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

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:

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.


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.

e. The Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 be accepted and placed on file.

f. The following CSE recommendations reviewed on January 9, 2007 be accepted and placed on file:

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REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, January 16, 2007

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried
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.

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.

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

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

Ayes ___8___  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

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.

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.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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

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.

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.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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

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

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Amended Motion Carried

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.

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

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

Ayes ___8___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

January 17, 2007