

# ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

**TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010**

PHOENICIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## **Congratulations to the Class of 2010**

The Board of Education wishes to congratulate the Graduating Class of the Onteora Central School District of 2010, to thank them for their contribution to the District and to wish them every success and happiness for the future.

## **0. BOE TOUR OF PHOENICIA**

Information: 0.1 The Board will tour the Phoenicia Elementary School

### **1. Opening Items**

Information: 1.01 Call to Order (proposed 6:00)

Trustee Osmond called the meeting to order at approximately 6:25

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 McLaren, Assistant Superintendent O'Brien, Student Representative Susie Sofranko, District Clerk, Fern Amster and approximately 20 Guests

Information: 1.06 Not Present

Information: 1.07 Also Not Present

### **1.25 Retirement Plaques**

Information: 1.25.1 Retirement Plaques

The Board will present retirement plaques: Gail Anderson, Jane Chicione, Holly Heppner, Wendy Lorzing-Wilmoth, Marilyn O'Leary, Susan Rosen, Linda Schultz, Donna Wilkes, Alan Davis, Dorothy Negron, Linda Thomas, John Whipple, Katherine Williams, Kathy Kaftan

## **2. Acceptance of Minutes**

Action: 2.01 Acceptance of Minutes

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy to accept the Minutes of April 28, 2010.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

### 3. Welcome Message

Discussion: 3.01 Principal Linda Sella will give the welcome address (proposed 6:15, duration 10 min)

6:30

Principal Linda Sella gave the welcome message:

- On 6/11/10 Phoenica School's participation in the Summer Reading Challenge was kicked off by Assemblymen Cahill whom sponsors and supports the program
  - The students pledged to read 15 minutes and exercise for 30 minutes everyday during the summer
  - The students and staff provided Assemblymen Cahill with their own Public Service Announcement for the Summer Reading Challenge

### 4. District News

Information: 4.01 Notable district news will be discussed/presented at this time (proposed 6:25, duration 10 min)

6:40

Superintendent Ford gave a Power Point presentation on the board goals and accomplishments over this year.

Trustee Spencer reported that he attended the Ulster Dutchess Tobacco Free Dinner many politicians were there. Peggy Haug was honored as a health educator.

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that she and Trustee Flayhan went to Ulster County School Board Association dinner. Chief of the Ulster County Development Corporation spoke on getting county and local schools partnered up in green and sustainable opportunities.

- High School is offering new a elective in called Green Solutions

Trustee Fletcher reported:

- All of the school concerts were all successful
- The Onteora Middle School Symphonic Band performed in the New York State School Music Association Majors Festival at Kingston High School on 6/3/10 and received a Gold Rating. This is the second time in three years that the band has earned a Gold Rating.
- The varsity track team competed this past weekend in Binghamton. The team had its best showing ever, sending 8 athletes to compete. Emily Waligurski captured two state titles winning both the 800 meters in 2:13, and the 1500 meters in 4:36. Emily also anchored the 4x800 meter relay team which placed fifth. Also on the relay team were : Caitlin, Cara, Alex and Anna. Michelle placed 12th in the girls triple jump, and Martin placed 12th in the boys discus throw.
- Trustee Osmond congratulated all students for a successful year and their accomplishments and thanked all the teachers and parents for their support.

### 5. Student Representative Report

Information: 5.01 The Student Representative to the Board, Susie Sofranko, will give a report at this time. (proposed 6:35, duration 5 min)

6:50

Student Representative Susie Sofranko introduced the new student representative Angie Cross. She recognized Katie Patschke as Vice President of Student Affairs Council, who will fill in as necessary and wished Onteora students the best of luck.

Student Representative Susie Sofranko thanked the Board for the experience on the Board of Education.

## **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.

6:55

Thanked last meetings' Public Be Heard participants

## **7. Student Comment**

Information: 7.01 Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time. (proposed 6:25, duration 10 min or more)

No student comment was made

## **8. Public Comment**

Information: 8.01 The public may comment on any agenda or non-agenda items at this time. (proposed 6:35, duration 10 min or more) Luke White - Hiring and Evaluation

6:55

Luke White - Hiring process  
Mark Wilens,  
Anna Millenson,  
Katie Legnini on behalf of Georgia LoPresti-Meckes  
Rita Vanacore  
Posie Strenz  
Michelle Garner

## **8.5 Reports**

Report: 8.5.1 Internal Auditor's Annual Risk Assessment Report (proposed 7:05, duration 5 min)

7:15

Pat Leimgruber Internal Auditor's reports

## **9. Discussion**

Discussion: 9.01 The Board will have an initial discussion about kindergarten classes (proposed 7:10, duration 20 min)

7:20

The Board discussed the 2010-2011 Kindergarten Classes at Phoenicia

Trustee Fletcher asked to have the record state that he has a son in the class being discussed.

The Board came to consensus to receive information on the ELL services received by the students who have been transferred from Phoenicia.

