The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, October 17, 2006 at 7:30 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 President Hamed with a moment of silent prayer. President Hamed led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT:

Steven H. Hamed, President
Michael Martello, Vice-President
John E. Bartimole
Laurie A. Branch
Gordon E. Cross
Ira Katzenstein
Michiko H. McElfresh
James E. Padlo
George Pancio

STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Ward, Superintendent
Ann O’Brien, Business Administrator
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing
Lynn Corder, Reading First Coordinator
Karen Hessney, District Teacher

OTHERS:

Dan LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald
Richard Frost
Nick Pircio WHDL Radio
St. Bonaventure Students (6)

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

1. New Business – Add Agenda Item 9 h. Creation of two full time Teacher Aide positions.
2. New Business – Add Agenda Item 9i. Elimination of two part-time Teacher Aide positions.
3. Personnel – Revision Agenda Item 10 a Appointments. Item 12. Appointment of Director of Special Education – Marcella Richmond

Ayes ____9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

VOICE OF THE TAXPAYER

Ellie Hoffman, 2000 Dugan Road, addressed the Board of Education regarding the potential consolidation of Elementary schools. Ellie distributed hand outs for the BOE to review.
Karen Hessney, OTA President, commented on the Reading First Program.

Superintendent Ward discussed the following subjects with the Board of Education:
1. Reading First
2. Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for October 19, 2006.
3. Security issues
4. Relocation of Spec. Ed offices from North Hill to High School
5. SRO Officer
6. Lights on After School (Polycom technology)
7. Grades 3 – 8 test results

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. McElfresh 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 June 14, 2006, the Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2006 and the Regular Meeting held on September 19, 2006.

b. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer's Report dated August 31, 2006 be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the end of fiscal year 2006 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $382,795.

d. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Student Activity Quarterly Report for the Olean Middle School and Olean High School dated July 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006 is accepted and placed on file.

e. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for September dated October 2, 2006 is accepted and placed on file.

f. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendations reviewed on October 10, 2006 is approved:

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Ayes 9  Nays 0  Motion Carried
Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to extend the Olean Teacher's Association's Negotiated Contract and two memorandums of understanding for the period of September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2010.

Ayes ___8___ Nays ___1___ Motion Carried
(G. Pancio)

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to grant permission to JEFF DEAN to do an unpaid Counseling Internship, through St. Bonaventure University, under the supervision of Michael Howard, OHS Counselor, for the fall semester of 2006.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to grant permission to KRISTEN WALKER to do an unpaid Psychology Internship, through Alfred University University, under the supervision of Maura Whitcomb, District School Psychologist, for the period of September 11, 2006 through May 4, 2007

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by G. Pancio, seconded by G. Cross upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to grant permission to MEGAN MCQUILLAN to do an unpaid Psychology Internship, through St. Bonaventure University, under the supervision of Amy Jones, District School Psychologist, for the fall semester of 2006.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by J. Padlo upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the “Memorandum of Understanding” between the Olean City School District and Olean Family Connections – Even Start Program (Parent Education) for the period of October 1, 2006 through June 22, 2007.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the “Amended Contract” between the Olean City School District and the County of Cattaraugus for Youth Placement Prevention Programming for the period of August 4, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by G. Pancio upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to sign the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES 2006-2007 Adult Education Sponsorship Agreement.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. McElfresh upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to create two (2) full-time Teacher Aide positions for the 2006-2007 school year.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to eliminate two (2) part-time Teacher Aide positions for the 2006-2007 school year.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint KATHY TAYLOR as a Program Specialist in the Community School Program (BRIDGE) at an hourly rate of $21 in accordance with contractual agreement.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to acknowledge that KEVIN GOODWIN and KRYN PALMQUIST be assigned to Olean High School through the AmeriCorp Program sponsored by Cattaraugus County Youth Bureau

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by G. Pancio upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following certified tutors at Olean High School: CHRIS ROSEL, KATHY SEARLES, KAY ANZIVINE, MAY ELLEN PUTZKE, and CHUCK LEE.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following certified substitute teachers for the 2006-2007 school year: DANIELL DEMETREU, KRISTEN DZIUBA, HOLLY FAJLENOVO, KELLY GUMTOW, LUCINDA PARKS, JAIMI-LYN BEATY, and THOMAS VICTOR.

Ayes ___9___ Nays ____0____ Motion Carried
moved by m. mcelfresh, seconded by l. branch upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, to appoint the following non-certified substitute teachers for the 2006-2007 school year: bridget anderson, rachel d'angelo, matthew fass, and alex peck.

ayes ___9____ nays ___0____ motion carried

moved by l. branch, seconded by i. katzenstein upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, to appoint the matthew clark as 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, 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.

ayes ___9____ nays ___0____ motion carried

moved by m. mcelfresh, seconded by l. branch upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, to appoint joseph dwaileebe and catherine ward. 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, 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.

ayes ___9____ nays ___0____ motion carried

moved by m. mcelfresh, seconded by l. branch upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, to appoint kristen m. sikora as detention monitor at olean high school for the 2006-2007 school year.

ayes ___9____ nays ___0____ motion carried

moved by m. mcelfresh, seconded by l. branch upon the recommendation of mark j. ward, superintendent of schools, to appoint rebecca kyser as esl tutor for the 2006-2007 school year at an hourly rate of $25.

ayes ___9____ nays ___0____ motion carried
Moved by M. L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Lissa Mulherin is granted tenure as a Special Education K-12 Teacher effective October 12, 2006.

Ayes ___9___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried

Moved by M. G. Cross, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Sandra L. Lampe as a Lunch Monitor for the 2006-2007 school year at an annualized probationary salary of $3,566.64.

Ayes ___9___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by I. Katzenstein upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools and be granted a conditional three year-probationary appointment in the Special Education tenure area effective November 17, 2006 (or earlier) at a contractual salary of $75,000. 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, 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.

Ayes ___9___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Sharon Corkery as a full-time Teacher Aide.

Ayes ___9___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Donna Gustason as a full-time Teacher Aide.

Ayes ___8___    Nays ___1___    Motion Carried  (S. Hamed)

The Board of Education discussed the following items:
1. Reading First Program – Lynn Corder presented handouts and a program update.
2. Thank you letter to be sent to driver of bus and volunteer fire department that assisted in evacuating cheerleaders from the school bus that caught on fire.

Moved by M. Martello, seconded by J. Bartimole to adjourn from the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Ayes ___8___    Nays ___0___    Motion Carried
Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry  
District Clerk

October 17, 2006