

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
6:00 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2010
WOODSTOCK 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 Kurnit

Information: 1.05 Also Present

Superintendent Ford, Assistant Superintendent McLaren, Assistant Superintendent O'Brien, Student Representative Susie Sofranko, District Clerk, Fern Amster

Information: 1.06 Not Present

Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Information: 1.07 Also Not Present

1.5 Executive Session

Action: 1.15.01 It is anticipated that the Board will enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at approximately 6:00 to discuss legal issues.

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Fletcher .

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action: 1.5.02 Return from Executive Session at approximately 6:45 p.m.

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to return to the Regular Meeting.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

2. Acceptance of Minutes

Action: 2.01 Acceptance of Minutes of 2/2/10 (proposed 6:45)

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to accept the Minutes of February 2, 2010.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

3. Welcome Message

Discussion: 3.01 Principal Barbara Schnell will give the welcome address.

7:10

Principal Barbara Schnell reported:

- Annual Poetry Café is at the end of April
- Winter Food drive began
- Woodstock Day and Woodstock Elementary have collected coins for Haiti
- They collected \$2400
- Science Fair is Wednesday, March 3, 2010
- Over 200 entries

4. District News

Information: 4.01 Notable district news will be discussed/presented at this time

Superintendent Ford reported:

- Woodstock:
 - “Big Stock” , an ongoing after school program for adults has been very successful
- Bennett:
 - Dodge ball is 7:00 Friday March 5th at the Middle School/High School
 - Bennett has launched PBIS
- Phoenicia
 - Justin Kolb is coming as an artist in residence sponsored by Kids in the Catskills focusing on understand essential life skills
 - District wide Family night Friday, March 12 “Celebrate India” is theme
 - Renown musicians: tabla player Ray Spiegel and flute player Steve Gorn
 - Indian bazaar and Indian cuisine planned
- High School
 - moving ahead with wiring switch for wireless project over on March 12th
 - 2010 Poetry Out Loud Competition: Our school winners, Adi Baum and Elisha Slovensky, will be participating in the Catskill Regional Poetry competition at the Oneonta State Campus on Friday, February 26th at 5:00 pm. It should be a really exciting contest- Adi and Elisha have been working hard to get ready for the contest.

- The High School Science Olympiad team came in 8th place out of 30 teams at the regional competition at UCCC on Feb 6, 2010. Two teams of 14 students each competed in 18 events; a total of 30 teams from Ulster, Dutchess, Orange and Putnam county competed overall.
 - All of our students did an amazing job, placing in the top half of the competition. First place medals were awarded for Dynamic Planet, second place medals for Disease Detectives, and for Write It/Do It. Third place medals were awarded for Fossils.
- Report from Harvard Model Congress 2010 -Twenty-four high school students participated in the Harvard Model Congress from Thursday February 25th through Sunday February 28th. After preparing for the Congress for several months by studying their assigned committees' issues and the political philosophies of their assigned Senators and Representatives, our students headed to Boston. There they attended committee sessions and full House and Senate sessions, independently or collaboratively drafted bills and amendments to bills, and debated and voted on proposed bills- all using parliamentary procedure. Some of our better-known roles included Representative Jerold Nadler (from the 8th District of NY), Representative Peter King (from the 3rd District of NY), Senator Jim Webb of Virginia, Senator Dick Lugar of Indiana, Senator John Ensign of Nevada, Senator Jon Tester of Montana, and Senator Joe Lieberman of Connecticut.
 - Our students passed several of their own bills and bills and amendments they collaborated on- which were then signed into law by the mock president. Two of our students, Jacques de Beer and Liam Kahn, earned awards for their exemplary participation in their respective committees. Jacques played the role of Representative Jesse Jackson Jr. (from the 5th district of Illinois) and Liam played the role of Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano on the National Security Council. Jacques' most important bill passed involved the future of the American space program. Liam learned about the high-pressure atmosphere of the National Security Council when presented with crises- like Iran developing nuclear weapons and Pakistan's government losing stability- and the difficult debate between military action and economic sanctions.
- Foreign Language week is March 1st through March 5th.
 - Posters- 90 posters created by students will be hung in main hallway.
 - Movies (after school):
 - Tuesday there will be a German movie room 119
 - Wednesday there will be a Spanish movie 107
 - Thursday there will be a French movie room 100
 - There will be a Trivia contest
 - There will be Daily announcements in different languages
 - On Thursday, students are being asked to wear something international day

