ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING
Minutes 6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2012
Woodstock Elementary School

1. Opening Items

1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement
1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
1.04 Roll Call
Present: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

2. Executive Session

2.01 The Board will vote to enter Executive Session (proposed 6:05)
Motion: Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss negotiations and current litigation at approximately 6:05
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Fletcher
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

2.02 The Board will vote to exit Executive Session
Motion: Motion to exit Executive Session
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Osmond
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

2.03 The Board will vote to re-enter Public Session (proposed 6:45)
Motion: Motion to re-enter Public Session at approximately 7:30
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Fletcher
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

3. Acceptance of Minutes

3.01 The Board of Education accepts minutes of the 2/28/12 and 3/6/12 Board meetings (proposed 6:45)

Motion: The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of the 2/28/12 and 3/6/12 Board Meetings
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Kurnit
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

4. Welcome

4.01 Principal Barbara Schnell will give the welcome address (proposed 6:50 duration 10 min)

Principal Barbara Schnell welcomed the Board:

- Kindergarten and first grade just finished a residency with Jill Ann Schwartz
  - body movement and dance to different patterns
- 5th grade art work at Woodstock Artists Association and Museum (WAAM)
  - Each year a different grade works with Beth Humphrey and Art Teacher Roberta Ziemba to have their art in a gallery show at WAAM
  - 5th grade show is from 3/15/12 through 4/8/12

5. Board District News

5.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 7:00)

Trustee Spencer reported on the tour of West Hurley Schools

- Structurally the buildings look in good shape
- A lot is being stored in the buildings
  - Inventory is being created of everything in buildings
- Met with a neighbor who helped point out a few things

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- Thursday, 3/9/12 was the first Ulster County Legislative Action Committee meeting
  - 5 school districts and BOCES were represented
  - Since then heard from Rondout Valley & Wallkill Boards, who will be joining
  - Attorney David Shaw came to update Board of Education members about APPR at the Ulster County School Board Association meeting, which followed
- Sunday 3/11 – 3/12 Trustee Kurnit and she traveled to lobby in Albany with 350 other school board members from around state
  - Met with representatives as a united voice with representatives from state government
  - NYSSBA Director of Governmental Relations David Little and Commissioner of Education John King spoke
    - David Little called John King a “breath of fresh air” in Albany
- 3/13/12 Onteora hosted David Little – to talk about “Tax Cap” and other issues in education today
- On 3/15/12 Trustee Osmond and she went to Albany to meet with Gov. Cuomo’s Deputy Secretary for Education David Wakelyn and Secretary of Education

Katie Campos with Ulster BOCES Superintendent and other Board members and Superintendents
  - Set up by County Executive Michael Hein
- Requested to set up a lobbying effort with Assembly member Kevin Cahill
- Onteora Legislative Action Committee meeting is Thursday

Trustee Kurnit reported:
- When in Albany had a very positive meeting with Senator Bonacic
  - Seemed to genuinely care and listen

Trustee Fletcher reported:
- Phoenicia Variety Show
  - very enjoyable as always
- Bennett's get up and move event involving 3 elementary PTAs
  - Zumba, Yoga, Wii Dance
  - Healthy snacks and presentations
- Thanked the PTAs for putting on these events

