Regular Meeting  
June 19, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, June 19, 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  
Laurie A. Branch  
Gordon E. Cross  
Ira Katzenstein (arrived at 7:37)  
Michiko H. McElfresh  
James Padlo  
George Pancio (7:45)

ABSENT:  
John Bartimole

STAFF PRESENT:  
Mark Ward, Superintendent  
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator  
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk  
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing  
Gerald Trietley, OMS Principal  
Lynn Corder, Reading First Coordinator  
Christine Stavish, District Teacher  
Lissa Mulherin, District Teacher  
Terry Phearsdorf, District Cleaner  
Julie Scull, OESPA President

OTHERS:  
Dan LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald  
Nick Pircio, WHDL  
Jeff Keppel, NYSUT  
Richard Frost  
Eric Garvin  
DECA Students: Nick Kolosinski, Emily Mulherin, and Hannah Penman

Public Comments:
None

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

Agenda Item 11 c. Appointments 4-16 change probationary end date to August 29, 2020, add Item 11 c. Appointment 17; change Item 11 c. Appointment 5. Ashley Hanks appointed Elementary Tenure and Item 11 c 7. change Jordan to Johnson; DECA Presentation to be given after Agenda Approval

[Agenda Additions and Changes]

Ayes ____6____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

The Board of Education discussed the following items:

1. DECA Presentation
Communications, Commendations

a. NYS Athletics Association – Olean City School District Good Sportsmanship Award
b. OMS Testing Results

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

a. June Newsletter featuring top students
b. The Board of Education has conducted/completed its annual building tours

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

a. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendations reviewed on June 12, 2007 be approved:

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Ayes ___7__ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Board Policy #6212.1 – Incidental Teaching and Policy #6320 tabled.

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from Lance Chaffee, Director of the Olean Public Library dated June 7, 2007, in which the Olean City School District is pursuant to law to collect an additional tax levy of $26,627 for the Library’s 2008 budget, thereby increasing its annual Olean Public Library tax levy from $905,664 to $932,291.

Ayes ___8__ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to nominate Thomas S. DeJoe from Brocton NY for re-election to the New York State School Boards Association Board, Area 3 Directorship.

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 Kasi Maleski be permitted to do an unpaid 300 hour “Counseling Internship” through St. Bonaventure University, under the supervision of Michael Howard, OHS Guidance Office, during the Summer of 2007 through the end of December 2007.

Ayes ___8__ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept a $150 donation from KEVA Junior Olympic Volleyball Club for use of the Olean High School gym.

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 accept a wheelchair donated by the Southern Tier Health Care System, Inc. for the Olean Middle School’s participation in the School Asthma Management Program.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, and the District’s Counsel, the Board of Education approve the proposed Settlement Agreement between the Olean City School District and Case Identification Number: 25909.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by G. Pancio, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following SEQRA resolution:

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT RESOLUTION OF THE OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING THE PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF DISTRICT PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Olean City School District (the “District”) proposes to sell the former North Hill Elementary School to the New Life Christian School; and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the sale of the vacant former school site is in the best interest of the District and will save the District significant carrying costs of maintaining the vacant building and grounds; and

WHEREAS, the New Life Christian School will reuse the site as a school and this use is appropriate for the site; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and the policy of the New York State Education Department, the District is the lead agency to review its directly undertaken “Unlisted” action of selling the closed school, and the District has completed an Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”) regarding the proposed sale of the property; and

WHEREAS, the District has considered the sale of the property and reviewed the EAF and the criteria set forth in SEQRA in order to determine whether the sale will have a significant adverse impact on the environment; and

NOW THEREFORE, based on such consideration and review, the Board of the District hereby resolves that the sale of the former North Hill Elementary School property to New Life Christian
School will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared for the reasons more particularly set forth in the Negative Declaration attached hereto and made a part hereof and, in accordance with SEQRA, hereby adopts such Negative Declaration.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___1___  Motion Carried

(J. Padlo)

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the President of the Board of Education to execute the North Hill Elementary School contract of sale between the Olean City School District and the New Life Christian School.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___1___  Motion Carried

(J. Padlo)

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Special Meeting of the Voters resolution:

OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF VOTERS CONCERNING OF SALE OF NORTH HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Olean City School District is the owner of certain property situated in the City of Olean, County of Cattaraugus and State of New York, commonly known as the “North Hill Elementary School;” and

