

**MINUTES FOR**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**Corning City School District**  
**Administration Building**  
**165 Charles Street, Painted Post, New York 14870**  
**Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.**

**1.0 OPENING**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. with the President, Mr. Thomas Tamaro, presiding.

**1.1 ROLL CALL**

Board Members:	Present	Absent
Nancy Arkin	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Neil Bulkley	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
William Carlson	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patrick Flynn	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Barry Nicholson	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Virginia Schultz	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Thomas Tamaro, President	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Dr. James Webb	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Dr. Dale Wexell, Vice-President	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
<b>Administrators:</b>		
Michael Ginalski, Superintendent	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Anthony Gyetua-Danquah, Asst. Supt.-Instruction	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Jeffrey Delorme, Asst. Supt.–Admin. Services	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
Paul Webster, School Business Official	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>
<b>Officers:</b>		
Karen Dutcher, Clerk of the Board	<u>  x  </u>	<u>      </u>

Media: Leader   x   Star Gazette        News10 Now   x   WENY-AM        WETM-TV        WENY-TV   x  

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.2 Acceptance of the Agenda**

Moved by:   Bulkley   Seconded by:   Wexell   to accept the agenda with the addition of Item 2.4 – Resolution Authorizing Board President to Sign MOU and Item 2.5 – Resolution Approving Intent to Move Forward with Alternative C.

Aye   9   Nay   0   Absent       0       Accepted

**1.3 Approval of Minutes**

Moved by:   Schultz   Seconded by:   Wexell   to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 16, 2009 and the Special Meetings of December 16, 2009 (Canvass) and December 22, 2009.

Aye   9   Nay   0   Absent       0       Accepted

**1.4 Report from the President of the Board of Education**

Mr. Tamaro wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Tamaro reviewed with the Board the change in the Visitation process.

**1.5 Report from the Superintendent of Schools**

Mr. Ginalski explained the Race to the Top Grant project which is a competitive US Education Department Grant that is open to State Education Departments.

Mr. Ginalski commended fall athletic teams. All 13 fall varsity teams received the Scholar Athlete Award for the 2009 season.

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**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

The Board heard comments from several visitors relative to facilities.

**1.6 Authorization of Funds to Implement Special Education Programs/Services**

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the authorization of funds to implement the Special Education programs and services consistent with such recommendations from the CSE meetings of December 11, 2009 through December 23, 2009.

Moved by: Flynn Seconded by: Nicholson  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

**2.0 REPORTS**

**2.1 Overview of 2010-2011 Budget – Jeff Delorme, Asst. Supt-Admin. Services  
Paul Webster, School Business Official**

Mr. Delorme and Mr. Webster provided an overview of the 2010-2011 proposed budget. They answered questions by the Board. After discussion by the Board it was agreed by consensus that the Superintendent should provide a budget with a 0% tax rate.

**2.2 WRITTEN REPORTS**

**2.2.1 District Owned Cell Phones – Submitted by Paul Webster, School Business Official**

**2.3 Board Member Requests for Additional Information on Above Written Report**

**2.4 Resolution Authorizing Board President to Sign MOU**

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** to authorize the Board of Education President, Thomas Tamaro, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding being entered into by and between the Corning City School District ("Participating LEA"), the Teachers' Collective Bargaining Representative serving the Participating LEA and the State of New York ("State") relative to the Race to the Top Grant Project.

Moved by: Nicholson Seconded by: Arkin  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

**2.5 Resolution Approving Intent to Move Forward with Alt. C.**

**Resolved,** that Alternative C, in its entirety, shall be placed up for a second vote on or about March 16, 2010, and authorizing the Superintendent to proceed with development of any necessary resolutions to be submitted to the Board of Education for adoption prior to the vote date.

Moved by: Bulkley Seconded by: Nicholson  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

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### 3.0 PERSONNEL ITEMS

#### 3.1 Requests for Leave of Absence

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the following request for leave of absence, without pay, be granted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and/or Civil Service Commission.

1. **Laurie Moyer**, French at Corning Free Academy Middle School, effective February 1 through June 30, 2010.

Moved by: Wexell Seconded by: Bulkley  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

#### 3.2 Appointment of Personnel

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the appointment of personnel listed on attachment 3.0 sections 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 be approved, subject to the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and/or the Civil Service Commission.

Moved by: Schultz Seconded by: Arkin  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

#### 3.3 Change in Assignment and/or Status

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the request for change in assignment/status on attachment 3.0, section 3.3.1 and 3.3.2 be approved, subject to the rules and regulations of the Board of Education and/or Civil Service Commission.

Moved by: Webb Seconded by: Carlson  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

### 4.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

#### 4.1 Approval of Change Order

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the Board approves the Change Order RC-2 to CFE Inc. to Corning-Painted Post Technical Reconstruction Project Year 4b, Architect's Project No. 09344.08 for changes detailed in the Change Order for a total decrease of \$3,558 and a new contract amount of \$523,906.

Moved by: Nicholson Seconded by: Bulkley  
Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

#### 5.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

#### 6.0 BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION - None

#### 7.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board Members Flynn, Nicholson, and Wexell provided comments relative to moving forward with the facilities revote. Board Member Bulkley provided a synopsis of enrollment trend data from the 1960's to date, relative to small schools versus large schools. Board Member Carlson discussed the necessity of promoting a positive budget and that perhaps the Board should look at the possibility of a 5-year annual budget plan.

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**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

The Board heard comments from several visitors relative to the Education Foundation and the facilities revote.

**Executive Session**

Moved by: Webb Seconded by: Bulkley

to enter into executive session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss matters related to the employment of a particular person.

Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

**Resume Regular Order of Business**

Moved by: Arkin Seconded by: Webb to resume the regular order of business at 8:40 p.m.

Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Arkin Seconded by: Webb to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Aye 9 Nay 0 Absent 0 Accepted

Submitted by,

*/s/ Karen R. Dutcher*

Karen R. Dutcher, Clerk  
Corning City School District

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