6. Superintendent District News

6.04 The Superintendent will report on District News (proposed 7:40)

Superintendent Phyllis McGill reported
- Hiring a director of PPS Director Cindy Bishop, who has been a PPS director with Hyde Park since 2008
- Marching Band was at the St. Patrick's Day parade this weekend
- Advanced Marketing students competed in writing an article to be published in the Consumer Jungle Talk e-magazine on the University of Arizona's website. The Jungle Talk website is to help students with understanding the world of finances.
  - Peter Vesely's article entitled "Is Avoiding Junk Food Healthy for Your Wallet?" was selected for the March Issue of Jungle Talk. Peter discussed the advantage to eating fruits and vegetables during the off seasons by selecting frozen and canned items. He also discussed the economics of healthy eating. Peter is a senior in Mrs. Douglas's advanced marketing class.
- Quiz Bowl with Mrs. Phyllis Rosato moderating is back! National Honor Society is sponsoring the annual Quiz Bowl on April 13, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the OCS high school cafeteria.
- Twenty-three Onteora DECA members went in with their best foot forward to capture two State trophies and many honorable mentions.
  - Top 10: Zachary Doyle, Tyler Barringer, Taylor Armstrong, Rachel Castellano, Peter Vesely, Dallas Harder, Jonathan Loizou, Ema Marter, Caleb Rudge, Evan Wolff, Jeremiah Tart
  - Top 30: Dylan Serfis; Leah Reed, Zackary Kelder, Brandon Harkin, Andrew Friedel, Katie Epstein, Rowan Cruickshank, Hannah Corwin, Rebecca Castellano
  - Spencer Ciaccio represented Region 3 as a member of the State Officer Nominations Committee
- HS Play Sleepwalk is 3/23/12, 7 pm, 3/24/12 7pm, 3/25/12 2pm

- There was a report that there was asbestos at Bennett, even though the AHERA report was clear. Air quality was tested and no asbestos was found
- 5/21/12 is Meet Greet and Eat – a celebration of local food
    - Benefit to redesign the serving area for MS/HS

6.04 Update on Reconfiguration (proposed 7:10 duration 10 min)

- Meeting to plan teacher re-assignment by end of April
- Waiting to see Kindergarten Registration
- Waiting for request for transportation to private school
- MOA for ONTEA on agenda
    - reassigning TAs at the end of April
- Kindergarten registration is at Woodstock on 4/9, 4/10, 4/11 and at Phoenicia on 4/12 and 4/13
    - Children are being screened at their respective schools based on assigned school
    - Bennett Kindergarten teacher Lynn Clinton will be at Woodstock for the screenings
    - Anticipating 93 kindergarteners
- 4th graders are going to Ashokan Center on May 14th for team building, 5th grade to Frost Valley, working on a site for grade 3
- Common visitation day to Middle School

6.03 Athletic Director Nicholas Millas will give a report on Winter Sports (proposed 7:30 duration 10 min)

Athletic Director Nicholas Millas thanked administration, Board of Education for supporting athletics, transportation, buildings and grounds departments for helping to make the athletic seasons to run smoothly and safely

Mr. Millas gave the highlights of the winter sports season and the team highlights:

- 156 students grades 7-12 participated on a winter team
- 46 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: Boy's and Girl's Indoor Track team, Girl's Basketball, Girl's and Boy's Alpine Ski. These teams had an average of 90 or higher.
- Only 2 contests rescheduled this season as opposed to 28 last winter
- Boy's and Girl's Indoor Track-
    - Section 9 Event champions (Girls finished 2nd place as a team)
        - Emily Waligurski 3000 Meter
        - Girls 4 X 200 Relay (Avery Maillet, Tess Howard, Katie Klercker, Emily Waligurski
        - Katie Klercker 300 Meter dash
    - Section 9 Runners up
        - Tess Howard 300 meter
        - Avery Maillet 600 meter
        - Julia Rubin-Armstrong 3000 meter and Pole Vault
    - States held in Cornell:
        - Emily Waligurski for the 1500M finished 5th in the state and 6th in the Federation
    - 6 school records broken