Other news:

- NYSERDA grant not awarded to Onteora. Randolph Horner is helping us to move forward in other ways
 - Ambulance Service answer to Board question:

- Olive - B.L.S., Shandaken - A.L.S. & B.L.S., Woodstock - A.L.S. & B.L.S., West Hurley - B.L.S.
- When the school calls 911, they decide which service to send
- Justin Kolb is performing on Thursday March 11th at 7:30

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported:

- For 2 days in the Middle School students role played bully prevention

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- District Wide Spelling Bee at Bennett was on February 5th
- Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader Junior class fund raiser was successful
- Literary Magazine reading of the National Honor Society students was wonderful
- Week before last was a Café Chat in Shandaken, next one is at Joshua's in Woodstock this Friday 11-1 and Sat. at Bread Alone in Boiceville
- State Ski Finals, girls placed 3rd overall in slalom, boys placed well also

5. Student Representative Report

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

7:20

Student Representative Susie Sofranko reported:

15 went students to the Health & Wellness committee meeting.

- Came up with a 4 page survey to go to students and give to Director of Food Service, Christine Downs for feedback

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.

Trustee Osmond stated that this is a difficult time and the Board is looking everywhere and questioning everything and hopes everyone can work together.

Thanked the people who spoke last meeting:

The DAT Team - possibly cutting the team. 2. Bobby Russell - West Hurley property, Board of Education and the administration, proposed mandatory recording of CSE meetings. 3. Ambulance Dispatch

7. Student Comment

Information: 7.01 Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time.

7:25

Katie Patchke and Angela Cross on the Green Committee on recycling in the district

8. Public Comment

Information: 8.01 The public may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time. (extended as necessary) (proposed 6:50) Rick Wolff - Budget and Conduct of a Board member

Rick Wolff - Code of Conduct, Budget, OTA use of Addresses

Rita Vanacore - Budget, Board conduct

9. Reports/Presentations

Report: 9.01 Partial Special Classes at Woodstock by Lisa Haller and Bonnie Lanton (proposed 7:20)

7:40

Principal Barbara Schnell and teacher Lisa Haller gave a presentation on the partial special classes in Woodstock

9.25 Committee Reports - 5 minutes each

Information: 9.25.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report. Next meeting is at 3:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 3/08/2010 (proposed 7:35)

8:05

Information: 9.25.02 Communication Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 5:45 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 3/29/10

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- They are discussing the school calendar and an electronic newsletter

Information: 9.25.03 Facilities Committee - Trustee Flayhan to report. Next meeting is at 3:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 3/1/10

8:10

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- They met at the West Hurley school to take a tour
- They discussed the Woodstock School, the energy RFPs, and having a joint meeting with the Green Committee
- Middle School/High School sign has been delivered and will be installed when the weather permits
- Greensand filter is working. Final water testing will be soon
- The committee has concluded that if the Board and administration wants to move the 6th grade to the Middle School/High School, it is feasible. The building will need work with minimal cost.

Information: 9.25.04 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report. Next meeting is at 2:40 pm in the High School Conference Room at 2:40 in the HS Conference Room on 3/3/10

8:15

Trustee Osmond reported:

As per district sustainability policies: information requested to be available for the Green Committee and for posting on the Onteora web site to highlight base line statistics, sustainability efforts and progress made over the year. It is recommended that these are to be integrated into the curriculum as teaching tools

- Calendar year 2009 electric usage and costs for each building and/or meter in a collated format. Information about tracking software used. Plans/programs for reducing electrical usage: i.e. room occupancy sensors, use of line power switches to stop phantom loads on computers, and other appliances, etc.

