

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2013

Phoenicia Elementary School

MINUTES

Congratulations to the Class of 2013

The Board of Education wishes to congratulate the Graduating Class of the Onteora Central School District of 2013, to thank them for their contribution to the District and to wish them every success and happiness for the future.

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call to Order 6:00

1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement

1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

1.04 Roll Call

Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

2. Executive Session

2.01 Enter Executive Session (proposed 6:05 duration 45min)

Motion: Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss ONTEA negotiations at 6:10

Motioned by: Trustee Spencer

Seconded by: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

2.02 Exit Executive Session (proposed 6:45)

Motion: Motion to exit Executive Session

Motioned by: Trustee Fletcher

Seconded by: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

2.03 Re-enter Public Session

Motion: Motion to re-enter public session

Motioned by: Trustee Spencer

Seconded by: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

3. Acceptance of Minutes

3.01 Acceptance of Minutes (proposed 6:50)

The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of 6/4/13 BOE meeting

Motioned by: Trustee Fletcher
 Seconded by: Trustee Spencer
 Results: Unanimous
 Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer,
 Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

4. Retirement Honors

4.01 Superintendent Phyllis McGill and the Board of Education will honor the Retirees of 2013 (proposed 6:55 duration 20 min)

First	Last	Position Held	Year Hired
Walter	Ginelewicz	Custodian (High School)	2009
Diane	Godfrey	Art Teacher – PH & WD	1999
Susan	Hyde	Teaching Assistant – PH/WD	1998
Mary Ann	Marchetti	Special Education Teacher MS	1997
Elaine	White	Teaching Assistant – PH	1991
Daniel	Opalka	Social Studies Teacher – HS	1990
Pamela	Free	Teaching Assistant - MS	1990
Kim	DiGiovanni	Foreign Language	1986
Veronica	Cahill	Reading Teacher – WD	1985
Arlene	Davis	Cook - BN	1979

Trustee McGillicuddy recognized Student Representative Liza Tumen, graduating senior attending George Washington University in the fall.

5. Welcome

5.01 Interim Principal Mona Jacobs will welcome the Board (proposed 7:15)
7:30

- Last week celebrated Flag Day
 - Celebrated universally recognized flag of democracy, which is in progress at the Board Meeting

6. Board District News

6.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 7:20)

Trustee McGillicuddy reported attending:

- Ulster County School Board Association dinner with Superintendent Phyllis McGill where they heard a speaker from NYSBA
- HS Senior Scholarship awards ceremony – almost every student get some scholarship
 - \$480,000 worth of scholarship money from local businesses, banks, OTA, ONTEA and local people to help our students start their next adventure in life

Trustee Osmond reported as a member of Bennett PTA

- Last meeting there was presentation by student government
 - were able to hear their thoughts on school year and accomplishments and question and answer. Unanimous feedback – happy to have a chance to be all together this year before Middle School – already know

the students in a new school

Trustee Kurnit attended the MS moving up ceremony – very special ceremony

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- Bennett Hudson River Valley projects and 3rd and 4th grade concert was excellent, as was the 5th and 6th grades
- 3rd grade moving up ceremonies, Bennett moving up ceremony and High School Graduation are all this week

7. Superintendent District News

7.01 The Superintendent will report on District News (proposed 7:25)

- Ottomon Empire Festival – amazing, impressive with all activities, projects
- Mardi Gras parade tomorrow at 2 pm
- State released graduation rate for NYS
 - Oteora is at 86.8%
 - New Paltz is at 90.9%
 - Rondout at 86%
 - Not sure why this varies from other State Reports
 - Broke out Students with Disabilities at 61.5%
- PTA Meetings at Phoenicia and Woodstock to address concerns about class sizes
 - Enrollment is constantly changing
 - Right now closely monitoring enrollment
 - K-6 within the class size guidelines for desirable range
- Least restrictive environment
 - Special skills class at Woodstock
 - Added 2nd and 3rd grade special education class
 - Primary MAPS class at Phoenicia (K-2) to reduce the number of out of district placements

7.02 Athletic Director Nicholas Millas will present a summary of the spring sports program (proposed 7:30 duration 10 min)

7:40

Spring Highlights for the Athletic Program

- 201 students grades 7-12 participated on a spring team 19 more than 2012
- 48 Varsity athletes earned all academic honors for the Mid-Hudson Athletic League
- The following teams earned the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Scholar Team Award: Girl's and Boy's Track teams, Softball, and Boy's Tennis. These teams had an average of 90 or higher.