- Boy's Basketball-
  - Overall Record of 4-14
  - Improved to four wins this season from the one in the previous season
  - Margin of defeat was narrow in most games lost
  - Established a booster club to fund raise to help offset costs of camps, clinics and AAU team participation
  - Strong mentoring of students who have shown tremendous improvement in grades and school behavior.
- Girl's Basketball
  - Overall record of 12-7
  - Sectionals- Earned the #4 seed where they hosted the opening round defeating Liberty before losing in the semis to #1 seeded Highland
  - 4-2 division record
    - Adrianna DeCicco earned MHAL Coaches All-Star recognition.
- Boys and Girl's Apline Skiing
  - Boys – Overall record of 44-4
    - Won their Division
    - Finished 2nd in the Section
    - Jacob Combe finished 2nd in section IX and 22nd at State Championships in Lake Placid
  - Girls – Overall record of37-11
    - Finished 2nd in the Division
    - Finished 3rd in the Section
    - Isabelle LaMotte was 3rd in Section IX and 28th at State Championships
- Wrestling
  - Sectionals – Team finished 3rd overall in an expanded division II that has added two more large schools this season.
  - Individuals- Section IX Champions- Austin Weigel and Dustin Mackenzie both competed at State Championships in Albany. Austin finished Top 8. Dustin finished Top 12
  - 2nd place finishers Avery Leighton, Kyle VanValkenburgh, Andrew Friedel
  - 3rd place finishers Finbar Stuart, Ryan Hickey
  - 4th place Bernie Smith
  - Team had a top 20 ranking during the season
  - 19 wins
- Oneonta Midnight Madness Champions
  - Undefeated Section IX dual meet champions 12-0
- Spring Sports- V/JV tryouts began last Monday
  - Modified tryouts began March 19th
- Varsity Baseball will be hosting a tournament April 14-16 to remember fallen police officer and Onteora Graduate Travis Nissen. Fundraising will benefit the Travis Nissen Memorial Fund

6.02 Update on 5 Year Building Condition Survey (proposed 7:20 duration 10 min)

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- Board has asked for a district wide priority list
  - 31 items on list - $5.5 million
  - Prioritized from a safety point of view

- Heating and the air handlers in the kindergarten rooms at Bennett are a priority
- Biggest issue is the electrical transformers, which need to be replaced
  - Will take time to set up

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that the Rotary Youth Academy Scholarship applications are available at the Guidance Office

7. Student Representative Report

7.01 Student Representative Jessica Moss will report to the Board (proposed 7:45)

Student Representative Jessica Moss reported

- Brought another SAC member - Liza
  - SAC is trying to figure out who will be next president and student representative to the Board
- Floor hockey competition last Friday
- Quiz Bowl is coming

8. Public/Student Comment

8.01 The public and students may comment on any agenda or non agenda item. (proposed 7:50 duration 20 min)

John Tish – Talk to other districts about how they negotiate their budgets with school employees. Why is Onteora budget so high? Investigate how other districts keep budget down

Winnie Paetow - worked as a teacher in Onteora from 1984-2011 – gave kudos to certain former and current students achieving in music. As a taxpayer, parent and substitute teacher – in reconfiguration the loss of string teacher will weaken strings music program. Even in declining enrollment, music program has maintained enrollment

Jill Ann Schwartz – President of Woodstock PTA – she has been asked about plans to create a committee to help design a monitoring or mentoring program for the multi-age buses in reconfiguration

9. Budget Presentation

9.01 The Superintendent will present the 2012-2013 Budget (proposed 8:10 duration 20 min)

8:20

Superintendent Phyllis McGill and Assistant Superintendent McLaren presented:

- Most importantly is to educate students
- Updated school report card is not out
- Last year 2 schools identified as schools in need of improvement in students with disabilities
  - Phoenicia and Middle School
- Roll over budget would be 4.4% budget increase and 7.3% levy
- 2012-2013 budget is reduced by 1.69% so levy has no increase
- 0% levy increase does not mean actual property taxes will not increase – the towns set the levy by property value
- Went over reconfiguration cuts previously presented
  - Reducing 5 instead of 7 elementary teachers

