

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2021

MS/HS AUDITORIUM

MINUTES

1. Opening Items

- 1.01 Call to Order 6:45
- 1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement
- 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.04 Roll Call

Present: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

2. Executive Session

- 2.01 Enter executive session (proposed 6:45 duration 15 min)

Recommended Action: Motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular person

Motioned: Trustee Storey

Seconded: Trustee Ratcliff

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

- 2.02 Exit Executive Session and Return to Public Session (proposed 7pm)

Recommended Action: Motion to exit executive session and return to public session

Motioned: Trustee Bishop

Seconded: Trustee Sherry

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

3. Acceptance of Minutes

- 3.01 Acceptance of Minutes

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby accepts minutes of July 6, 2021

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Storey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

4. Superintendent District News

- 4.01 The Superintendent will report District News

- Last week CDC sent guidance and State Ed offered some comments
 - Continue to be flexible with opening plans
 - Guidance contains: In-person instruction only, If there is a closure need to pivot to remote instruction, will not same type of remote option –

- o working for the children's best interest
- o Next week's forum, will outline the guidance
- o Still should receive something from the Governor and State Ed
- Last week of summer school for K-8
- Opening fall sports, opens 8/23, with approval from Section 9 – no guidance yet

4.02 Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, Dr. Don Gottlieb will present the findings of Transportation Advisory Services about Alternative Fuels and a Capital Project Update

Board of Education commissioned a study with Transportation Advisory Services to review alternative fuel options to reduce environmental impact

- They were unable to visit district
- Electric is the way of the future – will be looking at in next few years
 - o Problems noted are cost, infrastructure, distance bus can travel
 - o When diesel was first used, problems with it, today, 95% use diesel
 - o Cost - \$305,000 for an electric bus, diesel is \$105,000
 - o Infrastructure doesn't exist
- There were incentives to move to diesel, will have incentives for electric
- Also money through NYSERTA - infrastructure bill contains money for electric school buses
- Problem here is geography – don't want to be in testing electric buses
 - o Onteora communication system does not reach all areas
- Will have a combination fleet, partly diesel, partly electric

Discussion:

- Appendix F has information on studies in California that have converted to electric
 - o Buses refuel at the fuel station outside of bus garage – First Student fuels at their location
 - So don't need infrastructure
- Look at contract to be sure to make conversion when ready
- If it is to be successful, need county-wide plan and way that towns, county, school districts and community cooperate so everyone is using in alternative fuel sources
- Shared services with districts – each district wants to create electric resources

Capital Project:

- ADA for 11 bathrooms 2 locker rooms through old Capital Reserve
- Asbestos Abatement – 100% Complete, Demolition – 90% complete
- Mechanical & Walls going up in all areas, Tiling has begun in Boy's Locker Room with other areas to follow, 90% of material is on site, Lockers are scheduled for delivery within next 2 weeks, some wood products will be delayed
- Room 163 which was to be converted to a single-use bathroom has been moved to Room 162 due to issues with the drain lines – will not ready for opening of school
- Phase 1 (5 classrooms/whiteboard removal, asbestos abatement, wall treatment) Funded thru Federal Grant
 - o Expect to be finished by middle of next week

- Athletic Office Erect Wall,
- Working on science lab smoke alarm problem
- Cameras, Funded thru Smart Schools Grant
 - May be during school year, second shift
- August 12, Board invited to a walk through of Capital Project
 - Followed by Facilities Meeting at Bennett

Discussion

Trustee Storey will not be in town, need another Board member to change

5. Board District News

5.01 The Board will report District News (proposed 7:15)

7:35

Trustee Ratcliff reported that Neal Smoller Apothecary Pharmacist was recognized by Senator Hinchey, Assemblyman Cahill, Congressman Delgado, County Executive Pat Ryan

- Pointed out that the schools and districts had been very cooperative

Trustee Salem and Trustee Sherry met with Robert Curran, as Board President and Vice President, and discussed buses and BOCES programs

6. Acknowledge Public Be Heard Comments

6.01 The Board will acknowledge the public be heard comments from the last meeting

No one spoke

7. Public and Student Comment

7.01 Public and Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 7:20)

Neal Brownell – USA kids are 26th in the world; 25 countries are better than us.

