ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

CORRECTED

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 14, 2006
Bennett Elementary School

CALL TO ORDER Trustee D'Orazio called **REGULAR MEETING/WORKSHOP** to order at approximately 7:04 p.m.

TOBACCO POLICY STATEMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT Trustees D'Orazio, Patterson, O'Connor, Vanacore, Resnick Rosenfeld

NOT PRESENT Trustee Bernholz

ALSO PRESENT Superintendent, John G. Jordan; Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox; Assistant Superintendent, Victoria McLaren; Student Board Representative, Frances Barlow ; District Clerk, Jeanne Shultis; and approximately 60 visitors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District that the minutes of the:

- Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on October 21, 2006, and the
- Regular Meeting/Workshop of the Board of Education held on October 24, 2006,

are hereby approved as submitted.
Trustee O'Connor seconded the Motion.
6 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

WELCOME TO BENNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Bennett Elementary School Principal Laurie Cassel introduced Bennett librarian, Maureen Spada, who announced that students are celebrating Students Book Week. Students James Flournoy and Julia Occhi present the Board members with a children's book bag filled with goodies. Pictures of students decorating the bags, which were donated by the Boiceville Market, were on display.

Principal Cassel then introduced fifth grade teachers Ginny Occhi and Joan Mayone who described their latest U.S. History social studies project called "In My Grandmother's Suitcase" and the other topics students have been studying. The following students read their reports on these projects: Ryan Beesmer, Drew Wolff, Julia Rubin-Armstrong, Josh DuBois, Dustin MacKenzie, Adrianna DeCicco, Elyssia Johnan, Jemimah Cochrane, Sarah Melvin, Emily Doyle, Julia Occhi, Jonathan Loizou, and Brianna Warg

Trustee Bernholz arrived at approximately 7:13 p.m.

DISTRICT NEWS

Superintendent Jordan announced that:

- The area where someone has been illegally dumping on West Hurley School property and that the District, as property owner, was cited for, has been cleaned up in a combined effort by our staff and the Towns of Woodstock, Hurley, Olive and the County of Ulster spearheaded by Mike Shultis, Town of Hurley Supervisor, at a great cost savings to the District. The participants of the clean up were commended by Superintendent Jordan and will be receiving thank you letters.
- The Fall Sports Award Assembly was held November 13 and was well attended.
- We are in the process of applying for a mini-grant through Nicole Holmquist's Life Skills class. The purpose of the grant is to sponsor the Senior Citizen's Prom which was a well-attended and appreciated event in the past.
- He is pleased that Woodstock Principal Bobbi Schnell has invited our First Steps UPK students to attend the assembly with Woodstock students on Friday, November 17. The District will provide the transportation.
- Assistant Superintendent Deb Fox was thanked for putting together tonight's presentation on test scores. He also commended Middle School Principal Gayle Kavanagh for the dramatic improvement on the 8th grade math scores. She has been invited to the Ulster County Superintendent's Council meeting on November 16 to present information on how this improvement was accomplished in such a short period of time.

Assistant Superintendent Deborah Fox reported on the excellent results of the most recent test scores. She commended our teachers and our elementary and middle principals for the fine work they have done with their students. She thinks that these results are a good indication of the hard work put into staff development over the last three years. More specific information will be included in our next newsletter which will be coming out soon.

She also reported that we have applied for a grant through the BOCES granting writing service for staff development in middle level math for grades 5-8 teachers with the National Math Teachers Association.

REPORT FROM 2005-2006 STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Student Representative Frances Barlow reported that:

- The senior class is planning a senior class vs. staff volleyball game. It is on the new class website.
- SADD is having a Quiz Bowl on Friday, November 17 at the High School. Everyone is welcome to come.

STUDENT COMMENT

No student comments were made at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Audit Committee Report – Trustee Bernholz reported that the Committee met on October 26 to vote on the recommendations for the Internal Auditor and Internal Claims Auditor positions - Monica Kim and Patricia Leimgruber, respectively. The next meeting date is December 5 with a snow date of December 6.

- Communications Committee – Trustee O'Connor reported that the Committee has not met but will be meeting soon after Thanksgiving.

