

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

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, at 6:31 p.m. in the Olean High School, Board Room, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean in-person and via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Mary Hirsch-Schena, President, with a moment of personal reflection or a silent prayer. Janine Fodor led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with Executive Order 202.1, members of the public were not permitted to attend the board meeting in person. The meeting was recorded and transcribed, per Executive Order 202.1.

PRESENT: Mary Hirsch-Schena, President
Andrew Caya, Vice President
Janine Fodor
Paul Hessney
Ira Katzenstein – via Zoom
Kelly Keller – via Zoom
James Padlo – via Zoom
Frank Steffen, Jr. – via Zoom

Excused: John Bartimole – excused

STAFF PRESENT: Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools
Jenny Bilotta, Business Administrator
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk – via Zoom
Aaron Wolfe, Director of Human Resources
Jen Mahar, Coordinator of State and Federal Aid Programs – via Zoom
Jen Kless, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction – via Zoom
Lauren Stuff, WW Principal – via Zoom
Brian Crawford, EV Principal – via Zoom
Mike Martel, Director of Technology – via Zoom
Rachael, Schreiber, Teacher – via Zoom
Ryan Nawrot, Teacher – via Zoom
Nick Patrone, Community Schools

OTHERS: Kate Sager, OTH
Luke Malecki – Drescher & Malecki – via Zoom
Erica Handley – Drescher & Malecki – via Zoom
Victoria Swier – Olean Alumni
Trisha Moran – Olean Alumni
Mike Stebick – Olean Alumni

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Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to approve the agenda.

Agenda Approved

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items:

Public Comments

Victoria Swier and Mike Stebick – spoke to the board regarding the Olean Alumni Association's interest in hold the 2021 reunion at the Olean High School. It is getting harder to find a venue large enough to accommodate a large crowd of attendees. The Alumni would like to use the high school's gym, auxiliary gym and parking lot. The Association was informed that serving/consuming alcohol on school grounds is against school policy and the law. The Alumni Association is asking for an exclusive waiver which would allow alcohol to be served/consumed on school grounds.

Discussion Items:

Discussion Items

- a. 2019-2020 Audit – presented by Luke Malecki and Erica Handley

Communications/Commendations:

Communications/
Commendations

- a. Congratulations to the following students selected to participate in the 2020 NYSSMA All-State Performing Ensemble(s): Mark Brown, Nathan-Michael Gabler and Yuki Wada
b. School Board Recognition Week - October 19-23

Committee Reports:

Committee Reports

None

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent's
Report

- a. Board Retreat – November 17th or December 1st – NYSSBA trainer; professional development and long-term goals
b. Thank you for support during these difficult times

Consent Agenda:

Consent Agenda

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

That the OIMS and HS Quarterly Student Activity Treasurer's Reports January 1, 2020, through March 30, 2020, and April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 be accepted.

That the CSE recommendations reviewed on October 6th be approved.

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That the CPSE recommendations reviewed on October 6th be approved.

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That the attached list of Conditional and Non-Conditional Substitutes be appointed.

That the following sub list be approved.

Ayes 8 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, and the Audit and Finance Sub Committee, to accept and place on file the Olean City School District's Audit Report for the 2019-2020 school year as prepared by Drescher & Malecki, Certified Public Accountants.

2019-2020 Audit
Accepted

Thank you to the Business Office staff.

Ayes 8

Nays _____

Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by A. Caya, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract with the Olean General Hospital for the period of July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for CSE Referred Professional Services.

Olean General
Hospital CSE
Referred
Professional
Services Contract
Tabled

2020-2021 Rate

\$71.15 per hour for PT

\$118.60 per PT evaluation

\$548.47 per year for supplies

\$53.37 per hour for OT

\$177.90 per OT evaluation

\$1,645.45 per year for supplies

Janine discussed numerous issues regarding language in the contract. Issues that she has brought up for three years and stressed the importance of having service provider contracts reviewed by an attorney.

Ira noted the Olean General Hospital is a great partner and the district is in need of the services it provides.

Moved by P. Hessney, seconded by J. Fodor, to table the motion.

Roll Call:

Mary Hirsch-Schena – Yes

Andrew Caya – Yes

Janine Fodor – Yes

Paul Hessney – Yes

Ira Katzenstein – No

Kelly Keller – Yes

James Padlo - No

Frank Steffen, Jr. – No

Ayes 5

Nays 3

Motion Carried

Moved by J. Padlo, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the contract with the Olean General Hospital

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for the period of July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, for CPSE Referred Professional Services.

