The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2014, at 6:32 p.m. in the Board Room of the Olean High School located at 401 Wayne Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by John Bartimole, President of Board, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection asking attendee’s to keep the family of Mr. Ben Schwabenbauer in his/her thoughts. Mr. Schwabenbauer taught at IJN for over 40 year. Michael Martello led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:   John Bartimole, President
           Paul Knieser, Vice President
           Ira Katzenstein
           Paul Hessney
           Michael Martello
           Michiko McElfresh
           James Padlo
           Frank Steffen, Jr.

ABSENT:    Laurie Branch (excused)

STAFF PRESENT:  Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools
                 Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator
                 Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
                 Jen Mahar, District Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs
                 Mia O'Brien, Director of Human Resources
                 Jerry Trietley, OIMS Principal (grades 6 & 7)
                 Cso Woodworth, Technology Administrator
                 Marcie Richmond, Director of Special Education
                 Sheila Yaffe, Teacher

OTHERS:
Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by M. McElfresh, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda with the following amendment: replace agenda item 11. h. with a revised resolution provided by Kathy Elser.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Public Comment:
None

Discussion Items:
a. Code of Conduct Revisions – Colleen Taggerty

Committee Report:
a. Operations Committee – August 5 – provided by Ira Katzenstein

Communications, Commendations:
a. STAR Program – wonderful job by all involved staff members; Board Room decorations were made by STAR Program participants
b. Auditorium – thank you to Harry Button and Dan Freeman for the beautiful mask display
c. History Hallway – thank you to involved staff
d. STEM Summer Program – thank you to Katie Ralston

Superintendent’s Report:
a. IJN Playground is being moved to WW
b. Moving forward with WW parking lot
c. Blended Learning on-line course has been completed
d. TOSA meetings have been held; created Curriculum & Instruction Assessment council; will dig deep into data

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

a. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the previous meeting minutes of the reorganizational meeting held on July 3, 2014 and the regular meeting held on July 15, 2014.

b. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Preliminary Treasurer’s Report dated July 31, 2014, be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for July 2014 be accepted and placed on file.

d. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the July 2014 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $33,866.32 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

e. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending July 31, 2014 be accepted and placed on file.

f. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendations reviewed on August 12th be approved:

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g. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the attached list of Conditional and Non-Conditional Substitutes.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that for the 2014-2015 school year (through June 30, 2015) the Superintendent be granted the authority to approve unpaid leaves of absences for District employees for a period up to thirty (30) calendar/school days. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall establish procedures necessary to implement this policy.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Contract between the Olean City School District and Hinsdale Central School District for “Home to School Transportation” for the 2014-2015 school year.

2013-14 2014-15
$169,225.13 $180,774.00

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize payment for Gretta Moran and Karen Griffith, Keyboard Specialists, for one (1) day, at their daily rate of pay, for the purpose of eSchool training on August 7, 2014.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize payment for Michelle Brown, Teacher Aide, for up to three (3) days during the summer, at her daily rate of pay, for the purpose of assisting the OIMS nurse in updating student immunization records.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize payment for Susan Grosso, Teacher Aide, for up to 5 to 10 hours during the summer, at her daily rate of pay, for the purpose of AESOP software training.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Paul Knieser as the voting delegate for the Annual Business Meeting of the New York State School Boards Association to be held in New York City on Monday, October 27, 2014.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Abstain 1 Motion Carried

(P. Knieser – voted delegate)
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint P. Hessney as the delegate and Paul Knieser as the alternate, to the Allegany-Cattaraugus Counties School Board Association for the 2014-2015 school year.

Ayes 7    Nays 0   Abstain 2   Motion Carried
(P. Knieser, P. Hessney – voted delegate and alternate)

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the Tax Collector to send tax information to Cattaraugus County for the purpose of printing the tax bills and returning them to the District for mailing prior to the approval of the tax warrant at the August 28, 2014, board meeting. This request is due to the NYS equalization rates pending as of August 12, 2014.

Ayes 8    Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the use of the Olean High School Auditorium as an evacuation site for Hinsdale Central School for the 2014-2015 school year. In the event Auditorium is not available, an alternate school will be made available.