Team Highlights:

- Girl's Track: 2nd place in section IX, MHAL- Team Champions for third consecutive title (Trophy), Champions- Bethlehem Invitational (Trophy), Section IX runner up
- MHAL Individual Champions: Emily Waligurski (won all her events), Julia Rubin-Armstrong, Kaitlyn King, Avery Maillet

- Section IX Individual Champions: Emily Waligurski, Julia Rubin Armstrong, Kaitlyn King, Avery Maillet, Sarah Rudge
 - State Championships: Emily Waligurski, Avery Maillet, Kaitlyn King, Julia Rubin-Armstrong, Sara Rudge, (20 MHAL Scholar Athletes)
 - Boy's Track: 4-1 in Regular season in dual meets, MHAL-10th place, Rowan Cruickshank, Tim Shultis- Section 9 Champions
 - State Qualifier meet Div. 2: Micah Yannatos, Jordan Milite, Andy Meci, Aidan Klein, Tim Shultis, Tim Shultis, Sean Hickey, Mike Shultis, Rowan Cruickshank
 - State Meet: Tim Shultis (11 MHAL Scholar Athletes)
 - Boy's Tennis: Undefeated 8-0 during the regular season, Won the Division and Conference titles
 - In Section 9 play: Myan McCann, advanced to the quarter final round before losing to the #1 seed
 - 7 MHAL Scholar Athletes
 - Baseball: Overall Record of 21-3. All 3 loses to the same team (Spackenkill)
 - Hosted and won the Travis Nissen Memorial baseball tournament (Trophy) that raised \$1500 for the scholarship fund in his name with donations from local businesses.
 - Fundraised for their successful trip to Florida (A special thanks to Leah Smith for taking a big role in that)
 - Players took part in community service that included running the Queen's Galley Soup Kitchen for a day and spent a morning doing field work at Davis Park
 - Sectionals- Defeated Marlboro in the first rounds of Sectionals. Defeated Highland as the lower seed. Lost in the section IX championship game to Spackenkill 3-2. (2 MHAL Scholar Athletes)
 - Softball: Overall record of 2-12, Had a very young team consisting of 5 freshman starters and will be returning 11 players, Played 4 extra inning games (8 MHAL Scholar Athletes)
 - Golf: Fall sport, but sectionals and states are in the spring, 4 golfers qualified in the fall to compete in sectionals this spring, Justin Lane qualified for States and competed at Cornell finishing 59th overall
 - Charlie Fina and Emily Waligurski were named 2012-2013 Most Valuable athletes as voted on by the coaching staff.
 - Anna Weissman and Myan McCann were the Onteora winners for the MHAL Scholar Athlete recognition breakfast held at Wiltwyck Country Club in May
- Congratulations to all of our graduates who have contributed to the Athletic program and we wish you continued success.
- Thanks to Director of Facilities Jared Mance and Director of Transportation Nicole Sommer for their dedication to the Sports Program

7.03 Assistant Superintendent for Business, Victoria McLaren will Present the Potential Tax Impact of Proposed Belleayre Resort Project (proposed 7:40 duration 10 min)

7:45

Assistant Superintendent for Business Victoria McLaren and Superintendent Phyllis McGill presented:

- Projection is for Library tax but none for the school district (library tax is only

collected in the school tax bill). This cannot be correct

- (report is available with agenda item on Board Docs)
- No basis for their projections, 80% of construction was occurring with Onteora, but only 20% of the tax benefit
- 96-98% of construction in our District but only 20% of tax revenue
- Currently tax on those parcels

Discussion:

- Clarify that parcels previously thought were in Onteora, are in Margaretville
- If project goes through they will be in the top 20 taxpayers in Onteora
- Find out what the numbers actually mean, as far as tax benefits
- Interesting to find that all of Shandaken is not in the Onteora District

8. Student Representative Report

8.01 Liza Tumen/Sean Hickey, the Student Representative to the Board will report (proposed 7:50)

8:00

- Graduation on Friday, hopefully outside
- \$13000 for Belleayre
- Honor to be on the Board

9. Public/Student Comment

9.01 The public and students may comment on any agenda or non agenda item. (proposed 7:55 duration 10 min or more)

Valerie Story – School District broke policies and laws by not allowing the Classified students to attend Kindergarten Screening; PPS Director has made tremendous progress from her predecessors; requesting: a formal apology to all Special Education students about Kindergarten screening, do not have kindergarten screening without all the students again and adopt a new policy to insure this does not happen again.

