ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES 6:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017
MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call to Order 6:00 pm
1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement
1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
1.04 Roll Call:
Present: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison
Not Present: Trustee Salem, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Osmond

2. Executive Session

2.01 Enter executive session (proposed 6:00 duration 45 min)
Recommended Action: Motion to enter into executive session to discuss the sale of real property
Motioned: Trustee Shands
Seconded: Trustee Storey
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison
Not Present: Trustee Salem, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Osmond

Now Present:
Trustee Osmond arrived at 6:02
Trustee Salem arrived at 6:05

2.02 Exit Executive Session and Return to Public Session (proposed 6:45 pm)
Recommended Action: Motion to exit executive session and return to public session
Motioned: Trustee Shands
Seconded: Trustee Allison
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

3. Acceptance of Minutes

3.01 Acceptance of Minutes
Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of the 12/20/16 BOE Meeting
Motioned: Trustee Salem
Seconded: Trustee Storey
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

Moment of Silence for Woodstock Town Supervisor Jeremy Wilbur

4. Welcome

4.01 High School Principal, Lance Edelman will welcome the Board (proposed 6:50 duration 10 min)

6:50

Assemblies & Presentations

- Earlier in the year Substance Abuse Awareness/Prevention "There and Back"
- Last Week – Dr. Mykee Fowlin – "I am not the enemy."
  - Well received – asked for more next year
  - Community presentation in the evening
- February – Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month
  - 2/28/17 – working with Ulster County Family & Advocacy Center to present age appropriate grade level assemblies called "Dating 101 – Let's Have the Talk"
    - Understanding the partner violence continuum; Decision-making; Options, Resources, & Support
  - 3/1/17 Parent Presentation
- 4/20/17 partnered with Ulster County Community College for Driver Safety Awareness Program – speaker on Safe Driving

Events & Good News

- Hosted a county-wide vocal jazz workshop sponsored by the Ulster County Music Educators Association
  - 28 high school students from across Ulster County participated
    - Onteora representatives included seniors, Megan Haaland, Will Davis, Kalena Kwiesinski and Spencer Estes
  - At the evening performance, Onteora's Sounds of Jazz and Rondout's Vocal Jazz Ensemble performed, along with the county ensemble
- Onteora High School DECA – Regional Competition 1/10/16
  - Adam Savage placed 5th in Quick Serve Restaurant Management; Sara Chazik placed 5th in Marketing Management; The team of Anya Vereshchagina and Autumn Ward placed 4th in Marketing Communications; The team of Jake Castellano and Alex Meci placed 3rd in Hospitality; The team of Justin Lane and Michael Havens placed 3rd in Sports & Entertainment Marketing; Cecilia Maillet placed 3rd in Human Resources Management; The team of Maia Amellio and Matt Powers placed 2nd in Buying & Merchandising; Emily Downs placed 2nd in job interview
  - DECA will now move on to the state career competition in Rochester
- Science Olympiad invited to Invitational Competition 1/7/17 in East Greenbush, NY
  - Team took home 12 awards, as we came in 10th out of 33 teams. Individual awards were as follows:
    - Mia Amellio and Jackie Katz placed 5th in Chemistry Lab; Lindsy Voelker placed 4th in Herpatology; Grace Hallinan and Yazmin Chefridi placed 3rd in Helicopters; Spencer Cornelis and Jake Castellano placed 2nd in Write It Do It; Mai Amellio and Spencer Cornelis placed 2 in Robot Arm; and Allison Ryan and Jackie Katz placed 1st in Helicopters

- Regional Tournament is February 4th at SUNY Ulster

- The Onteora Central School District was notified by the College Board that Onteora High School is one of 433 school districts in the U.S. and Canada being honored by the College Board with placement on the 7th Annual AP® District Honor Roll
  - To be included on the 7th Annual Honor Roll, Onteora High School had to, since 2014, increase the number of students participating in AP while also increasing or maintaining the percentage of students earning AP Exam scores of 3 or higher

5. Board District News

5.01 The Board will announce District news (proposed 6:55)

6:55

Trustee Shands went to presentation by Mykee Fowlin with Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Storey, Trustee Osmond

- Separate presentation in HS so was able to have a great conversation with child

Trustee Osmond reported Jeremy Wilbur's memorial – learned a lot about history of area; 500 people there

Trustee Allison reported:

- Attended Modified and JV girls sports – all were exciting games
- Volunteering to help out all sports, each season with apparel orders, concessions, etc.

