

CEDAR GROVE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Cedar Grove, New Jersey
MINUTES

June 15, 2021

Cedar Grove High School Auditorium

Public Session 6:30 PM

Mrs. Dye, Board President, called the Regular Meeting of the Cedar Grove Board of Education to order at 6:30 pm

Roll Call:

- ✓ Mrs. DiChiara
- ✓ Mrs. Mega
- ✓ Mr. Splendoria
- ✓ Mr. Schoner
- ✓ Mrs. Dye

Mr. Anthony Grosso, Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Michael DeVita, Board Secretary were also present.

The following motion was made by Mrs. DiChiara and seconded by Mr. Splendoria and unanimously carried.

E1. Motion to **adjourn to executive session to discuss the following items:**

- Legal matter relative to a **pending litigation against the Board**. Action is not expected to follow the discussion in Executive Session. Public release of the discussion will occur upon completion of the matter.
- Personnel matter relative to **candidates for employment**. Action may follow the discussion in Executive Session. Public release of the discussion will occur upon completion of any contracts.
- Personnel matter relative to a **grievance**. Action is not expected to follow the discussion in Executive Session. Public release of the discussion will occur upon completion of the matter.

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:37 pm and Mrs. Dye led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the following announcement:

Announcement: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of, and to attend the meeting of, public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Cedar Grove Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be advertised, by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on bulletin boards in the District, published and/or transmitted to the *Verona-Cedar Grove Times* and *Star Ledger* newspapers, TAPinto online news, filed with the Township Clerk, and posted on the District's web site.

Roll Call:

- ✓ Mrs. DiChiara
- ✓ Mrs. Mega
- ✓ Mr. Splendoria
- ✓ Mr. Schoner
- ✓ Mrs. Dye

Mr. Anthony Grosso, Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Michael DeVita, Board Secretary were also present.

The meeting was opened to the public for comment on items on the agenda. No one from the public wished to be heard.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Schoner reported that he secured money for scholarships for the visual arts and the art club.

Mrs. DiChiara attended all of the awards shows and scholarship night and enjoyed them all.

Mr. Splendoria attended the High School play and reported they did a fantastic job.

Mrs. Dye attended a Facilities Committee meeting regarding the LRP upgrades and the architect will be presenting on it tonight.

Student Representative thanked everyone who contributed to the class, spoke about prom, GSA club raised the pride flag, national honor society, foreign language scholarship night, spring musical, senior sunrise, caps/gowns, yearbooks and graduation.

Board Presentation:

Brian Meisner and Erica Slota did a presentation on DECA.

High School students from the GSA club did a presentation on the History of LGBTQ+ Pride.

District Architect, Dan Dressel gave a powerpoint presentation on the upgrades needed at LRP School.

Superintendent Update

Mr. Grosso gave a masking update and summary of events, spoke about the EDAC committee, an equality statute and an EDAC needs assessment.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR and BOARD SECRETARY

A motion was made by Mr. Splendoria and seconded by Mrs. Mega and unanimously carried to approve items B1 through B3.

B1. Motion to **approve the Public and Executive minutes of May 19, 2021**

B2. Motion to **approve the budgetary transfers** for the months of May 2021

B3. Motion to **approve the Board Secretary's certification to the Cedar Grove Board of Education, pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)3, that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which, in total, exceed the line item appropriation in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a); and further pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)4, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(b).**

The following motion was made by Mrs. Mega and seconded by Mrs. DiChiara and unanimously carried.

B4. Motion to **pay the following List of Bills totaling: \$3,897,736.49 for the period 5/20/2021 - 6/15/2021**

A motion was made by Mrs. DiChiara and seconded by Mr. Schoner to approve items B5 through B40.

B5. Motion to **approve Chapter 192/193 services** for the 2021-2022 school year.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:46-6, 8, 19.1, et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 193); N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-1 et seq. (Laws of 1977, Chapter 192) require that the State and local community identify and provide auxiliary and handicapped services for students who attend nonpublic schools; and

WHEREAS, the cost of providing these services is funded entirely by the State of New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, the Union County Educational Services Commission has agreed to provide these services to eligible students who attend non-public schools in the Cedar Grove Board of Education;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cedar Grove Board of Education enter into an agreement with the Union County Educational Services Commission whereby the Commission will provide services during the 2021/2022 for those students who attend nonpublic schools in the Cedar Grove Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46-19.7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-7; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that projected cost will be based on the most recent notification of the Department of Education, Division of Finance and Regulatory Services setting forth anticipated aide to the Public School District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:46A-12 and N.J.S.A. 18A46-19.8. Invoices shall begin in October and continue for nine (9) successive months based on eligible students. The cost of services provided by the Union County Educational Services Commission shall not exceed the funds provided by the State.