Teaching our kids hate. Solve with 3 steps – access to every piece of material that school gives kids, know how information is being disseminating and school choice

8. Discussion and Possible Action

8.01 Interim Superintendent Marystephanie Corsones and Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Stephanie Laffin will present the District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (proposed 7:20 duration 15)

7:55

- In January 2018, the federal government approved NYS's plan to spend the approximately \$1.6 billion that the state receives annually under ESSA
- In exchange for funding states had to create an accountability system for measuring student performance and determining which schools need extra support.
- Additional criteria in ESSA than No Child Left Behind
 - Elementary & Middle School
 - Academic Achievement, ELA, Math, Science, Student Growth, Academic Progress, ELL Proficiency, Chronic Absenteeism
 - High School
 - Academic Achievement, ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, Graduation Rate, Academic Progress, ELL Proficiency, Chronic

Absenteeism, College, Career & Civic Readiness

- How does NYS identify schools for recognition & support?
 - NYS uses each of 7 indicators to identify schools
 - ALL public schools will receive one of four designations
 - Recognition Schools
 - Schools in Good Standing
 - Targeted Support & Improvement Schools
 - Comprehensive Support & Improvement Schools
- Process used to Create the DCIP
 - Steps in review/ things for consideration
 - Review the District's vision, values, and aspirations
 - Review the 2021-22 Commitments made by Middle School (TSI) in their SCEP Plan
 - Evaluate the impact of COVID-19
 - Consider the effectiveness of the 2020-21 DCIP
 - Understand local data

Discussion:

- 2nd MS commitment – break down into layperson language
 - All students no matter designation – has access to same curriculum no matter ability, etc.
 - MS considering moving to fully co-taught model, Students with Disabilities together with regular education students with a regular and special education teacher
 - Self or staff – modeling staff to be mindful , healthy and present for their students and ready for all needs
- Professional Learning community is a method of best practices, - in any organization groups get together to solve a problem – organized to improve student learning, MS teachers will be meeting horizontally and vertically, depending on problem – built into schedule
- Students miss being together, MS community co-teach model allows more students to be together more frequently
- Who are the data experts? - redefining SDM – looking at Data – not just test scores, enrollment trends, demographic changes, ethnicity, free and reduced, special education rate, success of programs
 - Putting together a data packet and meeting with District Shared Decision Making Team with representatives of each building and departments – district goals will go back to buildings
 - Will be basis for 3-5 year educational plan
- Culture & Climate survey from 2 years ago – only administered at HS level in early March 2020, then closed
 - Revising and refining it to do another one
 - Data packets at next meeting
 - Look at surveys and DCIP

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the District Comprehensive Improvement Plan for 2021-2022

Motioned: Trustee Storey

Seconded: Trustee Ratcliff

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.02 Approve Intermunicipal Agreement for Gymnastics at Highland

Recommended Action: The Board of Education approves the Intermunicipal Agreement with Highland Central School District for Gymnastics and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such agreement

Motioned: Trustee Storey

Seconded: Trustee Sherry

- Student Athlete wants to participate in a sport we don't have, go to another district see if they will be willing to allow this, don't provide coach, but need an escort

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.03 Approve Intermunicipal Agreement with for Girls' Swimming at Kingston

Recommended Action: The Board of Education approves the Intermunicipal Agreement with Kingston City School District for Girls' Swimming and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such agreement

Motioned: Trustee Bishop

Seconded: Trustee Osmond

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.04 Approve Intermunicipal Agreement with for Boys' Swimming at Kingston

Recommended Action: The Board of Education approves the Intermunicipal Agreement with Kingston City School District for Boys' Swimming and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such agreement

Motioned: Trustee DeJesus

Seconded: Trustee Sherry

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.05 Approve Extension for Assistant Superintendent for Business

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the extended contract for Dr. Donald Gottlieb as Assistant Superintendent for Business and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such agreement.

