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President Salisbury called the special board meeting of the Unatego Central School District Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. in room #93.	Call to Order
Clapper, Downey, McDermott, McMichael, O'Hara and Salisbury answered roll call.	Roll Call
Member Olsen was absent.	
Administrative member present: Supt. Dr. David S. Richards, CSE Chairperson Katherine Mazourek and Clerk Nolan.	
Visitors/Staff: 10	
Board President Salisbury led the Flag Salute.	Flag Salute
Motion by McMichael, seconded by O'Hara, to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 09, 2020 as presented. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.	3-9-20 Reg Brd Mtg Min
Motion by McMichael, seconded by O'Hara, to adopt the Agenda as presented. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.	Adopt Agenda
Public Comment: A. Flavell – Asked how the class ranking for the seniors was going to be affected by the school closing.	
 Presentations: Superintendent's Report - Dr. David S. Richards Supt. Richards gave a report to the board and the community members present, what the schools plan of action is for the next month of school being closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. K-5 students will be given paper packets of instruction for 20 days. 6-12 students will be instructed electronically for 20 days. Anyone that does not have internet access can also have paper packets for instruction. The District will have three distribution centers set up to supply free breakfast and lunch to any child in need. The locations will be at the Unadilla Elementary, MS/HS and the old Otego Elementary. 	Dr. Richards

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- There will also be deliveries made to students that will not be able to get to the distribution centers to pick up their meals.
- The Backpack Program will continue on Fridays.
- Cleaning Staff will continue normal hours at this point.
- Bus Drivers will be on call as needed.
- Teachers will be working from home.
- Administrators will report to work on Mondays each week and work from home for the rest of the week.
- The Clerical workers are on a rotating schedule.
- Access to the buildings will be very limited.
- School will be cancelled until at least April 13, 2020. If anything changes, we will re-evaluate the situation at that time.
- The District will keep the Unatego Website and Facebook page up to date with all the current information regarding the school closing.
- CSE Chairperson Katherine Mazourek explained that any CSE/CPSE Annual Review's that were scheduled will now be postponed until school is back in session.

Administrative Action:

Motion by McDermott, seconded by McMichael, to approve the following resolutions 4.1-4.2 as presented. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.

The Superintendent advised the Board of Education that the Otsego County Department of Health recommended closing the schools until at least April 13, 2020 on account of the COVID-19 pandemic. On a motion by McDermott, seconded by McMichael it is

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby acquiesces in the Otsego County Department of Health's recommendation to close the District's schools until April 13, 2020, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Superintendent is directed to take all necessary steps to maintain meal programs and academic instruction to the extent practical under the circumstances.

On a motion by McDermott, seconded by McMichael it is

RESOLVED, The Board of Education acting pursuant to the authority granted to the Board of Education by New York General Municipal Law §92, grants to any school district employee idled by the COVID-19

Recommendation from Otsego County Department of Health to close all Schools

Recommendation-Paid Leave for all Employees idled by the COVID-19 pandemic

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school closure a paid leave of absence for all and any days the employee is prevented from working by the school closure.	
Public Comment: C. Nages – Stated that she has a field trip scheduled for a Saturday and was wondering if it had to be cancelled.	
Round Table Discussion: B. McMichael - Thanked the Teachers, Faculty and Staff for everything that they do to keep the needs and safety of our students the top priority.	
R. Downey – Thanked the faculty and staff for all they do and is in consent with the plan of action the District has in place.	
C. O'Hara – Concerned how the board meetings are going to be handled in public.	
Adjourn: Motion by McMichael, seconded by O'Hara, to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Yes-6 No-0. Carried.	Adjournment
Sheila Nolan	
District Clerk	

Unatego Central School Special Board Meeting March 16, 2020

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