        - Keeping 3rd grade at Bennett, need extra teacher
        - Over 90 kindergarteners – need extra teacher
    - May bring reading teacher back in Title I grant and Social Worker in the 619 Special Education grant for supplemental services
    - Retirements saved some elimination of jobs
    - 9 Teaching Assistants will be eliminated – none are Special Education positions
    - Hire OT instead of 2 COTA
    - Unemployment cost reduced due to retirements
- MOA for retirement incentive for those past eligibility or retire with penalty in Onteora Teachers Association Saved $375,000
- Health insurance increases were lower than expected
    - Increased rates for active employees 8-10% but decreased rates for Medicaid eligible retirees health insurance, averages out to increase of 3%
    - Lower health insurance budget because of retirees and lower increases
- District contribution to Teacher Retirement System is lower than expected
- Went over current reserves
    - Unemployment
    - Employee Retirement System – not allowed to have Teacher Retirement reserve
    - Tax Cert
    - Employee Benefit
    - Capital Reserve
    - Repair reserve
- This budget does not touch reserves
- Continue to monitor
    - Fund balance
    - Tax certiorari
    - Enrollment
    - Plan for staffing
    - NYS budget finalization

Discussion:

- All stipends are remaining
- More surprises at state level?
    - Some flexibility to restore aid instead of competitive grants – to high needs district
    - Senate is favoring the gap elimination adjustment
- $2 million for tax levy from fund balance
    - Do this every year
    - As long as we are able
- Health Benefits – DEHIC is consortium name for Blue Cross Blue Shield
- Budget is reducing
    - Due to reconfiguration
    - Readjustment – will not see it every year
- Retirement incentives
    - saved money but really saved lay offs of younger faculty

    - Professional development not cut in budget
        - Invest in staff that will be with Onteora for long term
- Is transportation number the same even with high gas prices?
    - Not cutting anything very close
    - Will be planning committees for transportation
- Onteora tax rate as compared to other districts
- Senior tax exemption is good to get information out there
    - Put in newsletter and in next presentation
- In other presentations report on if there is a goal district wide to reduce energy consumption – how will that effect spending?
    - Seems like lighting is saving $5,000 a month instead of $6,500
    - Has asked administrators to remind staff about saving energy by turning off printers, etc.
- Why is budget lower than we thought?
    - Health care, unemployment insurance
- ONTEA retirements may save reduction of one clerical and Teaching Assistants
- Next meeting is adoption
    - What happens if budget is voted down
        - Can decide to not have another vote, since we are at 0% levy
        - Must live in contingency budget regulations
        - Community can not use buildings free of charge
        - Put in next budget presentation
- In next presentation have current enrollment and next year's projected

10. ** 10 Minute Break**

10.01 The Board will take a 10 minute break at 8:30
The Board took a break at 9:00

11. Discussion and Possible Action

11.01 Extension of Attorney Retainer (proposed 8:40 duration 10 min)
9:15
Motion: Adjust the 2011-2012 retainer based on a modified cap of 384 hours, increasing the retainer by a total of $19,023.36 for the remainder of the school year. OR Charge the excess hours at the current hourly rates in addition to the existing retainer sums due for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year.
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Osmond

Discussion:

- Increase hours by paying rate outside of retainer or increase retainer hours by 109 hours
- Prevention and protection for district
- How many hours are we going to use?
    - Assistant Superintendent McLaren and Superintendent Phyllis McGill to sit down and see what legal hours have been used

Tabled until next meeting

11.02 The Board will discuss the Energy Performance Contract (proposed 8:50 duration 10 min)
9:25
Superintendent Phyllis McGill explained that this is initial discussion to talk about moving forward with EPC

- Looking at repairs from which will offset the expenditures over 18 years
- Improvements include:
    - Furnace in Phoenicia
    - Controls to manage heat and hot water
- Richard Kohrs from Ameresco needs to do full energy audit
- Facilities committee wants to move forward
- Even if we eventually close a building, it is completely ethical to use an EPC on the buildings

Trustee Kurnit added:

- Project is downsized because of the Central Hudson lighting program
- The energy audit would be much more comprehensive
    - They will come back with actual numbers
    - Go before SED
        - State aid involved – which is why there was an ethical question about closing a building in the near future