6. Superintendent District News

6.01 The Superintendent announce District news (proposed 7:05)

7:00

Congratulations to HS administration, staff and students for their accomplishments

Phoenicia:

- There will be a Teachers College Afterschool Study Group to learn and share teaching strategies to support our balanced literacy program
- The Shared Decision Making Team is meeting to discuss finalizing the Phoenicia Mission and Vision Statement and reviewing other practices and procedures to enrich and support our literacy goals
- The window for the winter MAP Assessments opens on1/23/17
  - Data collected from this assessment are used to inform teachers' instruction
  - Both strengths and challenges are identified in Math and ELA
- On 2/3/17 Mike Speirs will present a bully prevention program entitled "Be an Upstander, Not a Bystander" which is an interactive whole school assembly will teach, through demonstration bully prevention strategies for students in grades K-3
  - This is a shared assembly with Woodstock Elementary.

Woodstock:

- 3rd grade students will be visiting Howe Caverns

- 3rd grade peer mediators have completed their training and have been visiting classrooms to share how they can help students solve problems
    - The group is led by our Reading teacher Nicole Polacco.
- Reading buddy event - older students were partnered up with younger students and shared their favorite stories
    - The event was very successful
- Teachers have started administering their second round of the Fountas and Pinnell Reading Benchmark Assessment
    - The students are making nice progress and are adapting to the comprehension questions

Bennett:

- Pink Shirt Day, which is held in support of the anti-bullying movement in schools across the country is to be held on 2/22/17
    - Programs support children's healthy self- esteem and teach empathy, compassion and kindness towards others
    - Last year the majority of Bennett students and staff wore their pink shirts in support of the cause
    - The Bennett Student Council is selling pink "Make Nice" t-shirt as a fundraiser this year

- Regents have adopted new P-12 Learning Standards
    - Looking at a number of activities 4th grade – laid out schedule to work with teachers
    - Focused on inquiry in science
    - Also will look at K-3 science program- Mr. Richards taking lead
- NYSED briefed regents on progress of transition of going to computer based testing
    - Last year was test – concerned on privacy
    - Districts were asked to volunteer this year

7. Student Representative Report

7.01 Student Representative, Gabrielle Raphael will report to the Board (proposed 7:10)
7:10

- Student Government putting up kindness/love wall tomorrow
    - Start with post its with kind words and good quotes
    - Students can take one but must replace it
- Would like to move forward with printing t-shirts with eagle logo ASAP

8. Acknowledge Public Be Heard

8.01 The Board will acknowledge the public be heard comments from the last meeting
Corey Cavallaro

9. Public/Student Comment

9.01 The public and students may comment on any agenda or non agenda item. Please limit comments to 3 minutes (proposed 7:15 duration 10 min or more)

Doug Eighmey – Vote student body took in regards to eagle mascot is not valid. 650 students in MS & HS - only 115 voted. There was no place on ballot for students to enter opinion about anything- always have a place to write in. Should not move forward with anything.

10. Discussion and Possible Action

10.01 Second Reading and Adoption of Policy 7132 Education of Homeless Children and Youth (proposed 7:25)

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby adopts Policy 7132 as written
Motioned: Trustee Osmond
Seconded: Trustee Storey
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

2016 7132 Students **SUBJECT: EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to identify homeless children within the district, encourage their enrollment and eliminate existing barriers to their education which may exist in district practices. The Board will provide homeless children attending the district's schools with access to the same free and appropriate public education and other school programs and activities, including preschool education, as other children.

A homeless child is a child who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence or who has a primary nighttime location in a public or private shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations, or a place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings. This definition also includes a child who shares the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason; lives in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; lives in a car, park, public space or abandoned building, substandard housing, bus or train station or similar setting; has been abandoned in a hospital or is awaiting foster care placement; or is a migratory child who qualifies as homeless. An unaccompanied youth is a homeless child for whom no parent or person in parental relation is available.

A homeless child has the right to attend school in either the school of origin (i.e., where he/she resided before becoming homeless, or the school he/she was last enrolled), the school in the district of current location (i.e., where he/she currently resides as a result of his/her homelessness) that he/she is entitled to attend based on attendance zone or general eligibility, or a school in a district participating in a regional placement plan. Such schools include preschools. The homeless child is entitled to attend the designated school on a tuition-free basis for the duration of his or her homelessness. If the child becomes permanently housed, the child is entitled to continue to attendance in the same school building until the end of the school year and for one additional year if that year constitutes the child's terminal year in such building. If a homeless child completes the final grade level in his/her school of origin, the child may also attend the designated receiving school at the next grade level.