WHEREAS, there is presently standing on that property one structure, namely an elementary school, together with certain other improvements; and

WHEREAS, the said elementary school and improvements upon the said property are no longer of use or educational value to the Olean City School District; and

WHEREAS, the New Life Christian School, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, having an address of 6321 Route 16, Franklinville, New York, has agreed to purchase the said North Hill Elementary School property; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Olean City School District believes that it is in the best interests of the District to sell said property to the said New Life Christian School;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Olean City School District:

That the provisions of this Resolution shall be effective regardless of anything to the contrary in any Board policy or handbook, or minutes of previous Board meetings, or otherwise;

That it is hereby determined that the school building and other improvements located on the so-called “North Hill Elementary School property” hereinafter described are of no further use or educational value to the District and that it is in the best interests of the District to sell the said property to the said New Life Christian School;
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That it is hereby determined that a meeting of the voters of the Olean City School District shall be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, at 7:00 A.M., prevailing time, to 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, in the Olean Middle School Music Suite, 401 Wayne Street, Olean, NY, for the purpose of voting on the following Proposition:

RESOLVED, that the Olean City School District is hereby authorized to contract for the sale, at a price not less than Thirty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars ($37,770), the school building and improvements situated on the property commonly known as North Hill Elementary School, having an address of 102 West Forest Avenue, Olean, New York 14760 (a/k/a 1007 North Union Street) the SBL number of 94.049-1-12, which parcel is described more particularly as:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the City of Olean, County of Cattaraugus, and State of New York, as being part of Block 12 on the Joseph Mann map of the Olean Depot Plat as described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the north bounds of Forest Avenue and the east bounds of Maple Avenue
Thence N 32-55-24 W along the east bounds of Maple Avenue a distance of 169.37’ to a point
Thence N 57-31-21 E a distance of 197.52’ to the west bounds of North Union Street
Thence S 29-11-37 E along the west bounds of North Union Street a distance of 165.89’ to the north bounds of Forest Avenue
Thence S 57-17-36 W along the north bounds of Forest Avenue a distance of 186.73’ to the point of beginning.

That it is hereby determined that the vote upon said proposition shall be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, from 7:00 A.M., prevailing time, to 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, in the Olean Middle School Music Suite, 401 Wayne Street, Olean, NY.

That the Clerk of the Olean City School District is hereby directed, pursuant to Education Law §§ 2511, 2602 and 2121, to publish a copy of the following notice in the Olean Times Herald and the said newspaper having general circulation within the Olean City School District:

“NOTICE OF MEETING OF VOTERS OF OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT”

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a meeting of the voters of the Olean City School District will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, from 7:00 A.M., prevailing time, to 9:00 P.M., prevailing time, in the Olean Middle School, Music Suite, 401 Wayne Street, Olean, NY, for the purpose of voting by voting machine on the following proposition:

PROPOSITION:

Shall the following Resolution be adopted, to wit: “RESOLVED, that the Olean City School District is hereby authorized to contract for the sale, at a cost not less than Thirty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Dollars ($37,770), the school building and improvements situated on the tract or parcel of land owned by the Olean City School District, located at 102 West Forest Avenue, Olean, New York 14760 (a/k/a 1007 North Union Street), and legally described as follows:
ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, situate in the City of Olean, County of Cattaraugus, and State of New York, as being part of Block 12 on the Joseph Mann map of the Olean Depot Plat as described as follows:

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ayes ___8___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to create one (1) Reading Teacher position.

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 accept the resignation of Jodi Luhn, 6th Grade Teacher at Olean Middle School, effective June 30, 2007 with deep regret.

Ayes ___8___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Mary Grace Conlan, LOTE (Spanish) Teacher at Olean High School, effective August 31, 2007 with deep regret.

Ayes ___6___ Nays ___2___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve a Leave of Absence for Emily DeFazio, Speech-Language Pathologist at East View Elementary School, for a period of twelve weeks beginning November 5, 2007 through January 28, 2008.

Ayes ___8___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Mildred Jedrosko be appointed as a teacher on special assignment as CSE Chairperson for the 2007-2008 school year.

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 Teresa Painter appointed Acting District Clerk effective July 1, 2007, to carry out duties in the absence of the District Clerk.

Ayes ___ 8 ___ Nays ___ 0 ___ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Jennifer Barnes, as a non conditional 1:1 teacher’s aide, 3 hours per day, for the 2007 Summer STAR Program.

