

Boquet Valley CSD
Regular Meeting
Thursday, January 8, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
Lake View Campus - Westport, NY
Official Minutes

1. **Call to Order** **At: 6 PM** **By: President Hooper**

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **District Vision**

- a. The VISION of the Boquet Valley Central School District is to become the best rural school in New York State. We will accomplish our vision by providing exceptional opportunities to all learners and preparing them to set and reach their future goals by embedding our core values into their student experience.

4. **Roll Call**

[A] Tom Broderick [X] Paige Cotter-Saltamach [X] Paul Fenton [X] Darlene Hooper
[X] Sarah Kullman [X] Debra Spaulding [X] Jason Welch [X] Sadie Burgess

5. **Attendees**

Present:

Joshua Meyer, Superintendent
Bridget Belzile, District Clerk
Hayden Reidy, Business Manager
Melisa Lucia, Treasurer
Shawn Strack, Director of Student Support Services
John Looby, AV Support

Visitors:

Mark Davey
Eric Bell
Sarah Rice
Robert Rice
Jim Jackson
Patti Doyle
Mike Doyle
Olive Stewart
MaryLou Morgan
Julie Bisslle
Caleb Heller
Josh Kingzack
Brooke Beaton
Donald Beaton
Marie Cecile MacFarlane
Megan Ostroski

6. **CVES Presentation - Management Services and CVES Facilities Expansion Plans - see attached presentation**

7. Capital Project Update - see attached

8. Board Discussion

- a. Old Business
 - i. Legal Services Discussion.

President Hooper states that the slides from the December 2025 Regular board meeting regarding legal costs and services have been removed from the website.

- ii. Tax Exemption Proposals.

Discussion was held regarding tax exemption information provided by the county and the Business Manager. Additional information will be provided to Board members to support decision-making related to the public vote.

- b. New Business
 - i. Committee updates.

Committee updates included continued work on the Portrait of a Graduate, the Winter Youth Commission season, and the next scheduled Policy Committee meeting for January 29, 2026.

9. Public Comment

- a. Our agenda offers two Public Comment sections; opinions, ideas, and concerns that are offered by the public will be considered and taken under advisement. We have set aside a 15-minute period, giving the audience time to share their thoughts with us. Please raise your hand to be acknowledged by the Board President. When called upon, please identify yourself and give your address, limiting your comments to three minutes.

Floor was opened for public comment, none voiced.

10. Executive Session

Specifically, the Board anticipates entering into Executive Session for the following reasons:

- a. (#6) To discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or persons.
- b. (#8) To discuss the proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition, sale, or exchange of securities, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value of these things.

In: 6:49 PM	Motion: Cotter-Saltamach	Second: Fenton	Yes: 6	No: 0	Abstain: 0	Accept
Out: 7:58 PM	Motion: Cotter-Saltamach	Second: Fenton	Yes: 6	No: 0	Abstain: 0	Accept

No action taken.

- a. Motion to return to regular session at: 8:02 PM

Motion: Cotter-Saltamach	Second: Fenton	Yes: 6	No: 0	Abstain: 0	Accept
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11. Ex Officio Student School Board Member Report - See attached.

Discussion was held regarding the potential implementation of a recognized interscholastic flag football program within the District, including logistical considerations. The Board agreed to continue discussion on the matter.

12. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

- a. Approve the adoption of the agenda with the removal of the revision of Policy #3230.

Motion: Spaulding Second: Welch Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

- b. Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2025, Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion: Fenton Second: Cotter-Saltamach Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

13. Financials

- a. Approve the following financial reports:
 - i. Warrant 0037 - December Week 2
 - ii. Warrant 0028 - December Week 1
 - iii. Budget Status Report dated 12/31/25
 - iv. Employee Payroll Distribution Report dates 12/01/25-12/31/25
 - v. Warrant 0038 dated 12/19/25
 - vi. Revenue Status Report dated 12/31/25

Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Spaulding Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

14. CSE, CPSE, and 504 Recommendations

- a. Accept and approve the Committee on Preschool Special Education, Committee on Special Education, and Committee on 504 Plan recommendations as presented.

Motion: Spaulding Second: Cotter-Saltamach Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

15. Action Items - Consent Agenda

- a. Accept and approve the following donations:
 - i. \$5,800 received from Camp Dudley
 - ii. \$1,000 to the Art Department to purchase art program supplies on behalf of the Rogers-Carroll Family Foundation
 - iii. \$1,000 for the purpose of providing a scholarship on behalf of the Rogers-Carroll Family Foundation.
- b. Approve the decommissioning and request to place the following vehicle(s)/equipment out for bid:
 - i. 1998 John Deere Mower VIN CH3029D087751

Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Kullman Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

16. Personnel - Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the appointment of Veronica Uss to the position of Per Diem Instructional Support Specialist at a daily rate of \$200, effective December 10, 2025, for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.
- b. Approve the following substitute appointments at the current substitute rates:
 - i. Hunter Mitchell, Bus Aide, effective December 18, 2025, fingerprint clearance on file.
 - ii. Trentin McQueen, Cleaner, effective December 15, 2025.
 - iii. Preston Holland, Cleaner, effective December 15, 2025.
 - iv. Zachary Hall, Bus Aide, Cleaner, and Monitor, effective January 6, 2026, fingerprint clearance on file.
- c. Approve the appointment of the following employees to serve as OASIS teachers for the 2025-26 school year, paid at their hourly rate through the Extended School Day Grant:
 - i. Robyn LePage
- d. Approve the appointment of the following employee(s) to serve as tutor(s) per the current BVFT agreement for the 2025-26 school year:
 - i. Lily Whalen
 - ii. Peggy Purdue-Staats
 - iii. Kayla Dempsey
- e. Approve the provisional appointment of Kathleen Robertson to the full-time 12-month position of Clerk at an hourly rate of \$23.00, effective on or about January 26, 2026, pending fingerprint clearance.

Motion: Spaulding Second: Kullman Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

17. Policy

- a. As recommended by the BVCS Policy Committee, approve the revision of policies:
 - i. ~~Policy #3230: Public Complaints~~
 - ii. Policy #1510: Regular Board Meetings And Rules (Quorum And Parliamentary Procedure)

Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Spaulding Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

18. Administrator/Director Report

- a. Director of Student Support Services: Shawn Strack - see attached.

19. Superintendent's Update

- a. Superintendent's Report - see attached.
- b. District Grants Update: ESSA, ESD, 611/619, Title I/II/IV, UPK - see attached.

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Josh Kingzack remarked on the removal of slides from the December Regular Meeting.

21. Next Meeting

- a. Regular Meeting Thursday, February 12, 2026, 6:00 PM Mountain View Campus.

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In: 9:03 PM Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Spaulding Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept
Out: 9:29 PM Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Spaulding Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

No action taken.

23. Adjournment

Time: 9:32 PM Motion: Cotter-Saltamach Second: Welch Yes: 6 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Accept

Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Education.

Date approved by the BOE: February 12, 2026

Bridget Belzile, District Clerk