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Storey

- Receives \$375 per half a day

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.06 Approve Inter-School Transfers

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the following Inter-School Transfers:

Grade 3 from Phoenicia to Woodstock

Grade K from Woodstock to Phoenicia

Motioned: Trustee Sherry

Seconded: Trustee Ratcliff

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.07 Approve Safety Plan

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the District Wide Safety Plan for the 2021-2022 School Year

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Storey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.08 Increase Part-Time Physical Education Position

Recommended Action: The Board of Education approves increasing the .4 FTE Physical Education position to .6 FTE

Motioned: Trustee Sherry

Seconded: Trustee Ratcliff

- Position at the HS .4 person resigned, in reviewing had to be increased due to student needs

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.09 Memorandum of Agreement for Athletic Coordinator

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the MOA between the Onteora Central School District and the Onteora Teachers' Association for an Athletic Coordinator Stipend

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Sherry

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.10 Create and Abolish Position

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby abolishes the following position due to lack of candidates: 1.0 FTE Head Custodian

The Board of Education hereby creates the following position: 1.0 FTE Custodian

Motioned: Trustee Sherry

Seconded: Trustee Storey

- Originally thought a Head Custodian position could also help support the Facilities Director, since Assistant Director left the District
 - Assistant Director will be easier to find

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee DeJesus, Trustee Bishop

8.11 Initial Discussion on 2021-2022 Board Goals (proposed 8:00 duration 15 min)

2020 - 2021 Board of Education Goals

- Continue proactive efforts to build a climate of mutual trust inclusive of all groups and entities within the District by:
 - Supporting initiatives to increase school spirit
 - Support the establishment of a Diversity Week that encourages staff and students to honor our differences through project based learning exercises, the telling of our individual stories, and open discussion.
 - Supporting a Culture and Climate Survey;
 - Continuing diversity education for students and staff;
 - Continuing development and training in social emotional learning, equity and inclusivity, and restorative justice practices;
 - Continuing efforts to better publicize the District's accomplishments;
 - Facilitating greater communication and advancing the vision of the District.
 - Support the development of a long-term, District-wide plan that strategically addresses educational goals, declining enrollment, facilities, community impact, budget and cost-saving measures. Accomplish this through input from Superintendent recommendations, Board Ad Hoc committee, Shared Decision-Making committee and community outreach. Specifically address the following:
 - Adopting a mission statement for the District;
 - Analyzing the Grade Level Configuration and Building Utilization Study;
 - Developing a timeline for the writing of a long-term District-wide plan;
 - Review the Bachman report and findings in light of COVID-19.
 - Increase K-12 student knowledge and engagement in civics, social studies, and social issues by supporting:
 - Curricular innovation and inclusion of civics education across all subjects;
 - Continuing support of an independent, District-wide student government;
 - Secondary school voter education and registration;
 - Create criteria to determine the effectiveness of our civic readiness and engagement
 - The implementation of a robust Media Literacy component in our K-12 curriculum. (some resources linked here:
 - <https://www.craftinc.org/literacy-e-books/teaching-and-reaching-the-millennial-generation-through-media-literacy.pdf>
 - <https://www.medialit.org/how-teach-media-literacy>
 - Complete the process of revising the district's Homework Policy.
 - Improve the support we offer our students preparing for their future after graduation by:
 - Continuing to support and enhance the district's mentorship program;
 - Engaging with the business community, to better understand current opportunities for graduating students;
 - Visiting programs such as the Ulster BOCES Career Tech, P-Tech, and alternative education programs;
 - Working with district staff to enable our students to anticipate and participate in the jobs of the future.
- Have one overall goal with smaller goals – look at Dr. Baughman's report, change the district
 - Too many goals last year – have 3 goals – other things beside long term plan – more to do with students Social-Emotional, stress level, time management, i.e. Homework policy revised
 - Dr. Baughman, take into account COVID-19 lessons, keep everyone safe should be driving priority
 - 3-5 year plan will include: configuration, curriculum, schedule, start times, culture and climate, restorative justice, professional development projects
 - Acknowledge as one plan
 - Use Baughman as starting point, update- things have changed

