The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2015, at 6:32 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 Paul Knieser, President, with a moment of silent prayer or personal reflection. Laurie Branch led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Paul Knieser, President (departed meeting at 7:00 p.m.)
         Michiko McElfresh, Vice President
         John Bartimole
         Laurie Branch
         Paul Hessney
         Ira Katzenstein
         James Padlo
         Frank Steffen, Jr.

ABSENT: Michael Martello (excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools
                 Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator
                 Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
                 Mia O’Brien, Director of Human Resources
                 Jen Kless, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction
                 Jeff Andreano, OHS Principal
                 Mike Martel, OHS Assistant Principal
                 Brian Crawford, EV Principal
                 Jerry Trietley, OIMS Principal (grades 6 & 7)
                 Linda Nottingham, WW Principal

OTHERS: Kelsey Boudin, OTH
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda.

Ayes 8  
Nays 0  
Motion Carried

Public Comment:
None

Communications, Commendations:

a. Congratulations to the following December Harold Dutton Students of the Month: Nolan Hoffman; Farooq Allam; Anthony Baldwin; Robert Frank; Christian Sabastro; Dominic Studley; Jeremiah Billingsley; Makensie Smith; Yve Tejara; Darius Williams; Meghan Blanchard; Merek Rivera; and Nicole Stadtler

b. Olean City School District students raised over $1700 by participating in the Special Olympics Polar Plunge

c. Thank you to Solepox for its assistance in offloading, sorting, and storing books

d. Congratulations to the winners of the Friends Poetry Contest: Joel Graves; Hannah Aiello; Makenzie Milligan; Natalie Sova; Jaelynn Friel; Brittany Wilmart; Darryn Capito; Yve Tejera; Tori Gulnac; Ty Johnson; and Natalie Young

Committee Reports:

a. CDEP Committee – November 18th – given by Colleen Taggerty
b. Building and Grounds Committee – November 19th and December 7th – given by Jim Padlo
c. Finance Committee – November 20th – given by Laurie Branch
d. Safety Committee – December 2nd – given by Jeff Andreano
e. Technology Committee – December 3rd – given by Colleen Taggerty

President Knieser departed the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Vice President McElfresh chaired the meeting in the absence of the President.

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items, with the recommended revisions to the November 17, 2015 meeting minutes:

a. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the previous minutes of the regular meeting held on November 17, 2015.

b. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Treasurer’s Report dated November 30, 2015 be accepted and placed on file.

c. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for November 2015 be accepted and placed on file.

d. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending November 30, 2015, be accepted and placed on file.

e. Upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, that the November 2015 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of $48,415.04 be accepted/approved and placed on file.

f. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following
g. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendations reviewed on December 15th be approved:

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h. Upon the Recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the attached list of Conditional and Non-Conditional Substitutes.

Ayes ___7___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the budget transfer(s) over $50,000.00.

Ayes ___7___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the amendment to the 2015-2016 school calendar.

Ayes ___7___ Nays ___0___ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following resolution to wit:

WHEREAS, the Olean City School District maintains a group health plan for its employees ("health plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Olean City School District is required to offer coverage under its health plan to eligible full-time employees pursuant to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("ACA") effective in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Olean City School District employs persons for variable hours whose full-time status must be determined pursuant to guidance issued under the ACA beginning on July 1, 2015,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Olean City School District hereby is, authorized and directed to establish and maintain procedures for the purpose of compliance with the ACA, including but not limited to the following:

1. For variable-hour employees, the Olean City School District shall establish a 12-month standard measurement period beginning May 1 and ending the following April 30;
2. The initial measurement period for new variable-hour employees shall be the 12-month period beginning on the date of hire and ending on the anniversary date thereof;
3. The administrative period following the standard measurement period is the period beginning May 1 and ending June 30;
4. The administrative period for new hires will begin at the end of the initial measurement period and end the first of the month following 30 days after the anniversary of hire, at which point the initial stability period shall begin;
5. The stability period, during which time a variable-hour employee's status as eligible or ineligible for health plan coverage is fixed, is the period beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Scott Rucinski, Cleaner, effective December 31, 2015.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the retirement resignation of Carolyn Samuelson, Science Teacher, with regret, effective June 30, 2016.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the retirement resignation of Carol Shannon, LOTE Teacher, with regret, effective June 30, 2016.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Bartimole, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the retirement resignation of Carolyn Shields, Science Teacher, with regret, effective June 30, 2016.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Pamela Mellon, Food Service Helper, with regret, effective immediately.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Matt Perry, Modified Baseball Coach, for the 2015-2016 school year.

Ayes 7 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Resignation of Scott Rucinski Accepted
Retirement of Carolyn Samuelson Accepted With Regret
Retirement of Carol Shannon Accepted With Regret
Resignation of Carolyn Shields Accepted With Regret
Resignation of Pamela Mellon Accepted With Regret
Resignation of Matt Perry, Modified Baseball Coach, Accepted
Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Scott Rucinski as a provisional Records, Receiving, & Inventory Clerk, non-conditional, full-time, 12-month, 8 hours per day, step 1, hourly rate of $15.27, effective January 1, 2016.

Ayes _____ Nays ____ Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools, to appoint Patricia Strobele-Goehrig as a part-time non-conditional probationary Teacher Aide, 4 hours per day, retroactive to December 8, 2015, at an hourly rate of $10.47.

Ayes _____ Nays ____ Motion Carried

Informational Items:

a. BOCES Budget Adjustments
b. Technology Committee – Thursday, January 7, 2016 at 3:45 pm
c. Finance and Audit Committee – Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at noon
d. Board Building Tour – Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:00 pm – OHS
e. Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm
f. Buildings and Grounds Committee – Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 5:15 pm
g. CDEP Committee – Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 3:45 pm
h. School Health Team Meeting – Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 3:45 pm

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein, to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Ayes _____ Nays ____ Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

Dated: December 16, 2015
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