B6. Motion to **approve the contract with Union County Educational Services Commission to administer the district's Nonpublic School Individuals with Disabilities Education Act-B Initiative (IDEA-B) funds Basic**, pursuant to the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Grant Application on behalf of the Board, effective July 1, 2021 until June 30, 2022. The Board agrees to pay the Commission for services provided in accordance with rates specified in Schedule A of the contract. Billing shall commence in October and shall continue until the funds are depleted. It is understood that the Commission will provide services for all of the eligible Nonpublic schools identified by the district's grant application.

B7. Motion to **approve Non Public Nursing Services** for the 2021-2022 school year.

WHEREAS, P.L. 1991, Chapter 226, requires that each Board of Education of a district in which a nonpublic school is located shall provide certain nursing services to those students who are enrolled full time in the nonpublic school; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Educational Services Commission has agreed to provide the required nursing services for local public school districts for the purpose of efficient delivery of services and greater cost effectiveness through cooperation and centralized administration;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cedar Grove Board of Education enter into an agreement with the Union County Educational Services Commission whereby the Commission will implement the law and administer the nonpublic school nursing services program for those full time students enrolled in the non public school(s) located within the Cedar Grove Board of Education for the 2021/2022 school year, in accordance with applicable law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board will remit the entire entitlement to the Commission to be billed monthly starting on October 1, 2021 and ending on July 1, 2022. The Commission will retain six percent (6%), of the entitlement as an administrative fee received by the Cedar Grove Board of Education as State Aid, per pupil, pursuant to said enactment.

B8. Motion to **approve emergency Food Service Management Contract for the 2021/2022 school year**

WHEREAS the USDA COVID19 Waiver #71 allows the flexibility to procure a non-competitive emergency contract for the 2021-2022 school year, and

WHEREAS, The Pomptonian submitted a response for emergency procurement for the food service management operations for July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, the Cedar Grove Board of Education acknowledges that the emergency Food Service Management Contract expires on June 30, 2022 and is not-renewable.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Business Administrator that the Cedar Grove Board of Education award the emergency contract for food service management to The Pomptonian, a New Jersey Corporation, located at 3 Edison Place, Fairfield, NJ 07004-3511.

The Pomptonian shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of \$.2531 per reimbursable meal and meal equivalent to compensate the FSMC for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be billed monthly as a cost of operation.

B9. Motion to **approve the following Scholarship Award Winners:**

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
American Legion/Memory of David Murray	Lawrence Chinn	\$500

Cedar Grove Garden Center	Savannah Pereira	\$500
Laura Moscato Memorial	Mitchell Rogers	\$1,000
David Revesz Memorial	Patrick Downey	\$1,000
Laura J. Patuelli Memorial	Samantha Cunniff	\$500
Michael Kapura Memorial	Samantha Cunniff	\$300
Josephine Miele Memorial	Abigail Lombardi	\$300

B10. Motion to **approve the purchase of a 16 passenger bus from Alliance Bus Group** in the amount of \$58,975. The purchase is being made on the New Jersey Educational Services Commission Cooperative Bid # ESCNJ 20/21-33.

B11. Motion to **approve the quote from AME, Inc. for the purchase of upgrading existing HVAC equipment at Memorial Middle School** through the Coronavirus Response and Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021(CRRSA)/Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER II) in the amount of \$18,075 through the cooperative bid # ESCNJ 20/21-50.

B12. Motion to **approve the following tax requisition schedule** for the 2021-2022 school year:

CEDAR GROVE BOARD OF EDUCATION
REQUISITION OF DISTRICT TAXES IN COMPLIANCE WITH 54:4-75
2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

<u>PAYMENT DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
JULY 21, 2021	\$2,609,976.00
AUGUST 18, 2021	\$2,609,976.00
SEPTEMBER 22, 2021	\$2,609,978.75
OCTOBER 20, 2021	\$2,609,976.00
NOVEMBER 17, 2021	\$2,609,976.00
DECEMBER 22, 2021	<u>\$2,609,978.75</u>
2021 TOTAL	\$15,659,861.50
JANUARY 19, 2022	\$2,609,976.00
FEBRUARY 23, 2022	\$2,609,976.00
MARCH 23, 2022	\$2,609,978.75
APRIL 20, 2022	\$2,609,976.00

MAY 18, 2022	\$2,609,976.00
JUNE 22, 2022	<u>\$2,609,978.75</u>
2022 TOTAL	\$15,659,861.50
2021 - 2022 SCHOOL TAX LEVY	\$31,319,723.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$1,947,708.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$29,372,015.00</u>
	<u>\$31,319,723.00</u>

B13. Motion to **approve the annual agreement with Genesis Educational Services for the 2021-2022 school year** at the following costs: annual support for the Genesis Student Information System - \$25,092; Naviance Task Scheduler Feature - \$350; IEP Direct interface - \$700; LinkIt Interface - \$350; Clever Interface - \$350; for an annual fee of \$26,842

B14. Motion to **approve AHERA Consultants** to provide the following for the **2021/2022** school year: Annual Indoor Air Quality Screening that includes asbestos and mold air testing at a cost of \$6,000; Indoor Air Quality update at a cost of \$1,050; Designated Persons Services at a cost of \$2,980 and the annual 2-Hour Asbestos Awareness Training Seminar (maximum 25 people) is \$400/session. The following additional services will be billed at the Ed-Data rate: Asbestos Inspector - \$60/hr; IAQ Inspector - \$70/hr; Q-Track IAQ Meter - \$300; Borescope - \$300; Mold Air-o-cell, Agar, Tape, Swab - \$90 per sample; Bacteria - \$90 per sample; Report of Findings - \$70 per hour; Project Management will be billed at per hour fee when necessary.

