

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

Regular Meeting
January 16, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 at 7:32 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 President Hamed with a moment of silent prayer. Mike Martello led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Steven H. Hamed, President
Michael Martello, Vice-President
John Bartimole
Laurie A. Branch
Gordon E. Cross
Ira Katzenstein
Michael Martello
James Padlo

ABSENT: George Pancio

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Ward, Superintendent
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing
Karen Hessney, OTA President
Cso Woodworth, Director of Technology

OTHERS: Dan LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald
Richard Frost

Public Comments:

Karen Hessney addressed the Board of Education regarding Surviving Reading First meeting and a proposed May conference.

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda with the following changes and additions:,

1. Addition of Agenda Item 12. Discussion Items to include Agenda/Meetings.
2. Addition of Agenda Item 15. Executive Session to discuss FERPA, Real Property Sale and/or Acquisition.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Communications, Commendations

- a. Copy of letter to Steven Hamed, President, from Rachel Horowitz.

Public
Comments

Agenda
Additions and
Changes

Communication
and
Commendation

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Superintendent Ward discussed the following subjects with the Board of Education:

Superintendent Report

1. Health Fair
2. Construction Manager Interviews
3. Letter from Senator Young regarding additional aid
4. BOCES Administrative Budget and election of BOCES board members
5. Hodgson Russ Law Conference

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda

- a. The previous meeting minutes of the Work Session held on Tuesday, December 12, 2006 and the Regular Meeting Held on Tuesday, December 19, 2006. Approval of Minutes
- b. The Treasurer's Report dated November 30, 2006 be accepted and placed on file. Treasurer's Report
- c. The Olean City School District Warrant Report for September dated January 2, 2007 be accepted and placed on file. District Warrant
- d. The Olean Middle School and the Olean High School's Student Activity Accounts Quarterly Reports for the period covering October 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 be accepted and placed on file. Student Activity Reports
- e. The Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 be accepted and placed on file. Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report
- f. The following CSE recommendations reviewed on January 9, 2007 be accepted and placed on file: CSE Recommendations

APPROVED	APPROVED
900365428	900417019
900448289	900350165
900441608	900244148
900441960	900346197
900046400	900281188
900417789	900417738
900256817	900411799
900299709	900048886
900363889	900126325
900106404	900122659
900347729	900199020
900417764	900433291
900434139	900396544
900191015	900191103
900331418	900017677

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900210075	900191854
900396266	900401976

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the "Memorandum of Agreement" between the Olean City School District and the Liberty Partnership Program at SUNY Fredonia for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2012.

Memorandum of Agreement with Liberty Partnership Program

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Jan Rhody, OHS Vocal Music Director, from the following positions for the 2006-2007 school year: All County Elementary Vocal Coach and All County Middle School Coach.

Resignation of Jan Rhody as All County Elementary and Middle School Vocal Coach

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Mark Huselstein as probationary promotional Custodian/Building and Grounds Maintainer for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$19.94 effective January 17, 2007.

Mark Huselstein Appointed Probationary Promotional Custodian/ Building and Grounds Maintainer

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Jacqueline A. Thomas-Eustis All County Middle School Vocal Coach for the 2006-2007 school year at an annual stipend of \$690.

Jacqueline A. Thomas-Eustis Appointed All County Elementary Vocal Coach

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Jeanne Steen as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher's Aid, 5.75 hours per day, for Community Schools, for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$9.78, effective January 22, 2007

Jeanne Steen Appointed Teacher's Aid

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve Natalie Montague and Daniel Driscoll as a non-certified Substitute Teachers for the 2006-2007 school year.

Non-Certified Substitute Teachers

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Certified

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Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve Michelle Skeps as a certified Substitute Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year.

Substitute
Teacher

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve Dawn Both, Jennifer Barnes, and Jessica Giuricich as a non-certified conditional Substitute Teachers for the 2006-2007 school year. In accordance with Section 2503(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.

Non-Certified
Conditional
Substitute
Teachers

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Alice Moser as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher's Aide, 5 hours per day, at the Olean Middle School for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$9.78, effective January 22, 2007

Alice Moser
Appointed
Teacher's Aide

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Margaret Gilroy as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher's Aide, 4.5 hours per day, at the Olean Middle School for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$9.78, effective January 22, 2007

Teacher's Aide
Appointment
Tabled

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by L. Branch to Table the Motion and discuss in Executive Session.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN:

John Bartimole	VOTING	YES
Laurie A. Branch	VOTING	YES
Gordon E. Cross	VOTING	YES
Steven H. Hamed	VOTING	YES
Ira Katzenstein	VOTING	YES
Michael Martello	VOTING	YES
Michiko McElfresh	VOTING	YES
James Padlo	VOTING	YES

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Tabled

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, and upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Board Policy #7512 – STUDENT PHYSICALS as presented.

Adoption of Policy #7512

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, and upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt School Board Policy #7513 – STUDENT HEALTH SCREENINGS as presented.

Adoption of Policy #7513

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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

Committee Reports

- a. Laurie Branch presented the Audit Committee Report
- b. Laurie Branch presented the Buildings/Grounds Committee Report
- c. Michael Martello presented the Finance Committee Report
- d. Michiko McElfresh presented the Operations Committee Report
- e. Ira Katzenstein presented the Outreach Committee Report

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Regular Session and convene in Executive Session to discuss two (2) personnel issues – 2 regarding performance matters, three (3) legal matters, one (1) FERPA issue, Real Property Sale and/or Acquisition, and Teacher's Aid position at 8:09 p.m.

Executive Session

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in Regular Session at 8:57 p.m.

Regular Session

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, to Remove From Table the following Motion:

Teacher's Aide

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Margaret Gilroy as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher's Aid, 4.5 hours per day, at the Olean Middle School for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$9.78, effective January 22, 2007

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Removed From Table

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to amend the Motion to read:

Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Margaret Gilroy as a part-time conditional probationary Teacher's Aid, 4.5 hours per day, at the Olean Middle School for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of \$9.78, effective January 22, 2007

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Amended

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A vote was taken on the amended motion with the following results.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Amended Motion Carried

Margaret Gilroy
Appointed
Teacher's Aide

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the expenditure of \$1,825 to settle case #705804.

Case
Settlement

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole to adjourn from the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Adjournment
of Meeting

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

January 17, 2007