The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, at 6:31 p.m. in the LGI Room located at the Olean Intermediate Middles School, 401 Wayne Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by Ira Katzenstein, President, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection. Jim Padlo led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PRESENT:**
- Ira Katzenstein, President
- John Bartimole, Vice President
- Janine Fodor
- Paul Hessney
- Mary Hirsch-Schena
- Michiko McElfresh (arrived at 7:20 pm)
- Jim Padlo
- Frank Steffen Jr.

**ABSENT:**
- Michael Martello (excused)

**STAFF PRESENT:**
- Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools
- Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
- Jerry Trietley, OIMS Principal (grades 6 & 7)
- Joel Whitcher, OIMS Principal (grades 4 & 5)
- Aaron Wolfe, Director of Human Resources
- Brian Crawford, EV Principal
- Lauren Stuff, WW Principal
- Jen Mahar, District Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs
- Jen Kless, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction
- Jeff Andreano, HS Principal
- Mike Martel, HS Assistant Principal
- Ryan Wilson, Sodexo
- Matt Perry, Teacher
- Kelly Havens, Teacher
- Gloria Swetland, Teacher
- Darlene Connelly, Teacher
- Rachel Schreiber, Teacher
- Jan Rhody, Teacher
- Lisa Kranz, Teacher
- Kelly O’Brien, Teacher

**OTHERS:**
- Tom Dinki, Olean Times Herald Reporter
- Aric Rockefeller
- Zachary McMillen
- Anastasia Peck
- Kayla Oakes
- Tori Johnston
- Zach Huff
- George Kivari
- Grant Fox
- Alanna Martin
- Thomas Klein
- Evan Pilon
- Thomas Ackerman
- Shaylyn Stanczykowski
Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded J. Bartimole, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda. 

Ayes __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Public Comment Regarding Agenda Items:
None

Discussion Items:
a. New Teachers 
b. Board Goals 
c. Maisto et al v NYS

Committee Reports:

Superintendent’s Report 
a. Opening Day – emotional, awesome, thank you to administrators, faculty, staff, and Ira Katzenstein 
b. Meetings held with Greater Olean Area Churches Association, Olean Chief of Police and Fire Chief, Senator Young, SBU Dean of Education 
c. Capital Project meeting 
d. Monthly building walk thru 
e. NYS Small City Schools – fiscal equity 
f. Great athletic events

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

a. The previous meeting minutes of the Regular Meetings held on August 8, 2017, and August 24, 2017 (with correction).

b. Upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that the Preliminary Treasurer’s Report dated August 31, 2017, be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for August 2017 be accepted and placed on file.

d. Upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that the August 2017 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $36,264.00 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

e. Upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending August 31, 2017, be accepted and placed on file.

f. Upon the Recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendations reviewed on September 12 be approved:

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Ayes __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried
Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept a $1,000 donation from Ned Mollica to be used for scholarships or for the benefit of students.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Donation from Ned Mollica Accepted

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to retroactively authorize Joelle Talbot, Darcey Parker, Tammy Barr, Marjorie Hall, Dorothy Kelly, Diane Franz, Destiney Portlow, and Rebecca Ahearn, Teacher Aides, to attend new staff orientation for 4.5 hours on August 28, 2017, and be paid at their hourly rate of pay at time of hire.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Authorization to Pay for Orientation

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. Hirsh-Schena, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Olean City School District and the Gundlah Dental Center to provide dental services during the 2017-2018 school year at the following District facilities: East View Elementary, Washington West Elementary, and Olean Intermediate Middle School.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Gundlah Dental Center MOU Approved

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to retroactively authorize Heather Oldenberg, Teacher Aide, to attend CPI Training for eight (8) hours on August 29, 2017, and be paid at her hourly rate of pay at time of hire.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

CPI Training Authorization

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Donna Ensell, Kathleen Grandusky, Deborah Pelton, Charlene Granger, Linda Bishop and Sheryl Droney as a school volunteers for the 2017-2018 school year.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

School Volunteers Approved

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. Hirsch-Schena, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to designate the week of Monday, January 29, 2018, through Sunday, February 4, 2018, as Souperbowl Sunday. On Friday, February 2, 2018, donated canned goods will be picked up from each school and delivered to the local food pantry.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Souperbowl Sunday Week Designated

Moved F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the purchase of Glencoe Integrated iScience Course 1 published by McGraw Hill Education (2017) for grade 6.

Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Purchase of Science Textbooks Approved


Ayes 7  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried


Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that permission be granted to the Cattaraugus County Office of Emergency Services to use the Olean High School and Intermediate Middle School for a mass vaccination or medication distribution site during a major public health emergency, for the period of September 1, 2017, through September 1, 2020.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by J. Fodor upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Mark Beckwith, Math teacher, effective October 1, 2017.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Meagan Lawton, Teacher Aide, retroactive to August 29, 2017.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Lora Kimball, Teacher Aide, retroactive to August 28, 2017.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation, with regret, of Julie Kane, Teacher Aide, effective September 20, 2017.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Destiney Portlow as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, retroactive to August 30, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80. 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 __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsh-Schena, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Rebecca Ahearn as a part-time non-conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 4.0 hours per day, retroactive to August 30, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80.

Ayes __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Heather Oldenberg as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, retroactive to August 30, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80. 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 __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Joan Haynes as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, retroactive to August 30, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80. 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 __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by J. Fodor, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Daisy Matya as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 5.75 hours per day, retroactive to August 30, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80. 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 __7__  Nays __0__  Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, that Joseph Lasaponara who has applied for Initial Certification permitting him to teach in the Special Education area in the public schools of New York State, is hereby conditionally appointed on probation to the Special Education tenure area for a probationary period of four (4) years retroactive to August 30, 2017, and to Rebecca Ahearn  Appointed Teacher Aide
Heather Oldenberg  Appointed Teacher Aide
Joan Hayes  Appointed Teacher Aide
Daisy Matya  Appointed Teacher Aide
Joseph Lasaponara  Appointed in the Special Education Tenure Area
end on August 29, 2021. Eligibility for tenure at the end of the probationary period is dependent on Joseph Lasaponara receiving APPR ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in 3 of 4 preceding years and no Ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Joseph Lasaponara 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 as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement.

Joseph Lasaponara is expected to obtain his New York State Students with Disabilities 1-6 Certification within the time frame established by the Superintendent.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Katherine Aloi as a part-time non-conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 4.0 hours per day, retroactive to September 8, 2017, at an hourly rate of $11.80.

Ayes ____7____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by M. Hirsch-Schena, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint David Jackson as a part-time non-conditional probationary 12-month Cleaner, 28.75 hours per week, Step 1, at an hourly rate of $12.21, retroactive to September 9, 2017.

Ayes ____7____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Informational Items:

a. October Board Meetings
   - Operations Committee Meeting – Tuesday, October 3rd at 4:30 pm – WW
   - Board Meeting – Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30 p.m. – WW
   - Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting – Tuesday, October 10th at noon
   - Audit with Sub Finance Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 19th at noon

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by J. Padlo, to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 7:18 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: contract negotiations and litigation.

Michiko McElfresh arrived at 7:20 p.m.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Dated: September 19, 2017

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried
Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by J. Bartimole, to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.  

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Moore  
Pro Tem District Clerk  

Dated: September 19, 2017