Olean City School District
Operations Committee Meeting
410 West Sullivan Street
Tuesday, March 3, 2015
12:00 pm

Present: Ira Katzenstein Colleen Taggerty
Paul Hessney Kathy Elser
Mia O’Brien Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry
Jen Mahar (arrived at 12:30)

Goals

- Review policies
  - Policy #3420 – Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment in School District – reviewed by the committee; recommended revisions will be reviewed at the April meeting
  - Policy #6120 – Equal Employment Opportunity – reviewed by the committee; recommended revisions will be reviewed at the April meeting
  - Policy #6121 – Sexual Harassment of District Personnel – reviewed by the committee; recommended revisions will be reviewed at the April meeting
  - Policy #6122 – Employee Grievances – reviewed by the committee; recommended revisions will be reviewed at the April meeting
  - Policy #7551 – Sexual Harassment of Students – was not reviewed
  - Policy #8130 – Equal Educational Opportunities – was not reviewed
- 7th grade reconfiguration – transportation and classroom needs
  - Due to the closing of BV & IJN schools and restructuring of grade 7 to the HS and grades 4 & 5 to the middle school two years ago, it was recommended that the District not rush into moving 7th grade to the HS - - staff, students, and parents are just settling in after such changes
- Blended learning/technology
  - The District is looking into purchasing computer bags for the additional 1:1 devices; the Code of Conduct Committee will begin discussions regarding clear computer bags
  - The District will continue to explore MCL (15 period day—staggered start times) for the 16-17 school year; will need to determine contractual issues; have staff embrace concet.
- Delay of start time analysis
  - Recommended start time:
    - Elementary schools – 8:05 am
    - OIMS & HS schools – 8:15 am
  - Recommended dismissal time:
    - Elementary schools – 3:10 am
    - OIMS & HS schools – 3:00 am
*** Kathy asked whether or not BOE and/or voter approval is needed to change start times
*** The District will determine how the changes in start/dismissal times affects OTA and OESPA contracts and will discuss at the March meeting
  - Transportation needs as it pertains to start time
    - K-12 students would ride the various bus together (only have a few 8-12 grade students that ride buses)
    - This would require fewer routes, however would require more buses, therefore, would be an additional cost of approximately $150,000
    - Would provide an additional 700 more hours of instructional time for elementary students

Other

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm

Next meeting: April 7, 2015