

OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
410 West Sullivan Street
Olean, NY 14760

Regular Meeting
March 20, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 7:32 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 President Hamed with a moment of silent prayer. Mike Martello led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Steven H. Hamed, President
Michael Martello, Vice-President
John Bartimole
Laurie A. Branch
Gordon E. Cross (arrived at 7:35)
Ira Katzenstein
Michael Martello
James Padlo
George Pancio

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Ward, Superintendent
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing
Lynn Corder, Reading First Coordinator
Jerry Trietley, OMS Principal
Cheryl Vecchio, WW Principal
Cso Woodworth, Director of Technology
Tammy Martin, Teacher
Cari Matejka, Teacher
Suzie Broadbent, Guidance Secretary

OTHERS: Dan LeBlanc, Olean Times Herald
Richard Frost
Daryl Klute, Enrichment Student Parent
Elaine Snyder, Enrichment Student Parent
Jeffrey Broadbent, Enrichment Student

Public Comments:

No public comments

Public
Comments

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

Agenda
Additions and
Changes

1. Addition to Agenda Item 15. Executive Session – delete a. Litigation Update and b. Contractual Issue, add Personnel Issue Regarding Performance.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Communications, Commendations

- a. Steven Hamed, President, thanked everyone for their boy's basketball banner donation
- b. Mark noted the boy's basketball team made it to the Final 4
- c. Mark reported \$16,000 in state aid will be received (96-97 and 97-98 school years)

Communication and Commendation

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

Superintendent Report

- 1. Mark attended a Superintendent's Retreat – topics presented included special education and autism.

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent Agenda

- a. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the following CPSE recommendations reviewed on March 13, 2007 be approved:

CPSE Recommendations

APPROVED	APPROVED
000000720	000000721
000000661	000000733
000000681	000000667
000000736	000000601

- b. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, the following CSE recommendations reviewed on March 13, 2007 be approved:

CSE Recommendations

APPROVED	APPROVED
900111402	900323932
900280947	900204030
900415693	900026778
900105077	900105077
900202204	900375914
900117698	900371094
900142054	900427164
900434096	900393590
900122772	900232383
900441340	900199024
900337421	900218052
900326147	900198992
900425881	900377251
900194729	900218046
900325180	900237894

900372568	900376821
900231205	900401976
900027211	900347035
900344168	900376760
900218046	900231205
900315603	900200471
900135089	900243148
900363894	900192466

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 Pre-Referendum Services Agreement between the Olean City School District and Hunt Architects in the amount of \$27,500.

Hunt Architect
Pre-Referendum
Services
Agreement

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 approve the proposed basis for service charges of the Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES for the 2007-2008 fiscal year.

BOCES
Proposed Basis
for Service
Charges for
2007-2008
Fiscal year

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by I. Katzenstein to table the Olean General Hospital Contract for physical therapy treatment and related services for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008..

Olean General
Hospital
Contract Tabled

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 authorize that a Special Meeting be held on April 24, 2007 at 12:00 noon to review and vote on the 2007-2008 Cattaraugus-Allegany-Erie-Wyoming BOCES Administrative budget.

April 24, 2007
Special Meeting

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. M. Martello, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Michelle Cortez be granted a conditional three year probationary appointment in the Elementary Education tenure area effective March 21, 2007. 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 and the conditional status shall be removed; in that event, the probationary

Michelle Cortez
Appointed
Elementary
Education
Teacher

service shall end on March 21, 2010. The appointee is certified in Elementary Education certification area and has submitted a signed statement for conditional appointment as provided in Section 2503(18)(b).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Michelle Cortez, during the first year of this appointment, be paid at the annual salary as outlined in the Agreement between the Olean Teacher's Association and the Board of Education for a teacher on Step 1 with a Bachelor's Degree or as outlined in any modified, amended or successor agreement (\$36,600)

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

The Board of Education discussed the following discussion items:

1. Enrichment Class Presentation by Cari Matejka

Discussion
Items

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. Ira Katzenstein presented the Outreach Committee Report

Committee
Reports

The Board of Education discussed the following informational items:

2. Conference call with NYSED regarding 40 day substitute teacher letter

Informational
Items

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by J. Bartimole, to adjourn from Regular Session and convene in Executive Session to discuss personnel issue regarding performance at 8:35 p.m.

Regular
Session

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in Regular Session at 8:50 p.m.

Executive
Session

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by G. Cross, to adjourn from the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Adjournment
of Meeting

Ayes 9 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk