

Olean City School District
Operations Committee Meeting
410 West Sullivan Street
Tuesday, November 7, 2017
4:30 pm

Present:	Frank Steffen, Jr. Mary Hirsh-Schena Rick Moore Jen Mahar Aaron Wolfe	Paul Hessney John Bartimole Kathy Elser Jen Kless Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry
Observer:	Ira Katzenstein	
Guest:	Marci Richmond Mike Howard	Joel Whitcher Jeff Andreano

Scholarships – Mike Howard and Jeff Andreano

Previously Paul Hessney asked for scholarship information

- Mike Howard distributed a print out of all the scholarships that are available to Olean High School students; eligibility criteria for certain scholarships; some scholarships are annual awards and some are one time awards
- Applications are available in the Guidance office
- Applications submitted for scholarships are copied and sent to various committees for review
- Scholarship information is available on the Cattaraugus Region Community Foundation website as well
- Scholarship information is disseminated via flyers at Open House, newsletter articles, classroom announcements, PA system announcements, link to foundation website, letters are sent home to parent/guardian, and individual meetings with students
- Mr. Ventura also assists seniors with college admittance exams and applications
- Mr. Moore discussed the Leadership Academy that could assist students with college applications; noted the Guidance Dept. could use more assistance in this area
- Ideas to expand scholarship program as well as updates to application and scholarship information on the district's website

15:1 Spec Ed Classroom – Marcie Richmond and Joel Whitcher

- Joel and Marcie discussed the need for a 15:1 classroom at the intermediate middle school; the recommendation is for 13 students receiving ICT support (IEPs in place) be removed from a gen ed class to a 15:1 class
- Students would receive an alternate math and reading core
- Kathy will review the budget; will be referred to the Audit and Finance Sub Committee

Other

- Paul would like to do a follow-up meeting to discuss NYSSBA convention and the ideas presented

Moved by M. Hirsch-Schena, seconded by P. Hessney, to adjourn from the Operations Committee Meeting and go in to Executive Session at 5:50 p.m. for the purpose of discussing: contract negotiations. Vicki Zaleski-Irizarry, Kathy Elser, Aaron Wolfe and Board Committee members invited to attend executive session.

Moved by J. Bartimole, seconded by M. Hirsch-Schena, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene to the Operations Committee Meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Next meeting: December 5, 2017 at 4:30 pm.

2017-2018 Committee Goals

- Cycle to review textbooks and curriculum maps
- Review policies
- Data analysis (add SWD to the list) – where we are; we do we want to be
- Parent involvement/family engagement – be pro-active
- Differentiated learning – collect data for one year to determine what is currently being done; financial impact of incorporating in the 18-19 budget (ie, STEM, STEAM, Susan Hentz)
- ESSA implementation – training/impact on schools)