The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, at 6:30 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 Michael Martello, President of Board, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection. Michiko McElfresh led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PRESENT:**
- Michael Martello, President
- John Bartimole, Vice President
- Laurie Branch
- Gordon E. Cross
- Ira Katzenstein
- Paul Hessney
- Michiko McElfresh
- James Padlo

**ABSENT:**
- Paul Knieser (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
- Jerry Trietley, OIMS Principal (Grades 6 & 7)
- Joel Whitcher, OIMS Principal (Grades 4 & 5)
- Barb Lias, OHS Principal
- Mia O'Brien, Director of Human Resources
- John White, East View Principal
- Linda Nottingham, Washington West Principal
- Cso Woodworth, Technology Administrator

**OTHERS:**
- Kelsey Boudin, Olean Times Herald
- Nick Pircio, WHDL
- Sheila Yaffe
Moved by G. Cross, seconded by L. Branch, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.  

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Public Comment:  
None

Communications, Commendations:  
a. Thank you to the Director of Human Resources – numerous interviews; assignments and/or reassignments in order to get staffing in place before the opening of school  
b. Thank you to principals for getting the schools ready for the students’ first day; efforts in regard to the APPR regulations

Discussion Items:  
a. Reduce length of term of board members; reduce number of Board members; and reduce number of Board meetings per month from 2 meetings to 1 meeting – this matter will be deferred to the Operations Committee

Superintendent’s Report:  
a. Tennis courts and track bid opening results were reviewed by Kathy Elser - the Board requested additional information  
b. Students – welcome back

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:  
a. The previous meeting minutes of the Regular Meetings held on August 6, 2013, and August 20, 2013; the meetings minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 27, 2013.  
b. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the attached list of Conditional and Non-Conditional Substitutes and Volunteers.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Olean City School District and the Lutheran Social Services for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016 for the Foster Grandparent Program.

- 2010-2013: $50 per volunteer, Free meal per volunteer  
- 2013-2016: $50 per volunteer, Free meal per volunteer

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the GASB 45 Disclosures Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to create one (1) Elementary position for the 2013-2014 school year.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept Jeff Anastasia’s resignation, with regret, from the extra-curricular position of Washington West Teacher-In-Charge, for the 2013-2014 school year.

Ayes 8     Nays 0     Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to amend the unpaid Leave of Absence that was granted to Debbie Kwiatkowski, Cleaner at the July 16, 2013, meeting; amended unpaid Leave of Absence will be from September 27, 2013, through May 30, 2014.

Ayes 8     Nays 0     Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, Jennifer Kless who holds permanent New York State Teaching Certificate permitting her to teach in the Nursery, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6 and Reading certification areas in the public schools of New York State, is hereby granted a one year leave of absence from her Reading teaching assignment to voluntarily serve as Teacher on Special Assignment, retroactive to August 29, 2013, and to end on June 27, 2014. Ms. Kless’ salary and benefits during this appointment will be paid in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement between the Olean Teachers’ Association and the Board of Education, and will not be diminished due to her leave for purposes of this special assignment.

Ayes 8     Nays 0     Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Mary Volz to the position of non-conditional Long-Term Substitute Elementary Teacher retroactive to August 29, 2013, through June 27, 2014. Per the OTA Contract the salary for the 2013-2014 school year will be $46,332 (Step 5, with a Master’s Degree, and 42 graduate hours). This long-term service will not affect Mary Volz's seniority on the Preferred Eligibility List.

Ayes 8     Nays 0     Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Marjorie Dexter to the position of non-conditional Long-Term Substitute Reading Teacher retroactive to August 29, 2013, through June 27, 2014. Per the OTA Contract the salary for the 2013-2014 school year will be $51,516 (Step 8, with a Master’s Degree, and 36 graduate hours). This long-term service will not affect Marjorie Dexter's seniority on the Preferred Eligibility List.

Ayes 8     Nays 0     Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Tracy Hart as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, retroactive to August 29, 2013, at an hourly rate of $10.47. 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 J. Bartimole, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following extra-curricular appointment for the 2013-2014 school year:

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| Teacher-in-Charge – WW | Kelly Gumtow | $850 |
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Ayes 8  
Nays 0  
Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Rachel Hendryx as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, effective September 3, 2013 for the 2013-2014 school year at an hourly rate of $10.47. 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 appointees have been conditionally cleared for employment. If the Commissioner of Education notifies the District that the appointee has been denied conditional clearance or clearance, the appointments 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 J. Padlo, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Pam Crandall as a part-time non-conditional non-probationary Teacher Aide, 3 hours per day, effective September 3, 2013, at an hourly rate of $17.24.

Ayes 8  
Nays 0  
Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Rachel Burrows as a part-time non-conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, effective September 3, 2013, at an hourly rate of $10.47.

Ayes 8  
Nays 0  
Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that Kaitlin Speta, who is a teacher in the Elementary tenure area, is hereby recalled from the preferred eligibility list and placed in a full time Elementary position area effective September 3, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Kaitlin Speta for the 2013-2014 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 3, with a Bachelors Degree and 6 graduate hours, or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement ($39,539 pro-rated).

Ayes 8  
Nays 0  
Motion Carried

Discussion Items:

- #5110 - Budget Planning and Development – 1st Reading
- #5120 – School District Budget Hearing – 1st Reading
- #5130 – Budget Adoption – 1st Reading
- #5150 – Contingency Budget – 1st Reading
Informational Items Items:

a. Operations Committee Meeting – September 3 at noon
b. Board of Education Meeting – September 3 at 6:30 pm
c. Audit Committee Meeting – September 16 at noon
d. Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting – September 17 at noon
e. Board of Education Meeting – September 17 at 6:30 pm
f. Finance Committee Meeting – September 19 at noon

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:07 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: Contractual Negotiations for the Olean Educational Support Personnel Association and litigation updates. Kathy Elser and Mia O’Brien invited to attend Executive Session.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Dated: September 6, 2013

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Taggerty
Pro Tem District Clerk

Dated: September 6, 2013
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