- Calendar year 2009 diesel and gasoline fuel usage in district owned and operated vehicles.
- Listing of district owned and operated alternative fueled vehicles including electric/battery-run vehicles. Listing of programs/plans to reduce fuel usage.
- Calendar year 2009 heating oil usage and costs for each building. Listing of plans/programs to reduce heating oil use.
- Calendar year 2009 recycling totals for plastic/glass/metal/paper for each district building by weight; non-recycled waste stream totals for each building. Plans for increasing recycling awareness, materials collection and sorting. Information on integration into curriculum areas.
- Calendar year 2009 waste pick-up charges including any recycling rebates or costs.
- Listing of purchasing plans to increase use of sustainable products. Listing of any purchases made for sustainable products/green materials being implemented throughout the district to lessen our carbon footprint in materials used.
- Listing of sustainable practices/systems and materials used in the auditorium renovation and any other district refurbishment or building projects.
- Water usage totals for each building and listing of efforts to reduce water use...i.e. new automatic faucets, urinals, etc.
- Vegetable garden information for each school; when established; success stories; information about integration into curriculum and use of produce in cafeteria offerings.
- Listing of buildings and programs using kitchen scraps for garden composting. Weight of materials diverted from waste stream by composting.

Information: 9.25.05 Policy Committee - Trustee Osmond/McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 9:00 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 3/1 at 9am

8:20

Trustee McGillicuddy Policy Committee will be meeting on March 9th

Information: 9.25.06 Arts Task Force - Trustee Fletcher to report. Next meeting is at 4:00 pm in the Vision 21 Room of the High School on 3/18/10

8:20

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- Musical production of Fame will be on April 29th through May 2nd
 - More than 50 students in production
- There will be another concert with local opera singers
- Looking at drawing in liaisons to reach other areas of arts i.e. visual arts or music
- During this tough budget time, reach out to community for donations to help breach funding gaps
- next meeting is March 17th instead of March 18th

Information: 9.25.061 Arts Task Force - Discuss sponsorship of seats in Middle School High School Auditorium

- Key points:

- Gifts will be tax deductible
- Supporting arts in Onteora Central School District
- Get into online check out
- 592 seats
- Not to own seat, but to sponsor
- All key points on the Onteora web site under Arts Task Force Committee
- Discussed ensued

Information: 9.25.07 District Committees: Technology - Superintendent Ford to report. Next meeting is at 4:00 pm in the Central Administration Conference Room on TBD

8:30

Superintendent Ford reported that the committee has gone through all parts of the new Technology Plan. Committee Co-Chair Allison West and member Andrew Taylor from BOCES are doing final draft.

Information: 9.25.08 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee - Assistant Superintendent O'Brien to report. Next meeting is at 2:00 pm in room 207 of the High School on 3/11/10

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported that the meeting concentrated on the students that attended.

Information: 9.25.09 5 MINUTE BREAK (proposed 8:15)

8:35

9.5 Discussion

Discussion: 9.5.1 PPS survey to all students with postage paid return envelope (proposed 8:20)

8:45

Superintendent Ford reported for PPS Director Joyce Long:

- Administration believes that the population of Asperger Syndrome is not properly identified. Part of Strategic Plan is to reach out to community and be sure we are meeting the needs of these children
- Surveys went out hand sent by family and mailing in back

Discussion: 9.5.2 K-2 Consultant teacher consolidation (proposed 8:30)

8:50

Trustee Fletcher stated that over the last few weeks parents in Phoenicia whose children will need consultant teachers next year were told that the program from K-2 was being moved to Bennett

Assistant O'Brien was clear about the inherent problems of this plan and confirmed that because of various concerns, it was not being implemented next year. The Woodstock Times paraphrased O'Brien as saying that "at this particular time grouping the kids into one school

was not an option." The tape recording will confirm her exact words. None of this is reflected in the minutes and it needs to be.

The conclusion was that the program was staying in the respective schools for next year (i.e., staying as is) but that the idea of consolidating the co-teaching model in one school would be looked at again next year.

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien reported:

- Rationale is that the Special Education Dept was looking to provide more time with children by
- It was determined to have issued addressed and look at co-teaching model to see feasibility.
- Research has shown Co-Teaching model very effective
- Is part of Strategic Plan

Principal Linda Sella reported:

- Co-Teaching model is blend of regular educator and special educator – Consultant Teacher
 - Consultant Teacher is least restrictive environment.
 - Leaves child in regular education classroom all day
 - Middle School and High School has a Co-Teaching model, elementary schools need to follow suit for continuity

Board discussion including leaving students in home schools for social-emotional well being

Trustee Kurnit made the point that individual IEPs determine the amount of time a student is to have with a CT, and that a blanket time of 1 or 2 hours is not necessarily relevant.

Superintendent Ford stated that this is also part of the budget discussion.

