

Olean City School District
Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting
410 West Sullivan Street
Tuesday, December 18, 2012
12:00 p.m.

Present:	Paul Knieser Jim Padlo (via phone) Kathy Elser Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry	Dan Harris Colleen Taggerty Dave Fidurko Gordon Cross
Guest:	John White Ledgie and Dan DeRose	Mary George Mrs. Smith

The Committee began at noon.

Opened with a presentation by Mr. White about the East View Elementary building project which resulted from the award received from the Buffalo Bills NFL Football Team Wellness Project contest last year. The project being suggested is a Magna Climbing Wall which will run 40 feet and be constructed on a gym wall. It will come with a mat that will double as a protective foot area as well as a security cover when the wall is not in use. The cost should be approximately \$11,000, the full amount of the award. The East View PTO has offered to cover any additional funds which might result from installation or construction cost overrun. Mr. White was given the go ahead to proceed with putting together a final package from the company which will then be submitted to the full board for approval. After his presentation Mr. White left.

Two representatives from Mazza Sheet Metal gave a presentation citing their wishes to reach an agreement with the School District which would allow them to continue with their business growth. They would like to explore the possibilities of a land purchase or lease arrangement. The committee agreed that they should follow up with a meeting with the Superintendent to see what might be of benefit to their company and the school district. After giving their information both representatives left.

Hunt was supposed to give the committee an update on the district's Capital Outlay Projects. Unfortunately they found it necessary to cancel due to an emergency. The committee will receive the update in the near future.

Mrs. Smith of Olean addressed the Board requesting an update on the parking and traffic situation at Washington West Elementary School. The Superintendent went into detail on all the of actions that have been taken to date including some which went into effect today. Parking arrangements, bus traffic patterns, student drop off changes and new signage were all mentioned. Possible future developments may involve a new parking lot in the back of the school, leasing parking from Nat Smith who owns property across the street from the school, changing student bussing all of which may contribute to a final solution. It was stressed that this is a situation in flux with the situation being constantly monitored and with new solutions introduced and evaluated as needed. Following the discussion Mrs. Smith left.

The District Business Officer gave an update on the Energy Performance contracts. There was reference to Alfred University providing the Belfast School District with a solar panel project which did not cost the school district. She will follow up on the details to see if this might be a type of program that Olean could take advantage of. Also, it was reported that the solar project proposed by Arion Energy for the Olean Schools has not seen any follow up from the company. The Superintendent will contact them once again for their comment.

Board member Gordon Cross introduced a comment about the high quality of the Olean Middle School pool. He cited how it was seen as a great attribute of our district.

Following up on a request from family members of Mr. Jon Baker to have the district allow them to take possession of a sign from the old IJN playground area, it was decided to present the issue to the full board for a decision.

Finally, the Committee went in to executive session to hear information from Mary George of the Olean Community Development Committee. Since the district is in the process of selling unused school buildings, the information she provided dealt with real estate transaction processes.

The Committee adjourned at 12:55.

Submitted by,

Paul Knieser
Chairman
Building & Grounds Committee