The Work Session of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY held on Tuesday, October 10, 2006 at 7:31 p.m. in the Board Room of the Olean High School located at 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY was called to order by President Hamed.

PRESENT:  
Steven H. Hamed, President  
Michael Martello, Vice-President  
John E. Bartimole  
Laurie A. Branch  
Ira Katzenstein  
Michiko H. McElfresh  
George Pancio

ABSENT:  
Gordon E. Cross  
James E. Padlo

STAFF PRESENT:  
Mark Ward, Superintendent  
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator  
David Flaherty, Deputy District Clerk  
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk  
Karen Hessney, District Teacher  
Judy Brennan, District Teacher  
Terry Brennan, District Teacher  
Larry Jodush, District Teacher  
18 District Teachers

Others:  
Nick Pircio WHDL Radio  
David LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald

District Treasurer, David Flaherty, administered the Oath of Office to District Clerk, Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry.

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

1. Professional Development  
2. Reading First  
3. Utica Insurance Safety Program  
4. District ELA Score

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign an appraisal for the proposal prepared by Klauk, Lloyd & Wilhelm, Inc. for the following school buildings: Boardmanville Elementary, North Hill Elementary and IJN Elementary.

Ayes ___6___  
Nays ___1___  
Motion Carried  
(G. Pancio)
Moved by G. Pancio, seconded by J. Bartimole upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the use of the Olean High School Auditorium for a vocal performance by students of the Eastman School of Music for the benefit of “Julio Fuentes” on October 28, 2006.

Ayes ___7____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following as Conditional Lunch Monitors for the 2006-2007 school year: Charles Curd, Kim Ramarge, and Mari Fratercangelo. 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 Commission of Education that the appointee has been cleared for employment. If the Commissioner of Education notifies the District that the appointee has been denied conditional clearance or clearance, this 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 and the conditional status shall be removed.

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

1. Committee Reports:
   a. I. Katzenstein presented the Outreach Committee report.
   b. M. Martello presented the Finance Committee report.

   Larry Jodush, 128 N. 17th Street, requested to meet with the Board of Education in Executive Session regarding contractual concerns, monetary distributions, as well as his concern of district students. Larry was advised to email concerns to the Board of Education.

   Judy Brennan, 201 N. 217 Street, requested to meet with the Board of Education regarding the afternoon dismissal of 500+ students from the Middle School and High School, the supervision of students as written in the contract, and AIS schedule implementation. Mark Ward noted the Board Work Session meeting was not the proper venue for this issue to be addressed.

   Terry Brennan, 201 N. 217 Street, disagreed with the Superintendent that the Board Work Session meeting was the improper venue to discuss OTA contract issues as the Olean Times Herald noted that at tonight’s meeting the OTA contract would be voted upon.

   Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole to adjourn from Work Session and convene in Executive Session to discuss CPSE/CSE recommendations, OTA contract, finance committee report in regard to OTA contract, and an individual performance issue at 8:10 p.m.

Ayes ___7____  Nays ____0____  Motion Carried
Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch to adjourn from Executive Session and to reconvene in Work Session at 9:30 p.m.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch to adjourn the Work Session Meeting at 9:31 p.m.

Ayes ___7___  Nays ___0___  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

October 10, 2006