

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

CORRECTED MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 1, 2009
Bennett Elementary School

1. Opening Items

Information: 1.01 Call to Order

Trustee Osmond called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Information: 1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement

Information: 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

Information: 1.04 Present

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

Information: 1.05 Also Present

Superintendent Ford, Assistant Superintendent O'Brien, Interim Assistant Superintendent Gottlieb, District Clerk, Fern Amster

Information: 1.06 Not Present

Information: 1.07 Also Not Present

Assistant Superintendent McLaren, Student Representative Susie Sofranko

1.5 Executive Session

Action: 1.5.1 The Board will enter into Executive Session at approximately 6:00 to discuss a personnel evaluation and negotiations.

It was moved by Trustee Hickey and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy .

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

No Longer Present

Trustee Flayhan left at approximately 7:15

Action: 1.5.2 The Board will return to the regular session at approximately 6:45 p.m.

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to re-enter the public session at approximately 7:30 p.m.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not present at vote: Trustee Flayhan

2. Acceptance of Minutes

Action: 2.01 Acceptance of Minutes of November 9, 2009, November 17, 2009 and November 23, 2009

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Hickey to accept the Minutes of November 9, 2009, November 17, 2009 and November 23, 2009.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit
Not Present at Vote: Trustee Flayhan

3. Welcome Message

Discussion: 3.01 Principal Gabriel Buono will give the welcome address (proposed 6:50)

7:35

Principal Gabriel Buono gave the news about Bennett School:

- With ARRA funds they are using Maps assessment tool for reading implement and acquire data for first quarter
 - sophisticated tool to identify reading ability and inefficiencies for teachers to adjust teaching
- Student government hosted a craft fair and raised over \$1000
- Barnes & Noble fundraiser by the PTA was successful
 - did not get results back, but attendance was high
- Infinite Training is happening for teachers to learn the grade book to be able move forward with Parent Portal by 3rd quarter
 - Will take time to implement
- Math Training
 - still having trouble with McGraw Hill Math Books
 - hands on approach
 - still do not have all the books

Discussion on the MAPS program

- K-2 DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) – not MAPS
- 3-6 Maps in reading
- 7-8 Maps in math

Discussion on Infinite Campus

- Onteora is growing into Infinite Campus - teachers want more training on it.
- Report cards are all from Infinite Campus now
- Portal piece is very exciting because parents have the opportunity to view student progress on a daily basis, if desired
- Looking into setting up messaging part
 - to make phone calls to the entire district with out tying up phone lines.

Now Present

Trustee Flayhan returned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

4. District News

Information: 4.01 Notable district news will be discussed/presented at this time (proposed 7:00)

Superintendent Ford reported:

- Winning boys and girls team Cross Country State level competition. Individual winners include:
 - Greg Johnsmeyer
 - Emily Waligurski
 - Cara Ugolino
 - Alex Nichols
 - Kim Wiley
 - Erica Beesmer
 - Julia Rubin-Armstrong
 - Marlise Combe
- Five of our seven varsity teams for the fall receive the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Scholar Athlete Team Award. Which means that the team average using a minimum number of team members had a combined team average of 90 or higher. They are:
 - Boy's and Girl's soccer
 - Field hockey
 - Girl's Cross Country
 - Girl's Tennis
 - Girl's Volleyball
- In last year's Deloitte Challenge (online business team simulation) Virtual Team Challenge the Onteora team from the Sports Marketing Class, TeamIslandPros, placed 58th out of 100 and 6th in New York State.
- The High School has now expanded the after school homework help program.
 - Teachers from the Math, English, Science, Social Studies, and Languages other than English are now available.
 - The high school website has the full schedule.
 - Follows strategic plan
- High School Guidance is hosting a Financial Aid information session Thursday 6:30 in Library
- The Harlem Wizards were back to take on the Onteora Central School District on Saturday, Dec. 5th at 1:00 p.m.
- DECA's Toys for Onteora Tots program took place 12/1
 - We are airing this program live on our TV station from the high school's television studio.
 - Featuring music from Onteora students
- December 16th is the HS Chorus/Orchestra Winter Concert at 7PM.
 - This will be the first music event in the new auditorium!
- Middle School is working on "Stuff the Bus".
 - Students and staff are buying one dollar turkey feathers.
 - The feathers go on the big turkey on the main hall and the dollars buy food for needy family.
 - On December 22 - 2 buses will be decorated, then loaded with canned goods and brought to Family of Woodstock
- First grade at Woodstock invited their parents to read with them
- Woodstock hosted the first district wide family event.
 - Andes Manta, a musical group from Equator performed with the Woodstock children on stage playing panpipes and drums.
- Phoenicia Holiday Fair and Coat Exchange on Dec. 4th 3:30 – 5:00
 - Children will make all natural hand made crafts.
 - Bring in gently used coats, winter boots, and mittens to donate (no used hats)