The Superintendent of Schools shall develop procedures necessary to expedite the homeless child's access to the designated school. Such procedures shall include:

1. Admission: Upon designation, the district shall immediately admit the homeless child to school, even if the child is unable to produce records normally required for enrollment, such as previous academic records, medical or immunization records, proof of age or residency or other documentation and even if there is a dispute with the child's parents regarding school selection or enrollment. During a dispute, the student may continue attending the school until final resolution of the dispute, including all available appeals. Homeless children will have the same opportunity as other children to enroll in and succeed in the district's schools. They will not be placed in separate schools or programs based on their status as homeless. The district shall eliminate barriers to identification, enrollment and retention of homeless children, including barriers to enrollment and retention due to outstanding fees, fines or absences.
2. Transportation: The district shall provide transportation for homeless students currently residing within the district as required by applicable law, as described in the accompanying regulation.
3. School Records: For homeless students attending school out of the district, the district shall, within five days of receipt of a request for records, forward a complete copy of the homeless child's records including proof of age, academic records, evaluation, immunization records and guardianship paper, if applicable. For homeless students attending school in the district, the district shall request the student's records (academic, medical, etc.) from the school the student last attended.
4. Coordination: The district shall coordinate with local social services agencies and other entities providing services to homeless children and their families for the provision of services to homeless children, and shall coordinate with other school districts on issues of prompt identification, transportation, transfer of records, and other inter-district activities. This shall include ensuring the provision of appropriate services to homeless students with disabilities who are eligible for services under either Section 504 or IDEA.

Information about a homeless child's living situation shall be treated as a student education record, and shall not be deemed to be directory information under FERPA (see policy 7240).

The Superintendent shall also designate a liaison for homeless children and ensure that this person is aware of his or her responsibilities under the law. The Superintendent shall ensure that the liaison receives appropriate professional development on identifying and meeting the needs of homeless students, including the definitions of terms related to homelessness. The liaison's responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, ensuring that:

1. parents or guardians of homeless children are informed of the educational and related opportunities available to their children, and are provided with meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children;
2. parents and guardians and unaccompanied youth are fully informed of all transportation services available to them, and are assisted in accessing them;
3. enrollment disputes involving homeless children are promptly mediated and resolved;
4. school personnel, through outreach and in coordination with shelters and social service agencies and other appropriate entities, identify homeless children, including homeless preschoolers;
5. homeless children receive educational services, including Head Start and preschool services to which they are eligible, as well as referrals to health care and other appropriate services for homeless children and their families;
6. public notice of the educational rights of homeless children is disseminated in locations frequented by homeless unaccompanied youth and parents/guardians of homeless children, in a manner and form understandable to them;
7. staff who provide services to homeless students receive required professional development and support on identifying and meeting the needs of homeless students;

8. homeless unaccompanied youth are informed of their rights, are enrolled in school, and have opportunities to meet the same state standards set for all students, including receiving credit for full or partial coursework earned in a prior school pursuant to Commissioner's regulations.

In accordance with law and regulation, the district will offer a prompt dispute resolution process (described in more detail in the accompanying administrative regulation).

In accordance with Commissioner's regulations, the district shall collect and transmit to the Commissioner information necessary to assess the educational needs of homeless children within the State.

Ref: 42 USC §§11431 et seq.; School Enrollment Guidelines on the McKinney-Vento Act, 67 Fed. Reg. 10,697-10,701 (March 8, 2002); Education Law §§207; 305; 3202; 3205; 3209; Executive Law §§532-b; 532-e; Social Services Law §§17; 62; 397;8 NYCRR §§100.2(x); 175.6

10.02 Memorandum of Agreement between OTA and OCSD for Girls' Golf Coach

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves MOA #1102017
Motioned: Trustee Salem
Seconded: Trustee Allison
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

11. Consent Agenda

11.01 Approve Consent Agenda (proposed 7:30)

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves consent agenda item numbers 11.02-11.06
Motioned: Trustee Shands
Seconded: Trustee Salem
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

11.02 Personnel Agenda

RESIGNATIONS: INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Mayfield, Kathleen	Teaching Assistant / WD	1/19/17	Personal

LEAVE OF ABSENCES: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM - TO	REASON
2612	9/6/16 – 1/25/17	Medical – Unpaid (Extension)
2615	12/08/16 – 12/23/16	Medical – Paid
1988	12/12/16 – 12/23/16	Medical – Paid
3677	12/9/16 (1/2 day) – 1/19/17	Administrative – Paid

SUBSTITUTE

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Kiernan, Katie	Certified Teacher	$110.00/day

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Apolito, Craig	Track-Modified-Assistant Coach	$1,485.00
Burkhardt, Patrick	Track-Spring-Head Coach (Girls) + 1st & 2nd Long	$4,934.00
Christofora, Kevin	Baseball-Modified-Head Coach	$1,235.00
Gale, Trevor	Track-Modified-Head Coach	$2,379.00
Groeters, Michael	Track-Modified-Head Coach (Boys)	$2,379.00
Harder, William	Baseball-Varsity-Head Coach	$4,063.00
Katz, Emily	Track-Spring-Assistant Coach	$3,339.00

