

The April meeting of the Corinth Central School Board of Education was held on April 13, 2021. President Lozier called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board Member Roll Call: Vice President Freebern, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kelley, Trustee Lueck; Student Board Member: Ann Cook; Absent: Trustee Bourdeau and Trustee Jenkins; Present: Mark Stratton, Superintendent; Jill Cheney-Bovee, Assistant Superintendent; Susan Foley, Business Administrator; Jennifer Bardin, District Clerk; Also Virtually Present: Brian Testani, Eric Schenone, Jessica Valente, Renee Young and Denise Fay.

Pledge of Allegiance: Those present were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by President Lozier.

Approval of Minutes: Trustee Kelley made a motion second by Trustee Lueck and passed 5-0 to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2021, Board of Education meeting.

Public Participation on agenda items was offered. There were none.

Superintendent’s Update: Dr. Stratton presented the return to school plan. The priorities being #1 the safety of students and staff. The plan is based on medical guidance and best practice recommendations (CDC, NYSDOH). Would be looking to maximize instruction for at-risk students and be responsive to the continuous changes that impact our schools and community. Changes would consist of students can now be safely seated three feet apart, rather than the previously recommended six feet. The six feet distancing remains in effect whenever students are eating. Reduce social distancing from 12 feet to 6 feet for music classes, physical education and common areas (e.g. Lobbies, auditorium, hallways). Families still have the option for full remote instruction. These things can only happen if you are in the blue, yellow or orange zone and the CDC Level of Community Transmission Indicators tell us where we are. These are 1. Total number of new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 7 days and 2. Percentage of positive cases within the last 7 days. Saratoga County currently as of today is 5.3%, and this is fluctuating every day, it is a possibility that it will go up due to Spring Break. Reducing the 6 feet to 3 feet also does not apply unless you are a Cohort model, where kids stay together in same class daily. This would only be possible in the Middle School and Elementary School buildings. Not possible in the High School with the changing of classes. The next step will be for the district to prioritize in person instruction for “students with disabilities, as well as student populations that are at greater risk for learning loss”. The district has identified at-risk, ELL, and students with disabilities to return to daily instruction as soon as possible. The 3 feet distancing will apply to the Middle and Elementary schools only (cohort model) and Building principals will communicate directly with families being cognizant of transportation capacity. The district will consult with the Saratoga County DOH and school physician Dr. Nielson. The update plan will be posted to the district website and Facebook

Budget Update: Sue Foley gave the budget update on the proposed budget. The proposed general support budget is \$2,935,640 which is a decrease of \$1,500 over the current year. Transportation \$1,079,300, debt service \$1,638,500 and Interfund Transfers \$150,000. The Total Instruction-Administrative \$749,510 which is an increase of \$46,000 due to Supervision. The total Instruction budget which is programs for students is \$11,622,545, which includes the addition of 2 UPK teachers, STEAM Program, Foreign Language Teacher, Math Teacher and Elementary Teacher . Total proposed 2021-2022 Budget is \$23,193,495, an increase of 1.76%. The budget has to be broken into 3 parts, Administrative \$2,485,650 and increase of \$87,682 and this is 10.72% of the budget. Program portion \$16,637,845 and increase of \$372,950 and is 71.73% of the budget and the Capital portion \$4,070,000 a decrease of \$59,000 and is 17.55% of the budget. Looking at a 0% tax increase and only \$45,000 coming from reserves and fund balance. The state budget proposed approximately \$287,000 increase in foundation aid, Coronavirus Response & Relief Appropriations Act, America Rescue Plan and Universal Pre-Kindergarten increase. We have to post a plan to district website by 7/1/21 for the federal stimulus money. CRRSA \$1,080,689 is available until 9/30/23, ARP \$2,737,212 until 9/30/24 to be allocated to address learning loss. Dr. Stratton stated that the principals will be meeting to discuss some robust programs for summer school to use the money wisely with the maximum allowed yearly.

Business Items:

Accept Certification of Internal Claims Auditor: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the Certification of Internal Claims Auditor, for the following warrants A-39 \$393,439.97; A-40 \$399,943.89; A-42 \$85,342.74; A-43 \$122,893.25; A-44 \$201,065.24

Approval of Treasurer’s Reports: A motion as made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for the month of February 2021, as follows:

General Fund	Feb. 2021	\$8,852,346.58
School Lunch Fund	Feb. 2021	160,169.26
Special Aid Fund	Feb. 2021	44,101.19
Capital Projects Fund	Feb. 2021	1,622,448.12
Trust & Agency Fund	Feb. 2021	36,642.37
Net Payroll	Feb. 2021	5,930.90

Endowment, Scholarship & Gift Funds	Feb. 2021	154,133.99
Class Monthly Activity	Feb. 2021	\$56,606.35

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Adopt Annual Budget: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to adopt the annual budget for the Corinth Central School District in the amount of \$23,193,495 for the 2021-2022 school year.

Adopt Property Tax Report Card: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to adopt the annual Property Tax Report Card of the Corinth Central School District for the fiscal year of 2021-2022.

Accept Donation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the \$450 from Stewarts Holiday Match for the CCS Robotics Club.

Accept Donation A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the \$450 from Stewarts Holiday Match for CMS Math Club.

Accept Donation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the \$500 Stewarts Holiday Match for the Corinth Elementary PBIS.

Accept Donation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the \$350 from Stewarts Foundation for the MS PBIS/Captains Club.

Accept Donation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept \$1000 from Stewarts Foundation for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade PBIS.

Accept Donation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the donation of 17 Three gallon boxes of Ice Cream, cups, lids and spoons from Stewarts for 850 people, will be given to students in lunch before Memorial Day.