Discussion:

- Is there any plan to look at some sort of heating using wood or bio mass for one of the boilers planning for Phoenicia?
- Local green builder discussed conserving on lighting fixtures by putting in solar tubes to refract light to reduce need for electrical lighting
    - Very complicated
    - Ameresco is willing to look at all alternatives
    - Total sum of performance contract has to fit into 18 years

Motion: Motion to move forward with the energy performance contract with Ameresco
Motioned By: Trustee Fletcher
Second By: Trustee Spencer
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

11.03 Side letter of Agreement between ONTEA and OCSD (proposed 9:00)
Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves the Side Letter of Agreement for an ONTEA retirement incentive and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.
9:40
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Kurnit
Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

12. Consent Agenda

12.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02- 12.08 (proposed 9:05 duration 5 min)

Motion: Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02 - 12.08
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Fletcher
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

12.02 Personnel Agenda

APPOINTMENTS: ADMINISTRATIVE

FULL TIME APPOINTMENT

NAME	CERTIFICATION	TENURE AREA	PROBATIONARY DATES	SALARY STEP	REMARKS
*Bishop, Cynthia	School District Administrator	Director of Pupil Personnel Services	05/07/12 – 05/06/15	$118,000.00	Replaces J.Long

***Pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment processing**

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

NAME	CERTIFICATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	SALARY	REASON
Vogt, Kristie	Students with Disabilities, Grade 1-6	Special Education Teacher - BN	02/03/12 – 03/09/12**	1MA	LOA Replacement

****Revised ending date**

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS 2011-2012

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Cohen, Wendy	AIS/Regents Prep (After School) 2	$1,877.00
Conroy, Elaine	School Newspaper Advisor (**PRO-RATED**)	$ 720.00
*LaFera, Nicholas	Softball – Modified – Head Coach	$1,185.00
Savatgy, Matthew	Elementary Resource – Bennett 1 (.30 FTE)	$ 593.10

***Pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment processing**

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Gallin, Anne	Certified Substitute Teacher	$95.00/day

RESIGNATION: INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Delle Donne, Lynn	Elementary Teacher - WD	06/30/12	Retirement
Douglas, Jean	Business Teacher - HS	06/30/12	Retirement
Funccius, Michele	Reading Teacher – PH	06/30/12	Retirement
Goodemote, Patricia	Speech Teacher - BN	06/30/12	Retirement
Lanton, Bonnie	Special Education Teacher - WD	06/30/12	Retirement
Rowe, Veronica	Elementary Teacher – PH	06/30/12	Retirement

Spada, Maureen	Library Media Specialist – BN	06/30/12	Retirement

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON	
#2508	03/12/12 – 04/29/12**	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave	
#2325	03/14/12	Administrative - Unpaid	
#3187	02/06/12 – 03/07/12***	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave	

****Revision of leave dates**
*****Revised ending date**

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON	
#2174	03/10/12 – 03/23/12*	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave	
#2482	01/17/12 – 02/24/12**	Medical – Unpaid Leave	
#2457	02/06/12 – 04/09/12	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave	
#2733	01/04/12 – 03/06/12*	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave	
#2733	03/07/12 – 03/16/12*	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave	

***Extension of leave**
*****Final confirmation of leave dates**

SALARY CHANGES: INSTRUCTIONAL

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following SALARY CHANGE (INSTRUCTIONAL), as the result of **EDUCATIONAL INCREMENT**, effective February 1, 2012.