Guideon Moore – Class size concerns at Woodstock, cited class sizes currently at Woodstock, first grade parents were looking forward to having 3 classes in 2nd grade, since there are 3- 2nd grade teachers currently, as they feel congested this year; Desirable range 25, currently at 24 – probability is high that enrollment will reach above desirable range; request the Board and Dr. McGill have class sizes that do not go above desirable range.

Kathy Shannon - Director of Discovery Pre-School about the Kindergarten Screening. Screening days not on Onteora calendar – this year was 3 months earlier and they were not notified so they can plan their calendar accordingly. January is too early for Kindergarten Screening – in March or April will give a more accurate view of students because they change in those months. Students with minor disabilities were not allowed at screening because they had an IEP. Happy to volunteer to work with Kindergarten teachers to make a process that works.

George Becker – CSE process from 25 year old child and today are very different. No positive between the 2. IDEA and Civil Right laws have not changed. Child with disabilities was being bullied and denied materials (was corrected) no summer program or 13-14 program right now for his child, predictable school environment, not teaching kids to be fair and just, youngest students need to be especially taken care

of.

Alicia Fusco – Daughter has an IEP and Kindergarten screening was an important part of her daughter’s school experience

Sharon Wood – Daughter had a negative kindergarten screening process in the past and the PTA took it on themselves to be welcoming to new families.

10. Discussion and Possible Action

10.01 Architect Nick Waer will Discuss the Change Orders for the Board to Approve (proposed 8:05 duration 10 min)

8:30

- Contractor did not complete work in the MS/HS Corridor and other small jobs– took a credit for that work.
 - The Project Monitor has records of everything that took place, is a money issue.
- This is what makes sense and is fair, hoping that the contractor will accept them to have a final resolution to the contract.
- Specified that abatement been done on glazing on the windows, many windows broken – have back billed them \$14,000, then disturbance of compound took place after abatement. They were very aggressive in bidding - \$130,000 very low.

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the closeout Change Orders #1-5 for the Asbestos Abatement throughout the District during the Summer of 2012 for a total credit of (\$12,260) from D & S Abatement, Inc. and authorizes the Superintendent to sign these change orders.

Motioned by: Trustee Spencer

Seconded by: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.02 Abolish positions (proposed 8:15)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby abolishes the following temporary position as of 6/21/13: 1.0 FTE Monitor Position

Motioned by: Trustee Spencer

Seconded by: Trustee Osmond

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.03 Acceptance of the Risk Assessment and Special Education Audit (proposed 8:20)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby accepts the Risk Assessment and Special Education Audit performed by the Internal Auditor

8:40

Motioned by: Trustee Hickey

Seconded by: Trustee Spencer

Trustee Spencer, Chair of the Audit Committee stated that the committee reviewed the document and it was well received by the Audit Committee and they recommend that the Board accept the report.

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.04 Approval of Onteora Non-Teaching Supervisors Union Contract (proposed 8:25)

Motion: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Onteora Central School District, and the Onteora Non-Teaching Supervisors Association (ONTSA), covering the period from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

8:40

Motioned by: Trustee Spencer

Seconded by: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.05 Asbestos Abatement and General Reconstruction Work Approval (proposed 8:30)

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the award of the bid for Asbestos Abatement at the Middle High School based on the bid documents of May 15, 2013 to the lowest responsible bidder, Eastern Building & Restoration, Inc., in the amount of \$102,875 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the award of the bid for the General Reconstruction Work at the Middle High School based on the bid documents of May 15, 2013 to the lowest responsible bidder, Bennett Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$89,700 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

Motioned by: Trustee Fletcher

Seconded by: Trustee McKeon

Clarified why the cost is high:

- 7200 square feet
- Assuming will need to replace under-flooring that will come up with the tiles, as happened unexpectedly last summer
 - Reason for credit in previous resolution
- May be able to take a credit for un-needed work

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.06 Fund Reserve Accounts (proposed 8:35)

8:50

Motion: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District, hereby authorizes and directs the funding of the following reserve accounts as of June 30, 2013 at the amounts indicated below as presented during the 2013-2014 budget process:

Unemployment Insurance Reserve: \$505,012

Reserve for Employee Retirement System: \$2,635,185

Tax Certiorari Reserve: \$40,000

Capital Reserve: \$5,000,000

Repair Reserve: \$2,802,258

Reserve for Debt: \$149,891

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (to be adjusted in July to reflect leave accrual balances as of 6/30/13): \$1,352,568

Total: \$12,484,914

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approves that the unassigned fund balance shall be at the legally allowable level of 4% of the 2013-2014 budget, that \$3,462,334 shall be used in the coming school year to offset the levy as presented during the 2013-2014 budget process.

