The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Olean High School, located at 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by Eric Garvin, President of Board, with a moment of silent prayer or a moment of personal reflection. Michael Martello led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Eric Garvin, President
Ira Katzenstein, Vice President
Laurie Branch
Gordon E. Cross
Paul Knieser
Michael Martello

ABSENT: John Bartimole
Dan Harris
James Padlo

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools
Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator
Lynn Corder, Director of Personnel
Gerald Trietley, OMS Principal
Jen Mahar, District Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs
Cso Woodworth, Technology Administrator
Linda Nottingham, IJN Principal
Dave Olson, EV Principal
John White, BV Principal
Joel Whitcher, WW Principal
Pam Neary, District Teacher
David Lasky, District Teacher
Laurie Bushnell, District Teacher
Tim Bushnell, District Teacher
Sue Kallenbach, District Teacher
Ellie Hoffman, District Teacher
Karen Woodring, District Teacher
Jennifer Kless, District Teacher
Marie Rakus, District Teacher
Denise Bush, District Teacher Aide
Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk

OTHERS: Dee Bunk-Hatch, Olean Times Herald
Nick Pircio, WHDL
Chris Chapman
Ashley Tyburski
Casandra Nguyen
Richard Frost
Mark Voorhees
Ted Grau
Chris Chapman
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.  

Ayes __6___  Nays __0___  Motion Carried

Discussion Item:
a.  Presentation – Campus Construction – Mark Voorhees – Consolidation Plan

Public Comment:
Ted Grau, 231 North Third Street, Olean, NY - told the Board that he has been seriously looking at figures (expected expenses and revenues) presented in the feasibility study and community form presentations. He noted that in the feasibility studies of February 9 and 16 the expense data does not match on anything, in fact, the expenses are less than this year. He told the Board that he thinks decisions are being rushed and basic math is being avoided. The whole process is being done too quickly and not accurately. He said the Board is shooting from the hip.

Communication, Commendations:
a. Three Olean High Wrestlers competed at the New York State Championships held in Albany, NY. All three wrestlers earned place finishes and earned the Huskies a 13th place finish out of 106 teams participating in the event. Congratulations to students Drew Marra, Marcus Dwaileebe, and Jake Baer as well as to the Coaching Staff: Head Coach Mike O’Connor; Assistant Coach Jeff Gabler; and Modified Coaches Steve Pancio and Josh Anderson.

Superintendent’s Report:
a. Adult Education - highly proficient rating  
b. NYSED meeting update  
c. NYCOSS conference update - Commission King, APPR, governor’s bill, Engage NY learning objectives what is met by the current concerns  
d. Standard learning objectives, district learning objectives, building objectives and student objectives  
e. Senator Flanigan, Chair of Education understands education and financial aid. He sees the aid discrepancies and he noted some schools may have to open doors in September and not be able to meet mandates due to financial crisis  
f. Kindergarten Registration – March 20, 21, 22 and 23, 2012

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

a. The previous meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 7, 2012 and the Special Meeting held on February 16, 2012.

b. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendation reviewed on March 6th be approved:

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Consent Agenda: (Continued)…
c. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendation reviewed on March 6th be approved:

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d. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the attached list of Conditional and Non-Conditional Substitutes.

Ayes 6   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept a $10,000.00 donation from the NFL Ventures LP to be used for health and wellness initiatives at East View Elementary School.

Ayes 6   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Varsity Girls' Softball Team’s Over Night Field Trip to Myrtle Beach, SC from April 6, 2012 through April 9, 2012. Approval is granted with the understanding that all school rules and regulations will be followed and that there will not be any cost to the school district other than school van and gas. The Superintendent of Schools is authorized to make the final decision, based upon her judgment of safety concerns at the time of the scheduled field trip, whether the field trip will occur.

Ayes 5   Nays 1   Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the Olean City School District and Jamestown Community College for the implementation of the field instruction program by providing field placement of qualified students to participate in the practicum of student teaching and/or observation. The terms of this Agreement shall be five (5) years from the date of execution.

Ayes 6   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by G. Cross upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Agreement between the Olean City School
District and Jamestown Community College for the period of February 6, 2012 through September 9, 2012 for the provision of TABE testing as necessary and deliver workforce readiness training for participants in the Food for Thought Culinary Program.

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Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstain 1, Motion Carried

M. Martello

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by L. Branch, that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to contact the attorney, handling the estate of Mary-Elizabeth Smith, regarding the Olean City School District's regarding the creation of a scholarship fund.

