The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafetorium of East View Elementary School located 690 East Spring Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by Laurie Branch, President of Board, with a moment of silent prayer. Keith Miller led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:
Laurie A. Branch, President
John Bartimole, Vice President
Gordon E. Cross
Eric Garvin
Daniel Harris
Ira Katzenstein
Michael Martello (arrived at 6:31 p.m.)
Michiko McElfresh
James Padlo

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:
Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools
Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator
Cso Woodworth, Technology Administrator
Lynn Corder, Director of Personnel
Marcie Richmond, Director of Special Education
Jen Mahar, District Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs
Linda Nottingham, IJN Principal
Gerald Trietley, OMS Principal
Larry Welty, OMS Assistant Principal
Dave Olson, EV Principal
Barb Lias, OHS Principal
Brian Crawford, District Teacher
Maureen Ullman, District Teacher
Richard Snyder, District Teacher
Elaine Snyder, District Substitute Teacher
Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk

OTHERS:
Adam Vosler, Olean Times Herald
Keith Miller – Hunt
Mark Voorhees – Campus Construction
Mark Sable – Campus Construction
Moved by J. Bartimole seconded by J. Padlo, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda. 

Ayes __9___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Discussion Items:

a. Capital Project Bids – Campus Construction – Mark Voorhees
b. Challenger Learning Center – 5th Grade – EV - Mr. Crawford, Mrs. Ullman

Public Comment:

Rick Snyder, 206 King Street, Olean – addressed the Board regarding Music Department budget cuts. Rick noted that last year the Music Department lost one music teacher and the department cannot afford to loose another teacher without having an adverse affect on the instrument and band program. People move to Olean due to the awesome music and art programs offered to students. Rick feels that students involved in music have higher achievement. Music aids in brain development.

Elaine Snyder, 712 Washington Street, Olean – addressed the Board regarding the Music programs. Elaine has been heavily involved and trained musically. Music students will suffer if an additional music teacher position is abolished. Only one music teacher is qualified to teach instruments – a string teacher cannot teach band, nor can a band teacher teach string. Elaine feels that loosing a music teacher will have a negative impact on music student competitions.

Communications, Commendations:

a. The VIVA for LIFE Breast Cancer Challenge between Olean Middle School and Allegany-Limestone Middle School has come to an end. The money was counted, and a total of $400.69 was collected between the two schools. The school which collected the most money will be awarded an ice cream party. The Olean Middle School students’, ARE THE WINNERS! Congratulations to the OMS SAC members who worked with Miss Ralston and Mr. Welty in order to promote the contest.

b. APRIL’S “HAROLD DUTTON” STUDENTS OF THE MONTH: Maria Skrobacz, nominated by Mrs. Rakus for her efforts in organizing and ensuring that the Souper Bowl of Caring was a success. Her hard work benefits those in need in our own community; Gina Snyder, nominated by Mrs. Rakus for being a model student by consistently producing top-notch work in English 10 and demonstrating a great deal of maturity; Megan Marion, nominated by Mrs. Wolfgang for the following succeeding in the classroom despite adversity, being an exceptionally hard worker, and having a positive attitude; the Odyssey of the Mind team of Shanae Abdo, Bethany Fling, Angela Finch, Ginger Gursky, Krysta Strickler and Ashley Mulryan, nominated by Mrs. Rosel, for an awesomely creative and time consuming job during the Odyssey of the Mind Competition in March. They spent hours developing, building sets, rehearsing, making costumes and practicing in the months prior to the competition. The team came in 3rd place ~ GREAT EFFORT!!; Anthony Candelaria, nominated by Mr. Warren, because Anthony found a $20 dollar bill by his desk and turned it in to Mr. Warren. Later in the day a student came to Mr. Warren looking for a $20 that he brought in to pay for the winter sports award dinner tickets; Amanda Mattys, nominated by Mrs. Wolfgang for the following being an exceptionally hard worker, having excellent attendance, having shown improvement in attitude and schoolwork, and having a positive attitude; and Jeremy McCoy, nominated by Mr. Freeman, as a student on the track team was having a serious heath problem and Jeremy stayed after his work out in the weight room to help aid this student.

c. Cattaraugus County Resolution - Congratulations to the Girls’ Basketball team for winning the Section VI Class B1 title for the 2009-2010 Season.

d. Cattaraugus County Resolution - Congratulations to the Boys’ Basketball team for winning the Section VI Class B1 title for the 2009-2010 Season.
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda item:

a. The previous meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 2, 2010 and March 16, 2010.

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

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

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Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that a Special Meeting be held on April 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. to approve the Olean City School District’s 2010-2011 Budget to be submitted to District voters for approval.

Ayes ___9___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 School Calendars be approved as presented.

Ayes ___9___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the Olean City School District and St. Bonaventure University for the implementation of the field instruction program by providing field placement of qualified students to participate in educational administrative internships, guidance counselor internships, student teaching, PDS field block partnerships, tutoring, including observations. The terms of this Agreement shall be five (5) years commencing on March 1, 2010 through June 30, 2015.

Ayes 9   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Affiliation Agreement Between the Olean City School District and St. Bonaventure University Approved

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the Olean City School District and the University of Scranton for the implementation of the field instruction program by providing field placement of qualified students to participate in internships, student teaching, including observations. The terms of this Agreement shall be five (5) years commencing on September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2015.

Ayes 9   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Affiliation Agreement Between the Olean City School District and the University of Scranton Approved

Moved by D. Harris, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Affiliation Agreement between the Olean City School District and Canisius College for the implementation of the field instruction program by providing field placement of qualified students to participate in internships, practicum, student teaching, including observations. The terms of this Agreement shall be five (5) years commencing on July 1, 2010 through August 31, 2015.

