

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

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 6:34 p.m., in person, in the Olean High School Auditorium, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by Andrew Caya, President, with a moment of personal reflection or a silent prayer. The Board of Education recited Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Andrew Caya, President
Paul Hessney, Vice President
Janine Fodor
Julio Fuentes
Mary Hirsch-Schena
Ira Katzenstein
Kelly Keller
James Padlo

Excused:

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
Aaron Wolfe, Director of Human Resources
Jen Mahar, Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs
Jen Kless, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction
Mike Martel, Technology Director
Lauren Stuff, WW Principal
Brian Crawford, EV Principal
Rachael Schreiber, Teacher
Ryan Nawrot, Teacher
Angie Marconi, Teacher

OTHERS: Kellen Quigley, OTH

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Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by M. Hirsch-Schena, to remove the GASB 75 report from New Business until it has been reviewed by the Audit/Finance Committee. Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by K. Keller, to approve the agenda as amended.

Agenda Approved

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items:

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Rachael Schreiber – OTA President – discussed highlights regarding summer school and summer programs. Great things are happening. Numerous teachers have indicated how great it is to be back in-person with students. Marie Brooks, Phys Ed teacher, has approximately 30 students in her credit recovery course. Kellie O'Brien, Art teacher, has several students in her summer program. Elementary level programs are going very well. Students are participating in the Reading 100 Steps and are on track to meet their goals; working on publishing books. Mrs. Miller is working on Math and Engineering. Teachers are happy; students are happy. Great success story at OIMS regarding 4th grade student that is attending the summer program every day and getting “whole team” support from principal, counselor, teachers, etc. Ms. Reese is doing a book café (Neon Reading). Students in Mr. Talbot’s class have passed the first summer marking period. Rachael thanked the board of education for the opportunities afforded to staff and students this summer.

Communications/Commendations

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Commendations

- a. Thank you card from Sally Gilder – OCSD Retiree
- b. Mr. Moore reported that Frank Steffen, former board member, was also thankful for his plaque

Superintendent’s Report:

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Report

- a. Jim Mahar, SBU professor and owner of Park & Shop, conducted a personal finance workshop for students participating in the summer program
- b. Thank you from Liam Taylor’s dad
- c. High school teacher, Katie Wolfgang, took her summer students to Allegany State Park
- d. 2021-2022 Reopening – administrators have met; committee consisting of community members, OTA and OESPA members, board members, and administrators will be formed; committee will meet on every Tuesday or Wednesday during the month of August to devise a plan(s)
- e. Summer School/Programs – 65 students in K-2 programs; 53 students in 3-5 programs; 43 in grade 6 programs; 34 in grade 7 programs; 25 students in grade 8 programs; 42 students in grade 10 programs; 29 students in grade 11 programs; 25 students in grade 12 programs; 25 students in spec ed programs and 58 students in the STAR program

Consent Agenda:

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Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. Hirsch-Schena, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

That the Treasurer’s Preliminary Report dated June 30, 2021, be accepted and placed on file.

That the CSE recommendations reviewed on July 27th be approved.

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That the Warrant Report for June 2021 be accepted and placed on file.

That the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending June 30, 2021, be accepted and placed on file.

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That the June 30, 2021 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of \$5,000.00 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

That the OIMS and OHS SAC Quarterly Reports for the period April 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021, be accepted.

That the list of textbooks be declared surplus items.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to designate Mary Hirsch-Schena as the voting delegate for the Annual Business Meeting of the New York State School Boards Association which will be held virtually October 18, 2021.

NYSSBA Voting Delegate – Mary Hirsch-Schena

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to designate Paul Hessney as the delegate and Kelly Keller as the alternate, to the Allegany-Cattaraugus Counties School Board Association for the 2021-2022 school year.

Alleg/Catt SBA Delegate – Paul Hessney and Alternate – Kelly Keller

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that the District's Comprehensive Improvement Plan be accepted for the 2021-2022 school year.

Comprehensive Improvement Plan Accepted

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the use of Washington West elementary school as an evacuation site for Eden Heights Adult Care Facility for the 2021-2022 school year. In the event Washington West is not available, an alternate school may be made available.

Eden Heights Evacuation Agreement Approved

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract with AnnaMaria Cavallo for the period of July 1, 2021, through August 31, 2021, for temporary emergency speech language services, at an hourly rate of \$60.00 per hour.

Emergency Speech Language Services Contract Approved

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to create one (1) part-time, 10-month, School Nurse (LPN or RN) position, 5 hours per day, for the 2021-2022 school year.

PT School Nurse Position Created

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize Tanessa Armour, School Nurse (LPN), to work 20 additional days during the summer at her hourly rate of pay as of July 1, 2021.

Summer Hours Approved for School Nurse

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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Moved by J Padlo, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that a Keyboard Specialist position be increased from 5.75 hours per day to 7 hours per day, effective September 1, 2021. The affected staff member is Patricia Rickicki. Hourly rate of pay is \$24.31.

Patricia Rickicki's
Hours Increased

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation with regret of Heather Billings, ELA Teacher, effective August 31, 2021.

Resignation of
Heather Billings
Accepted with
Regret

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Informational Items:

- a. Operations Committee Meeting - Monday, August 9th at 4:30 pm
- b. Board Meeting - Tuesday, August 10th at 6:30 pm
- c. Audit/Finance Committee Meeting - Thursday, August 12th at 4:00 pm
- d. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting - Tuesday, August 17th at 4:30 pm
- e. Board Meeting - Tuesday, August 24th at 6:30 pm

Informational Items

*** The August 24th Board Meeting has been changed to Tuesday, August 31st

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Fuentes, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 7:27 pm for the purpose of discussing: contract negotiations and litigation update. Aaron Wolfe invited to attend.

Executive Session

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry

District Clerk
Dated: July 28, 2021

Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by P. Hessney, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 9:04 pm.

Reconvene to
Regular Meeting

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by K. Keller, to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 pm.

Adjournment

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Rick Moore

Pro-Tem District Clerk
Dated: July 28, 2021