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 Katheryn Estes is granted a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Reading Education tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Early Childhood B-2, Childhood Education Grades 1-6, Literacy B-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Katheryn Estes during the 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 2, with a Master’s Degree and 30 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($41,614).

Ayes ___ 8 ___ Nays ___ 0 ___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Ashley Hanks is granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Elementary 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 Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6, Childhood Education Grades 1-6, Literacy B-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ashley Hanks during the 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 30 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($39,210).

Ayes ___ 8 ___ Nays ___ 0 ___ Motion Carried
Moved by G. Cross, seconded by G. Pancio, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Angela Jordan is granted a conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Special Education 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 Early Childhood B-2, Childhood Education Grades 1-6, Exceptional Student Education Grades K-12 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Angela Jordan during the 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 4, with a Master’s Degree and 37 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($44,561).

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 Cynthia Johnson is granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Elementary 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 Early Childhood B-2, Childhood Education Grades 1-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Cynthia Johnson during the 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 30 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($39,210).

Ayes ___8___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried
Moved by G. Cross, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Michelle Robinson is granted a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Elementary tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Early Childhood B-2 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6 (pending) certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michelle Robinson during the 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, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($36,750).

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 Timothy Bushnell is granted a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Elementary tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Childhood Education Grades 1-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Timothy Bushnell during the 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 3, 12 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($41,348).

Ayes ___8___  Nays ____0___  Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Shannon Burns is granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Special Education 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 Students with Disabilities Grades 1-6 and Childhood Education Grades 1-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Shannon Burns during the 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, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($36,750).

Ayes ___8___  Nays ____0___  Motion Carried
Moved by G. Pancio, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Jason Folland is granted a non-conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Physical Education tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in Physical Education certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jason Folland, during the first year of this appointment, will 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, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($36,750).

Ayes ___8__   Nays ___0___   Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Gregory Jackson is granted a conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Physical Education 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 Physical Education certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Gregory Jackson, during the first year of this appointment, will 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, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($36,750).

Ayes ___8__   Nays ___0___   Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Kristiana Keller is granted a conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Physical Education 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 Physical Education certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

Ayes ___8__   Nays ___0___   Motion Carried
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Kristiana Keller, during the first year of this appointment, will 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, 30 graduate hours, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($39,210).

Ayes ___8__  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Ann Watson is granted a conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Special Education 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 Students with Disabilities Grades 1 – 6, Mentally Impaired Grades K-12 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ann Watson, during the first year of this appointment, will 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 12, with a Master’s Degree and 30 graduate hours, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($49,069).

Ayes ___8__  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Marjorie Dexter is granted a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Reading Education tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary service shall end on August 29, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Early Childhood B-2, Childhood Education Grades 1-12, Literacy B-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Marjorie Dexter during the 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 3, with a Master’s Degree and 36 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($43,496).

Ayes ___8__  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Meaghen Garbay is granted a conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Music Education 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 Music certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Meaghen Garbay during the 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, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($36,750).

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 Holly Faliveno, Substitute Teacher, be appointed for the Spring String Houghton Festival, for the 2006-2007 school year, at a $900 annual stipend.

Discussion Items:
   a. Christine Stavish - DECA Club Presentation

Committee Reports:
   a. Audit Committee – presented by Laurie Branch
   b. Buildings and Grounds Committee – presented by Laurie Branch
   c. Finance Committee – presented by Mike Martello
   d. Operations Committee – presented by Michiko McElfresh
   e. Outreach Committee – presented by Ira Katzenstein

Information Items:
   a. Board Retreat Update

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Work Session and convene in Executive Session at 8:30 pm to discuss OESPA Grievance, a specific employee’s performance, and Superintendent’s Evaluation.

Ayes __8__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Jeff Keppel, Julie Scull, and Terry Phearsdorf were extended an invitation to attend the Executive Session to discuss the OESPA Grievance. Jeff Keppel, Julie Scull, and Terry Phearsdorf exited Executive Session at 8:52 p.m.

Mark Ward, Ann O’Brien, and Vicki Zaleksi-Irizarry exited Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. due to Superintendent’s Evaluation discussion.
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Executive Session and to reconvene in Regular Session at 10:03 p.m.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. Martello, to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 10:03 p.m.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

June 25, 2007