The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Olean High School located at 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by John Bartimole, President of Board, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection. Michiko McElfresh led the Board of Education in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:  John Bartimole, President  
Paul Knieser, Vice President  
Laurie Branch  
Paul Hessney  
Ira Katzenstein  
Michael Martello  
Michiko McElfresh  
Frank Steffen, Jr.

ABSENT:  James Padlo (excused)

STAFF PRESENT:  Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools  
Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator  
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk  
Brian Crawford, EV Principal  
Jerry Trietley, OIMS Principal (grades 6 & 7)  
Jen Mahar, District Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs  
Mia O'Brien, Director of Human Services  
Cso Woodworth, Technology Administrator  
Barb Lias, HS Principal  
Jeff Andreano, OHS Assistant Principal  
Sheila Jackson, Teacher

OTHERS:  Kelsey Boudin, OTH  
Steve Pancio
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Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Public Comment:  
None

Committee Reports:  
a. Finance Committee – February 24 – presented by Mike Martello  
c. Operations Committee – March 3 – presented by Ira Katzenstein

Communications, Commendations:  
a. Congratulations to the following students that were named February’s Harold Dutton Student of the Month Award Recipients: Kyler West; Seth Austin; Nicole Marsfelder; Devon Tarr; Shaylyn Stanczykowski; Deyshaneen Garey; and JonBenet Lamper  
b. Congratulations to the students whose artwork was chosen from over 300 entries to be exhibited in the annual High School Juried Exhibition at The Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts at St. Bonaventure University. The following students will have their work on display in the Quick Center alongside some of the best artwork produced in our region: Domenic Carucci; Kiara Holt; Nicole Marsfelder; Ashley Putt; Alyssa Ramarge; Yve Tejera; and Ashley Sage  
c. Congratulations to the following OIMS students that participated in the Dresser-Rand National Leadership Association/Speech Contest 2015, on Wednesday, March 11th, at Bartlett Country Club: Sam Mest; Jillian Stevens; and Brookelinn Garey  
d. Congratulations to the boys’ basketball team for its great accomplishments this season  
e. March Music in the Morning – thank you to faculty and students

Superintendent’s Report  
a. March 12, 2015 Connect 4 board meeting – well attended; well supported  
b. Athletic placement changes of 7th and 8th graders  
c. Capital Project Phase 5 – last and final phase

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. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the previous meeting minutes of the regular meeting held on February 24, 2015.

b. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer’s Report dated February 28, 2015, be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for February 2015 be accepted and placed on file.

d. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the February 2015 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $63,086.72 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

e. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending February 28, 2015, be accepted and placed on file.

f. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendations reviewed on March 17th be approved:
g. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendations reviewed on March 17th be approved:

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

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following 2015-2016 school year non-resident student tuition:

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Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, and/or her designee be authorized to make residency determinations in regard to enrollment of students

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to award the bid for the construction of Phase V of the capital project to following responsible low bidders with the acceptance of alternates GC-1, GC-2, GC-3, , MC-1, EC-1, and EC-2:

- Duggan and Duggan, General Trades, Contract 504, with a bid of $675,645
- Mazza Mechanical Services, Mechanical, Contract 507, with a bid of $41,700
- IPL Electric, Electrical, Contract 509, with a bid of $541,000

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Sara Williams and Paula Harris to assist in setting up and testing technology equipment in classrooms at WW and OHS from March 27, 2015 through April 2, 2015, at their hourly rate of pay as of July 1, 2014, for a maximum of 12 hours per person, under the supervision of the Technology Administrator.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Olean City School District and the Olean Administrators/Supervisors Association regarding sick time buy out.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to grant permission to Tesla Sheffield to do a one-year Psychology Internship, through Niagara University, under the supervision of Carolyn Crosson, School Psychologist, beginning September 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016 at an annual stipend of $20,000.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Varsity Boys' Baseball Team's Over Night Field Trip to Myrtle Beach, SC from March 27, 2015, through April 4, 2015. 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. 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 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Olean Intermediate Middle School's Whale Watch Club's Over Night Field Trip to Boston, Massachusetts from April 30, 2015, through May 2, 2015. Approval is granted with the understanding that all school rules and regulations will be followed and the cost to the school district will be for two (2) substitute teachers. 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 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by P. Hessney., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Olean Intermediate Middle School's Washington Club's Over Night Field Trip to Washington D.C. from April 30, 2015, through May 2, 2015. Approval is granted with the understanding that all school rules and regulations will be followed and the cost to the school district will be for one (1) substitute teacher. 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 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Olean Intermediate Middle School's Explorers Club's Over Night Field Trip to Niagara Falls, New York from May 29, 2015, through May 30, 2015. Approval is granted with the understanding that all school rules and regulations will be followed and the cost to the school district will be for three (3) substitute teachers. 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 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Karen Prymak as a volunteer for the 2014-2015 school year.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to award recycling of computer workstations, monitors, and old TVS to Regional Computer Recycling & Recovery, RCR & RT. 7318 Victor-Mendon Road, Victor, NY 14564: Total number of pallets: 8; cost per pallet: $0.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by P. Hessney, to nominate Ira Katzenstein as a board candidate for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Cattaraugus/Allegany/Erie/Wyoming BOCES representing Area 5.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that a Special Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following Coaching Recommendation for the 2014-2015 school year:

James Pawlowski, Modified Softball Coach, .060 Index, $1,888 stipend

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Katie Ralston as a part-time STEM Coordinator retroactive from September 1, 2014, through August 31, 2015 at an annual stipend of $8,000. This will be an annual appointment providing the STEM grant funding source continues.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried
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Informational Items:
   a. School Board Member Nominating Petitions are available
   b. Operations Committee – April 7
   c. BOCES Annual Meeting - Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m. at the Center at Olean
   d. Safety Committee – April 8
   e. Technology Committee – April 9
   f. Finance Committee – April 16
   g. Audit Committee – May 5 at 11:00 am
   h. Buildings and Grounds Committee – April 21
   i. Board Meeting – April 21
   j. School Health Team – April 23

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:08 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: disposal and possible acquisition of real property; contractual negotiations – OTA and OESPA; and possible litigation update. Kathy Elser, Mia O’Brien and Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry invited to attend.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

President John Bartimole will finalize a letter to Governor Cuomo regarding his proposed educational funding and email it to board members to review.

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

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Dated: March 19, 2015

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