Approval of Disposal of Items: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the disposal of items listed on Appendix A.

Approval of Parochial Transportation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the 2021-2022 Parochial Transportation Requests, as per Appendix D.

Personnel Items:

Retirement Resignation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to accept the retirement resignation of Lynda McCasland, Bus Attendant, effective 6/25/21.

Resignation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to accept the resignation of Matthew Reynolds, Cleaner, effective 3/22/21.

Resignation: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to accept the resignation of Deborah Caldwell, Cleaner, effective 3/26/21.

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Deborah Caldwell, Substitute Support Staff, effective 3/29/21.

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint the following personnel for the May 18, 2021 Annual Budget Vote and School Board Election: Chief Inspector: Beverly Fowler; Inspector: Patricia Hopkins; Machine Custodian: Georgia Fitzpatrick; Poll Clerk: Helen Bardin

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Tammy Carney, Elementary Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Lead, effective 3/22/21.

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to appoint Erin Crist, Middle/High School Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift Lead, effective 3/22/21..

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 appoint Brielle Baker, school event proctor, effective 4/13/21.

Appointment: A motion as made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to appoint Tanya Lewis, school event proctor, effective 4/13/21.

Interim Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to appoint Leon Bovee, Interim Facilities Director, effective 3/29/21 until new director starts.

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Probationary Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the one year probationary appointment of Jamie Tracy, Cleaner, commencing 4/12/21 and ending 4/11/22.

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Leslie Marcotte, school event proctor, effective 4/13/21.

ESY Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Rachel Bowen, ESY Special Education Teacher 6:1+1, effective 7/5/21 through 8/15/21, payable as per CTA Contract.

ESY Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Jackie Sarnelli, ESY Special Education Teaching Assistant 6:1+1, effective 7/5/21 through 8/15/21, payable as per ASU Contract.

Extra-Curricular Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the Extra-Curricular appointments for Spring JV/Modified Coaches, for the 2021 spring season, as per Appendix B, payable as per CTA Contract.

Correction of Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the correction of appointment of Drew McEvoy, previously appointed JV Boys Soccer, to be appointed Boys Modified Soccer, for the Fall II Season, effective 3/22/21 through 5/1/21.

Correction of Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the correction of appointment of Megan Kanofsky, previously appointed JV Girls Soccer, to be appointed Girls Modified Soccer, for the Fall II Season, effective 3/22/21 through 5/1/21.

Correction of Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the correction of Appointment of Renee Price, previously appointed Probationary effective 2/10/21, to be appointed Substitute Bus Driver effective 2/10/21.

Approval of FMLA: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to approve the FMLA for Monique Hehl-Woodard, to begin retroactively to 2/19/21 intermittently through 8/19/21 in accordance with Board Policy #6551.

Appointment: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0, to appoint Michelle Knowlton, Substitute Support Staff, effective 4/13/21.

Administrative Business Items:

Approval of Policy: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the revision of Policy #5670, having met the 30 day review.

Policy Review: First Reading of Policy #3421, 30 Days.

Policy Review: First Reading of Policy Revision #7551, 30 Days

Policy Review: First Reading of Policy Revision #1640, 30 Days

Policy Review: First Reading of Policy Revision #5681, 30 Days

Policy Review: First Reading of Policy Revision #7420, 30 Days

Approval of Public Employer Health Emergency Plan: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to the Public Employer Health Emergency Plan, having met the 30 day review.

Approval of Contract: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the contract between Corinth Central School District and Ballston Spa Central School District for Health & Welfare Services provided at a rate of \$674.19 per student.

Approval of Contract: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the contract between Corinth Central School District and Cleveland Brothers Landscaping, Inc., for fertilization of the athletic fields and surrounding areas, for the total amount of \$13,440.23.

Administrative Contract: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the authorization for the Superintendent to sign the Administrative Contract renewal effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

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Supervisor Contract: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the authorization for the Superintendent to sign the Supervisor Contract renewal effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Confidential Contract: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the authorization for the Superintendent to sign the Confidential Contract renewal effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Approval of Memorandum of Agreement: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Corinth Central School District and Melodie Monica, as per Appendix C.

Accept the recommendation of the Committees on Special Education: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to accept the recommendation of the Committees on Special Education as follows: CSE: 2/5, 3/4 , 3/5, 3/8, 3/10, 3/11, 3/17, 3/30; CPSE: 3/15; 504: 3/4, 3/16

Approval of Fifth Grade Level Change: A motion was made by Trustee Freebern second by Trustee Baker and passed 5-0 to approve moving 5<sup>th</sup> grade from the Elementary Level to Middle School Level starting in the 2021-2022 school year.

Comments from the Board of Education: President Lozier relayed a message to Dr. Stratton from Town Superintendent Shawn Eggleston that they will be re doing Eggleston St this summer and the exit of Center St school will need to be closed for 2-3 weeks. This will be during the summer after school is out. Vice President Freebern stated that it is great to see student athletes on the field again and she is not sure if this helped any of them academically but is great to see them out there again.

Comments from the Public: There were none


Comments from the CTA, CSEA & ASU: There were none.

With there being no further regular business a motion was made by Trustee Baker second by Trustee Lueck and passed 5-0 to adjourn into executive session to discuss Particular Person or Persons known to the board at 6:29pm.

  
Jennifer Bardin  
District Clerk

The board reconvened at 7:13 p.m.

With there being no further regular business a motion was made by Trustee Kelley second by Trustee Baker and passed 5- 0 to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.

  
Mark Stratton  
Clerk Pro-Tem