B15. Motion to **approve Rullo & Juillet Associates, Inc. to provide Environmental Consultant Professional Services** for the **2021/2022** School Year at a total cost of \$8,700, which includes:

- Inventory each facility for hazardous products - \$2,950
- Collect Safety Data Sheets of all products - \$950
- Create central files of safety data sheets for each building - \$300
- Write Hazardous Communication Plans for each location - \$400
- File all hazardous products with the Dept of Health - \$900
- Provide access to district's Safety Data Sheets - \$300
- Write Chemical Hygiene Plans - \$1,400
- Provide PEOSH Hazard Communications/RTK Training - \$700
- Provide Bloodborne Pathogen Training - \$600
- Review Bloodborne Pathogen Plans - \$200
- Consultant the district on environmental issues - \$75/hour

B16. Motion to **approve Handi Lift Service Company, Inc.** to provide planned maintenance for the lift at Cedar Grove High School for the **2021/2022** school year at a cost of \$950 to include four maintenance visits per year and a 10% discount on parts.

B17. Motion to **approve Birds Beware! & Geese Too!** to provide a custom Goose control program for the **2021/2022** school year at an annual cost of \$13,200.

B18. Motion to **approve K12USA.com** (Networks & More!, Inc.) for the **2021-2022** school year for service subscriptions to Trouble TrakkerPRO, Domain Name Registration, Secure School, Transparent Filtering and home to school VPN at a cost not to exceed \$3,680.44.

B19. Motion to **approve Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP School Policy and Regulations consultants' annual contracted support agreement** for the **2021/2022** school year in the amount of \$4,785

B20. Motion to **approve the 2021/2022 professional service contract with Vanguard Medical Group in the amount of \$18,500 plus \$70 drug screens.** Vanguard Medical is the district's school physician and also performs new employee physicals and drug screenings.

B21. Motion to **approve Alliance Pest Services** to provide integrated pest management services for the **2021/2022** school year. The cost for said services is \$3,480. The cost for emergency visits will be billed at \$70/hr.

B22. Motion to **appoint Bollinger Specialty Group as insurance carriers for Student and Athletic Accident Insurance Coverage** for the 2021-2022 school year, with the C. Robert Searle Insurance Agency as the Broker of Record. The annual athletic premium is \$29,802.

B23. Motion to **approve Bollinger Specialty Group to offer voluntary student coverage** for the 2021-2022 school year. The annual premiums are \$52 for school time only coverage and \$112 for 24 hour coverage. This is a voluntary policy and no cost to the board.

B24. Motion to **approve the 2021/2022 annual service agreement with Frontline Technologies Group, LLC** in the amount of \$21,082.12 to provide services for Employee Evaluation Management, IEP Direct, 504 Program Management and RTI Direct.

B25. Motion to **approve the purchase of two (2) 2022 Ford F350 Pickup Trucks** through the State of New Jersey Contract A88758, T2101 through Winner Cherry Hill Ford at a price of \$37,032 per vehicle.

B26. Motion to **approve Phoenix Advisors for the 2021/2022** school year at a base fee of \$1,000 to provide Continuing Disclosure Agent Services and appoint them as Independent Registered Municipal Advisor. Phoenix Advisors will offer services related to Debt Issuance and pre-referendum analysis with a \$200 initial setup fee for new bonds for disclosure purposes and a fee of \$250 for each event to be recorded on EMMA.

B27. Motion to **approve the following tax sheltered annuity companies**, open to enrollment

to any Board Employee, for the 2021/2022 school year as per N.J.S.A. 18A:66-127:

AXA Equitable

Oppenheimer
Lincoln Investment Planning
Great West
National Life Group
Penserv for the TSA - Security Benefit

B28. Motion to **adopt the uniform minimum chart of accounts** distributed by the State and utilized by the District, to authorize the addition of sub-account designations as the Business Administrator may deem necessary, and to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to make any necessary transfers below the level of the NJDOE Chart of Accounts.

B29. Motion to **authorize the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to release warrants** for payment of the District's bills and transfers, as needed, in between scheduled Board meetings and have those claims ratified at the next regular Board Meeting.