Ayes 9   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Affiliation Agreement Between the Olean City School District and Canisius College Approved

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the 32” Walk-Behind Scrubber with ec-H20 technology bid from Horwitz Supply for a total of $11,427.30.

Ayes 9   Nays 0   Motion Carried

Walk-Behind Scrubber Bid Awarded to Horwitz Supply

Moved by I. Katzenstin, seconded by D. Harris, upon the recommendation of Campus Construction Management Group Inc., Hunt Architects, Engineers & Land Surveyors and Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize Campus Construction Management Group, Inc. to issue on behalf of the Olean City School District, construction contracts to the following list of lowest responsible bidders and authorize the president of the Board of Education to sign the contracts after signed by the contractors, with the exception of Item 6. Mechanical (HVAC) Contract #210 to Mollenberg Betz Inc.:  

1. Site Construction Contract #201 to Greenauer Blacktop Inc. of West Seneca, NY, the base bid value of $1,007,000 with the acceptance of no Alternates.

2. General Trades Contract #203 to Pepe Construction Inc. of Orchard Park, NY, the base bid value of $4,189,600 with the acceptance of Alternate numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9 for a total contract value of $4,453,000.

3. Plumbing Contract #204 to Mollenberg Betz Inc. of Buffalo, NY, the base bid value of $418,000 with the acceptance of Alternate numbers 1, 2, and 3 for a total contract value of $439,860

4. Mechanical (HVAC) Contract #205 to Frey & Campbell Inc. of Hammondsport, NY, the base bid value of $5,158,000 with the acceptance of no Alternates.
5. Electrical / Voice / Data Contract #206 to Industrial Power and Light Inc. of Buffalo, NY, the base bid value of $1,659,900 with the acceptance of Alternate numbers 1, 5, 6, 8, and 9 for a total contract value of $1,718,500.

6. Mechanical (HVAC) Contract #210 to Mollenberg Betz Inc. of Buffalo, NY, the base bid value of $1,336,000 with the acceptance of no Alternates.

7. Electrical / Voice / Data Contract #212 to O’Connell Electric Inc. from Lancaster, NY, the base bid value of $1,530,000 with the acceptance of Alternate numbers 2, 3, 4, and 6 for a total contract value of $1,552,100.

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize Campus Construction, Inc. to prepare and send a "Notice to Proceed" to the recommended aforementioned approved bidders allowing bidders to start work immediately while the contracts and other paperwork are being processed.

Ayes __9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Deanna Burton, WW Food Service Helper, effective March 28, 2010.

Ayes __9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by E. Garvin, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve an unpaid Leave of Absence for Kristin Sikora, OHS Special Education Teacher, for the period May 5, 2010 through June 25, 2010.

Ayes __9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve an unpaid Leave of Absence for Darlene Firkel, WW Senior Food Service Helper, for the period April 27, 2010 through June 25, 2010.

Ayes __9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to terminate the unpaid Leave of Absence for Paula Harris, OMS Teacher Aide, effective April 7, 2010.

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, to table the Motion.

Ayes __8___ Nays ___0___ Abstained ___1___ Motion Carried

(D. Harris – Paula is his wife)
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by E. Garvin, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the attached list of Conditional Substitute Teacher Aides and Conditional Substitute Food Service Helper for the 2009-2010 school year. In accordance with Section 503(18)(b) of the Education Law, these are conditional appointments and therefore shall not commence until the District has received notification from the Commissioner of Education that the appointees have been conditionally cleared for employment. If the Commissioner of Education notifies the District that the appointee has been denied conditional clearance or clearance, the appointment shall terminate immediately without further action by this Board. If the appointee is granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Ayes 9  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Janae Kosciol as a conditional volunteer unpaid JV Softball Assistant Coach for the Spring 2010 Season. In accordance with Section 503(18)(b) of the Education Law, this is a conditional appointment and therefore shall not commence until the District has received notification from the Commissioner of Education that the appointee has been conditionally cleared for employment. If the Commissioner of Education notifies the District that the appointee has been denied conditional clearance or clearance, the appointment shall terminate immediately without further action by this Board. If the appointee is granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Abstained 1  Motion Carried  
(J. Padlo – related to Janae)

Committee Reports:

a. Buildings and Grounds Committee - March 16th – given by Ira Katzenstein
b. Finance Committee – March 22nd and March 30th – given by Mike Martello

discussion Items:

c. Policy #3230 – Public Complaints – 1st Reading
d. Board Self Evaluation Assessment – complete and return by Tuesday, April 6th
e. Superintendent Evaluation – complete and return by Tuesday, April 6th
f. 2010-2011 Budget Update – given by Kathy Elser

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by M. McElfresh, to waive the second reading of School Policy #3230 – Public Complaints.

Ayes 9  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by D. Harris, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Policy #3230 – Public Complaints. This policy is to supersede any current School board Policy regarding the same matter.

Ayes 9  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by E. Garvin, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: Contract negotiations, litigation updates, and performance of particular individuals. Lynn Corder was invited to attend Executive Session.

Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, Colleen Taggerty, and Kathy Elser exited Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, Colleen Taggerty, and Kathy Elser returned Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.
Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by J. Padlo, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstin, seconded by D. Harris, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve proposed Tax Assessment Settlement Agreement.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___3___ Motion Carried
(E. Garvin, J. Padlo, M. McElfresh)

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by D. Harris, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to remove from the table the following motion:

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Removed From Table

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to terminate the unpaid Leave of Absence for Paula Harris, OMS Teacher Aide, effective April 7, 2010.

Ayes ___8___ Nays ___0___ Abstained ___1___ Motion Carried
(D. Harris – Paula is his wife)

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by E. Garvin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 8, 2010
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

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