Be it further resolved that any additional unassigned fund balance shall be added to the Reserve for Employee Retirement System to be utilized to offset the levy in the next year or two as presented during the 2013-2014 budget process.

Motioned by: Trustee Hickey

Seconded by: Trustee Osmond

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

10.07 First Reading of Policy 5321 Use of District Credit Card (proposed 8:40)

2012 5321 Non-Instructional/Business Operations

SUBJECT: USE OF THE DISTRICT CREDIT CARD

~~The trustees of Onteora Central School District do recognize the need for one (1) District credit card maintained in Central Administration under the direction of the Assistant Superintendent of Business, for staff use for miscellaneous expenses. The Onteora Central School District's Transportation Department maintains one (1) gas credit card for use on long trips to purchase gas for District vehicles only. The District credit card is under the care and control of the Assistant Superintendent for Business. The gas credit card is under the care and control of the Director of Transportation.~~

The Trustees of the Onteora Central School District do recognize the need for a District credit card for District use for miscellaneous expenses, such as conference registration and hotel reservations in the event that a facility does not hold a reservation with a Purchase Order. The District credit card is maintained in Central Administration under the care and control of the Assistant Superintendent for Business. The credit card has a maximum credit limit of \$1,000.

The Trustees of the Onteora Central School District also recognize the need for a gas card for use on long trips to purchase fuel for District vehicles. The Transportation Department maintains an account with Sunoco Suntrak that has five (5) cards associated with the account. Four (4) cards are under the care and control of the Director of Transportation, and one (1) card is under the care and control of the Assistant Superintendent for Business to be used only in the absence of the Director of Transportation. The credit card account has a maximum credit limit of \$500 in total, not per card.

No Longer present

Trustee Kurnit left the room at approximately 8:55

10.08 First Reading of Policy 7440 Musical Instruments (proposed 8:45)

We own all the instruments and we used to rent instruments to the students. Now we cannot charge students for instruments and we may not have an instrument for every student. Revise policy to reflect this.

Now Present

Trustee Kurnit re-entered the room at approximately 9:00

~~2007~~2013 7440 Students

SUBJECT: MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

- a) All instrumental music students shall be ~~expected to own or rent their instrument~~provided an instrument at no charge.
- b) School-owned instruments will be disbursed upon decisions by the instrumental music staff. Decisions will be dependent upon the individual student's talent and merit and the need for balanced instrumentation at each grade level.
- c) Students and parents/guardians will assume responsibility for proper care of school-owned instruments and will pay for damages to same.
- d) The District will only transport in its vehicles those instruments meeting certain safety standards as indicated in the New York State Department of Transportation Regulations.
New York State Department of Transportation Regulations Section 720.22

11. **5 Minute Break

11.01 The Board will break for 5 minutes (proposed 8:50)
9:00

12. Discussion

12.01 EPC/Capital Project Ad Hoc Committee Report (proposed 8:55 duration 20 min)
9:10

Trustee Osmond reported:

- Committee Met with Director of Facilities, Jared Mance and Assistant Superintendent for Business Victoria McLaren with input from other professionals
- Don't have final recommendations, as waiting on data coming in the next few weeks
- Getting much more specific information to be able to come with a recommendation for both EPC and Capital Project

Discussion:

- No deadline for EPC
- Committee is working on an answer as to if Phoenicia boiler were removed from EPC and Capital Project, what will happen
 - Would have to be on the ballot and approved by the voters
 - Very complicated matter, looking for best possible outcome for district, with the least expenses
- Appreciation to committee, Director of Facilities, Jared Mance and Assistant Superintendent for Business Victoria McLaren for their for hard work and extensive research
- Wood pellet boiler can be part of an EPC, but investigating if it is most cost effective
 - Wood pellet boiler can pay for itself in half the time of an EPC payback, may not be worth including it