Name	Position	School	Current Step +Credits/Salary	Rec'd Step +Credits/Salary
Battista, Lynn	Spec Ed Teacher	HS	13M+36 $85,436	13M+42 $86,216
Cook, Debra	Science Teacher	HS	18M+0 $89,934	18M+6 $90,714
Ferraro, Aubree	Math Teacher	HS	7M+30 $74,514	7M+36 $75,294
Hoyt-Friedman, Jacob	Physical Education Teacher	HS	5M+0 $67,149	5M+6 $67,929
LaFera, Adam	Elementary Teacher	BN	6M+0 $68,886	6M+6 $69,666
Lim, Rachel	Elementary Teacher	WD	3M+6 $64,618	3M+12 $65,398
Patschke, Stephen	Library Media Specialist	PH	22M*+ *23M-Longevity 48 $109,728	22M*+ *23M-Longevity 54 $110,508
Pezzello, Eric	Physical Education Teacher	HS	9M+0 $74,067	9M+12 $75,627
Turck, Sarah	Guidance Counselor	HS	4M+18 $74,585.50	4M+24 $74,443.50
Warren, Kristen	Elementary Teacher	BN	4M+12 $67,025	4M+18 $67,805
Wilson, Molly	Elementary Teacher	WD	5M+0 $67,149	5M+6 $67,929
Wiltsie, Candice	Guidance Counselor	HS	5M+24 $77,295.90	5M+30 $78,153.90
Wunderlich, Brian	Psychologist	MS	16M+36 $91,186	16M+42 $91,966

12.03 Instruction - 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-Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #3/12, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Fletcher

12.04 Inter-School Transfer

Motion: The Board hereby approves the Inter-School transfer for the student named below to go from Phoenicia to Bennett

12.05 Warrant Schedule

Motion: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby accepts the Warrant Schedule #G-611

One check is cut per vendor per warrant

12.06 NYCLASS Agreement

Motion: Whereas; the Onteora Central School District is currently a participant of the NYCLASS program; Whereas; the Onteora Central School District, has been notified of an amendment to the Cooperation Agreement governing NYCLASS which reflects that the Village of Potsdam will become the new Lead Participant and provides for changes to the Investment Advisor from time to time as determined by the Governing Board of NYCLASS (the form of such Amendment which is attached hereto); Whereas; the Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve an Amendment to the Cooperative Liquid Assists Securities System Municipal Cooperation Agreement, in which certain terms are modified to reflect the change in the Lead Participant and Investment Advisor for the program. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent to execute the amendment.

Just one of the opportunities for investing money. Must have a lead agency – the one they had left. This replaces them or we can leave consortium.

12.07 Ulster BOCES Cooperative Bid

Motion: WHEREAS it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Ulster County, adopting this resolution to jointly request bids for certain commodities to be determined by the Superintendent of this school district from time to time for the 2012-13 school year, NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the Onteora School District hereby agrees to participate with other school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Ulster County, New York, in the joint bidding of commodities to be requested by the school district Purchasing Agent and approved by the Superintendent; and be it further RESOLVED that the specifications as prepared by the Steering Committee of participating school districts and presented to this Board of Education will be used and that this Board, if it desires to purchase these commodities agrees to purchase said commodities at the lowest bid price recommended by the Steering Committee of the joint school districts; provided, however, that each participating Board of Education in exercising its legal responsibilities, has the right to reject and/or modify the recommendation of the Steering Committee in the awarding of the bid; and be it further RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Kingston Daily Freeman, the Middletown Record and the Poughkeepsie Journal in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.

12.08 ECA End of Year Balances

Motion: BE IT RESOLVED on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the following Extraclassroom Clubs end of year balances.

Extra-classroom Clubs

Club Name	Balances as of December 31, 2011
Art Club-HS	783.57
Bookstore	4,510.42
Belleayre Bash	1,958.37
Class of 2011	00.00
Class of 2012	8,949.52
Class of 2013	5,829.36
Class of 2014	6,117.56
Class of 2015	201.20
Class of 2016	3,995.62
Computer Club	679.00
DECA	5,593.66
Diversity Club	655.65
French Club	5,730.44
Gay-Straight Alliance	925.00
Honor Society	2,654.75
Model Congress	5,803.96
MS Yearbook	850.95
SADD	791.69
Spanish Club	201.95
Student Activities Club	4,503.79
Theatre Club	11,472.04
Tomahawk HS Yearbook	4,116.51
Bennett Council	28,675.86
Phoenicia Council	733.16
Woodstock Council	1,843.90