B30. Motion to **approve that the Cedar Grove Board of Education, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:3-6.3(a) 2, acknowledges the following language on student records in Policy 8330:**

“Mandated public records are those records school districts have been directed to compile by State statute, regulations, or authorized administrative directive in accordance with NJAC 6A:32-7.3. Permitted pupil records are records authorized by the Board to be collected in order to promote the education welfare of the pupil. The Board shall authorize the permitted records to be collected by adopting at a regular public Board meeting a resolution listing such permitted records or Regulation 8330, which will list such permitted records.”

B31. Motion to **approve the curriculum and textbooks for the 2021-2022** school year that are currently in use.

B32. Motion to **approve AM Consultants, Pine Brook, NJ, to conduct the annual fixed asset inventory** update for the period ending June 30, 2021. The cost to conduct the annual fixed asset audit will not exceed \$950.

B33. Motion to **approve Morris County Elevator** to provide elevator maintenance services at Cedar Grove High School for the **2021-2022** school year at a cost of \$2,892.

B34. Motion to **approve the 2021-2022 tuition rates for out-of-district students** as follows:

Pre-school / Kindergarten	\$14,361
Grades 1-5	\$17,146
Grades 6-8	\$17,697
Grades 9-12	\$17,981

B35. Motion to **approve A.M.E., Inc.** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform preventative

maintenance services on the building automation system at the Memorial Middle School at an annual cost of \$5,200 and an hourly rate of \$150/hour for a technician and \$170/hour for a programmer and an 50% equipment discount off list price.

B36. Motion to **approve Haig Service Corporation** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform fire alarm testing and inspections at an annual cost of \$6,000 and an hourly rate of \$79.

B37. Motion to **approve Metro Fire & Safety Equipment Company, Inc.** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform cellular central station fire alarm monitoring services at an annual cost of \$3,960.

B38. Motion to **approve SMS Security Systems, LLC.** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform wireless central station panic alarm monitoring services for LRP at an annual cost of \$479.40

B39. Motion to **approve Haig Service Corporation** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform panic alarm monitoring services at an annual cost of \$1,200.

B40. Motion to **approve Benefit Analysis Inc. (BAI) as the Cedar Grove Board of Education's COBRA** (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) administrator at the following costs, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022:

- Qualified Beneficiary Notice - \$22.25 each
- COBRA participant; while paying for COBRA - \$6.70 per month
- New Hire Notice - \$5.70 each
- HIPPA notice - \$3.00 each, if required.

On roll call, the following vote was taken: Mrs. DiChiara, "yes", Mrs. Mega, "yes", Mr. Splendoria, "yes", Mr. Schoner, "yes", Mrs. Dye, "yes with the exception of not voting on B38".

The motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Schoner and seconded by Mr. Splendoria and unanimously carried to approve items B41 through B65.

B41. Motion to **approve Level Data, Inc.** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform active directory synchronization with our student information system.

B42. Motion to **approve E-Rate Consulting** for the 2021/2022 school year to perform compliance services for the E-rate application process.

B43. Motion to **approve Logic 54** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide student transportation management software at an annual fee of \$5,554.

B44. Motion to **approve Butler Water Corrections** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide

boiler water treatment service at an annual fee of \$3,200.

B45. Motion to **approve SportCare** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide maintenance services for the synthetic turf field at Cedar Grove High School including two grooming sessions and one Gmax test and report at an annual fee of \$4,400.

B46. Motion to **approve Acme Fire Door Testing Corporation** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide preventative maintenance for all rolling steel fire doors in the district at an annual fee of \$900.

B47. Motion to **approve Cintas Fire Protection** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide annual inspections of fire extinguishers, domestic backflow preventers, fire backflow preventers, kitchen suppression systems, secondary suppression tanks and fusible links at an annual cost of \$2,952.84. Any deficiencies will be quoted separately.

B48. Motion to **approve IMAC Insurance Agency** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide brokerage and insurance consultancy services at an annual cost of \$65,000.

B49. Motion to **approve LinkIt!** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide student data warehousing and reporting, analytics, assessment solutions and support at an annual cost of \$36,873.

B50. Motion to **approve Naviance** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide college, career and life readiness services for Cedar Grove High School at an annual cost of \$3,568.

B51. Motion to **approve 7 Mindsets** for the 2021/2022 school year to provide online curriculum and resources for staff at an annual cost of \$10,000.

