2023.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby accepts the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Barbara Cannon, Special Education Teacher, effective August 4, 2020; with much appreciation for the many years of service provided to our School District.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby accepts the resignation of Nicole Carey, Elementary Teacher effective August 6, 2020.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby grant the unpaid leave of absence request of JoAnn Gardner, Licensed Teaching Assistant, for the period of one year, to begin September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Gillian Spencer. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Personnel Committee to the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the Mentor appointments as presented, effective September 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED each Mentor be paid a $1,000 stipend per the Agreement Between the Superintendent of Schools of the Cooperstown Central School Board of Education and the Cooperstown Central School Faculty Association July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023.

- Angela Aiello mentor to Isabella Anania
- Stephanie Long mentor to Rebecca Seamon
- Lindsay Hayes mentor to Karen Hill
- Katie Baldo mentor to Rachel Huntley

Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstained 1 (Mr. Hayes) Motion carried.

Motion by Marcy Birch, seconded by Matthew Schuermann. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint Megan Harris as a Teacher in the Elementary tenure area, at an annual salary of $46,780. Ms. Harris is currently awaiting certification as an Early Childhood Education Teacher from the New York State Education Department. Therefore, the commencement of this appointment is specifically contingent upon the District's receipt of certification prior to the date of the commencement of services as a Teacher. Should she not receive certification by September 1, 2020, Ms. Harris's appointment shall be reappointed as a daily, non-certified substitute teacher and be paid the set contractual rate, not to exceed forty (40) instructional days. Upon issuance of an Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) certificate, Ms. Harris will begin a four (4) year probationary period.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Marcy Birch gave a Public Relations, Policy & Extracurricular Program Committee meeting report of August 12, 2020. The next Committee meeting is August 24, 2020 at 8:00 am.

Principal Meccariello reported on professional development of staff, each teacher was given five curriculum days to look at their scope and sequence and then prioritize the most important standards. Training was given on Zoom and Google Classroom (required for entire staff). She talked about efforts on reopening, interviewing for vacancies, and she has been providing tours to incoming 7th graders.

Marcy Birch asked how many 11th graders will be attending BOCES? Mrs. Meccariello responded that she thinks about 10-15 student.

Principal Durkee began her report by stating that Ann Meccariello has been an incredible mentor so far. She then reported that the elementary staff completed similar professional development training, in additional to Envision Math, SuperKids, etc. Staff is working on alignment of curriculum, visual strategies with SuperKids. She thanked Emily Gibson and Michelle Hitchcock for the staff resources that were provided.

Superintendent Crankshaw reported on the Reopening Plan document was submitted on time, which includes the Academic Continuity Plan, and COVID-19 decision-making scenario information. He spoke about the Governor's requirements of opening of school (testing, contact tracing, family meetings), complications with Hybrid model, such as transportation, BOCES students, safety protocols, offering 100% remote choice, having to make accommodations for sick students and/or staff, and deciding on a digital online platform. Dr. Crankshaw mentioned he has some technology concerns, such as band width, instructing in-person and being recorded on Zoom. He stated that September 9th start of school will be fully remote through October 2, Hybrid model to being October 5. Dr Crankshaw continued with talking about budget and personnel, potential for furloughs with insurance, State Aid – excess costs coming in at 20% less; aid payment at 20% less. He gave a technology update, spoke about supply and demand concerns, and that laptops are being delivered to staff. He thanked the Board of Education for their support of this plan. The District will face challenges but will make changes as necessary. Dr. Crankshaw opened it up to questions about the Reopening Plan from the Board. Ann Meccariello and Tracy Durkee both gave an overview of what the students' schedule will look like in a Hybrid Model.

Motion by Timothy Hayes, seconded by Matthew Schuermann. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District hereby adopts the Operating Committee Goals for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

Motion by Timothy Hayes, seconded by Marcy Birch. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Cooperstown Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as listed in the Board Action Sheet for the meetings on August 4, 2020.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

With no public comments, Mathew Schuermann, seconded by Marcy Birch, moved to adjourn at 9:34 PM.

Ayes 5 Noes 0 Motion carried.

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Clerk