2020-2021 Rate

\$71.15 per hour for PT
\$161.35 per PT evaluation
\$53.37 per hour for OT
\$177.90 per OT evaluation

Janine – same issues as stated for the previous contract.

Moved by A. Caya, seconded by I. Katzenstein, to table the motion.

Roll Call:

Mary Hirsch-Schena – Yes
Andrew Caya – Yes
Janine Fodor – Yes
Paul Hessney – Yes
Ira Katzenstein – Yes
Kelly Keller – Yes
James Padlo - No
Frank Steffen, Jr. – No

Ayes 6

Nays 2

Motion Carried

Moved by A. Caya, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the following musical instruments donated by Annmarie Zimmermann:

Klaus Mueller Prelude 1/4 size Violin \$150 (estimate)
Klaus Mueller 1/2 size Violin \$200 (estimate)
Hans Kroger 3/4 size Violin \$300 (estimate)

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Olean City School District and the Olean Educational Support Personnel Association as presented to the board which provides for flex hour for volunteer Association members who hold the title of Information Technology Specialist.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by A. Caya, seconded by P. Hessney, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the resignation of Collin Charles, Modified Boys' Soccer Coach, for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by A. Caya, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the retirement resignation, with deep regret, of Patricia Howden, Reading Teacher and Instructional Coach, effective October 16, 2020.

Olean General
Hospital CPSE
Referred
Professional
Services Contract
Tabled

Donation of Musical
Instruments
Accepted

OESPA MOA
Approved

Collin Charles,
Soccer Coach,
Resignation
Accepted

Retirement
Resignation of
Patricia Howden
Accepted With
Deep Regret

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Frank noted that he has known Mrs. Howden for 30+ years; she taught his sons when they attended elementary school. While he hates to see her go, he is happy for her and wishes her the best.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following 2020-2021 Coach appointment:

Coach Appointment
Approved

Cassandra Bold, Modified Boys' Soccer Coach, index .060, \$2.393 annual stipend

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by J. Padlo, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve Jake Carpenter and Susan Grosso as school volunteers for the 2020-2021 school year.

School Volunteers
Approved

Ira noted that he is not in favor of approving volunteers during the COVID pandemic.

Ayes 7

Nays 1
I Katzenstein

Motion Carried

Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by A. Caya, upon the recommendation of Rick Moore, Superintendent of Schools, to approve an unpaid leave of absence for Ashley Tilly, Teacher Aide, retroactive to October 2, 2020, through May 3, 2021.

Ashley Tilly Granted
Unpaid Leave of
Absence

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Informational Items:

Informational Items

- a. Operations Committee – Monday, November 2nd at 4:30 pm
- b. Buildings and Grounds Committee - Tuesday, November 10th at 4:30 pm
- c. Technology Committee – Thursday, November 15th at 3:30 pm
- d. Audit and Finance Sub Committee – Thursday, November 19th at noon
- e. School Health Team - Thursday, November 19th at 3:30 pm
- f. Board Building Tour – Tuesday, November 10th at 6:00 pm at Olean Intermediate Middle School
- g. Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 10th at 6:30 pm at Olean Intermediate Middle School

Moved by J. Fodor, seconded by F. Steffen, Jr., to adjourn from the Regular Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 7:37 pm for the purpose of discussing: Contract negotiations, Grievance and real property license. Aaron Wolfe, Jenny Bilotta and school attorney Charles Roberts (via phone conference) were invited to attend.

Executive Session

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry

District Clerk
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Moved by F. Steffen, Jr., seconded by A. Caya, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Regular Meeting at 8:37 pm.

Reconvene to
Regular Meeting

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by J. Fodor, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 pm.

Adjournment

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Rick Moore

Pro-Tem District Clerk
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Sub List:

POSITION DESCRIPTION	EMPLOYEE NAME	CERTIFICATION	FINGERPRINT
NON-CERTIFIED			
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER			
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER	ARGOT, JAMES	BACHELORS	YES
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER	PORTLOW, DESTINEY	ASSOCIATES	YES
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDES			
SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AIDE	ARGOT, JAMES	N/A	YES

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