B52. Motion to **approve transfer into Capital Reserve Account:**

Whereas, NJSA 18A:21-2 and NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

Whereas, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a Board of Education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpected appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into a Capital Reserve account at year end, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 is available for such purposes of transfer;

Now therefore be it resolved by the Cedar Grove Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

B53. Motion to approve transfer into Maintenance Reserve Account:

Whereas, NJSA 18A:21-2 and NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

Whereas, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpected appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into a Maintenance Reserve account at year end, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$500,000 is available for such purposes of transfer;

Now, therefore be it resolved, by the Cedar Grove Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

B54. Motion to approve transfer into Emergency Reserve Account:

Whereas, NJSA 18A:21-2 and NJSA 18A:7G-31, and NJSA 18A:7F-41 permit a Board of Education to establish and/or deposit into certain reserve accounts at year end, and

Whereas, the aforementioned statutes authorize procedures, under the authority of the Commissioner of Education, which permit a board of education to transfer unanticipated excess current revenue or unexpected appropriations into reserve accounts during the month of June by board resolution, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education wishes to transfer unanticipated excess current year revenue or unexpended appropriations from the general fund into an Emergency Reserve account at year end, and

Whereas, the Cedar Grove Board of Education has determined that an amount not to exceed \$500,000 is available for such purposes of transfer;

Now, therefore be it resolved, by the Cedar Grove Board of Education that it hereby authorizes the district's School Business Administrator to make this transfer consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

B55. Pursuant to PL 2015, Chapter 47, the Cedar Grove Board of Education intends to

renew, award, or permit to expire the following contracts previously awarded by the Board of Education. These contracts are, have been, and will continue to be in full compliance with all State and Federal statutes and regulations; in particular, New Jersey Title 18A: 18 et. seq, NJAC Chapter 23, and Federal Uniform Administrative Requirements CFR, Part 200:

- **Vanguard Medical** - student physicals/physician of record
- **Pomptonian Food Service** - food service provider
- **Northwest Evaluation Association** - MAP testing
- **Dr. Elliot Grossman** - psychological evaluations
- **Alliance Pest Services** - Integrated Pest Management and pest services
- **Pitney Bowes Global Financial** - postage meter contract
- **Rullo & Juillet Associates** - Right to Know services
- **AMERA Consultants** - asbestos oversight
- **AM Consultants** - fixed asset consultant
- **Birds Beware** - geese control
- **Benefit Analysis Inc.** - COBRA administration
- **Strauss Esmay Associates, LLP** - School Policy and Regulations
- **Education Data Services, Inc. Cooperative Pricing System** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **The Cooperative Purchasing Network** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **US Communities** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **The Interlocal Purchasing System** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Keystone Purchasing Network** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Union County Cooperative Pricing System** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Sourcewell Cooperative** - purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **New Jersey State Contract Process** – Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) and the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO)
- **Rogut McCarthy, L.L.C.**, Board’s Bond Counsel
- **Bollinger Insurance** - school time compulsory student accident coverage
- **Daniel Dressel** - Architect
- **Delta Dental of New Jersey, Inc.** - dental insurance
- **Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield** - medical insurance
- **Benecard** - prescription insurance
- **Stronge & Associates** (Teacher/Administrator Evaluation and Assessment Provider)
- **Genesis Educational Services** (student software support-annual agreement)
- **Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (HCESC)** – purchasing cooperative for goods, services, and supplies
- **Sciarrillo, Cornell, Merlino, McKeever, & Osborne** – Board Attorney
- Rogut, McCarthy & Troy - (Bond Counsel)
- **C. Walter Searle Insurance Agency** – Risk Management Consultant & Broker of Record
- **IMAC Insurance Agency** – Medical, Prescription & Dental Broker of Record
- **Lerch, Vinci & Higgins LLC** – District Auditor

- **C J Vanderbeck and Sons** – plumbing
- **Degler Whiting LLC** – contractor
- **Melick-Tully and Associates** – Environmental Services
- **HandiLift** – lift maintenance
- **K-12USA** – web service
- **Computer Solutions Inc.** – accounting/human resources software
- **Phoenix Advisors** – continuing disclosure agent/municipal advisor
- **Honeywell** – building automation control system services
- **Haig Service Corp** – fire alarm inspections/panic button monitoring
- **Metro Fire & Safety** - fire alarm monitoring
- **Epic Health Services** – nursing services
- **Shift Transition Services** – job coaching
- **Occupational Therapy Consultants** – OT, PT and speech services
- **Good Talking People** – social skills training
- **Next Step Pediatric Therapy** – PT services
- **Speech & Hearing Associates** – evaluations
- **Intensive Therapeutics** – OT and speech services
- **Coordinated Treatment Solutions** – counseling
- **Dr. Bryan Fennelly** – psychiatric evaluations
- **Montclair State University** – clinical, consultation and evaluation services
- **Knotted Thread** – hearing services
- **Assistive Tek** – assistive technology evaluations
- **Dr. Carl W. Ziesing** - clinical neuropsychology
- **Dr. Keith Golin** – clinical neuropsychology
- **Greg Parker** – ABA therapist
- **JVS** – transition services
- **United Business Systems** – photocopier machines
- **Frontline Education** – IEP Direct, 504 management, Stronge Model, RTI Direct
- **Tempo Music Therapy Services** – music therapy
- **Faith Therapy** – OT services
- **E-rate Consulting** - (e-rate grant consultant)
- **The Music Moment** – music therapy
- **Good Talking People** – social skills
- **Therapeutic Options** – social skills
- **North Jersey Behavioral Health** – aba services
- **Lightpath** – phone services NE & SE, increase in internet speed
- **Rebecca Foti** – Interventionist
- **Platt Psychiatric Associates** – Evaluations
- **Caldwell Therapy Pediatric Center** – Physical and Occupational Therapies
- **North Jersey Outreach, KDDS TOO** – ABA and Speech services
- **Social Work RPN** – Social worker
- **Steinke Psychological Services** – Psychological services
- **Therapy Source** – Speech services
- **Speech & Hearing Associates** - evaluations
- **Starlight Homecare Agency** - nursing services
- **SMS Security Systems** - panic button monitoring
- **Logic 54** - student transportation software
- **Butler Water Corrections** - boiler water treatment
- **SportCare** - turf maintenance

- **Acme Fire Door Testing** - door maintenance
- **Cintas Fire Protection** - fire equipment inspections
- **Naviance** - student software
- **7 Mindsets** - staff software
- **LE Consulting** - PADE Program liaison
- **Level Data** - student sync software
- **Morris County Elevator** - elevator maintenance
- **AME, Inc** - HVAC services

B56. Motion to **approve the 2021/2022 workers' compensation assessment in the amount of \$125,137 and the insured assessment in the amount of \$182,296 to the Pooled Insurance Program of New Jersey.**

B57. Motion to **approve the submission of the FY2022 IDEA Grant** in the amounts below:

Basic: \$394,901
Public: \$383,725
Non-Public: \$111,176

Preschool

Public: \$15,670

B58. Motion to **retroactively approve the location agreement with LFR Productions**, and the Cedar Grove Board of Education for a commercial film shoot at Cedar Grove High School on June 12, 2021 for a fee of \$8,000. The agreement is on file in the Board office.

B59. Motion to **accept a grant from the New York Jets Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$4,000** to be used towards the Cedar Grove Football Program.

B60. Motion to **set the price of paid lunches for the 2021/2022 school year** as follows:

<u>*Paid Lunch</u>		<u>*Premium Paid Lunch</u>
Students	\$4.25	\$4.75
Faculty/Staff	\$4.75	\$5.25 - \$5.75

*All first meals for students will be free since the district is part of the National School Lunch Program for the 2021/2022 school year. The prices above are if students want to purchase a second meal.

B61. Motion to **approve entering into an agreement with Sourcewell** (formerly known as National Joint Powers Alliance) to engage in cooperative purchasing.

B62. Motion to **approve the purchase of a Ventrac 4500 Tractor** with an aera-vator and

mower attachments through the Sourcewell Cooperative Bid # 062117-VPI from Storr Tractor Company at a cost not to exceed \$38,665.60

B63. Motion to **approve the annual contract support agreement with Computer Solutions, Inc. for the 2021/2022 school year in the amount of \$13,800.** (Budgetary Accounting Module-\$282/month; Human Resources and Payroll Modules - \$376/month; Time Clock (software) Interface-\$60/month; Time Clock (hardware) Maintenance-\$107/month); Cloud Hosting-\$325/month

B64. Motion to **approve the submission of the FY 2022 ESEA Grant** with the following amounts designated below:

- Title I - Public: \$64,908
- Title II - Public: \$22,581 Non-Public: \$2,865
- Title III - Public: \$ 1,960
- Title III - Public: \$ 4,396
- Title IV - Public: \$10,046

B65. Motion to **approve entering into a consortium with the Caldwell-West Caldwell Board of Education** for the purpose of receiving Title III funds for the FY 2022 ESEA Grant.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

A motion was made by Mr. Splendoria and seconded by Mrs. Mega and unanimously carried to approve items S1 through S23.

S1. Motion to **approve the side bar agreements** for the following positions:

- Coordinator Mental Health Anti Bullying Coordinator
- Head School Nurse

S2. Motion to **approve the District Head Nurse job description** for the 2021-2022 school year.

S3. Motion to retroactively **accept the resignation of Jim Siclari, Buildings and grounds custodian,** effective last day of work June 7, 2021.

S4. Motion to **approve Julia Giacobbe, as CGHS Assistant Cheerleading Coach** at a Step 1, stipend of \$3,219 for the 2021-2022 school year.

S5. Motion to **appoint the following returnees for summer custodial/maintenance** work at an hourly rate of \$12/hr starting on:

- Brian Freda: retroactive to June 15, 2021
- David Freda: start date of June 23, 2021

- Michael Moussab: start date of June 23, 2021
- Tim Sweeney: start date of June 30, 2021

S6. Motion to **appoint the following staff for summer custodial/maintenance** work at an hourly rate of \$11.10/hr starting on or before June 23, 2021:

- Adam Freda
- Endri Yzellari

S7. Motion to **rescind the C. Varrichio paraprofessional personnel for the Extended School Year Program 2021** to be held in person from June 29th through July 28, 2021 at a rate of \$14 per hour, and approve Sharon Mitola to work the paraprofessional position.

S8. Motion to **approve the following teaching personnel for the Extended School Year Program 2021** from June 29th through July 28, 2021 at a rate of \$35:

- Savannah Benedetto- Speech Therapist

S9. Motion to **approve Heather Donnelly to provide supplemental instruction** for student #2460696161 for the 2020-2021 school year at the rate of \$35 per hour.

S10. Motion to **approve the additional merit pay** be added to the base salaries for the following staff for the 2021-2022 school year:

- Marylynn Benanti \$ 500 merit for total salary \$64,395
- Vickie Sinisi \$1000 merit for total salary \$54,401

S11. Motion to **amend the salaries for the following custodians** for the 2021-2022 school year:

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| ● Sean Riordan | Base: \$54,875 | Long: \$1985 | Total: \$56,860 |
| ● Frank Pedicini | Base \$54,875 | Long: \$1985 | Total: \$56,860 |
| ● Howard Munck | Base \$54,875 | Long: \$1985 | Total: \$56,860 |
| ● Novo Ljekocevic | Base \$54,875 | Long: \$1985 | Total: \$56,860 |
| ● Earlie Hankerson | Base \$54,875 | Long: \$1985 | Total: \$56,860 |

S12. Motion to **amend the salaries for the following staff members** as follows for the 2021-2022 school year: Elizabeth Cheyne \$101,892
Maria Travaglio \$ 95,702

S13. Motion to **approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Cedar Grove Administrators Association** for the school years 2021/2022 thru 2023/2024.

S14. Motion to **verify accomplishment of two (2) Qualitative Merit Goals in accordance with the the employment contract of Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator / Board Secretary, for the 2020-2021 school year**; and Be it Further Resolved, that upon agreement and approval by the Executive County Superintendent, to confirm and approve that the related Merit Bonus be paid to Michael DeVita for his achievement of said goals for the 2020-2021 school year in accordance with the contractual percentage amount of

his base salary for each goal.

S15. Motion to **amend the salary for Dana Spallino regarding the inclusion of longevity**

for the following school years:	2020-2021	\$61,679
	2021-2022	\$63,839

S16. Motion to **amend the salary for Danielle McLaughlin** from \$63,764 to \$63,014 for the 2021-2022 school year.

S17. Motion to **amend resolution S14. from agenda May 19, 2021 for Tay Infante**, and approve the re-employment and salary for Tay Infante, non tenured secretarial staff member, at \$54,619 for the 21-22 school year.

S18. Motion to **authorize attendance** at the following event/s:

Program	Date	Employee(s)	Board Member(s)	Cost
AP Econ Course	6/22-6/29/2021	B. Meisner	0	\$650
AP Statistics	8/2-8/9/21	M. Rack	0	\$600
K-5 Mental Health Issues	6/11/2021 (rescheduled from 2/2020)	H. Donnelly	0	\$0

S19. Motion to **approve the following** leaves of absence:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Position / Location</i>	<i>Number of Employee Sick Days used for Leave</i>	<i>FMLA Start Date</i>	<i>NJ(FLA) Start Date</i>	<i>Return Date</i>	<i>Modifications / Updates</i>
I. Shutovsky	Mat'y	HS Science Teacher	9/20-10/22/21 (25)	10/25-11/5/21 (10)	11/8-2/7/22 (60)	2/8/2022	New Request

S20. Motion to **approve the following students for Classroom Observation:**

<i>Student</i>	<i>College/Univ. Student Attends</i>	<i>School Observing in Grade/Subject</i>	<i>Date(s)/Hours of Observation</i>
Leigha Fahrenfeld	Ramapo College	SE/grade 4 Mrs. Conover	9/21 - 6/2022 clin 1 & II
Richard Squeo	William Paterson U.	SE/grade 2 Ms. Hios/Tedesco	9/21 - 6/2022 clin 1 & II
Anabel Jacome	NJ City University	SE/counseling /Mr. Skowronek	9/21 - 6/2022

S21. Motion to **approve, on first reading, the 2021 KSA Kick-Off Classic in Orlando, Florida trip for returning CGHS football players** (sophomores-seniors). The trip will run from September 2, 2021 to September 5, 2021. Chaperones will include six Board approved coaches.

S22. Motion to **approve the Statement of Assurance for the Comprehensive Equity Plan (CEP) for the 2021-2022 school year.** This state affirms compliance with laws, statutes, and regulations governing equity in education to the County Office by September 1, 2021. Affirmative Actions Officers for the 2021-2022 school year are Mr. Bart Pierson and Mrs. Janine Barboza.

S23. Motion to **rescind Mary DeNunzio from the Literary Magazine stipend** for the 2020-21 school year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Mega and seconded by Mrs. DiChiara and unanimously carried to approve items S24 through S25.

S24. Motion to **approve the following courses** for the 2021-2022 school year:

- Advanced Placement (AP) Calculus BC
- STEAM Product Design
- College & Career Readiness
- Algebra Lab
- Geometry Lab
- English 9 Lab

S25. Motion to **approve the following employees to write curriculum** for the following courses not to exceed 20 hours at the curriculum rate for the 2021-2022 school year.

- Advanced Placement (AP) Calculus BC- Dean Straut
- STEAM Product Design - Vincent Mufferi
- College & Career Readiness - Joan Oehm
- Algebra Lab - Colleen McElroy
- Geometry Lab - Colleen McElroy
- English 9 Lab - Stacy Kay and Olivia Miller

The following motion was made by Mrs. DiChiara and seconded by Mr. Schoner and unanimously carried.

S26. Motion to **approve the following contracts for special education students,** as recommended by the Director of Special Services, for the 2021-2022 school year:

Academy 360 Lower School

Tuition for the 2021-2022 School year including ESY

Student: 5125548538

Tuition: \$82,811.80 Personal Aide: 35,025.00

Total: \$117,836.80

Academy 360 Upper School

Student: 6924662807

Tuition including ESY: \$81,335.80

Student: 8254065566

Tuition \$72,607.08 Personal Aide: \$32,025.00

Total: \$185,967.88

Windsor High School

Tuition 2021-2022 school year including ESY

Student: 5296256697

\$90,300.00

ECLC

Tuition for the 21-22 school year

Student: 9538334479

Tuition: \$63,082.00 including ESY

Student: 5417983454

Tuition: \$56,773.80

Total: \$119,855.80

Lakeland Regional Board of Education

Student: 8641167973

Tuition 2021-2022

ESY: \$12,237.60

Tuition: \$73,426.00

Total: \$85,663.60

Chapel Hill Academy

Tuition for the 2021-2022 School year including ESY

Student 2277413357: \$72,450.00

Coordinated Treatment Solutions

Counseling for the 2021-2022 school year

At a rate of \$250 per hour

North Jersey Outreach

Student: 4632730455

2021-2022 school year

Speech one hour a week at \$125.00 per hour
ABA Therapy two hours a week at \$80 per hour

Banyan School

Tuition 2021-2022 school year
Student: 4997309139 \$63,926.04 including ESY
Student: 4652366885 \$57,247.20 Personal Aide: \$37,800.00
Total: \$158,973.24

Banyan High School

Tuition 2021-2022 school year including ESY
Student: 5128653631 \$72,159.00
Student: 8857030528 \$72,159.00
Student: 5319579216 \$ 72,159.00
Total: \$216,477.00

Jardine Academy

Tuition for the 2021-2022 school year
Student: 441938821
Tuition including ESY: \$78,172.50

PUBLIC COMMENT

Patricia Montana spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.
Romany Bekhit spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.
Heather Rossetto-DeLeva spoke about masks and IEP's.
Edith Fusco spoke about masks and re-opening schools.
Preston Saraiva spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.
Michele Mauriello spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.
Robbie Vargo spoke about masks.
Agnes Norman spoke about masks and re-opening schools.
John Martinelli spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Mark Ruthman spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Leo Stringer spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Tom Perri spoke about masks.
David Grande spoke about masks, re-opening schools and the needs assessment survey.
Nicole Fisk spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Marcella Crossman spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.

Lindsey Arrighi spoke about masks and curriculum.
Rich Arrighi spoke about masks and curriculum.
Chris Cannella spoke about the teachers.
Jameel Freeman spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Melissa Elting spoke about masks and the needs assessment survey.
Nicholas Splendoria read comments about diversity and inclusion on behalf of Nina Lazar.
Danielle Jacob spoke about the needs assessment survey.
Kristen Recurello spoke about masks.
Lou Marzullo spoke about communication.
Dawn Daura spoke about communication.
Carolyn Maxwell spoke about diversity.
Justin Lewly spoke about diversity.
Kristin McKillie spoke about diversity.

Announcement of future meetings:

July 20, 2021 CGHS Auditorium. 6:30 pm Executive Session; 7:30 pm Regular Meeting
August 17, 2021 CGHS Auditorium. 6:30 pm Executive Session; 7:30 pm Regular Meeting

Motion by Mrs. DiChiara and seconded by Mr. Schoner and unanimously carried to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Cedar Grove Board of Education at 11:39 pm.

Roll Call:

- ✓ Mrs. DiChiara
- ✓ Mrs. Mega
- ✓ Mr. Schoner
- ✓ Mr. Splendoria
- ✓ Mrs. Dye

Mr. Anthony Grosso, Superintendent of Schools and Mr. Michael DeVita, Business Administrator were also present.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael DeVita
Board Secretary