The Board came to consensus to add an additional Public Be Heard

### **Public Be Heard**

The following people spoke about the 2010-2011 Kindergarten classes:

Heida La Monda (kindergarten teacher)

Pamela Olson (speech pathologist)

Rebecca Barry

Mark Wilens

Cindy Boyer (present kindergarten parent so you can check)

Melissa Johnson (kindergarten teacher)

Linda Sella (elementary principal)

Ann a Millenson again

Pamela Olson again

The Board had consensus to strongly recommend that the administration proceed with the 2 kindergarten classes as budgeted for and not make any decisions until later in the summer

5 Minute Break

### **12.25 Executive Session**

Action: 12.25.01 It is anticipated that the Board will enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at approximately 7:55 pm to discuss personnel.

It was moved by Trustee Osmond and seconded by Trustee McGillicuddy Motion to enter into executive session at approximately 9:10.

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Action: 12.25.02 Return from Executive Session at approximately 10:00)

It was moved by Trustee Hickey and seconded by Trustee Flayhan to return to the Regular Meeting at approximately 11:25

### **11. Consent Agenda**

Action (Consent): 11.01 Approve consent agenda

It was moved by Trustee Flayhan and seconded by Trustee Osmond to approve consent agenda item numbers 11.02-12.04 (proposed 7:50, duration 5 min)

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Action (Consent): 11.02 Instruction - Schedule U

The Board of Education hereby approves the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #6-10, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee McGillicuddy

Action (Consent): 11.03 Personnel Consent Agenda dated 6/15/10

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL**

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM - TO	REASON
#1984	6/5/10 - 6/11/10	Medical - Paid Family Medical Leave
#1868	5/10/10 - 6/4/10	Medical - Paid Family Medical Leave

**APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT**

NAME	POSITION	PERIOD	RATE OF PAY	REMARKS
Amatrano, Bonita	Special Education Teacher	7/1/10 - 8/31/10	\$35/hour	Summer Services
Hartmann, Hayden	School Psychologist	7/1/10 - 8/31/10	\$35/hour	Summer Services
Olson, Pamela	Speech/Language Therapist	7/1/10 - 8/31/10	\$35/hour	Summer Services
Thongs, Melissa	Special Education Teacher/Evaluator	7/1/10 - 8/31/10	\$35/hour	Summer Services
Goodemote, Patricia	Speech/Language Therapist/Evaluator	7/1/10 - 8/31/10	\$35/hour	Summer Services

**SHORT-TERM SUBSTITUTE**

NAME	CERTIFICATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM - TO	SALARY	REASON
Hommel, Jessica	School Counselor	Guidance - MS	8/23/10 - 12/6/10	1MA	LOA replacement

**PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Korol, Amy	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
	Revised appointment	

**APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT**

NAME	POSITION	FROM - TO	PAY RATE	REMARKS
Patricia Knight	Cook Manager	6/30/10 - 8/31/10	Hourly rate	Summer hours - Max 100

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS**

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	FROM - TO	PAY RATE
Benjamin, Katelyn	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker	6/28/10 - 8/31/10	\$9/hr

**12. Consent Agenda/Business and Finance**

Action (Consent): 12.01 Catskill Watershed Corporation Grant

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that

the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the contract between Onteora Central School District and the Catskill Watershed Corporation to accept the public education program grant for the Phoenicia Elementary School in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the 2010-2011 school year and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement ensuring that activities and programs funded by said grant are carried out in accordance with grant requirements.

Action (Consent): 12.02 The Omni Group Services Agreement

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Renewal Services Agreement along with the amendment to provision 2 (u) for the 2010-2011 school year between the Onteora Central School District and The Omni Group to serve as the District's 403(b) Third Part Administrator for the amount of \$6,642.00 and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to sign such an agreement.

Action (Consent): 12.03 Acceptance of Donations for the Class of 2010 from various donors

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of donations totaling \$14,441.21, CASH, from various donors as scholarship awards for the Class of 2010.

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following donations:

DiGiovanni \$50.00	WNB Customer Relations \$200.00
Wereszynski \$500.00	Lottie Cease \$50.00
OTA \$600.00	Deborah Cease \$50.00
Beacon Light Foundation \$250.00	Robin Hunter \$250.00
J.S Olin \$25.00	Care for OCS \$1,200.00
Phoenicia Post of American Legion \$100.00	J. Olin \$300.00
Karen & Paul Wereszynski \$200.00	Anonymous \$350.00
Maverick Family Medical \$500.00	Historical Society of Wdstk \$100.00
Southside Rod & Gun \$500.00	Olive Senior Citizens \$200.00
ONTEA \$200.00	Lake Hill Sportsman Club \$150.00
For Cindy VanBuren \$116.21	American Legion Auxiliary \$200.00
Patricia Tosi \$300.00	Steuben Society of America \$100.00
Robert Shultis III \$500.00	Jackie Earley \$100.00
Jeanne Marie Blank \$100.00	McWhinne \$50.00
Olin Family Foundation \$500.00	DiGiovanni \$50.00
MHV Credit Union \$250.00	Westwood Metes & Bounds \$500.00
Matthew Ostoyich \$250.00	Olive Historical Society \$100.00
Jeffrey Parker \$100.00	Olive Legion Post \$500.00
Amos Fleisher \$1,500.00	Evelyn Stone \$200.00
Jeannine Burkhardt \$150.00	John & Diana Klippel \$200.00
Nicholas Millas \$100.00	Karen Wereszynski \$50.00
Onteora Middle-High School \$300.00	National Honor Society \$200.00
West Hurley Rescue Squad \$200.00	DECA \$1,800.00
Holly Heppner \$250.00	

