

Date: August 8, 2023
 Type: Regular
 Location: Board Room
 Present: Craig Giroux, Daniel Bernard, Mary LaPierre, Lee Barcomb, Chris Demers, Timothy Howley, Jason Bruce
 Others: Scott Osborne, Superintendent; Rob McAuliffe, Elementary Principal; Kaitlin Tetrault, Business Manager; Kerry Adams, Director of CSE; Kait Breton, District Clerk

Call to Order	<p>Mr. Giroux, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>										
Executive Session	<p>Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Demers to resolve to enter the Executive Session at 5:36 PM.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A. Discuss matters of collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Taylor Law (#5).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">B. Resolve that the Board of Education returns to regular session. Time: 7:11 PM</p>										
Public Comment	<p>No public comment.</p>										
Agenda	<p>Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to approve the August 8, 2023 regular meeting agenda.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>										
Minutes	<p>Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to approve the following meeting minutes as presented by the District Clerk:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> July 11, 2023 (organizational and regular meeting) July 25, 2023 (special meeting agenda) <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>										
Financials	<p>Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Lapierre to approve budgetary transfers in the amount of \$349,223.00 as recommended by the Business Manager.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>										
Adopt Resolution Pertaining to Tax Levy	<p>Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to adopt the following resolution pertaining to the 2023-24 tax levy:</p> <p>WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Chazy Union Free School District has been authorized by the voters at the Annual School Meeting to raise for the current budget of the 2023-24 school year a sum not to exceed \$5,559,932.00 (this amount includes omitted taxes in the amount of \$1,299.21, and STAR) and library levy in the amount of \$38,000.00;</p> <p>THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education fixes the equalized tax rates by towns and confirms the extension of the taxes as they appear on the following described tax rolls:</p> <p>Valuation by Equalized Tax by Towns (Not including Library):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="553 2271 1421 2459"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="553 2271 764 2459">Town (Parcels)</th> <th data-bbox="764 2271 954 2459">Taxable Value</th> <th data-bbox="954 2271 1073 2459">Equalized Tax Rate</th> <th data-bbox="1073 2271 1247 2459">Total Tax Levy by Town</th> <th data-bbox="1247 2271 1421 2459">Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Town (Parcels)	Taxable Value	Equalized Tax Rate	Total Tax Levy by Town	Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Value					
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Champlain (409)	\$54,404,909	100%	\$6,072.50	\$0.111617
Chazy (1,375)	\$278,215,108	100%	\$31,053.48	\$0.111617
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AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT at such a future date as the detailed breakdown of tax levy between School Tax Bills and STAR reimbursement become available from a county issued tax roll, the tax warrant of this Board will be modified to split out the taxes from the STAR reimbursement;

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT the tax warrant of this Board, duly signed, shall be affixed to the above-described tax rolls authorizing the collection of said taxes to begin September 1, 2023 and end October 31, 2023 giving the tax warrant an effective period of 61 days at the expiration of which time the Tax Collector shall make an accounting in writing to the board;

AND BE IT FURTHER DIRECTED THAT the delinquent tax penalties shall be fixed as follows:

1. 9/1/2023 to 9/30/2023: 0%
2. 10/1/2023 to 10/31/2023: 2%

Motion carried unanimously.

Adopt Resolution
Pertaining to the Tax
Warrant

Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Lapierre to adopt the following resolution pertaining to the 2023-24 tax warrant:

WHEREAS: Chapter 73 of the Laws of 1977, amended Section 1318, subdivision 1 of the Real Property Tax Law; and

WHEREAS: the unencumbered, unreserved fund balance at the close of the last fiscal year must be applied in determining the amount of the school tax levy except for an amount not to exceed 4% of the current school year budget; and

WHEREAS: this latter amount may be held as surplus funds during the current school year; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: that the Board of Education retain as surplus funds \$523,574.92 from the fund balance and apply \$333,349.00