please!)

- New hats, mittens, scarves and socks can be donated and hung on the Hat and Mitten Tree in the lobby
- All donations are given to local families with children

Trustee Fletcher clarified about the Cross Country Team:

- 6 girls competed as team at state level placed 6th and seeded 11
 - highest ever in history of Onteora
- Greg Johnsmeyer competed as individual at state level
 - seeded 110, finished 45th

Trustee Fletcher reported on his attendance at the Middle School Diversity Day

- Diverse number of different subjects covered
- Students seemed to be very interested
- highly successful

5. Student Representative Report

Information: 5.01 The Student Representative to the Board, Susie Sofranko, will give a report at this time. (proposed 7:05)

Student Representative Susie Sofranko was not present to give report

6. Response to last meeting's Public/Student Be Heard

Information: 6.01 The Board will respond to the last meeting's Public/Student Be Heard.- David Gross on Test Taking Modalities (proposed 7:10)

7:50

Trustee Osmond thanked David Gross on Test Taking Modalities
Assistant Superintendent O'Brien has the information to contact him

7. Student Comment

Information: 7.01 Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time. (proposed 7:15)

No student comments were made

8. Public Comment

Information: 8.01 The public may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time. (proposed 7:20)

Jesse Jones – Board's budget consideration in current economic climate

9. Reports/Presentations

Report: 9.01 Assistant Superintendent Katie O'Brien will report on the Teachers College Program (proposed 7:30)

7:55

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported about the Teachers College Affiliation Program:

- First year of program
- Teachers and staff in K- 6 grades are increasing their knowledge about writing
- Representatives from Teachers College come and work with staff and students on

- improving writing abilities
 - Efficiently using substitutes to float around district for training
 - Presenters go in a model behavior with students for staff
 - Interactive training
- When training is not happening, have study groups to discuss teaching writing and publishing
 - Create professional learning communities
 - have children see themselves as life long learners
- Follows Strategic Plan and CDEP plan

10. Discussion

Discussion: 10.01 Update on value of the West Hurley property- information only. (proposed 7:50)

8:05

Superintendent Ford reported that it was needed to see if the Pyramid Study from last year held the information and found it did not

- Information of comparables for West Hurley School is on Board Docs
- Consider this in multi-year budget planning

Discussion: 10.02 5 MINUTE BREAK (proposed 8:05)

Trustee Osmond stated that we will move break to later in the meeting

Discussion: 10.03 Preliminary Middle School Grade Discussion (proposed 8:10)

8:05

Trustee Osmond stated that on Board Docs is all the information from the past on Middle School Grade Discussion

- This is on the agenda to just reopen discussion. Is not intended to take action

Superintendent Ford reported:

- Have pieces of documents
 - not intended to be the full set of information that was done
- Middle School is interested in listening to the discussion
- Middle School Principal Jennifer O'Connor is willing to stand up and discuss this
- Must look at entire district
- A 2 grade Middle School does not meet description of a middle school
- As you look at redistricting – this is a piece

Middle School Principal Jennifer O'Connor asked if there were questions:

- Trustee Osmond asked:
 - what needs improvement
 - how to do you feel as an educator in charge of a Middle School with just 7th and 8th grade and what would you like to see in a perfect world?
 - 7th and 8th by itself is hard
 - students are in and out
 - want to get language in Middle School
 - Part of Strategic Plan is to get language in Middle School
 - Don't have room in schedule
 - If 6th grade were there, can offer more classes- offer some 7th grade classes in 6th grade

Discussion about offering 7th grade classes in 6th grade in the Elementary

School

Discussion on the physical space in Middle School to allow for more grades and general discussion on bringing other grades to Middle School.