Ayes 6, Nays ______, Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that WHEREAS, the State of New York continues to cause reductions in State Aid payments to local school districts in the present year, thereby harming our cash flow between April, 2012, and December, 2012, and

WHEREAS, the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming Counties BOCES has proposed to alleviate part of the financial impact of these State Aid reductions or delays by borrowing funds to replace, temporarily, the usual monthly payments by component school districts to BOCES so that this District will make one payment to BOCES on June 22, 2012 for all BOCES services invoices from April to June and one payment to BOCES on December 21, 2012 for all BOCES invoices for the period of September through December, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board supports the proposal by Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES to borrow funds for the above-stated purpose in the amount of $10,000,000.

Ayes 6, Nays ______, Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by P. Knieser, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Olean City School District approves the proposed basis of service charges of the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

Ayes 6, Nays ______, Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Amended and Restated Grant Disbursement Agreement between the Olean City School District and the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York regarding the EXCEL (Expanding our Children’s Education and Learning) building aid reimbursement.

Ayes 6, Nays ______, Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Brian Grosso as a school volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year.
Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the Tax Assessment Settlement – Index #79209.

Ayes 6 Nays _____ Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by L. Branch to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to restructure the Olean City School District to restructure the Olean City School District to following configuration beginning with the 2012-2013 school year:

PreK - 3 East View and Washington West Elementary Schools

Grades 4 - 7 Olean Middle School

Grades 8 - 12 Olean High School

Ayes 6 Nays _____ Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to grant an unpaid Leave of Absence to Diana Cousins, Teacher Aide, from to March 7, 2012 through April 5, 2012.

Ayes 6 Nays _____ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by P. Knieser, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Rachelle Ryan as Program Specialist for the Community Schools Program for the 2011-2012 school year, effective March 7, 2012 at an hourly rate of $23 per hour, 4 – 10 hours per week.

Ayes 6 Nays _____ Motion Carried

Committee Report:

a. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting – February 28th – given by I. Katzenstein

Discussion Items:

a. 2012-2013 Budget Development Update – Kathy Elser
b. Policy #4515 – Energy Conservation – 1st Reading – waive second reading
c. Policy #7130 – Entitlement to Attend – Age and Residency – 2nd Reading
d. Policy #7515 – Concussion Management Policy – 2nd Reading
e. Policy #8271 – Internet Safety/Internet Content Filtering Policy – 1st Reading – waive second reading

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Policy #4515 – Energy Conservation, Policy #7130 – Entitlement to Attend – Age and Residency, Policy #7515, Policy #8271 – Internet Safety/Internet Content Filtering Policy. These policies are to supersede any current Board Policy regarding the same matter.

Ayes 6 Nays _____ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Energy Conservation resolution:

WHEREAS: the Board of Education for the Olean City School District of New York State
(the “School District”) recognizes the importance of energy conservation and is committed to the analysis, development and initiation of conservation measures throughout the District for the purpose of reducing energy consumption and energy costs in an effort to contain property tax increases and protect natural energy resources; and

WHEREAS: the electricity used by common computer equipment represents a significant portion of the electricity used in the School District; and

WHEREAS: the School District purchases a majority of its technology services through the BOCES of Western New York/Western New York Regional Information Center (WNYRIC); and

WHEREAS: The BOCES of Western New York/WNYRIC has negotiated with a vendor to provide a Power Management/End Point Management software program, which will allow the control and distribution of a computer power management program at a substantially lower cost than market value; and such software is capable of reducing the electricity used by computers by automatically “powering off” computers at night and on weekends; and

WHEREAS: the use of such software will help the School District achieve substantial energy savings estimated at up to $40/computer per year, and additional savings related to the reduction in the number of manpower hours needed every time a software upgrade is needed on each computer in the School District; and

WHEREAS: that the BOCES of Western New York/WNYRIC anticipates that any cost increases associated with the purchase and maintenance of the software will initially be covered by the school district’s current participation service amount; and

WHEREAS: The BOCES of Western New York/WNYRIC will notify the School District of any future increases to the service budget related to this program, and will give the School District a chance to drop the program before any increases are implemented; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the School District wishes to participate in the Cooperative Technology Power Management/End Point Management program conducted by the BOCES of Western New York/WNYRIC in accordance with Education Law section 1950 and General Municipal Law section 119 (o).

Ayes ___6___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Informational Item:

a. Reminder - BOCES Board Nominations – due to BOCES by March 23rd

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by P. Knieser to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Ayes ___6___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 7, 2012  Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

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