

CHENANGO VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board of Education Meeting

April 18, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the Chenango Valley Central School District, Broome County, New York, was held in the Chenango Valley Middle School Cafeteria, 221 Chenango Bridge Road, Binghamton, New York, Town of Fenton, on Monday, April 18, 2011.

The following members of the Board of Education were present: Gerald G. Abbey, Jr. (arrived at 6:36 p.m.), James DeGennaro, Stuart W. Elliott, Terrence M. Kane (arrived at 7:25 p.m.), Lynn M. Kaufman, James W. Penwell, President, Steven Randall, Vice President (arrived at 6:55 p.m.), Eric Rifenburg and Maureen A. Roberts.

Also present was Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, David P. Gill, Assistant Superintendent, Elizabeth I. Donahue, School Business Executive, and Susan M. Cirba, District Clerk.

Motion by Roberts, Seconded by DeGennaro:

Open Meeting
6:31 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the regular meeting be convened to Open Session at 6:31 p.m.

Abbey	<u>ABS</u>	Kane	<u>ABS</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>ABS</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Rifenburg, Seconded by Roberts:

Executive Session
6:31 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned to Executive Session at 6:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussing contractual negotiations.

Abbey	<u>ABS</u>	Kane	<u>ABS</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>ABS</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

G. Abbey arrived @ 6:35 p.m.
S. Randall arrived @ 6:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Elliott, Seconded by Randall:

Open Session
7:05 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the meeting be reconvened to Open Session at 7:05 p.m.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>ABS</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Item 1, President, Mr. James W. Penwell, began the Open Session at 7:09 p.m.

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Item 2, Mr. James Scouten, Jr., community resident and maintenance mechanic, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3, All Board members were noted as present with the exception of Mr. Terrence Kane.

Mrs. Elizabeth I. Donahue and Dr. Douglas presented the Chenango Valley Central School Budget Overview Presentation 2011-2012 BUDGET WORKSHOP #6.

This presentation may be found on the District's website at:

<http://www.cvcasd.stier.org/education/components/scrapbook/default.php?sectiondetailid=1660>

T. Kane
arrived @
7:25 p.m.

Item 4, Recognition of Visitors: Mr. Dana Benjamin, community resident.

- Mr. Benjamin thanked the Board of Education as a whole for working hard, especially Mr. Penwell, by presenting the financial status and what lies ahead for the Chenango Valley district. Mr. Benjamin stated he realized it will be at least five more years before CV is back on a reasonable path. He questioned the phrase regarding educating the whole student and is bothered that retirement incentives are being given. His feelings are these incentives provide more money than median salaries in this area.
 - Mr. Benjamin suggested the BOE adopt a policy excluding incentives at retirement. Mr. Penwell explained the Board evaluates many factors due to reorganization and the financial benefits of retirement. The BOE reviews the salary structure and considers all benefits for the long term. However, Mr. Penwell understands his viewpoint.

Item 5, Motion by Elliott, Seconded by Randall:

**Approval
Minutes**

RESOLVED, that the **Minutes** of the meetings of **March 14, 2011**, **March 16, 2011**, **March 28, 2011**, and **April 4, 2011** be received and placed on file.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenbury	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Item 6, Superintendent's Report –

**Item 6
Supt. Rpt.**

Dr. Douglas reported "Good News" on each building:

- Port Dickinson - PD students have been very busy this month preparing for their recent poetry recitation. Students have been enjoying this year's PARP program and celebrated reading with special activities throughout the week. This year's theme is 'Dr. Seuss.' Our primary level children are finishing up the Space Adventure unit in Physical Education class. The students had fun running through an obstacle course while learning about our solar system.
- Chenango Bridge - CB held its annual poetry recitation this week. The theme was, "Super Heroes - The Power of Poetry." Thanks to Mrs. Vesci, Mrs. Zanot, and Mrs. Reardon for coordinating this positive learning experience for the students. The spring concert was held this week featuring the 5th and 6th grade bands and choral programs. Lastly, an anti-bullying Olweus program was presented to Chenango Bridge 6th graders this week.