- Facilities Committee – Trustee Patterson reported that the Committee is waiting until the final presentation from the architects and then they will meet the first week after Thanksgiving or the first week of December to discuss some of the issues.

- Policy Committee – Trustee O'Connor reported that the meeting has been tentatively rescheduled to November 20.

- Technology Committee – Trustee Vanacore reported that the Committee met this past Monday but she was unable to attend.

  Assistant Superintendent Deborah Fox reported that the final plan must be in place by April 1, 2007, and they have 4 meeting scheduled in the next 4 months to work on different sections. They have worked on the Goals and Objectives to make sure they are in line with our CDEP goals. The next meeting is scheduled for December 4 at 2:30 p.m.

- Early Childhood Committee – Trustee Vanacore reported that this Committee met and is researching the possibilities of developing an Early Childhood Development curriculum that would be run by the District and might include before care, after care, day care, pre-kindergarten and UPK. They hope to work on a program that might be able to include all of our incoming kindergarten students in a UPK class. At the last meeting they began gathering data. A request has been made to Debbi Fox to have BOCES research any possible grants that would be available for schools.

- Analysis Of Different School And Grade Span Configurations – Architect Armand Quadrini introduced Dr. Judy Fox, educator, former superintendent and colleague, who presented a report on the impacts on education of the different plans that we are considering and her experiences, both educationally and practically, with master plan projects such as are being considered. Following her report, she fielded questions from the Board members and public.

Trustee D'Orazio called for a five-minute break at approximately 8:55 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Creation of a Modified Winter Track Team

Trustee Bernholz moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that a Modified Winter Track Team be created to begin on November 15, 2006, at no additional expense to the District.
Trustee Vanacore seconded the Motion.
Discussion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

Creation of a Physical Education Coordinator Position

Trustee O'Connor moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the following extra duty stipend position shall be created effective December 1, 2006, for the 2006-2007 school year only, ending as of June 30, 2007:

Physical Education Coordinator

Trustee Vanacore seconded the Motion.
Discussion. The title of the position should be changed from Physical Education Department Chair to Physical Education Coordinator.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

Tax Certiorari Proceedings

Trustee Bernholz moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has previously authorized its attorneys to intervene in the tax certiorari proceedings commenced by the City of New York against the Towns of Olive and Hurley in the Ulster County Supreme Court, which proceedings bear index nos. 06-2701 and 06-2707; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been advised that additional tax certiorari proceedings commenced by the City of New York against the Towns of Olive and Hurley, which have been consolidated with, and are related to, the aforementioned proceedings;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorize its attorneys to intervene in the tax certiorari proceedings commenced by the City of New York against the Towns of Olive and Hurley in the Ulster County Supreme Court, which proceedings bear the following index nos:

Town of Olive	Town of Hurley
01-2150	01-2151
02-2250	02-2251
03-2343	03-2342
04-2309	04-2312
05-2701	05-2411

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

Transportation Study

The proposed resolution to hire an outside consultant to do the capital project transportation study was pulled from the agenda on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATION(S)

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following RESIGNATION(S):

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	*EFFECTIVE DATE*	REMARKS
Kim, Monica	Internal Claims Auditor	November 14, 2006	To accept Internal Auditor Position

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

APPOINTMENTS

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following APPOINTMENTS:

APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY	REMARKS
Kim, Monica	Internal Auditor	11-15-2006	$15,000	
Leimgruber, Patricia	Internal Claims Auditor	11-15-2006	$3,000	Replaces Monica Kim

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

PART TIME

NAME	CERTIFICATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	SALARY	REASON
Rubin, Linda F.	Speech and Hearing Handicapped	0.3 Speech/ Language Therapist	11/15/06 – 6/22/07	6MA	Increase in Speech Services

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Pezzello, Eric	Wrestling – 7/8 Grade – Assistant Rescind previous appointment	-$1,712
Weber, Tiffany	Cheerleading – Advisor – Fall Rescind previous appointment	-$1,523
Formont, Cheryl	District Web Master	$1,675
Gale, Wyatt	Wrestling – 7/8 Grade – Assistant	$1,712
Pezzello, Eric	Wrestling – JV – Assistant	$2,978
Prutzman, Wilber	Weightlifting – Advisor	$1,770
Stewart, Valerie	Basketball – Jr. H.S. (Girls)	$2,143
Weber, Tiffany	Cheerleading – Advisor – Winter	$1,523
Williams, Erin	Track – Winter – Assistant	$2,328

