

COHOES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

**Regular Meeting
November 15, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

(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
- D. Acceptance of Minutes of the Board of Education Meetings of October 18, 2017 and November 1, 2017.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Good News – Building Leadership Team Presentation by Cohoes Middle School

III. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Curriculum and Instruction – Instructional Rounds by Ms. O’Shea
- B. Business and Operations – Long-Range Financial Plan by Mrs. 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. THAT the Board of Education accepts the Minutes of the Committee on Special Education for the following meeting dates: 6/12/17, 7/7/17, 8/18/17, 8/22/17, 8/23/17, 8/31/17, 9/1/17, 9/5/17, 9/7/17, 9/14/17, 9/18/17, 9/19/17, 9/22/17, 9/30/17, 10/3/17, 10/4/17, 10/6/17, 10/11/17, 10/12/17, 10/13/17, 10/16/17, 10/18/17, 10/23/17, 10/26/17, 11/2/17 and 11/3/17.
- B. THAT the Board of Education adopts the following policies:
 - 1530 – Smoking and Other Tobacco Use on School Premises
 - 5460 – Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment
- C. THAT the Board of Education approves an Agreement between the Capital Area School Development Assoc. (CASDA) located at the University at Albany, East Campus, 5 University Place-A409, Rensselaer, NY 12144 “the Consultant” and the

Cohoes City School District located at 21 Page Avenue, Cohoes, NY 12047 “the Client” for CASDA faculty, Ms. Betsy Smith, to provide support and consultation for implementation of Teacher Rounds, a professional learning process. The cost will be \$5,912.50 for a term beginning on November 20, 2017 to June 30, 2018 and funded through the school improvement grant.

- D. THAT the Board of Education approves a contract with Hillcrest Educational Centers located at 788 South Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01202 for special education services at the rate of \$11,445.60 per month for each of ten months from September 15, 2017 through June 29, 2018 while the student is enrolled in the program.
- E. THAT the Board of Education grants permission to the Cohoes High School to recycle the following obsolete textbooks:

- Amsco Geometry (978-1-56765-595-7) 72 books still in boxes and 47 books that have been used
- Amsco Algebra 2 & Trig (978-1-56765-702-9) 24 books in boxes
- Amsco Algebra 2 & Trig workbook: Preparing for the Regents (978-1-56765-705-0) 12 in boxes
- Amsco Course I (0-87720-266-4) 3 books
- Amsco Course II (0-87720-272-9) 17 books
- Amsco Course III (0-87720-278-8) 3 books

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT – PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL

- A. THAT the Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Agreement between the Cohoes City School District and the Cohoes Teachers’ Association (CTA), for the purpose of Article XVII, adding a position of Mentoring Program Coordinator at the Cohoes High School, paid as a stipend as per the CTA contract and adding a position of Mentoring Program Assistant Coordinator at the Cohoes Middle School, paid as a stipend as per the CTA contract, dated November 3, 2017.
- B. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Cohoes City School District appoints Thomas Joyce to a four-year conditional term in the tenure area of Technology effective November 16, 2017 and expiring on November 15, 2021 on an emergency conditional basis. Mr. Joyce holds a Transitional A certification in the area of Computer Technology 7-12.

Thomas Joyce
 Position..... 1.0 Technology Teacher
 Certification..... Computer Technology 7-12
 Tenure Area..... Technology
 Effective Date..... November 16, 2017
 Tenure Date..... November 15, 2021

Salary.....Step 1 of the current CTA Contract
ReasonReplaces Patrick Gilday

- C. THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individual as Walking School Bus Coordinator to the building listed below for the 2017-18 school year:

Abram Lansing Elementary School
Kathy Baez
Effective: November 16, 2017

- D. THAT the Board approves the following unpaid student teacher/intern placement from the following schools:

SUNY NEW PALTZ
March 26, 2018 through May 17, 2018
McKenna Robinson with Christina Scott at Abram Lansing & Harmony Hill Elementary Schools

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

- E. THAT the Board of Education amends Item VIII (H) (**Boudreau Indoor Track Only**) of the June 7, 2017 Agenda to read as follows:

THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individual to the coaching position listed below for the 2017-2018 school year, contingent upon acceptable program enrollment:

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY	NAME	FTE
Indoor Track – Boys Girls	Aaron Boudreau	1.0

- F. THAT the Board of Education appoints the following individuals to the coaching positions listed below for the 2017-2018 school year, contingent upon acceptable program enrollment:

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY	NAME	FTE
Wrestling – Modified	Michael Douglas	1.0
Basketball – Girls VOLUNTEER	Ballei Tetrault	0.0
Basketball – Girls VOLUNTEER	Pedro Cradle	0.0
Basketball – Boys VOLUNTEER	Jeffrey Huneau	0.0
Indoor Track – Boys	Paul Wheeler	1.0
Baseball – VOLUNTEER	Avery Wilkinson	0.0

- G. THAT the Board of Education creates the following Advisor position (for the 2017-18 winter season ONLY)

Cheerleading Club (CMS) at 50 points

- H. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Cohoes City School District hereby appoints the following individual to the Food Service Driver Substitute list, subject to the rules of the Cohoes Civil Service Commission on an emergency conditional basis, in accordance with the Civil Service Rules, such appointments are a temporary appointment.

Drew Gumprecht

Effective: October 30, 2017

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:

1. Warrants – October 2017
2. Budget Transfer – October 2017
3. Budget Status Reports – October 2017
4. Bank Reconciliation Report – October 2017
5. Extracurricular Activity Report – September 2017
6. Internal Claims Audit Report – October 2017

XI. INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION

- A. THAT the Board of Education be aware of the Leave of Absence request of Morgan Blizinski (September 5, 2017 through October 31, 2017), five weeks of which are pursuant to the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and nine days of which will be unpaid. The unpaid dates of her leave are October 19, 2017 through October 31, 2017.
- B. THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$1,500 from Randy James, Highland Park, New Jersey for Arts & Education at Abram Lansing Elementary School.
- C. THAT the Board of Education accepts a donation in the amount of \$1,500 from Ellen Sinopoli Dance for Arts & Education at Abram Lansing Elementary School.

XII. COMMENTS FROM BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

XIII. QUESTIONS AND STATEMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

XIV. BOARD POLICY REVIEW

Second Reading

1530 – Smoking and Other Tobacco Use on School Premises

5460 – Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment

XV. DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

December 13, 2017, Cohoes Middle School Library at 6:00 p.m.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT