

**MINUTES FOR  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Corning City School District  
165 Charles Street, Painted Post, NY 14870  
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Approved**

**1.0 OPENING**

Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. with Dr. Dale R. Wexell, President, presiding

**1.1 ROLL CALL**

Board Members:	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Kevin Ashton	_____	_____X_____
Kelley Bacalles	_____X_____	_____
Kristina Belanger	_____X_____	_____
Mary Franklin	_____X_____	_____
Marjorie Lawlor	_____X_____	_____
Janelle Meteer	_____X_____	_____
Dr. James Webb	_____X_____	_____
Dr. Dale Wexell, President	_____X_____	_____
Victoria Zingler, Vice-President	_____X_____	_____
<b>Administrators:</b>		
Michael Ginalski, Superintendent	_____X_____	_____
Jeff Delorme, Asst. Supt.-Administrative Services	_____X_____	_____
Michelle Caulfield, Asst. Supt.-Secondary Ed.	_____X_____	_____
Kerry Elsasser, Asst. Supt.-Elementary Ed.	_____X_____	_____
William Pierce, Asst. Supt.-School Operations	_____X_____	_____
Paul Webster, School Business Official	_____X_____	_____
<b>Officers:</b>		
Karen Dutcher, Clerk of the Board	_____X_____	_____

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**Executive Session**

Moved by: Franklin/Meteer Seconded by: Webb to enter into Executive Session at 6:15 p.m. to discuss CSEA contract negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law.

Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**Resume Regular Order of Business**

Moved by: Webb Seconded by: Lawlor to resume the regular order of business at 6:35 p.m.

Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.2 Acceptance of the Agenda**

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Franklin

Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**1.3 Approval of Minutes**

Moved by: Webb Seconded by: Meteer to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2019.

Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**1.4 Report from the President of the Board of Education:** Dr. Wexell reminded the Board of the October 9 Workshop. He thanked the Superintendent and his staff for a successful referendum and for their efforts over the last 9 years in moving the District forward.

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**1.5 Report from the Superintendent of Schools:** Mr. Ginalski thanked all those who voted. He noted that it was a smooth opening and start to the new school year and he thanked everyone involved in making that happen.

**1.6 Board Recognitions:** On behalf of the Board, Ms. Meteer recognized **Gene Beecher, Tim Shadeck, Gary Borden, Shea Beecher, Paul Daudelin and Mike Madden**, Warehouse Delivery Service Team for their outstanding performance as members of the Warehouse Delivery Services Team. Mrs. Lawlor, on behalf of the Board honored **Sue McConnell**, Librarian of the Southeast Steuben County Library for inspiring the love of reading in generations of children.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Ms. Meteer noted that the Audit Committee met and reviewed the External Audit and received excellent commendations.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:** None

**1.7 Canvass of School Proposition**

**Recommendation of Clerk:** that the Board approves the following Proposition re: tabulation of votes cast; determining the results of the voting at the Special Election held on September 24, 2019.

**WHEREAS,** Statements of Canvass of the votes in the respective election districts were prepared and signed by the Inspectors of Election for said respective districts and have been delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Education (to be filed with these minutes),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Corning as follows:

It is hereby determined that said vote on the proposition was held in all respects in the manner prescribed by the Education Law of the State of New York. They have this day met, September 25, 2019, after due notification, at the Administration Building at 165 Charles Street, Painted Post, New York, in the evening, having received from the Clerk of the Board of Education the respective Canvass of Votes of all election districts, and have examined said results of the proposition as tabulated. The Board has this day canvassed the returns and hereby determines the number of votes cast for the resolution according to the attachment.

**Proposition #1:** *SHALL the Resolution of the City School District of the City of Corning, New York entitled: "Resolution of the City School District of the City of Corning, New York, adopted July 31, 2019, (i) authorizing the construction of alterations and improvements to District facilities and the sites thereof; stating the estimated total cost thereof is not to exceed \$80,255,000; appropriating said amount therefor; authorizing the expenditure of not to exceed \$1,350,000 from the District's "General Capital Reserve Fund" to be expended towards the cost thereof; and authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$78,905,000 serial bonds of said district to finance the balance of said appropriation; and (ii) authorizing the construction of energy conservation improvements to District facilities at the estimated cost of not to exceed \$8,400,000," BE APPROVED?*

Moved by: Zingler Seconded by: Franklin  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**1.8 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 August 21, 2019 through September 19, 2019.

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Belanger  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

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## 2.0 REPORTS

**2.1 Equity Update – Michael Ginalski, Superintendent:** Mr. Ginalski noted that the Equity Collaborative will be in the District for training with the Administrators in October and things are progressing as we move into year 3 of this initiative.

**2.2 Facilities Update – Michael Ginalski, Superintendent:** Mr. Ginalski noted we are wrapping up one project and with the passage of the Capital Project, we will be starting with the pool right out of the box. Russ Robinson from Welliver was on hand to provide the Board with a brief update as well.

## 2.3 Written Reports

**2.3.1 August Claims Auditor Report – Submitted by Kim Dykes, BOCES CBO**

**2.3.2 Quarterly Expenditure/Revenue Status Report-Submitted by Paul Webster, SBO**

## 3.0 PERSONNEL

### 3.1 Personnel Items-Resignations, Leaves, Appointments, Changes of Assignment

**Superintendent’s Recommendation:** that the Board approves the personnel items as listed on the attached pink sheets in Section 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.1.3, 3.1.4, 3.1.5, 3.1.6, 3.1.7, 3.1.8, 3.1.9 and 3.1.10.