There is Board consensus to direct Facilities Committee to look at feasibility to use existing building can house a middle school with 3 grades.

Superintendent Ford reported that each year the assignment of space is by building administrators

Superintendent Ford will come back in mid February will report from the building administrators

Superintendent Ford is to bring information from administrators to the Facilities Committee and the Board.

Facilities Committee will report back to board in mid- February – structural and academic schedule snapshot

Superintendent Ford will talk to administrators and report back on date she will report back to board.

Discussion: 10.04 Ongoing 2010-2011 Budget Discussion (proposed 8:30)

8:30

Superintendent Ford outlined issues facing the budget decisions. She reported that she and the administration are waiting for direction from the board as to how to move forward.

Discussion ensued about staffing issues and the budget.

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that when she met with Interim Assistant Superintendent Gottlieb and Treasurer Monica Kim she asked for the following to get an overall picture to look at budget closely:

- out of district tuition
- software and licensing
- textbooks numbers
- conferences
- BOCES
- Stipends
- Fieldtrips
- Clubs
- Sports

Interim Assistant Superintendent Gottlieb reported:

- that his office is putting all information together
- as far as projecting information
 - when contract is complete will be able to project salaries and fringe benefits
- as revenue projections come in from state
 - will see what state aid should be
 - we'll be able to see where property levy will be

- we'll see where the expenditure level will be
- administration can figure out what needs to be changed
- December 15th bond payments are due so state aid for districts may be cut. Either way something will be known on December 15th.

Discussion ensued on budget considerations:

- Cut operating costs instead of electives
- Look at fuel bills and green schools
- Work with BOCES, NYSSBA and other school boards as to how to deal with this economic situation
- Keep looking at grants available and fundraising
- Bottom line is what public will approve – contingency budget automatically cuts programs and core academics must be maintained
 - Contingency budget will allow for 0% increase in budget
 - Severe situation
- Even though 2009-2010 school year was a hard economic time, a record number of NYS school district budgets passed
 - Will be more difficult this year because last year's budget was so lean – near contingency, this year contingency is 0%
 - The board needs to find a number for the tax levy that the community will support

Trustee Flayhan asked to see budget with no changes in expenses. Interim Assistant Superintendent Gottlieb stated that he will change the projection he did and go over it with the Board.

Discussion: 10.05 Water filter update by Trustee Spencer (proposed 8:50)

9:00

Trustee Osmond thanked Trustee Spencer and his co-workers at Ametek Rotron

Trustee Spencer reported:

- Tim Moot and Director of Facilities Jared Mance gave a tour of facility
- Ametek Rotron engineers took data and then their own measurements taken
- Still working on it

5 Minute Break 9:05

11. Discussion and Possible Action

Action: 11.01 Professional Development Team (proposed 9:00)

9:15

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Spencer to approve the Professional Development Team:

Professional Development Committee

Leslie Ford, Superintendent

Katie O'Brien, Assistant Superintendent

Gabriel Buono, Principal

Jeannine Burkhardt, Teacher

Michelle Funccius, Teacher

Richard DeRuvo, Teacher

Bridget Allison, Teacher

Doreen Erlwein, Teacher

Mary Naccarato, Teacher|
Pam Free, Teacher Assistant
Anne Gallin, Higher Education Representative
Liz Estes Ryan, Parent

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported that the Board approved a team least meeting but requested an additional parent representative, which is why the Board is voting on this again.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Flayhan, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit

Action: 11.02 Ratification of OTA Contract (proposed 9:05)

9:15

Superintendent Ford joined the Board in thanking the Onteora Teachers Association for team work and effort in making it possible.

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Hickey:

Resolved, that the Memorandum of Agreement executed on Oct 13, 2009 between the Onteora Central School District and Onteora Teachers Association is hereby ratified and funded to the extent provided by law and to the extent modified by the communication between council for the District and the Union dated October 27, 2009.