- Name things specifically for updates during the year
- Use Google Doc – with notes from here
- Check in with goals- what timeframe for Superintendent to report to Board
 - Quarterly updates
 - Goals from last year will be in Educational Plan
 - Goals that are specifically designed, Superintendent will give update
 - First check in last meeting in Dec, then monthly

8.12 Discuss Community Compact (8:15 duration 15 min)

- Late last year – not simply to ask questions – purpose beyond COVID – responsibility to each other
- It is implemented – change contact people
 - PPS Director Amanda Allison is COVID Safety Officer Medical Officer Suellen Elmendorf are co-COVID Safety Officer
 - Ask everyone to complete on a daily basis
 - Nothing on vaccinations
 - Understand what percentage is vaccinated - fit into community compact
 - Ask question – Are you vaccinated? -
 - Ask attorney if we can ask that
 - Be careful - students being bullied for being vaccinated or not being vaccinated
 - Would be good to know what percentage of students are vaccinated
- Put Ulster County COVID Dashboard site on end of the compact

No Longer Present

Trustee DeJesus left at 8:45

9. ****Break****

9.01 The Board will take a 5 minute break at 8:30
8:45

10. Independent Contract Retainers

10.01 Approve All ICRs (proposed 8:35)

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the ICRs in items 10.02-10.05

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Storey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Bishop

Not Present: Trustee DeJesus

10.02 ICR Calabro

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Independent Contractor Retainer between the Onteora Central School District and Dr. Louis Calabro, PhD, ABPP retained as Neuropsychologist effective September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$3,665.00 per Independent

Neuropsychic Evaluation to a maximum of \$7,330.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

10.03 ICR - Learnwell

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Independent Contractor Retainer between the Onteora Central School District and LearnWell (EI, Inc.) retained as LearnWell effective September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$60.00 per hour to a maximum of \$25,000.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

10.04 Center for Discovery

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Independent Contractor Retainer between the Onteora Central School District and The Center for Discovery retained as out of District Special Education for Students effective July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate determined by the State Education Department and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

10.05 ICR Morningside

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the Independent Contractor Retainer between the Onteora Central School District and The Morningside Center for Teaching Social Responsibility retained as Social Emotion Learning Trainers for Professional Development effective September 2, 2021 to June 30, 2022 per the attached proposal at a maximum rate not to exceed \$150,000 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

11. Consent Agenda

11.01 Approve Consent Agenda (proposed 8:40)

Recommended Action: The Board hereby approves item numbers 11.02-11.11
8:50

Motioned: Trustee Ratcliff

Seconded: Trustee Storey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Bishop

Not Present: Trustee DeJesus

11.02 Personnel Agenda

Be it hereby resolved that the Board appoints:

Kowalsky, Jessica, certified as Teaching Assistant, to a 4-year probationary period in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant at a salary of Step 2 (replacing Retirement) commencing on 9/1/21 and ending on 8/30/25

APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION/SCHOOL</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Ayer, Zimmerman	Groundskeeper II	07/26/21 – 01/25/22	Step 3	Replace Resignation

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	RATE
Cole, Arthur	Summer Custodial	07/07/21 – 09/01/21	\$15.00/hr
Walker, Stephen	Summer Custodial	07/07/21 – 09/01/21	\$15.00/hr

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT:
INSTRUCTIONAL**

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Langdon, Kaitlyn	1 st Grade Elementary/Woodstock	*approx. dates* 09/01/2021 – 01/02/2022	Extended appointment MA Step 1

RESIGNATIONS: INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Harrington, Brooke	0.4 Physical Education/High School	06/30/21	Resignation
Kraus, Barbara	Teaching Assistant/Phoenicia	06/30/21	Retirement
Mazzone, Tina	0.6 Science/High School	07/20/21	Resignation