Ayes 8    Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by P. Knieser, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the amendments to the District Code of Conduct for the 2014-2015 school year.

Ayes 8    Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to amend the Contract Extension commencement date between the Olean City School District and Sodexo from August 27 to July 1.

Ayes 7    Nays 1   Motion Carried
(I Katzenstein – would like the year included in resolution)

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve that Lauren Stuff be permitted to do an unpaid 400 hour administrative internship through St. Bonaventure University’s School Building Leader Program, under the supervision of Linda Nottingham effective August 13, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

Ayes 8    Nays 0   Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Rental Agreement between the Olean City School District and the City of Olean for the use of Bradner Stadium.

2013-2014  Fee waived
2014-2015  Fee waived

Ayes 8    Nays 0   Motion Carried
Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Shirlee Russell to work up to 40 hours, at her hourly rate of pay as of July 1, 2014, to assist unlocking, labeling, and inventorying student laptops under the supervision of the Technology Administrator.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Agreement between the Olean City School District and the New York State Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for use of the State’s mapping and routing software.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Rachel Burrows, Teacher Aide, with regret, effective August 13, 2014.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to rescind, effective immediately, the following resolution that was adopted at the July 15, 2014 board meeting:

That Molly Scott, who is certified in the Childhood Education (1-6) tenure area, is hereby recalled from the preferred eligibility list and placed in a full-time Elementary position area effective August 28, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Molly Scott for the 2014 - 2015 school year should 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 9, with a Master’s Degree and 36 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified amended or successor agreement ($52,637.00).

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that Mark Beckwith is granted a non-conditional three-year probationary appointment in the Math tenure area effective August 28, 2014. The probationary service shall end on August 27, 2017. The appointee is certified in the Math 7–12 certification area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mark Beckwith 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 36 graduate hours or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($40,097.00).

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Melissa Adams as a part-time non-conditional non-probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, for the 2014-2015 school year, at an hourly rate of $16.90.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried
Motion by P. Knieser, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following Coaching Appointments for the 2014-2015 school year:

- Jesse Turner: Varsity football, Volunteer/Unpaid
- Michelle Acierno: Modified girls’ soccer, Volunteer/Unpaid
- Lorenzo Rodriguez: Varsity boys’ soccer, Volunteer/Unpaid
- Dylan Shaw: Varsity girls’ soccer, Volunteer/Unpaid
- Emily Kayes: Varsity girls’ soccer, Volunteer/Unpaid

Ayes __8___ Nays __0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to rescind the Modified Cross Country coaching appointment of Leslie Morey for the 2014-2015 school year that was adopted at the July 15, 2015 board meeting.

Ayes __8___ Nays __0___ Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Vicki Isaman, as a conditional/probationary Food Service Helper, 4.0 hours per day, at a hourly rate of $9.00, for the 2014 - 2015 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 appointee is granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Ayes __8___ Nays __0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Christine Lananger, as a conditional/probationary Food Service Helper, 3.5 hours per day, at a hourly rate of $9.00, for the 2014 - 2015 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 appointee is granted clearance after the receipt of conditional clearance, the appointment shall continue.

Ayes __8___ Nays __0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 2014-2015 Extra-Curricular appointment of Katie Wolfgang, Ski Club Advisor, at an annual stipend of $544.

Ayes __8___ Nays __0___ Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 2014-2015 Extra-Curricular appointment of Stephen Sorensen, Tele-o-Scope Advisor, unpaid stipend.

Ayes 8 Nays 1 Motion Carried

(P. Hessney – feels Advisor appointment should receive a stipend)

Discussion Items:

a. Policy #6562 – Employment of Retired Persons – 2nd reading
b. Policy #5570 – Financial Accountability – 2nd reading
c. Policy #5660 – School Food Service Program – 2nd reading

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Policies Policy #5570 – Financial Accountability. This policy is to supersede any current School Board Policy regarding the same matter.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Regular Meeting

Adjournment

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by P. Krieser, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: litigation update. Kathy Elser invited to attend.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk
Dated: August 15, 2014

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by P. Hessney, to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Taggerty
Pro Tem District Clerk
Dated: August 15, 2014
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