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	CERTIFICATION	SALARY
Amster, Elliot	Certified Substitute Teacher	$95/day
Bambina, Stephanie	Certified Substitute Teacher	$95/day
Palmer, Christine	Certified Substitute Teacher	$95/day

WHEREAS, the following employees have been fingerprinted, the fingerprints have been submitted to the New York State Education Department (SED) for processing and the District has not received clearance for such employees as of the date of this meeting**;**
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby appoints the following instructional employees on an emergency conditional basis:

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	CERTIFICATION	SALARY
Vitale, Nicole	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	$80/day

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such emergency conditional appointments shall become conditional appointments upon receipt of State Clearance from SED.

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion. *Discussion. The appointment of Alison Tosi for an Extra Duty Stipend as Gymnastics Varsity Coach was pulled from the agenda due to lack of student participation.*
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	CERTIFICATION	SALARY
VanKleeck, Deborah	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant	$9/hr

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

NAME	POSITION	FROM – TO	SALARY	REMARKS
Montalvo, Peter	Interim Transportation Supervisor	11/17/06 – 6/30/07	$200 per diem	Extend appointment

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

FINAL NYSED CLEARANCE RECEIVED

Trustee Patterson moved to acknowledge the following FINAL NYSED CLEARANCE RECEIVED:

NAME	POSITION
Bucher, Donald	Science Teacher

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

FINAL NYSED CLEARANCE HAS NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED:

Trustee Patterson moved to acknowledge the following FINAL NYSED CLEARANCE NOT YET RECEIVED:

NAME	POSITION
Becker, Kari	Food Service Helper
Brightly, Carolyn	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant
Carr, William	Certified Substitute Teacher
Eiferd, Mae	Substitute Nurse (RN)
Hass, Barbara	Certified Substitute Teacher
Krebser, Lynn	Substitute Bus Attendant
Vanacore, Ralph	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Vitale, Nicole	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Vos, Christine	Certified Substitute Teacher
Woodard, Colette	Uncertified Substitute Teacher and Home Instruction

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

SALARY CHANGES: INSTRUCTIONAL S**CHEDULE T 11/06**

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL SALARY CHANGES on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for the reason(s) indicated and effective dates:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	CURRENT STEP	REC'D STEP	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON
Bilyeu, Aubree	Math – M. S.	2MA	2M + 6	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Brower, Carol	K – 6, Woodstock	8M + 12	8M + 18	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Burkhardt, Patrick	P.E. – H. S.	5BA + 6	5BA + 18	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Clinton, Lynn	K – 6, Bennett	22M + 48	22M + 54	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Condon-Krieger, Janet	Guid. Couns. – H.S.	16M + 42	16M + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Curlew, Alicia	Social Studies – H.S.	6BA	6BA + 30	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Darling, Michele	Occ. Therapist - District	19BA + 6	19BA + 12	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Feldman, Melanie	Reading - Bennett	15M + 48	15M + 54	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Fuhr, Gil	Math – M.S.	3BA + 6	3BA + 18	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Groom, Christine	AIS - Woodstock	17M + 36	17M + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Gustafson, Amy	Sp. Ed. - Phoenicia	6M + 18	6M + 24	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Hamilton, Shelly	Art – H.S.	5BA + 24	5 M	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Kenly, Maryanne	K – 6, Phoenicia	15M + 36	15M + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
LaMonda, Kevin	K – 6, Phoenicia	8M + 18	8M + 30	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Loheide, Laura	English – M.S.	14M + 30	14M + 36	9/1/06	Educational Increment