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- Middle School - Eighth graders have been busy making children's books with a scientific basis and traveled to Port Dickinson Elementary in order to share their creations with the children during PARP week. The 8th Grade Drug Quiz students participated in the regional competition in Syracuse and came in second place.
- High School - Three high school students participated in the recent Southern Tier Music Teachers Association (STMTA) competition. All three students were recognized at this event, including: Greg Santa Croce, First Place (Piano); Dylan Ruffo, Second Place (Voice); and Lucy Spena, Honorable Mention (Cello). Congratulations to the students and staff for a great performance of "Seussical The Musical".

Item 6
Supt. Rpt.,
Cont'd.

Dr. Douglas stated the district will continue to look at the developing a 5 year conditional survey plan.

Item 7, President's Report –

- Mr. James Penwell complimented the theatre guild performance of "Seussical The Musical" that was presented on March 25, 2011. Mr. Penwell thanked Mrs. Carole Stanley and numerous assistants for their special talent and hard work.
- Mr. Penwell noted several New York State School Board Association webinars are available for the Board's review.
- A report was delivered from the Office of the State Comptroller to all Board members. He is working on a response letter.
- There will be a joint meeting between Chenango Valley and Chenango Forks Superintendents and Board Presidents to discuss a potential merger. A point of discussion will be researching grant opportunities.
- Mr. Penwell and Mr. Randall will be attending a President and Vice President round table meeting at BOCES on April 28, 2011.
- Reminder of the Budget hearing on May 10th and vote on May 17th.
- NYSSBA is sponsoring a local lobby day on June 3, 2011. They are looking for representatives to approach legislators in Binghamton rather than Albany.
- A meeting with Ashley McGraw Architect, PC. is scheduled on May 4, 2011 with the Board to review long range plans.

Item 7
Pres. Rpt.

Item 8, Committee Reports-

- Audit Committee will be meeting next month in response to the Office of the State Comptroller's report.
- Health Committee will have the last consortium meeting for the fiscal year on May 6, 2011.
- Policy Committee finished the 7000 section.

Item 8
Comm. Rpt.

Item #9 Discussion

(C) Core Standards - Mr. David Gill presented An Overview of the Common Core State Standards.

- What does Common Core Standards mean and the other acrynomes.
- Common Core Standards Update
- Why is this important
- Design & Organization
- What does 85/15 mean
- Two components of CCSS for Math

Item 9
Core
Standards

Motion by Randall, Seconded by Roberts:

RESOLVED, that based upon a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve **Specimen Resolutions 10(A)(1) –10(A)(13).**

Finances,

- Treas. Rpt.
- Indebt. Rpt.
- Yr to Date Budget Rpt.
- Cafeteria Accur. Basis
- Budget Transfer
- GF increase
- Bid – Tech
- Bid – Land Survey

10(A)(1) Approval of Treasurer’s Report

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Treasurer for the month ending March 31, 2011 be received and placed on file.

10(A)(2) Approval of Statement of Indebtedness, 2010-2011 Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Statement of Indebtedness as attached.

10(A)(3) Approval of Year-to-Date Budget Status Report

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Budget Status Report as attached through March 31, 2011.

10(A)(4) Approval of Cafeteria Operation, Accrual Basis

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Cafeteria Operation, Accrual Basis, Report as attached through March 31, 2011.

10(A)(5) Approval of Budget Transfers

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the Budget Transfer Reports as attached for March 1, 2011 – March 31, 2011.

10(A)(6) General Fund Budget Increase - Incarcerated Youth Program

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education does and hereby approves an increase of the General Fund budget in the amount of \$ 248,899.00, with the fund source consisting of NYSED Special Aids Unit (A980 –3289), for use in the Incarcerated Youth Program and a use of funds in the following budget code in the 2010-2011 school year.

\$ 248,899.00 23309099-490 (Instructional –Special Schools – District – BOCES)

10(A)(7) Bid – 01:11-12 Technology/Industrial Arts

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award the bid for Technology/Industrial Arts for the 2011-2012 school year to the lowest bidders as attached,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other bids be rejected.