- Leaves room for other items to go into EPC
- Entire boiler room at Phoenicia will have to be rebuilt

13. Consent Agenda

13.01 Approve Consent Agenda (proposed 9:15)
 Approve consent agenda item numbers 13.02-13.08
 Motioned by: Trustee Spencer
 Seconded by: Trustee Fletcher

Results: Unanimous
 Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit,
 Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

13.02 Personnel Agenda

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL
FULL TIME APPOINTMENT

NAME	CERTIFICATION	TENURE AREA	PROBATIONARY DATES	SALARY STEP	REMARKS
Wood, Robert	SAS	CPSE/CSE Chairperson/ District Wide Assistant Principal	07/01/13-08/31/16	\$88,500	New Position

PART TIME APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM - TO	SALARY
McKenna, Karen	0.6 FTE Music	09/01/13-06/30/14	17MA+24
Rushford, Michael	0.6 FTE Health	09/01/13-06/30/14	3MA
Samuelson-Grimm, Karen	0.5 FTE English	09/01/13-06/30/14	4MA+6

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM - TO	SALARY	REASON
Colistra, Lorraine Position *revised end date	CSE/CPSE Chair	01/14/13-5/31/13*	\$400.00/day	New

APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	PROBATIONARY PERIOD	SALARY/STEP	REASON
Fisher Kimberly-Anne* Position *pending pre-employment processing at WD	Typist/PPS	07/08/13-01/07/14	Step 1	Due to New

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATES FROM - TO	RATE OF PAY	REMARKS
Knight, Patricia	Cook Manager	06/24/13-08/31/13	Hourly rate	Max 70 Summer Hours

RESIGNATIONS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Padusnak, David	Building Maintenance Mechanic/District	06/18/13	Personal

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

Motion: 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, #06/13, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Osmond

13.04 Accept Donations

Motion: The Superintendent recommends acceptance of donations totaling \$6,775.00 CASH, from various donors as scholarship awards for the Class of 2013.

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following donations:

Donation Amount and Donee's Name

National Honor Society-ECA \$200

S.A.D.D.-ECA \$100

Maverick Family Medical \$500

Landmark Grille \$200

South Side Rod & Gun \$500

Robin Perls \$200

French Club-ECA \$850

Anne & Jonathan Gallin \$50

Chesterfield Stewart \$50

Junior Flag Football \$500

DECA Bookstore \$150

DECA \$525

Spotted Dog Ventures, LLC \$250

Brian & Denise Connolly \$100

Jeffrey Parker & Monir Evers Parker \$100

Pete Giambrone Memorial Fund \$2,500

Trustee Kurnit expressed appreciation to all that donated to the students.

13.05 Surplus Books

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District declare the attached list of library books and books on cassette tape as surplus and authorizes sale and/or disposal of these items

13.06 Budget Transfer - Cafeteria

Motion: The Superintendent recommends the transfer of funds from the general fund to the school lunch fund to eliminate the school lunch fund deficit for the 2011-2012 school year.

Transfer School Lunch Fund Amount

A9901.930-10 \$103,071.00

13.07 Approve Volunteer

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the following volunteer: Patricia Jeffrey - Phoenicia

13.08 Approve Inter-School Transfer

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the Inter-School Transfer for the

2013-2014 School Year for a student to go from Woodstock to Phoenicia.

14. Committee Reports -10 min

14.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report. Next meeting is 4:30 at Central Administration on 9/9/13 (proposed 9:20)

- Thanked the Board for accepting the Audit reports
- Presenting a contract for auditor – law has been passed, current enrollment does not require us to approve Internal Audit process
 - Risk Assessment for 2 major areas
 - Audit Committee recommends approving this for next year
 - Audit paid for itself this year, with what was found
 - Happy with Questar – present 3rd year of contract, but can opt-out due to new law

Trustee McKeon: look at some of the findings of the Special Education audit to see conditions that were found. Historically Internal Auditor has found conditions that saved the District money.

