

OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
410 West Sullivan Street
Olean, NY 14760

Work Session
June 12, 2007

The Work Session Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, June 12, 2007 at 7:34 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 President Hamed with a moment of silent prayer. Michiko McElfresh led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Steven H. Hamed, President
Michael Martello, Vice-President
John Bartimole
Laurie A. Branch
Gordon E. Cross
Ira Katzenstein
Michiko H. McElfresh
James Padlo
George Pancio (arrived at 9:13 p.m.)

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Ward, Superintendent
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator
Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing
Ann Fox, Cafeteria Manager
Bernie Jones
Georgia Carr

OTHERS: Dan LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald
Nick Pircio, WHDL Radio
Jason Fox
Eric Garvin

Public Comments:
No public comments.

Public Comment

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to approve the Meeting Agenda with the following additions:

Agenda Additions

1. Addition to Agenda Item 8. Personnel, c. Appointments #1 Nicole Fidurko to be appointed Resource Room, add 9. Discussion Items c. Cafeteria Options and 12. Executive Session e. Superintendent's Evaluation.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Communications, Commendations

- a. Track Athletes – New York State Qualifiers - Demetrius Bailey, David Allen, Ariel Shoemaker, Meagan Griffin, Rachel Lowry and Brandy Wangelin
- b. Olean High School Band - NYSSMA Rating – Gold with Distinction
- c. New York State Education Department – “High Performing/Gap Closing” Congratulations
- d. Thank you from Laurie Branch to the Board Of Education

Communications,
Commendations

Superintendent Ward discussed the following subjects with the Board of Education:

Superintendent’s
Report

1. June 19th reception for retiring staff – 6:30 p.m. in Chorus Room
2. Interviews have been conducted to fill 18 vacancies
3. The District was not awarded the Liberty Program Grant
4. The OHS fountain is once again operational
5. STAR Brochure
6. IJN Principal interviews will be conducted next week
7. Kelly Services Contract will not be renewed; in-house sub caller positions will be created
8. June 14, 11 am to 2 pm, Board of Education Retreat

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda
Work Session

- a. The previous meeting minutes of the Work Session Meeting held on Tuesday May 8, 2007, the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, May 15, 2007 (with correction Ira Katzenstein presented the Outreach Committee Report), and the Special Meeting held on Wednesday, May 16, 2007.
- b. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the Treasurer’s Report dated April 30, 2007 be accepted and placed on file.
- c. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the Warrant Report for May dated June 1, 2007 be accepted and placed on file.
- d. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending May 31, 2007 be accepted and placed on file.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract with the Olean General Hospital for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 for physical and occupational therapy.

Contract Between
OCSD and Olean
General Hospital
for “Physical and
Occupational
Therapy”

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to award the computer recycling award to Regional Computer Recycling & Recover, RCR & Rt. 7318 Victor-Mendon Road, Victor, NY 14564. Total number of pallets: 14; Cost per pallet: \$25.

Regional Computer
Recycling &
Recover Awarded
Computer
Recycling

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

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Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to create two (2) part-time Substitute Caller positions for the 2007-2008 school year.

Creation of Two (2) Substitute Caller Positions

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that a Special meeting be held on June 29, 2007 at 12:00 Noon in the Board Room at the Olean High School for the Olean Board of Education year-end meeting.

Special Meeting June 29, 2007

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Re-organizational meeting be held on July 10, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the Olean High School.

Re-organizational Meeting July 10, 2007

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the following textbooks be purchased:

Textbook Purchase

Textbooks				
Subject	Publisher	Grade	Title of Book	Estimated Costs
Reading**	Scott Foresman	6	<u>Reading Street</u> 2007	\$ 23,920
Social Studies	McDougal - Littel	7 & 8	<u>American Government</u> Copyright 2008	\$ 35,076
Integrated Geometry	Glencoe McGraw-Hill	10	<u>Geometry</u> Copyright: 2006	\$ 10,473
Economics	EMC Publishing	12	<u>Economics: New Ways of Thinking</u> Copyright: 2007	\$ 2,948
Sociology	Pearson Prentice Hall	12	<u>Sociology</u> 11 th edition Copyright: 2007	\$ 2,974
Psychology	Pearson Prentice Hall	12	<u>Understanding Psychology</u> 8 th edition Copyright: 2008	\$ 3,491
Participation in Gov't	Prentice Hall	12	<u>Magruder's American Government</u> Copyright: 2005	\$ 3,283
TOTAL COST				\$82,165

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Andrea Bean, 6th Grade Social Studies/Language Arts Teacher at the Olean Middle School, be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of eleven weeks beginning September 4, 2007 through November 21, 2007.