Interim Assistant Superintendent Gottlieb explained the financial benefits of OTA contract:

Discussion on Onteora Teachers Association contract:

Year 1 2008-2009 3.5% increase effective 2/1/09- Effective 08/09 increase 1.75%

Year 2 2009-2010 3.25% increase effective 2/1/10- Effective 09/10 increase 3.375. 1.75% from 7/1/09-01/31/10 + 1.625% from 2/1/10-6/30/10

Year 3 2010-2011 3.00% increase effective 2/1/11- Effective 10/11 increase 3.125% 1.625% from 7/1/10-1/31/11 + 1.5% from 2/1/11-6/30/11

Year 4 2011-2012 2.75% increase effective 7/1/11- Effective 11/12 increase 2.75%

Over the life of contract - 11.00%

Simultaneously the Teachers have agreed that the Health Insurance contribution by the Teachers will increase from 5% to 10% over the life of the agreement. Current rates are Individual \$7,190.28 and Family \$16,034.16.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Flayhan, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit

Action: 11.03 Approve Auditorium Use Form (proposed 9:25)

9:30

Discussion about the new Auditorium Use Form.

- There is board consensus on the hourly rate of \$46 charged to for-profit groups
- Currently do not charge to non-profits; there is board consensus to maintain the current policy.

- Current policy limits use to educational benefit
- Decision was reached about looking to change policy if there is demand for the auditorium

Action: 11.04 Approve MOA #1212009- Technical Director (proposed 9:30)

9:40

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Spencer:

It is hereby agreed by and between the Onteora Central School District and the Onteora Teachers' Association to establish the 12 month stipend position of Theatre Technical Director for \$3,000, prorated for the 2009-2010 school year.

Discussion about the new position

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Action: 11.05 5 MINUTE BREAK (proposed 9:35)

No break was taken

12. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 12.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02 - 13.05 (proposed 9:40)

9:50

Discussion of Warrant Schedule and asking questions of District Treasurer Monica Kim

Board consensus to include notations of what checks are for in Warrant Schedule

It was moved by Trustee Spencer and seconded by Trustee Osmond to approve the consent agenda item numbers 12.02 – 13.05

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Action (Consent): 12.02 Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #12/09, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Hickey

Approve the Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #12/09, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Hickey

Action (Consent): 12.03 Personnel Consent Agenda dated 12/1/2009

Approve personnel agenda dated 12/1/09

SALARY CHANGES: INSTRUCTIONAL

SCHEDULE T 12/09

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following SALARY CHANGES (INSTRUCTIONAL) for the reason(s) indicated and effective dates:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	CURRENT STEP	REC'D STEP	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON
Morris, Ashton	Social Studies – MS	1M	1M+30	9/1/08	Educational Increment
Morris, Ashton	Social Studies – MS	2M	2M+30	9/1/09	Educational Increment
Louis, Jean-Daniel	English – HS	1M	1M+30	9/1/07	Educational Increment
Louis, Jean-Daniel	English – HS	2M	2M+30	9/1/08	Educational Increment
Louis, Jean-Daniel	English – HS	3M	3M+30	9/1/09	Educational Increment

APPOINTMENTS: ADMINISTRATIVE

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY
Gottlieb, Donald	Acting Assistant Superintendent for Business	1/1/10 – 1/10/10	\$550 Per Diem *2-3 days per week as needed

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#1228	10/28/09 – 12/1/09 Approximate end date	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
#3008	3/8/10 – 4/25/10 Approximate dates	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Dolamore, Matthew	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
Doyle, Gregory	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
Gallin, Anne	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
LaPierre, Elizabeth	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Occhi, Virginia	Home Tutor	\$32/hr
Raffaldi, Erin	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
Raffaldi, Erin	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$9/hr

APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	PROBATIONARY PERIOD	SALARY/STEP	REMARKS
*Ginelewicz, Walter	Custodian – HS	12/2/09 – 6/2/10	Step 5	New Position – replaces P.Giambrone

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Dadarria, Gregory	Substitute Food Service Worker	\$9/hr
Mielcarek, Karen	Substitute Clerical Worker	*\$9.50/hr
Raffaldi, Erin	Substitute School Monitor	\$9/hr
Singer, Angelina	Substitute Clerical Worker	*\$9.50/hr
Zygmunt, Debra	Substitute Clerical Worker	\$9.50/hr

