The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at 7:30 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 Vice President Katzenstein with a moment of silent prayer honoring deceased OHS alumni and faculty. Ira Katzenstein led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:  Ira Katzenstein, Vice President  
Laurie A. Branch  
Gordon E. Cross  
Eric Garvin  
Steven H. Hamed  
Michiko McElfresh  
George Pancio (arrived at 7:33)

ABSENT:  Michael Martello, President  
John Bartimole

STAFF PRESENT:  Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator  
Lynn Corder, Director of Personnel  
Jerry Trietley, OMS Principal  
Connie Pound, IJN Principal  
Jeff Andreano, OHS Assistant Principal  
Pearl Bowker, District Teacher/OTA President  
Sheila Jackson, District Teacher  
Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk

OTHERS:  Jeff Shaw, Olean Times Herald  
Jim Padlo

Public Comments:  
None

Moved by M McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda with the following revisions: add Mark J. Ward Retainer Resolution to agenda item 10. New Business.

Ayes  6  
Nays  0  
Motion Carried

Communications, Commendations  
a. Washington West Elementary School – Community People’s Choice Award

Superintendent Ward discussed the following subjects with the Board of Education:  
1. No report due to the absence of Mark Ward
Moved by E. Garvin, seconded G. Cross, 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, that the Treasurer’s Report dated May 31, 2008 be accepted and placed on file.

b. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for May 1, 2008 through May 30, 2008 be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the May 2008 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $23,429.10 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

d. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending May 31, 2008 be accepted and placed on file.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the agreement between the Olean City School District and P&A Group for the implementation of the 403(b) program for the 2008-2009 school year. Fee Schedule: $500 document fee for the preparation of Plan documents; $500 fee for data entry and enrollment of employees; and an additional quarterly per participant fee equal to $7.00 for each participant as of the beginning of each quarter.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

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 2, 2008, in which the Olean City School District is pursuant to law to collect an additional tax levy of $27,969.00 for the Library’s 2009 budget, thereby increasing its annual Olean Public Library tax levy from $932,291.00 to $960,260.00.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following resolution:

**COOPERATIVE PURCHASING ANNUAL RESOLUTION**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of public school districts in Cattaraugus/Allegany County, New York, to bid jointly for various supplies, commodities, and/or services in the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

WHEREAS, The Olean City School District is desirous of participating with other school districts in Cattaraugus/Allegany County in the joint bidding of all or some of the supplies, commodities, and/or services as mentioned above, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and as determined by district need, and

WHEREAS, The Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education wish to appoint a committee to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting of the results to the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Boards of Education and making recommendations thereon; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Olean City School District Board of Education hereby appoints the Cattaraugus/Allegany Board of Cooperative Educational Services to represent it in all matters related above, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Olean City School District Board of Education authorizes the above mentioned committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned supplies, commodities, and/or services, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Olean City School District Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the cooperative bidding, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Olean City School District Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by the majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the committee; (3) that after award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations with the successful bidder(s).

Ayes ____7____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by E. Garvin, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Custodial Paper and Garbage Bag bid awards to:

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**Total Recommended Bid: $12,243.90**

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

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

**RESOLVED to renew the following Five Star Bank credit card debt limit during the 2008-2009 school year:**

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Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by E. Garvin, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the IJN PTO's donation of playground equipment to the Ivers J. Norton Elementary School and the Washington West PTO's donation of playground equipment to the Washington West Elementary School.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED THAT, our District's current Superintendent of Schools, Mark J. Ward, be retained on a consultant basis from July 1, 2008 to September 1, 2008 to provide transition assistance to our District's new Superintendent with respect to a number of ongoing initiatives begun during Mr. Ward's tenure, to include our just approved capital project, Reading First Program and implementation of the special education recommendations resulting from the State of New York's recent Focused Review initiative in our District; and that for this service Mr. Ward be paid $2,000.**

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Eileen Skrobacz, advisor for the District Newsletter, for the 2007-2008 school year, index 0.0375, $581.50 stipend.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that NICHOLAS PATRONE be appointed as the Director of Community Schools for the 2008-2009 school year at an annualized salary of $28,472.85, with the district-provided medical insurance (90%). Mr. Patrone is to work a minimum of 100 days per school year.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Mary Magro be granted a non-conditional two-year probationary appointment in the 6th Grade Teacher tenure area effective August 29, 2007. The probationary appointment shall end on August 29, 2009. The appointee is certified in the Nursery, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6 certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mary Magro during her 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 7 with a Master's Degree and 36 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($45,860).

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Marlana Finch a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Speech Pathologist tenure area effective October 17, 2007. The probationary appointment shall end on October 17, 2010. The appointee is certified in the Speech and Language Disabilities certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Marlana Finch, during her 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 Masters Degree and 61 graduate hours, and Speech Pathologist Stipend or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($41,647).

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following individuals to implement the 2008 Secondary Summer School Program at Olean High School per the OTA Contract:

Social Studies: Chris Keenan  Math: Evelyn Bysiek

Ayes ___7___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by E. Garvin, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Diane Fidurko as teacher aide for the 2008 Secondary Summer School Program at the Olean Middle School.

Social Studies: Chris Keenan  Math: Evelyn Bysiek

Ayes ___7___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

The following Committee Reports were presented to the Board of Education:


The Board of Education discussed the following items:

a. Code of Conduct Presentation
b. Policy #3270 – Community Use of School Facilities – Second Reading

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Policy #3270 – COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES as presented. This policy is to supersede any current School board Policy regarding the same matter.

Ayes ____7___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

The following Informational Item was presented to the Board of Education:

a. OHS Graduation, Sunday, June 29, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve following the CSE recommendation reviewed on June 24th be approved:

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Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, to adjourn from the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

June 30, 2008