10(A)(8) Bid – Land Survey G601

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award the Land Survey G601 bid, subject to contract language approval by District counsel, to the lowest bidder as attached, and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the lowest qualified bid proposal of \$26,500 from Bolton Land Surveying, P.C. is all-inclusive and no demands will be accepted for additional services, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other bids be rejected.

10(A)(9) Bid – 03:11-12 Filters

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award the bid for Filters for the 2011-2012 school year to the lowest bidder as attached,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other bids be rejected.

10(A)(10) Bid – Meat and Cheese

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award the bids for Meat and Cheese for May 1, 2011 to August 12, 2011 to the lowest bidders as attached,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other bids be rejected.

10(A)(11) Broome-Tioga BOCES Final Request for Services

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Chenango Valley Central School District will participate in the those services identified during the 2011-2012 school year. The Board of Education agrees to pay Broome-Tioga BOCES the charges identified in the base contract according to the following schedule of eight (8) equal payments beginning October 1, 2011 and ending May 1, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that payments on supplemental contracts will be implemented by the district in consonance with the payment schedule on the contract.

10(A)(12) BOCES Administrative Budget, 2011-2012

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the 2011-2012 administrative budget of the Broome-Tioga Board.

10(A)(13) 2011-2012 School Budget Adoption

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the proposed budget for the 2011-2012 school year in the amount of \$31,841,655 as set forth in the budget annexed hereto and made a part hereof,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following resolution be presented to the voters at the Annual Budget Vote to be held on May 17, 2011:

BUDGET PROPOSITION

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of expenditures of the District for the school year 2011-2012 in the amount of \$31,841,655 and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education, be and the same hereby is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district, after first deducting the monies available from state aid and other sources as provided by law.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenbury	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

**Finances,
Cont'd.**

- Bid – Filters
- Bid – Meat & Cheese
- BOCES, Request for Services
- BOCES Admin Budget
- 2011-12 Budget Adopt.

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Motion by Rifenbury, Seconded by Randall:

RESOLVED, that based upon a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approve **Specimen Resolutions 10(B)(1) and 10(B)(2).**

Prof. Pers.

- Resignation
E. Bryant
- Addition Sub
Teacher
Roster

10(B)(1) Resignation

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the resignation of Mrs. Elizabeth Bryant, Biology 7-12 Teacher, for family and personal reasons, effective June 30, 2011.

10(B)(2) Addition to Substitute Teacher Roster, 2010-11 School Year

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following addition to the Substitute Teacher Roster for the 2010-11 school year and authorize payment at the approved rates based upon the certification of the payroll by the Superintendent of Schools.

(a) Sara Korba

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenbury	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

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Motion by Roberts, Seconded by Abbey:

RESOLVED, that based upon a recommendation of Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve **Specimen Resolutions 10(C)(1) - 10(C)(9).**

Civil Service,

- Appt- Laborer
R. Andrus
- Add. Sub
Teacher Aide
Roster

10(C)(1) Appointment – Laborer, Substitute

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve and ratify the Civil Service appointment of Mr. Russell Andrus to the position of Laborer, Substitute, effective April 19, 2011; and

BE IT RESOLVED that Salary Schedule No. 1 as heretofore adopted be amended to reflect this appointment and payment of salary be authorized bi-weekly upon certification of the payroll by the Superintendent of Schools.

10(C)(2) Additions to the Substitute Teacher Aide Roster, 2010-2011 School Year

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following additions to the Substitute Teacher Aide Roster for the 2010-2011 school year and authorize payment at the approved rate based upon the certification of the payroll by the Superintendent of Schools.

- (a) Elliott, Abigail
- (b) Mikol, Jennifer M.
- (c) Pierce, Abby L.
- (d) Sabin, Courtney

10(C)(4) Change in Effective Date of Retirement

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve a change in the Civil Service resignation date for retirement of Mr. Paul Hoover, Cleaner, effective June 29, 2011.