Andrea Bean
Granted Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Rachael Schreiber, 2nd Grade Teacher at the East View Elementary School, be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of six weeks beginning October 12, 2007 through November 23, 2007.

Rachael Schreiber
Granted Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Jenelle Scanlon, 1st Grade Teacher at the East View Elementary School, be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of eight weeks beginning April 30, 2007 through June 22, 2007.

Jenelle Scanlon
Granted Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Angela Mest, Special Education Teacher at the East View Elementary School, be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of ten weeks beginning September 10, 2007 through November 19, 2007.

Angela Mest
Granted Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Debra Silvers, Foreign Language Teacher at the Olean Middle School, be granted a Leave of Absence for a period of ten weeks beginning September 10, 2007 through November 19, 2007.

Debra Silvers
Granted Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Nicole Fidurko (Resource Room), Chris Keenan (Social Studies), and Jessica A. Schirmacher and Penny Owens (6th Grade) be appointed to the 2007 Secondary Summer School Program

2007 Secondary
Summer School
Program

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Christopher Blocher be appointed as a non-conditional Substitute Teacher for the 2007 Secondary Summer School Program.

Christopher Blocher
Appointed 2007
Secondary Summer
School Substitute
Teacher

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Kristin Schuman be appointed certified non-conditional long-term substitute Speech pathologist for the 2007-2008 school year.

Kristin Schuman
Appointed Long-
Term Substitute
Speech Pathologist

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Erica Soble be appointed non-certified conditional substitute Speech Pathologist retroactive to May 15, 2007 and for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year. 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 appointees are granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Erica Soble
Appointed
Substitute Speech
Pathologist

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Daniel G. Brooks, Jr. be granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Guidance Counselor tenure area effective August 29, 2007.

Daniel G. Brooks,
Jr. Appointed in
Guidance
Counselor Tenure
Area

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Leslie DeGolier be granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Mathematic tenure area effective August 29, 2007. In accordance with Section 2503(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, this 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 and the conditional status shall be removed; in that event, the probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Secondary Mathematics 7 - 12 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

Leslie DeGolier
Appointed in
Mathematic Tenure
Area

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Leslie DeGolier during his first year of this appointment, be paid at the annual salary as outlined in the Agreement between the Olean Teachers' Association and the Board of Education for a teacher on Step 1 with a Master's Degree and 36 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement (\$39,522).

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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Moved by M. McElresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Jennifer Layton be appointed as a conditional probationary full time (12 month) Account Clerk Typist, effective June 28, 2007, at a probationary salary of \$14.00 per hour. 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.

Jennifer Layton
Appointed Account
Clerk Typist

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the following be appointed to implement the 2007 Summer Star Program from July 9, 2007 through August 3, 2007:

2007 Summer
STAR Program

Principal: Nick Patrone

Teachers: Melanie Meyers, Kimberly Voegelin, Daniel Brown, Randy Samuelson, Rose Gayton, Christine Norton, Cindy Kurjakovic, Fred Welch, Rintaro Wada, Joe Gervase, Lesley Patrone, Lori Lewicki, Amanda Bess, and Amber Benjamin

Reading Teachers : Shana Chudy, Karen Woodring, Colleen Larson-Deibler, Gloria Swetland
(2 hours per day)

Teacher's Aides: Barbara Klingbeil, Roxann Johnson, Bonnie Miller, Lyde VanScoy, Helen Procacc
Diane Simon, and Kathy Searles

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Jessie A Lampack be appointed non-certified conditional Substitute Teacher for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year. 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 appointees are granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Jessie Lampack
Appointed
Substitute Teacher

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Discussion Items:

- a. Policy Review #6212.1 Incidental Teaching
- b. Policy Review #6320 Employment of Teacher Aides
- c. Cafeteria Options

Discussion Items

Committee Reports:

- a. Audit Committee – June 19, 2007
- b. Buildings and Grounds Committee – June 19, 2007
- c. Finance Committee – June 19, 2007
- d. Operations Committee – June 19, 2007
- e. Outreach Committee – June 19, 2007

Committee Reports

Information Items:

- a. June 19, 2007 Reception Honoring Retiring Staff Members
- b. Substitute Procedures
- c. Dresser-Rand Tax Refund

Informational Items

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, to adjourn from Work Session and convene in Executive Session at 8:35 pm to discuss CSE recommendations, Contract Negotiation, Specific Employees Performances, Litigation Update, and Superintendent's Evaluation.

Executive Session

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Mark Ward, Ann O'Brien, and Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry exited Executive Session at 9:35 p.m. due to Superintendent's Evaluation discussion.

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by L. Branch, to adjourn from Executive Session and to reconvene in Work Session at 10:35 p.m.

Work Session

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 10:35 p.m.

Adjournment of Meeting

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

June 19, 2007