Discussion: 9.5.3 Discussion on putting West Hurley School sale, lease or rent on the ballot (proposed 8:45)

9:20

Discussion:

- Ask administration if we can find someone who wants to lease the building.
- Organize a tour of the building for Board
- Whether or not to mothball facility
- Take down unsafe playground equipment
- Trustee Kurnit reported that work will need to be done before leasing the building

Discussion: 9.5.4 Ongoing Budget Discussion (proposed 8:55)

9:25

Superintendent Ford gave a presentation on budget concerns and the work the Administration has been doing

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien discussed the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction absorbing the work of the PPS Director

Discussion ensued:

- 2% budget increase will be .45% tax levy increase
 - Student planners costs are Elementary \$2600 Middle School \$1500
- Can not excess people who are paid through ARRA funds
- Can only draw on reserve funds to lower the levy, not fund the budget. If we go on contingent budget, the budget will have to be cut.
- Consensus:
 - Energy cost conservation – percentage decrease in energy cost
 - Ask bargaining units to take a pay freeze
 - Superintendent Ford will get detail about Special Education cost
 - Assistant Superintendent O'Brien will look into any teachers in the district certified in Gifted and Talented
 - Administration will bring the Level 1 budget with the PPS director and DAT team cut

Discussion: 9.5.5 5 MINUTE BREAK (proposed 10:55)

11:15

10. Discussion and Possible Action

Action: 10.01 Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District hereby approve the second reading of Policy 5520 Extraclassroom Activities Fund (proposed 11:00)

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to approve the second reading of Policy 5520 Extraclassroom Activities Fund

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action: 10.02 Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District hereby approve the second reading of Policy 3280 Community Use of School Facilities

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Flayhan approve the second reading of Policy 3280 Community Use of School Facilities

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action: 10.05 Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District hereby approve the second reading of Policy 5580 Medicaid, Fraud Waste and Abuse

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy approve the second reading of Policy 5580 Medicaid, Fraud Waste and Abuse

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action: 10.06 Resolution to increase amount appropriated for investigation

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Flayhan to approve the following:

WHEREAS, employee no. 71009, filed a harassment complaint with the Board of Education on or about July 7, 2009; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2009, the Board of Education appointed Joseph Wooley to investigate said complaint at a sum not to exceed \$2,500; and

WHEREAS, due to additional allegations being raised by the complainant, Mr. Wooley's investigation has been broadened;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board increase the authorization necessary for Mr. Wooley to complete his investigation of the harassment complaint to an amount not to exceed \$7,500.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action: 10.07 Resolution to approve late bus runs

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee Flayhan to approve the following:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that additional 5:15 pm bus runs on Mondays and Fridays beginning on Monday 3/8/10 at an approximate cost not to exceed \$6,600.00.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

11. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 11.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 11.02 - 12.03 (proposed 11:05)

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to approve consent agenda item numbers 11.02 – 12.03

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

Action (Consent): 11.02 Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #02-10 Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Flayhan

Action (Consent): 11.03 Personnel Consent Agenda dated 02/23/10

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#2180	1/28/10 – 2/19/10	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
#1228	1/1/10 – 1/31/10 Amended end date	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
#2616	1/4/10 – 2/28/10	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
#2795	2/15/10 – 2/28/10 Approximate end date	Medical – Unpaid Leave

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Downs, Kelly	Softball – JV – Head Coach	\$2,814
Downs, Kelly	Elementary Resource – Bennett 1	\$1,900
Harder, William	Baseball – JV – Head Coach	\$2,814
Nelsen-Epstein, David	Theatre Technical Director – pro-rated for half a year	\$1,500
Shultis, Robert	Baseball – Modified – Head Coach	\$1,139
Schenker, Maegan	Middle School Cabinet (09/10) Summer – Fall – Winter	\$2,310.75 *revised pro-rated amount
Wiltsie, Candice	Middle School Cabinet (09/10) Spring	\$770.25
Wise, Betsy	Track – Spring – Assistant Coach	\$3,080

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Carlson-Mackenzie, Faye	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
Dederick, Caitlin	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day
Dore, Stacy	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Galeano, Kerry	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Johnson, Elizabeth	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$9/hr
Leighton, Michael	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day

Thomas, Christopher	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$9/hr
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LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#3308	1/12/10 – 2/19/10	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
#1240	9/29/09 – 4/1/10	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave
#2378	1/22/10 – 5/21/10	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave

APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Bunce, Elizabeth	Substitute Food Service Worker	\$9/hr
Johnson, Elizabeth	Substitute School Monitor	\$9/hr
Thomas, Christopher	Substitute School Monitor	\$9/hr

PERMANENT STATUS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

The following named NON-INSTRUCTIONAL personnel have served a probationary status and are recommended to a PERMANENT STATUS consistent with the applicable laws and regulations of the State of New York:

NAME	POSITION	PROBATIONARY DATE	PERMANENT DATE	SALARY/STEP
Mance, Jared	Director of Facilities and Operations	8/1/09	2/1/10	\$80,000

12. Consent Agenda/Business and Finance

Action (Consent): 12.01 Real Property Tax Exemptions

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the senior citizen and disabled tax exemption new law income level effective for the 2010 tax year.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has previously adapted the provisions of Sections 459-c of the Real Property Law (providing for a partial exemption from taxation on residential property owned by qualified, disabled persons) and Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law (providing for a partial exemption from taxation on residential property owned by qualified persons at least 65 years of age), to the maximum extent provided by those respective statutes; and

WHEREAS, Sections 459-c and 467 of the Real Property Tax Law have been amended, respectively, by Chapters 201 and 202 of the 2002 Laws of the State of New York, to raise the maximum income limits for persons qualifying for said partial exemptions from \$28,000 to \$29,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby establish the maximum income limit for the partial real property tax exemptions for qualified persons with disabilities and for qualified persons at least 65 years of age to be \$29,000 in accordance with the amendments to Sections 459-c and 467 of the Real

Property Tax Law.

Action (Consent): 12.02 Accept Fire Reports

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District accept the 2009-2010 Public School Fire Safety Inspection Reports and Summaries from Dr. Michael O'Rourke (BOCES Safety Compliance Officer) for the Onteora Central School District and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such reports.

Action (Consent): 12.03 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 #02/10

14. Old Business

14.01 Allow access for Onteora Web (proposed 11:10)

Move this item to the next meeting

15. New Business

Discussion: 15.01 NYSSBA Legislative Conference (proposed 11:20)

Legislative Conference:

- Trustee McGillicuddy would like to go
- Trustee Kurnit will possibly go
- Discuss SRO withdrawal by state

- Change next meeting (March 16th) location to Phoenicia 3/16
- Change April 6th meeting to Bennett

- Trustee Osmond will produce an article in the newspaper once a month about Board business

- Meeting rain/snow dates should be Wednesday or Thursday of the same week
 - Build them into the calendar for next year
 - Consensus for the remainder of March do weather date on Thursday

Match 11th BOCES UC Board of Education meeting attendees:

- Trustee Flayhan and Trustee Kurnit

16. Board Members Requests for Information

Information: 16.01 Board members may request information at this time. (proposed 11:30)

11:35

Consensus about the budget:

- Energy cost conservation – percentage decrease in energy cost
- Ask bargaining units to take a pay freeze
- Superintendent Ford will get detail about Special Education cost
- Assistant Superintendent O'Brien will look into any teachers in the district

- certified in Gifted and Talented
- Administration will bring the Level 1 budget with the PPS director and DAT team cut

Ask administration if someone can be found to lease the West Hurley building

District Clerk is to organize a tour of the West Hurley building

District Clerk to put a new category in Board Docs news for Fund Balance and Treasurer's Report

Get information about offering teachers buyouts

Is February 16th being considered a snow day?

17. Public Be Heard

Information: 17.01 The public may comment on agenda items at this time. (proposed 11:35)

11:40

Gabriel Buono – Thank Dr. Ford for inviting Board to cabinet and Board for budget work
Peter Freidel – Budget, Middle School configuration, Board conduct, West Hurley
Fred Perry – supports a 4% tax levy, supports keeping community schools open, he thanked the board for its service.

18. Adjournment/Next Meeting

Action: 18.01 Meeting Adjourned next meeting 3/16/10 (proposed 11:40)

12:00

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to adjourn the meeting at approximately 12:00 a.m.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Not Present: Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey

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 20, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
		<i>Onteora Board of Education 2010-2011 Budget Adoption</i>	
April 28, 2010	<i>Wednesday</i>	Regular Meeting	Middle-High School 6:00 p.m.
		<i>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.