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Franklin  
Aye 7 Nay 0 Absent 1 Abstain 1 Accepted  
Bacalles

### 3.2 Tenure Appointment

**Superintendent’s Recommendation:** that the Instructional and Teaching Assistant personnel listed below (see details on attached 3.0, section 3.2), who have completed their probationary period effective as noted, be appointed to tenure:

**DeAnna Ritter**, Elementary, October 17, 2019      **Ann Walters**, Elementary, November 1, 2019  
**James Grandner**, Science, November 30, 2019      **Heather Campbell**, TA, November 1, 2019  
**Colleen McKinley Walls**, TA, November 5, 2019

Moved by: Belanger Seconded by: Lawlor  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

### 3.3 Ratification of Agreement between the District and the CSEA for 2019-2023

**Superintendent’s Recommendation:** that the Board approve the ratification of the Employment Agreement between the Civil Service Employees Association and the District.

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Belanger  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

## 4.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

### 4.1 Business Items – Consent Agenda

#### A. Approval of Monthly and Quarterly Treasurer’s Report, Period Ending June 30, 2019 and Monthly Treasurer’s Report for July 2019

the Monthly Treasurer’s Report and Quarterly Treasurer’s Report for the period ending June 30, 2019 and the monthly Treasurer’s Report for July are submitted in the prescribed format in accordance with the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, Sec. 170.2 (p). Included are cash flow reports, the computer budget report by facility, summarizing all budget changes and expenditures from June 30, 2019, and the Extra Classroom Activities Funds Treasurer’s Reports. Copies of the reports to be filed with these minutes.

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**B. Authorization to Appropriate \$1,205,272 IDEA Section 611 Funds to Special Aid**

that the Board authorize the appropriation to Special Aid Fund of \$1,205,272, which is the amount of "Flow Through Entitlement Funds" the district will receive for the 2019-2020 fiscal year under IDEA Section 611 in support of the District program entitled, "Speech, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Special Education Teachers and Instructional Materials."

**C. Authorization to Appropriate \$63,334 IDEA Section 619 Funds to Special Aid**

that the Board authorize the appropriation to Special Aid Fund of \$63,334 which is the amount the District will receive for the 2019-2020 fiscal year under IDEA section 619 Preschool Grant Program to be used to provide free appropriate public education to children with handicapping conditions ages 3-5 years old.

**D. Accept Donation of \$186.88 from C-PP HS Boys Swimming Club**

that the Board accept a donation of \$186.88 from the C-PP HS Boys Swimming Club to pay for employee/student lifeguarding services; further that the Board appropriate \$186.88 to revenue code A2705 "Gifts and Donations" and \$186.88 to expenditure code A-2855-165-23-00.

Moved by: Zingler Seconded by: Franklin  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**4.2 Approval and Execution of Tax Warrant for 2019 – 2020**

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the following resolution be approved for the execution of the tax warrant for the 2019–2020 fiscal year.

**RESOLVED** that there be levied by the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Corning, New York, after having complied with the Laws of the State of New York, upon the real estate, special franchises, and public service corporations in said District, for the payment of teachers' salaries, for the payment of principal and interest in the bonded indebtedness, and for the incidental expenses of operation and maintaining schools in said District during the current year, the sum of \$54,057,931 as indicated by the budget adopted by the Board of Education on April 24, 2019.

**FURTHER**, that the Southeast Steuben County Library levy of \$837,719 be included in the annual levy for a total sum of \$54,895,650.

The tax list for said taxes having been prepared, it is further

**RESOLVED** that the said tax be, and hereby is confirmed, in conformity with the provision of the Real Property Tax Law; and it is further

**RESOLVED** that taxes may be paid in two equal installments, which are due on or before the following dates:

First installment due on or before October 31, 2019  
Second installment due on or before March 31, 2020

And it is further

**RESOLVED** that the members of the Board of Education be hereby authorized and directed to execute the proper warrant to said tax roll; and after said warrant is executed, to deliver same to the Tax Collector of District on October 1, 2019.

Moved by: Webb Seconded by: Meteer  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

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**4.3 Acceptance of Certificates of Substantial Completion for General Construction, Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing, Architect's Project No. 2649-087**

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the Board accept the Certificates of Substantial Completion, received from the Construction Manager and Architect, for the contracts with **Edger Enterprises of Elmira, Inc. for General Construction** (Architect's Project No. 2649-087), **Piccirilli-Slavik & Vincent Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for Mechanical Work** (Architect's Project No. 2649-087), **John Mills Electric, Inc. for Electrical Work** (Architect's Project No. 2649-087), and **Frey & Campbell, Inc. for Plumbing Work** (Architect's Project No. 2649-087), and which the certificates establish a substantial completion date of September 3, 2019. Further, that the Board authorize the President to sign the certificates (to be filed with these minutes).

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Lawlor  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

**5.0 SPECIAL ITEMS**

**5.1 Approval to Fundraise-Spanish/International Club**

**Superintendent's Recommendation:** that the Board approves the SL 1 & 2 Spanish/International Club trip to Valencia, Spain from March 14-20, 2020 for a total cost of \$2,000 per person; paid through fundraising and parent contribution for a number of students TBD.

Moved by: Meteer/Bacalles Seconded by: Webb  
Aye 8 Nay 1 Absent 1 Accepted  
Wexell Ashton

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Ms. Meteer noted that she will not be in attendance at the October 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting

**VISITOR COMMENTS:** None


**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Meteer Seconded by: Webb to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.  
Aye 8 Nay 0 Absent 1 Accepted

Submitted by:

  
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Karen R. Dutcher, District Clerk  
Corning City School District

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