13. Committee Reports -5 min each

13.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report on the Internal Auditor position. Next meeting is 4:30 at Central Administration on 5/7/12 (proposed 9:10)

9:40

Trustee Spencer reported that they had not met since last board meeting. He is meeting with Internal Auditor on Friday to look over first set of findings in the Risk Assessment

13.02 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is 3:30 at Central Administration on 4/16/12

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- Went over 5 year facility plan priorities
- AHERA issue
- Discussed
    - EPC again and how it integrates into 5 year plan
    - General facilities
    - Central Hudson lighting program savings

13.03 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report. Next meeting at 2:40 in the HS Conference Room on 4/5/12

Trustee Osmond reported:

- They have not met since last board meeting
- Suggest that committee is a club instead of committee
    - Mostly of students

- Participation going down
- Faculty member has other demands – can't participate as much
- Would like to fund raise

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

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that they have not met since last board meeting

13.05 Legislative Action committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at

Trustee McGillicuddy reported

- Meeting at 6:30 in the Central Administration Conference room on 3/22/12

13.06 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee. Next meeting is in Room 120A of the High School at 2:45 on 3/22/12

Trustee Fletcher reported they are meeting Thursday 3/22 at 2:45

13.07 District Committee: Technology - Superintendent McGill to report. Next meeting is in room 120A of the High School at 4:00 on TBD

Committee has not met since last Board meeting

14. Old Business

14.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 9:20 duration 10 min)

9:45

Trustee Osmond reported:

- The report received by administration said that USDA has not purchased any "pink slime" beef
- Today thedaily.com said 6.5% of beef purchase for school lunch program came from BPI (company that produces the "pink slime" beef) and will continue purchasing into next year.
- Health and Wellness committee will discuss

15. New Business

15.01 Nat. School Board Assoc. Conference in Boston April 21-23, 2012 (proposed 9:45 duration 10 min)

9:55

Motion: The Board of Education hereby approves up to $1500 per Board Member to attend the NSBA Conference on 4/20/12-4/23/12 in Boston, MA.
Motioned By: Trustee Spencer
Second By: Trustee Osmond

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- First time held in north east
- Enormous time commitment
- Went through the agenda and feels Onteora is staying involved at state and local level
- Big difference between state and federal level
  - National School Boards discussion is very different – 100,000 students and $5 million campaign

- New York School Boards deal with our laws

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- Other board members have gone and found it beneficial

Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon

No Longer Present

Trustee Fletcher left at approximately 10:00

15.02 The Board will create Superintendent Goals (proposed 9:55 duration 15 min)
10:00
Trustee McGillicuddy clarified:

- In December 2011 the BOE conducted the Supt. Evaluation as per her contract, and could not evaluate on goals set since they had not been established. They should be set soon, so that the BOE can evaluate the Supt. next December 2012 on goals established.
- Ask each Trustee to come back with a 3 goals

Send goals to District Clerk to compile

15.03 The Board will discuss New Business (proposed 10:10 duration 10 min)
No other New Business was discussed

16. Request For Information

16.01 The Board will request information (proposed 10:20 duration 10 min)

Assistant Superintendent McLaren and Superintendent Phyllis McGill to sit down and see what legal hours have been used (from Legal retainer)

Trustee Spencer asked for a floorplan of the West Hurley buildings
Send PDFs to all board members

17. Public Comment

17.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item Please limit comments to 3 minutes (proposed 10:30 duration 10 min)
No comment was made

18. Adjournment

18.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting is Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at the Middle School/High School – Budget Adoption (proposed 10:40)
Motion: The meeting is adjourned at 10:05
Motioned By: Trustee McGillicuddy
Second By: Trustee Spencer
Results: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Fletcher

Minutes Recorded By:
Fern Amster, District Clerk

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