Action (Consent): 12.04 The Board reviewed and accepts the Internal Auditor's Annual Risk Assessment

The Board of Education hereby accepts the Internal Auditor's Annual Risk Assessment

### **Discussion and Possible Action**

Action 12.75.02 Appoint Impartial Hearing Officer

It was moved by Trustee Flayhan and seconded by Trustee Osmond to appoint Judith Schneider as Impartial Hearing Officer for Case # 56204

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

### **12.25 Executive Session**

Action: 12.25.01 It is anticipated that the Board will enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at approximately 7:55 pm to discuss personnel.

It was moved by Trustee McGillicuddy and seconded by Trustee Kurnit to enter into executive session at approximately 11:35

The result of the vote was: Unanimous

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

Action: 12.25.02 Return from Executive Session at approximately 10:00

It was moved by Trustee Hickey and seconded by Trustee Flayhan to return to the Regular Meeting at approximately 12:30

### **18. Adjournment/Next Meeting**

Action: 18.01 Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting 7/6/10 (proposed 11:55)

It was moved by Trustee McGillicuddy and seconded by Trustee Hickey to adjourn the meeting at approximately 12:35

**\*\* The rest of the agenda was moved to the next meeting which includes:\*\***

### **12.5 Discussion**

Discussion: 12.5.2 The Board will take consensus to run an ad in the Phoenicia Times/Olive Press and the Woodstock Times to congratulate the graduates of 2010.

Discussion: 12.5.01 Discussion about attorney retainer for 2010-2011 (proposed 10:00 duration 15 min)

### **12.75 Discussion and Possible Action**

Action: 12.75.01 Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District hereby approve the second reading of Policy 7640 Student Individualized Education Program (proposed 10:15, duration 5 min)

### **13. Committee Reports - 5 minutes each**

Information: 13.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report. Next meeting is at 4:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 7/12/2010 (proposed 10:20)

Information: 13.02 Communication Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 5:45 in the Central Administration Conference Room on TBD

Information: 13.03 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is at 3:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on TBD

Information: 13.04 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 TBD

Information: 13.05 Policy Committee - Trustee Osmond/McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 9:00 in the Central Administration Conference Room on TBD

Information: 13.06 Arts Task Force - Trustee Fletcher to report. Next meeting is at 4:00 pm in the Vision 21 Room of the High School on TBD

Information: 13.08 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 6/17/10

#### **14. Old Business**

Discussion: 14.01 The board will discuss conducting a Summer Community Forum (proposed 10:55, duration 10 min)

Discussion: 14.02 The Board will discuss their Self-Evaluation (proposed 11:05, duration 10 min)

Discussion: 14.03 The Board will discuss a Summer Board Retreat (proposed 11:15, duration 10 min)

#### **15. New Business**

Discussion: 15.01 Board Members will request new business (proposed 11:25, duration 10 min)

#### **16. Board Members Requests for Information**

Information: 16.01 Board members may request information at this time. (proposed 11:35, duration 10 min)

#### **17. Public Be Heard**

Information: 17.01 The public may comment on agenda items at this time. (proposed 11:45, duration 10 min or more)



**2010– 2011 Board of Education Meeting Schedule**

**\*NOTE: snow dates**

July 6, 2010		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 3, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 24, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
September 14, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
September 28, 2010		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
October 12, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
October 26, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
November 9, 2010*		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
November 30, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
December 14, 2011		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
January 11, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
January 25, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
February 8, 2011		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
February 22, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
March 8, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
		Superintendent's 2010-2011		
March 22, 2011		Budget Recommendation	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
		Regular Meeting		
April 5, 2011		<b>2010-2011 Budget Adoption</b>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
April 27, 2011	<i>Wed</i>	Regular Meeting AND <i>a countywide vote date for BOCES Board Seats and BOCES Administrative Budget</i>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
May 3, 2011		Regular Meeting and <i>Budget Hearing</i>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
May 17, 2011		<b>Budget Vote</b>	<b>All four (4) Elementary Schools</b>	<b>2:00 to 9:00 p.m.</b>
May 17, 2011		Special Meeting (Declaration of Votes Cast)	Middle-High School	9:30 p.m.
June 7, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
June 21, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
July 5, 2011		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.

- \* Meetings are held on Tuesdays @ 6:00 p.m. unless the meeting date is a **snow date**, the meeting will be held the **Thursday** of that week, except **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, snow date **Wednesday**
- Cancellations and/or postponements of meetings will be announced (when schools are closed for emergencies, BOE meetings are cancelled).
- Special meetings and/or special workshops will also be announced.

Approved by BOE:7/6/10