<u>Civil Service, Cont'd.</u>
• Retirement P. Hoover
• Retirement W. Polakovich
• Retirement M. Skinner
• Termination C. Hatton
• Termination C. Thorn

10(C)(5) Retirement

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Civil Service resignation for retirement of Mr. William Polakovich, Bus Driver, Part-Time, effective June 30, 2011.

10(C)(6) Retirement

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Civil Service resignation for retirement of Mrs. Mildred Skinner, Bus Driver, effective June 30, 2011.

10(C)(7) Termination

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Civil Service termination, due to job abandonment, of Ms. Cynthia Hatton, Bus Attendant, Part-Time, effective April 4, 2011.

10(C)(8) Termination

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the Civil Service termination, due to job abandonment, of Ms. Christin Thorn, Bus Driver, Part-Time, effective April 4, 2011.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenbury	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u> ABSTAIN 10(C)(2)	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Rifenbury, Seconded by DeGennaro:

RESOLVED, that based upon a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve **Specimen Resolutions 10(D)(1) - 10(D)(7).**

<u>Corres. for Action</u>
• Preschool Spec. Ed & Spec. Ed Placements
• Appeal Legal Matters

10(D)(1) Preschool Special Education and Special Education Placements

WHEREAS the Board of Education has reviewed the recommendations of the Committees on Preschool Special Education and Special Education pertaining to the students as referred in the attached Exhibit A, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education confirms the recommended placements.

10(D)(2) Appeal of Ongoing Legal Matters

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, and the School District's legal counsel, that authorization is hereby confirmed for the District's legal counsel to file and perfect an appeal of the State Supreme Court, Broome County's ruling and order in the cases of Joan and Jennifer Doe v. Chenango Valley Central School District, et al., Broome County Index No. CA-2005-1572, and Jane and Jessica Doe v. Chenango Valley Central School District, et al., Broome County Index No. CA-2005-1293 to the State Supreme Court, Appellate Division for reconsideration and review.

10(D)(3) 2011-2012 School Calendar

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education adopt the attached 2011-2012 School Calendar as the official school calendar for the 2011-2012 school year.

10(D)(4) Parochial School Transportation Requests – Central Baptist

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve additional parochial school transportation requests as noted below to Central Baptist Christian Academy for the 2011-2012 school year.

- Penfield, Hannah
- Penfield, Sarah
- Stickels, Carson
- Stickels, Grace

<p>Corres. for Action, Cont'd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2011-12 School Calendar • Parochial Trans – Central Baptist • Parochial Trans – St. John • Parochial Trans – Seton • BOCES Trustees

10(D)(5) Parochial School Transportation Requests – St. John the Evangelist

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve additional parochial school transportation requests as noted below to St. John the Evangelist School for the 2011-2012 school year.

- Peret, Adam
- Peret, Anna
- Peret, Francis
- Peret, Sofia

10(D)(6) Parochial School Transportation Request – Seton Catholic

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve additional parochial school transportation request as noted below to Seton Catholic for the 2011-2012 school year.

- Topencik, Aaron

10(D)(7) BOCES Trustee Ballot

RESOLVED, based on a recommendation by Dr. Thomas J. Douglas, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education cast votes for Mr. Peter Nowacki and Mr. Donald Vredenburg to serve on the Broome-Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services Board of Trustees.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenbury	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Item 11, Board Forum

- No Discussion.
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Motion by Elliott, Seconded by Rifenburg:

**Executive
Session**
8:42 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned to Executive Session at 8:42 p.m. for the purpose of discussing contractual negotiations.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Abbey, Seconded by Kane:

**Open
Session**
10:24 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the meeting be reconvened to Open Session at 10:24 p.m.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Randall, Seconded by Kane:

**Meeting
Adjourned**
10:24 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Abbey	<u>YES</u>	Kane	<u>YES</u>	Rifenburg	<u>YES</u>
DeGennaro	<u>YES</u>	Kaufman	<u>YES</u>	Roberts	<u>YES</u>
Elliott	<u>YES</u>	Randall	<u>YES</u>	Penwell	<u>YES</u>

MOTION CARRIED.

Susan M. Cirba

Susan M. Cirba, School District Clerk