Occhi, Andrew	Girls Golf-Varsity-Head Coach MOA #1102017	$3,049.00
Pezzelo, Eric	Track-Spring-Assistant Coach	$3,339.00
Rushford, Michael	Track-Spring-Head Coach (Boys)	$4,934.00

APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY STEP	REMARKS
D'Addario, Jarrett	Auto Mechanics Helper	1/13/17-7/12/17	Step 8	New Position

SUBSTITUTE

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Bernius, Carolann	Clerical	$11.00/hour
McKinley, Morgan	Uncertified Teaching Assistant	$10.00/hour

11.03 Approve Schedule U - The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

Recommended Action: The Board hereby approves the Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #1/17, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Storey

11.04 Donations

Recommended Action: The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling $133.86 CASH, from ThredUP to support the Onteora High School PBIS Program.
The Superintendent recommends approval to increase the 2016-2017 Budget per the following donations:
ThredUP A2110.431.01 Supplemental $133.86

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling $500.00 CASH, from The Greenway Heritage Conservancy HRV, Inc National Parks Service Bus on Us Award to be used for TUFS-Teaming Up For Success Program. This program is a teacher to student mentor program providing academic and personal support to students from 9th-12th grade.
The Superintendent recommends approval to increase the 2016-2017 Budget per the following donations:
Greenway Heritage Conservancy HRV, Inc. A2110.431.01 Supplemental $500.00

11.05 Financial Report

Recommended Action: The Board of Education has reviewed and hereby accepts the Financial Report for October 2016

11.06 Warrants

Recommended Action: The Board has reviewed and hereby accepts Warrant Schedule 5

12. Committee Reports - no Committees have met

13. Old Business

13.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 7:35)

7:15

Superintendent Watson clarified the procedure with policies:

- Policies will go to administration first then will go to Policy Committee

Move forward with mascot - basketball players are anxious to move forward

The 100 Club scroll on the HS gym wall is missing names, will be replaced

- Joe Friedel Memorial Wrestling Tournament is 1/28/17- would be great to have up by then

Superintendent Watson reported:

- On marque sign – says Home of the Eagles
  - Will have banner in the gym as well
- Gave layouts of students' submitted logo to graphic designers to refine so it can be any size you want and not lose detail - then get a design that looks acceptable
  - Also asking to make the eagle wings a little more prominent and reduce talons to not overtake picture
  - Make more attractive and look more like an eagle
- Then will be final recommendation, then starting to duplicate
- HS Art Dept is creating painting on Masonite that will be framed and displayed in gym – will conduct parent meetings for feedback
- Keeping students that created the art in the loop – show what is happening
- Not a lot of money being spent right now, will spend money when orders go in
  - Have money in budget to pay for it
  - Have spent money on uniforms and wrestling mat
- Eagle logo should be painted on a wall

14. New Business

14.01 The Board will discuss New Business (proposed 7:40)

7;35

Opportunity for 7-9 grade students to work with SUNY New Paltz to monitor the Glass Eel population- information passed onto information

HS Clubs should come to Board meeting to give update to Board

Superintendent Watson reported on the Science Lab Initiative

- Lab construction in HS is 2 major projects - renovation of chemical lab and abatement study to remove asbestos
- Start survey to find costs and scope
- Working with science committee: 2 science teachers, HS Principal, both Assistant Superintendent, Director of Facilities
- Consensus to report to Facility committee to expedite the process

15. Request For Information

15.01 The Board will request information (proposed 7:45)

7:40

Trustee Allison asked if anyone has any string instruments to donate

Trustee Shands asked if we have local business support sports team – can't because businesses can't advertise in schools

Proposing to eliminate Request for Information from the Board Meeting agendas:

- Trial period – send email to Superintendent with questions, copy Board and District Clerk
    - Answers will go to all

16. Adjournment

16.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting is Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the Bennett School. (proposed 7:50)

Recommended Action: The meeting is adjourned at 7:55
Motioned: Trustee Osmond
Seconded: Trustee Allison
Result: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Schnell, Trustee Storey, Trustee Shands, Trustee Allison, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Salem
Not Present: Trustee Ratcliff

Minutes Recorded by Fern Amster,
District Clerk

Fern Amster

Board of Education: Bobbi Schnell, Laurie Osmond, Valerie Storey, Kevin Salem, Lindsay Shands, Bennet Ratcliff, Dale Allison