Margolis, JoAnn	Librarian - Woodstock	16M + 24	16M + 30	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Mayone-Allison, Joan	K – 6, Bennett	9M + 12	9M + 24	9/1/06	Educational Increment
McDaniel, Colleen	School Nurse – H.S.	School Nurse per OTA Art. XXIII	90 in-service hours converted to 6 credits at $60.00 / cr.	9/1/06	Educational Increment
McGuire, Kimberly	Science – H.S.	1M	1M + 6	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Mistler, Mary	Sp. Ed. – Phoenicia	12M + 36	12M + 42	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Occhi, Andrew	P.E. – M.S.	4BA + 18	4M	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Occhi, Virginia	K – 6, Bennett	12M + 42	12M + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Naccarato, Mary	K – 6, Woodstock	M16 + 42	M16 + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Partridge, Hilary	K – 6, Woodstock	M13 + 6	M13 + 12	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Perna, Sandra	K – 6, Woodstock	M22 + 36	M22 + 42	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Roszko, Michele	Reading – Phoenicia	14M + 18	14M + 24	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Rothe, Sonja	P.E. – Bennett	12M + 48	12M + 60	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Seche, Joanne	Science – H.S.	3BA	3BA + 12	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Stebbins, Julie	Psych. – M.S./H.S.	22M + 54	22M + 60	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Stewart, Valerie	Foreign Lang. – M.S.	4BA + 30	4M	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Taylor, Alyssa	Family & Consumer Science – H.S.	6BA + 24	6BA + 30	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Thomas, Doris	Social Studies – M.S.	7BA + 12	7BA + 24	9/1/06	Educational Increment
VanDeBogart, Leigh	Sp. Ed. – Bennett	13M + 30	13M + 48	9/1/06	Educational Increment
VanWagner, Alice	Soc.Worker - Bennett	10M + 18	10M + 30	9/1/06	Educational Increment
White, Lucas	K – 6, Bennett	18M + 6	18M + 12	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Wolfrom, Jane	K – 6, Phoenicia	M12 + 18	M12 + 24	9/1/06	Educational Increment
Via, Scott	Science – H.S.	4BA + 18	4M	9/1/06	Educational Increment

Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
Discussion.
7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

INSTRUCTION

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE CSE/CPSE RECOMMENDATIONS SCHEDULE U, #11/06 A-111406

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #11/06 A-111406, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Resnick.
Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
Discussion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

RESOLUTION TO AWARD PURCHASE OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District award the purchase of surplus equipment to the highest bidders for the amounts listed on Schedule D.
Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS

- Trustee D'Orazio requested that the following items be included on the next agenda:
  (1) A letter from the Board asking the Town of Olive to petition the Department of Transportation to do whatever is necessary to have a traffic light installed at the intersection of the High School and Route 28 in Boiceville.
  (2) A letter directly from the Board to the Department of Transportation requesting a traffic light be installed at the intersection of the High School and Route 28 in Boiceville.

- Trustee Patterson requested that athletic coaches be on the agenda for the next meeting and that the information and questions from a previous Board packet be included.

NEW BUSINESS

- Trustee O'Connor would like to have the Middle School Steering Committee return to make a brief summary of their presentation on the Middle School configuration they recommended.
- Trustee Vanacore requested that we have cheerleaders present at more sports events that are participated in by our teams.
- Trustee Vanacore requested that the Board arrive early at a future Board meeting to participate in using the new FastForWord program that is being piloted currently in the District.
- Trustee Vanacore would like to see a press release go out announcing the new test scores.

GOALS UPDATE

Trustee D'Orazio announced that the Board continues to engage in efforts to further their stated goal of developing a long-term master plan and they are

continuing the superintendent search. On Friday, November 17, the candidate is coming to the District and will spend the whole day meeting with different groups culminating with a meeting with the community at the High School at 7:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Trustee Rosenfeld requested that hands-on demonstrations of each schools special programs be provided for board members prior to Board meetings.

Trustees D'Orazio and Vanacore requested information about Excel Aid from Assistant Superintendent McLaren at a future Board meeting, especially with reference to improvements for the High School auditorium.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Trustee Bernholz moved to enter into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** at approximately 9:35 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons and a student matter.
Trustee D'Orazio seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

Trustee Rosenfeld left at approximately 10:25 p.m.

MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Trustee Bernholz moved to return to REGULAR SESSION at approximately 10:26 p.m.
Trustee Patterson seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Trustee Bernholz moved to adjourn at approximately 10:27 p.m.
Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.
7 Yes 0 No
CARRIED

Recorded by:
Jeanne Shultis
District Clerk

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