The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Olean High School Auditorium, 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. Cso Woodworth led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Eric Garvin, President  
Ira Katzenstein, Vice President  
John Bartimole  
Laurie Branch  
Dan Harris  
Paul Knieser (arrived at 6:32 p.m.)  
Michael Martello  
James Padlo

ABSENT: Gordon E. Cross

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  
Marcie Richmond, Director of Special Education  
John White, BV Principal  
David Olson, EV Principal  
Joel Whitcher, WW Principal  
Barb Lias, HS Principal  
Jeff Andreano, HS Assistant Principal  
Pam Neary, District Teacher  
David Lasky, District Teacher  
Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk

OTHERS: Dee Bunk-Hatch, Olean Times Herald  
Nick Pircio, WHDL  
Ted Grau
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.  

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Public Comment:  
Ted Grau, 231 North Third Street, Olean, NY – distributed his response to a letter that he received from Kathy Elser noting that her documents belong in “never never land” and in fairy tales.

Eric Garvin noted that Kathy Elser sent a letter to Ted inviting him to meet with her to review documents and address his concerns.  Ted noted that he has reviewed every document on SED funding, bonding documents, financial disclosures sent to SED – none of the documents match what has been presented by the District.

Communication, Commendations:

a. The Challenge 24 Math Competition was held at St. Bonaventure University on Saturday, March 17th.  East View swept the 5th Grade level competition with the gold medal won by Sara Pfeiffer, the silver medal to Brian Ramarge, and the bronze medal to Brianna Painter. OMS sixth grade winners: Joe Copella - 1st place; Natalie Sova - 2nd place; and Alyssa Ramarge - 3rd place.  Boardmanville winners: EVERY student on Mrs. Sullivan’s (4th grade teacher and coach) team qualified to be a Finalist! 3rd Grade: Marina Heister; Yuki Wada; Paxton Retchless; and Joe Magro (2nd Place-3rd grade) 4th Grade: Sophie Sova; Lindsey Wind (3rd place); and Quinn Forrest (2nd Place). 5th Grade: Hira Mirza and Reagan Stitt.

b. The following students are named March’s Harold Dutton Student of the Month Award Recipients: Richard Huffman nominated by Ms. Jackson; Patrick Brown and Maggie Stanford nominated by Mrs. Ventura; Patrick Brown nominated by Mrs. Welch; Amber Fonseca and Trisha Graham nominated by Mrs. Brown; and Sean McClain nominated by Ms. Jones

c. The following students are named February’s Harold Dutton Student of the Month Award Recipients: Samuel Eckstrom nominated by Ms. Buffington; Brandon Murphy nominated by Mrs. Metler; Derek Farnham nominated by Mrs. Metler; Justin App nominated by Mr. Kolasinski; Nick Reiller nominated by Mrs. Stavish and Mrs. Rhody; Gary Baldwin and Jeb Hindle nominated by Mrs. Stavish; Kyle George and Roger Wangelin nominated by Mrs. Stavish; Marques Fuqua nominated by Mrs. Frentz; Katie Fox nominated by Mrs. Frentz; and Alex Whipple nominated by Mrs. Scholla

d. Section VI NYSPHSAA – Boys Basketball team winners of the Class B1 title for the 2011-2012 Winter Season

e. Section VI NYSPHSAA – Girls Basketball team winners of the Class B1 title for the 2011-2012 Winter Season

f. Congratulations to OHS Coach Jeff Anastasia on his induction into the Cattaraugus County Sports “Hall of Fame” on Saturday, March 24th.  This is well deserved recognition for a “Coach” that has served our Olean district and community well for many years

g. Masks made by WW students on display at SBU

h. IJN fundraising efforts at McDonald’s Restaurant

i. Hello Dolly – quality production by staff and students

Superintendent’s Report:

a. Consolidation Plan – Campus Construction

b. District boundaries (redistricting) – map

c. Transition teams

d. Public Relations – BOCES will be meeting with principals

e. Q&A – to staff before the spring recess

f. APPR legislation

g. Washington West - school nurse petition
Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by J. Bartimole to amend the motion to approve the agenda to include agenda item 9. New Business – g. proposed changes to District boundaries.

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. Martello, 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 March 6, 2012 and March 20, 2012.

b. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendation reviewed on April 3rd be approved:

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c. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendation reviewed on April 3rd 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 ____ 8 ____ Nays ____ 0 ____ Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept a $350 donation from the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation (Olean Schools Funds) to be used for the health and fitness fair.

Ayes ____ 8 ____ Nays ____ 0 ____ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. Martello upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract between the Olean City School District and Cattaraugus County for the period of February 27, 2012 through December 31, 2012 for the Southern Tier AmeriCorps Resource Team (START) Program.

2011-2012 Rate Approved 1/17/12  2011-2012 Rate
$5,000 – 1 individual $2,700 – additional .5 individual

Ayes ____ 8 ____ Nays ____ 0 ____ Motion Carried
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Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the 2012-2013 School Calendar be approved as presented.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Janet Valentin as a school volunteer for the 2011-2012 school year.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the retirement resignation, with regret, of Beryl Harvey, Teacher Aide, effective June 30, 2012.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to sign the Statement of Assurances in connection with the April 2012 Biennial Review of the Comprehensive District Educational Plan/ School-Based Planning and Shared Decision Making.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the proposed changes to the District boundaries due to the closing of Boardmanville and Ivers J. Norton at the end of the 2011-2012 school year.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by L. Branch, to table the motion.

Ayes 7  Nays 1  (J. Bartimole)  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to grant an unpaid Leave of Absence to Mary Ellen Knott, Teacher Aide, for the period of April 16, 2012 through June 22, 2012.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the probationary appointment to employment of Mariah Farrington in the position of Food Service Helper be terminated, effective immediately, and that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized and directed to take appropriate action to effectuate this resolution.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Committee Report:

a. Audit Committee – March 19th – given by Laurie Branch
b. Buildings and Grounds Committee – March 19th – given by Ira Katzenstein
c. Operations Committee – March 20th – given by John Bartimole
Discussion Items:
  a. 2012-2013 Budget Development Update – Kathy Elser

Informational Item:
  a. Reminder - BOCES Annual Meeting – April 4, 2012
  b. BOCES Budget Adjustments

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to go into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. to discuss the following: litigation updates; OTA and OASA contractual; and performance of two particular individuals. Marcie Richmond and Kathy Elser invited to attend Executive Session.

Ayes __8___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Vicki Irizarry exited at 7:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 9, 2012 Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Marcie Richmond exited at 7:34 p.m.

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Padlo, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes __8___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes __8___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 9, 2012 Colleen Taggerty
Pro Tem Clerk
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