*Amended Amount

13. Consent Agenda/Business and Finance

Action (Consent): 13.01 403(b) Retirement Plan Amendment

WHEREAS, the Onteora Central School District ("District") maintains the Onteora Central School District 403(b) Retirement Plan ("Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan was duly adopted on the 16th day of December, 2008 by the District's Board of Education ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to restate and amend the Plan as regards section 2.1 Eligibility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that section 2.1 of the Plan is hereby restated and amended to read as follows:

2.1 Eligibility

Each Employee shall be eligible to participate in the Plan and elect to have Elective Deferrals made on his or her behalf hereunder immediately upon becoming employed by the Employer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Plan, as restated and amended is hereby approved and adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the District has caused this Resolution and Amendment to be adopted this 1st day of December, 2009.

Action (Consent): 13.02 Management Additional Response

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Corrective Action Plan additional response for the Special Aid fund for the Independent Audit for the 2008/2009 school year filed with the New York State Education Department and the Office of the New York State Comptroller

Action (Consent): 13.03 Unpaid Tax Warrant

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the warrant for unpaid taxes in the amount of \$4,239,163.11 and agree by signing such warrant.

Action (Consent): 13.04 Warrant Schedule B #11-09

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 B #11/09.

5 Minute Break 10:00

14. Committee Reports - 5 minutes each

Information: 14.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report - next meeting 3:30 Central Admin Conference Room 12/14/09 3:30 Central Administration Conference Room (proposed 9:45)

10:10

Trustee Spencer reported that they met on 11/23 at 3:30:

- Acknowledge Sante E. Moesle's resignation
 - The committee will greatly miss his knowledge

- The committee acknowledges and appreciates all his work
- Committee discussed with Mr. Bogess to join the committee
- The committee approved Mr. Bogess as a member
- Still a member needed., since one of the members would like to step down
- Minutes
 - several outstanding minutes
 - consensus that minutes will be reduced into listing of actions, motions, for permanent record
 - by 12/14 get minutes back up to date
- Internal Auditor Pat Leimgruber gave a presentation on her role and duties
- The board approved the Audit Report and Management Letter
 - The Audit Committee reviewed and approved the Audit Report and Management Statement and does recommend that the board approve it
- Additional Management Response was also approved and will be brought to board at next meeting
- ECA audit and Management letter also approved and will be brought to board
- Bond rating for the district had increased due to the fiscal stability, our fund balance and qualifications of administration.

Information: 14.02 Communication Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report next meeting: 11/30, 5:45 Central Administration Conference Room

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that the committee met 11/30 at Central Administration Conference Room. They discussed:

- Alternative calendar possibilities/who produces, who it is sent to
- promoting café chats, etc.
- a committee member helping to write press releases for school district
- good news items to be publicized
- next meeting 12/21

Information: 14.03 Facilities Committee - Trustee Flayhan to report - next meeting: 12/7 3:30 Central Administration Conference Room

10:25

Committee has not met

Information: 14.04 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report - next meeting: 12/2 at 2:40 pm in the high school conference room.

Committee has not met

Information: 14.05 Policy Committee - Trustee Osmond/McGillicuddy to report - next meeting 12/7, 9:00 Central Administration Conference Room

Committee has not met

Health and Wellness Committee is working on tobacco policy

Information: 14.06 Arts Task Force next meeting: 12/17, 4pm in room 115

Committee has not met

Information: 14.07 District Committees: Technology -Superintendent Ford to report - next meeting- 12/14 4 pm Central Administration Conference Room Health and Wellness

**Committee - Assistant Superintendent O'Brien to report - next meeting: 12/3 2:45
Central Ad**

Neither committee has met

15. Old Business

Discussion: 15.01 Woody Bio Mass Discussion (proposed 10:25)

10:25

Trustee Fletcher suggested the board talk about pros and cons of pursuing Woody Bio Mass option

Discussion on Woody Bio Mass ensued

- locally produced fuel
- tonnage of chips to be delivered to campus is problem
 - can do when school is not in session
 - Middle School/High School ~~and Bennett are is~~ a steam system boilers and need to switch to hot water
- Put in performance contract discussion
- Ask for estimates
- Free software to monitor energy usage
 - Superintendent Ford reported that Director of Facilities Jared Mance will be looking at that

