The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, August 18, 2016, at 12:03 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 Michiko McElfresh, President, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection. Mary Hirsch-Schena led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Videoconferencing: Bolivar-Richburg Central School, Classroom 109, 100 School St., Bolivar, NY 14715 and the Olean High School Board Room, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY 14760. The public was invited to attend.

**PRESENT:**
- Michiko McElfresh, President
- Laurie Branch, Vice President
- John Bartimole
- Mary Hirsch-Schena – via Skype
- Ira Katzenstein
- Michael Martello
- James Padlo
- Frank Steffen, Jr.

**ABSENT:**
- Paul Hessney

**STAFF PRESENT:**
- Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools
- Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
- Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator

**OTHERS:**
- Tom Dinki, OTH
Moved by L. Branch, seconded M. Hirsch-Schena, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Public Comment:
None

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the bid from Castallo & Silky, Education Consultants in the amount of $16,000 for Superintendent search/recruitment services plus reimbursement expenses which will not exceed $5,000.

Ayes 8  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize an unpaid Leave of Absence for Charmaine Hill, Teacher Aide, for the period of December 6, 2016, through June 23, 2017.

Ayes 6  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to authorize an unpaid Leave of Absence for Christina Wick, Food Service Helper, for the period of December 5, 2016, through February 28, 2017.

Ayes 6  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to adjourn from the Special Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 12:06 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular individual. Kathy Elser and Vicki Zalesk-Irizarry invited to attend.

Ayes 6  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Special Meeting at 12:08 p.m.

Ayes 6  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

Ayes 6  Nays 0  Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Dated: November 29, 2016