<p>Consent Agenda: Action Items</p>	<p>to the reduction of the tax levy.</p> <p>BE IT ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS: To the collector of Chazy Union Free School District, Towns of Chazy, Champlain, and Beekmantown, County of Clinton, New York State.</p> <p>You are hereby commanded:</p> <p>To give notice and start collection on 09/01/2023 in accordance with the provisions of Section 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>To give notice that tax collection will end on 10/31/2023.</p> <p>To collect taxes in the total sum of \$5,559,932.00 in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with the provisions of Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>To make no changes or alterations in the tax warrant or the attached tax rolls but shall return the same to the board of education. The board may recall its warrant and tax roll for correction of errors or omissions in accordance with the provisions of Section 1316 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>To forward by mail to each owner of real property listed on the tax rolls within ten days after the start of collection a statement of taxes due on his property on press-numbered tax bill forms provided by the school district in accordance with the provisions of Section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons the sums listed on the attached tax rolls without interest penalties when such sums are paid before the end of the first month of the tax collection period. To add two percent interest penalties to all taxes collected during the second month of the tax collection and to add three per cent interest penalties to all taxes collected during any part of the third month of the tax collection period and to account for such sums as income due to the school district.</p> <p>To issue press-numbered receipts only on forms provided by the school district in acknowledgement of receipt of payments of taxes and to retain, preserve and file exact carbon copies of all such receipts issued as required by Section 987 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and if any taxes on the attached tax rolls shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting thereof on forms showing by town the total assessed valuation, tax rate, the total tax levy, the total amounts remaining uncollected as required by Section 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p>The warrant is issued pursuant to Sections 910, 912, and 914 of the Real Property Tax Law and is delivered in accordance with Sections 1306 and 1318 of this law. It is effective immediately after it is property signed by a majority of the board of education. The warrant shall expire on the date stated above unless a renewal or extension has been endorsed on the face of this warrant in writing in accordance with Section 1318, subdivision 2 of the Real Property Tax Law.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Mr. Barcomb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bernard to establish the following breakfast and lunch prices for the 2023-24 school year:</p>
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<p>Points of Information</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student breakfast \$1.75/adult breakfast \$3.00 plus tax 2. Student lunch \$3.15/adult lunch \$5.02 plus tax <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Start of fall sports: Monday, August 21, 2023 B. District Closed: Monday, September 4, 2023 in observance of Labor Day C. Return of faculty & staff: September 5 & 6, 2023 D. First day of school: Thursday, September 7, 2023 E. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6 PM.
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bruce to enter Executive Session at 7:21 PM to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular person or persons, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension dismissal, or removal of a particular person (#6). B. Resolve that the Board of Education returns to regular session at 8:03 PM. <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Committee on Special Education</p>	<p>Mr. Demers made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bruce to approve the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education as presented by the Director of Special Education, Kerry Adams.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously.</p>
<p>Personnel Actions: Consent Agenda</p>	<p>Mr. Bernard made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley to act upon the following personnel actions as a consent agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Accept the following letters of resignation, respectively: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Kenneth Alton, science teacher (eff. 7/13/2023) b. Sarah Stone, social studies teacher (eff. 8/31/2023) c. Scott Osborne, Superintendent/7-12 Principal (eff. 8/31/2023) d. Molly Lawliss, elementary teacher (eff. 8/31/2023) B. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, appoint Morgan Esposito, who is professionally certified in the Childhood Education grades 1-6 area, and who has previously obtained tenure and had an APPR rating of Highly Effective or Effective in the final year of prior tenured service, to the position of Elementary Teacher for a probationary period commencing on September 1, 2023 and anticipated to end on June 30, 2026. Salary for the 2023-24 school year is \$61,510 in accordance with step 14 B+30 of the collective bargaining agreement. C. Establish the following correction to the 6/28/2023 minutes regarding the appointment of Saania Brindisi: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. "Salary for the 2023-24 school year is \$61,510 in accordance with step 14 B+30 of the collective bargaining agreement." D. Appoint the following individuals to fall 2023 coaching positions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Craig Botten, boys modified soccer, stipend \$2,689 b. Josh Barriere, boys JV soccer, stipend \$2,689

- E. Appoint Cory Thompson to the extracurricular advisorship position of Math Counts for the 2023-24 school year at the stipend of \$538.
- F. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint Hannah Newgarden to the non-competitive Civil Service title of Teacher Aide/Student Aide for a probationary period of 09/01/2023 to 8/31/2024. Salary for 2023-24 shall be \$18,583 in accordance with Entry Step of the collective bargaining agreement, pending successful completion of fingerprinting requirements.
- G. Appoint the following individuals as Regents Proctors for the August 2023 Regents examination period:
 - a. Fall, Sheri \$35/hr
 - b. Malsan, Alex \$35/hr
 - c. Cross, Bailey \$35/hr
 - d. Meadow, Marcus \$35/hr
- H. Appoint the following individuals as per diem substitute teachers:
 - a. Angela Mesunas, \$110/day
 - b. Allison Pinkerman, \$125/day (contingent on fingerprinting clearance)
 - c. Alexander Meseck, \$110/day
 - d. Lynn Pandure, \$110/day
- I. Re-appoint the following individuals to substitute teacher/substitute aide positions for the 2023-24 school year at the rate of \$125/day certified or \$110/day non-certified (nc):

Vesco, Nancy (nc)	Chateauneuf, Brent (nc)	Menard, Diane
Hosler, Annette	Green, Rini [c]	Matott, Cathay (nc)
Juneau, Celine (nc)	Langlois, Catherine (nc)	Moak, Ely (nc)
Lizardi, Annika (nc)	Patnode, Fran	Paola, Rose
LaDue, Kim (nc)	McLennan, Olivia (nc)	Baker, Jennifer
West, Lydia (nc)	Dumas, Gabrielle (nc)	Barnett, Olivia (nc)
Thyme, Grace (nc)		

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

Mr. Bruce made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howley adjourned the meeting at 9:06 PM.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mary LaPierre