Discussion about putting in a pellet system in Phoenicia

- more efficient and easier to install
- still need a back up boiler and the current boiler can not be used

Trustee Osmond concluded the discussion:

- Woody Bio Mass is of interest to board and any grant information that comes up
- Facilities Committee should keep it on their radar
- Trustee Hickey will email the information he found about grass burners to board members

Trustee Spencer asked about the boilers that need to be changed from steam to hot water

- Get estimates
- RFP should respond to this

16. New Business

Discussion: 16.01 Board Members will request new business (proposed 10:40)

Trustee Kurnit asked about asking town about crossing guard and asking state police to enforce speed limit in front of the school.

Trustee Spencer asked about a radar sign that will tell drivers how fast they are going

Trustee Fletcher asked how the Local Government nights will be promoted

Superintendent Ford reported that the RFP is just about ready to go out. Should go out at the end of this week or beginning of next

10:55

Trustee Fletcher asked that board members be reimbursed to go to other meetings- not

just conferences. Needs a change of policy. He asked that it is done retroactive from UCSBA meeting.
Consensus to bring to policy committee to revise.

Trustee McGillicuddy motioned and Trustee Hickey seconded to approve funds for 2 Onteora Board Members to go to the NYSSBA conference on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 for \$210 per person plus mileage.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous
Yea: Trustee Osmond, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Flayhan, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit

Trustee Spencer asked for the following:

- more definition on where are we going with Infinite Campus – update is scheduled
- if documents are in Excel do not convert them to PDF

Discussion on where to put the details of the new Onteora Teachers Association new contract on the website.

Special Executive Session meeting on 12/14/09 for Superintendent Evaluation. District Clerk, Fern Amster will coordinate time.

Trustee Fletcher asked that the policy manual dates be changed to the original ratification date. There is consensus

17. Board Members Requests for Information

Information: 17.01 Board members may request information at this time. (proposed 10:45)

11:10

Trustee McGillicuddy asked for FACTS report, which is not out yet.

Trustee Osmond asked that the Wayrick report be added to the Request for Information Chart

Trustee Spencer asked if Director of Facilities Jared Mance give an update on power to the buildings and any electrical issues.

18. Public Comment

Information: 18.01 The public may comment on agenda items at this time. (proposed 10:50)

Rick Wolff stated:

He heard 3 numbers for funds raised at the DECA telethon \$1500, \$2100, \$2,400
Ulster County Safety Board has the radar sign

19. Adjournment

Action: 19.01 Meeting Adjourned - next meeting 12/15/09 (proposed 11:00)

11:10

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Spencer to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:10 p.m.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

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2009 – 2010 Board of Education Meeting Schedule			
July 7, 2009		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
August 4, 2009		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
August 18, 2009		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
September 8, 2009		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School 6:00 p.m.
September 22, 2009		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
October 6, 2009		Regular Meeting	Bennett School 6:00 p.m.
October 20, 2009		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School 6:00 p.m.
November 3, 2009		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School 6:00 p.m.
November 17, 2009		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
December 1, 2009		Regular Meeting	Bennett School 6:00 p.m.
December 15, 2009		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School 6:00 p.m.
January 5, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School 6:00 p.m.
January 19, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
February 2, 2010		Regular Meeting	Bennett School 6:00 p.m.
February 16, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School 6:00 p.m.
March 2, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School 6:00 p.m.
March 16, 2010		Regular Meeting	Bennett School 6:00 p.m.
April 6, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
<i>Superintendent's 2010-2011 Budget Recommendation</i>			
April 28, 2010	<i>Wednesday</i>	Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
		<i>Onteora Board of Education 2010-2011 Budget Adoption (also a countywide vote date for BOCES Board Seats and BOCES Administrative Budget)</i>	
May 4, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
		<i>Budget Hearing</i>	
May 18, 2010		Budget Vote	All four (4) Elementary Schools 2:00 to 9:00 p.m.
May 18, 2010		Special Meeting (Declaration of Votes Cast)	Middle-High School 9:30 p.m.
June 1, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School 6:00 p.m.
June 15, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School 6:00 p.m.
July 6, 2010		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.