14.02 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is 3:30 at Central Administration on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

14.03 Policy Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is 9:30 at Central Administration on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting. 7/1/13 meeting cancelled

14.04 Legislative Action committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 6:30 in the Central Administration Conference room on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

14.05 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee. Next meeting is in Room 207 of the High School at 2:45 on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

14.06 District Committee: Technology - Superintendent McGill to report. Next meeting is in the Woodstock School on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

15. Old Business

15.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 9:30)

Board members to consider serving as President or Vice President for next year; will be discussed at Reorganization Meeting on 7/9/13

Trustee Fletcher will not be present at Reorganization Meeting, but the Board does not have to elect a Vice President at the Reorganization Meeting. Support Trustee McGillicuddy as President again, but Board must recognize the amount of work the President position needs. Voiced appreciation for all that Trustee McGillicuddy has

done as president for 2 ½ years.

Proposed Belleayre resort numbers are not unclear, even though they are unclear to Onteora.

- Make sure that it is fair to the District and not just accept the numbers, property seems to be more in District than 80%
 - Look out for best interest of District
- Only unclear item is that they refer to the Library tax, not School District Taxes
 - Will not bring additional revenue, but it will displace residents' taxes
 - Don't look at this as our share – this affects the Town of Shandaken and how their taxes are apportioned
 - Good for Shandaken to have more taxes
 - We pass a budget according to the District needs amongst towns – will not be affected
- This can generate families with students, to move into the area, which can have repercussions for the district
 - Gain students but not taxes
- Benefits: District has facility space for extra students this would help all around; can provide jobs to a low-socio economic area, which helps students at home and school
 - Some high paying and some seasonal jobs (250 seasonal jobs) all is very unclear as to where people settle
 - State will have 250 seasonal jobs as well which pay \$12-\$15 per hour, a livable wage west of the District
- Surprised that all of Shandaken not in Onteora
 - 90% of construction costs are in Shandaken in Ulster County, but 25% of taxes
- Could be assumption across District is that this large project could help all taxpayers because it is in Shandaken
 - Taxes will not go down significantly
- Property values in Shandaken will increase, due to project
 - Clarification on if property is in Margaretville School District does Onteora see any benefit
- Section of Shandaken in Margaretville may be their District due to lack of access to that area
- Verify the data conclusively from the company, then come back to Board or County Executive Mike Hein

Trustee Spencer is interested in attending the Rural Schools Conference

16. New Business

16.01 The Board will discuss New Business (proposed 9:35)

- Take up as a policy matter – testing and opting out of testing. Policy 7210 Testing Program says that testing must serve in the best interest of the students. Students who opted out were not treated well
 - Need clear guidelines in place so less stress is placed on the students. Adults in children's lives were. Make children and parents feel comfortable about testing

- Superintendent Phyllis McGill has been trying to clarify about participation rates in testing and being identified as a school in need of improvement
 - Have staff integrate with students in a different manner
- Insulate family and children from mandates, deal with at Board level
- Parents have the right to opt-out – District should not be held accountable
 - Legal question
- Place on future agenda

New bill up for vote to make special education decisions based on religious needs; need to write into legislatures

Recognize the misunderstanding that the Woodstock parents think that teachers are allocated according to enrollment in each grade. Do not “retain” teachers regardless of class size. Superintendent Phyllis McGill should pass on that information.

Revisit Kindergarten Screening process to address through policy for consistency year to year.

17. Request For Information

17.01 The Board will request information (proposed 9:40)

Trustee Osmond asked if students that came into District in 4th grade this year were offered an instrument?

Responsibility of parents, teachers and principals

Trustee Kurnit asked if the names of students who cannot be present at graduation be read anyway.

Trustee McKeon asked about the rich data sets on students that is going to be warehoused as part of database and there will be personally identifiable information, which will make a person’s entire school career accessible

Superintendent Phyllis McGill suggested to discuss it at a BOE meeting

18. Public Comment

18.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item Please limit comments to 3 minutes (proposed 9:45 duration 10 min)

No public comment was made

19. Adjournment

19.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting is Tuesday, July 9, 2013 at the MS/HS (proposed 9:55)

Motion: The meeting is adjourned at 10:20

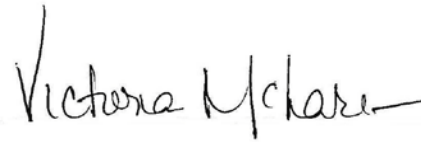
Motioned: Trustee Spencer

Seconded: Trustee Hickey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Minutes Recorded By:
Victoria McLaren, District Clerk

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Minutes Typed By:
Fern Amster

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Board of Education: Ann McGillicuddy, Tony Fletcher, Laurie Osmond, Dan Spencer, Tom Hickey, Rob Kurnit, Michael McKeon