RESIGNATIONS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Ayer, Zimmerman	Groundskeeper II	08/13/21	Personal
Provenzano, Michael	Director of Facilities I	08/05/21	Personal

LEAVE OF ABSENCES: INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
3235	09/01/21 – 06/30/22	Unpaid leave of absence

LEAVE OF ABSENCES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
2104	8/3/21 – 8/24/21	FMLA-paid

APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL – PART-TIME

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	RATE
Veitch, Samantha	PT Food Service Helper/MS/HS	09/01/21	REVISED \$16.16

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Burkhardt, Jeannine	Liaison-Math	\$3,511.00
Cavallaro, Corey	NJHS Advisor-MS (split with B. Schaffer)	\$1,031.50
Chartrand, Louis	Sixth Teaching Assignment-CADD/Creativity	\$8,318.00
Elmendorf, Suellen	District Nursing Coordinator	\$2,646.00
Frاندino, Megan	Computer Advisor-MS	\$5,371.00
Maltese, Denise	Student Affairs Council Advisor-MS (split with M Rushford)	\$1,031.50
Rushford, Michael	Student Affairs Council Advisor- MS (split with D. Maltese)	\$1,031.50
Schaffer, Brian	NJHS Advisor-MS (split with C. Cavallaro)	\$1,031.50
Allison, Bridget	Fitness Room Advisor I	\$2,215.00
Burkhardt, Patrick	Track-Cross County-Head Coach	\$4,191.00
Brueckner, Jennifer	Field Hockey-Modified- Assistant Coach	\$2,064.00
Funck, Brianna	Track-Cross Country- Assistant Coach	\$2,545.00
Gallin, Anne	Track-Cross County-Modified Coach	\$2,064.00
Hoyt-Friedman, Jacob	Soccer-Varsity-Head Coach (girls)	\$4,967.00
Katz, Emily	Field Hockey-Varsity- Head Coach	\$4,967.00
King, Thomas	Soccer- JV-Head Coach (boys)	\$3,727.00
Liverani, Michael	Football-Varsity- Head Coach	\$6,051.00
Matteson, Eric	Football-Varsity- Assistant Coach	\$4,502.00
Matteson, Lori	Football-Modified-Assistant Coach	\$2,545.00
Occhi, Andrew	Golf-Varsity-Head Coach (boys)	\$3,262.00
Scherer, Rebecca	Soccer-Varsity-Head Coach (boys)	\$4,967.00
Thomas, Doris	Field Hockey-JV-Assistant Coach	\$3,727.00

Warnes, Carsten	Soccer-Modified-Head Coach (boys)	\$2,064.00
Weisz, Amy	Tennis – Varsity- Head Coach (girls)	\$2,913.00
Wilens, Mark	Soccer-JV-head Coach (girls)	\$3,727.00

11.03 Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

Recommended Action: The Board hereby approves the Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #8/21, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Osmond

11.04 Approve Revised Standard Day Resolution

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the revised Standard Day Resolution, as attached.

11.05 Warrants

Recommended Action: The Board of Education has reviewed and hereby accepts Warrant Schedule 2

11.06 Extra Curricular Activities Report

Recommended Action: The Board of Education hereby approves the ECA report for the 4th quarter of the 2020-2021 school year

11.07 Approve contract with the Catskill Watershed Corporation

Recommended Action: Resolved that the Board of Education is authorized and hereby directs the Superintendent of Schools to sign the contract with the Catskill Watershed Corporation for an education grant in the amount of \$8,612.00 for a project titled 5th Grade Environmental Trip and to ensure that activities and programs funded by said grant are carried out in accordance with grant requirements.

11.08 Change Order # MC-001 CB Strain

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve Change Order #MC-001 increasing the contract between C.B. Strain, A Division of Dynamic Systems and the Onteora Central School District for the ADA project in the amount of \$4,208.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such a change order.

11.09 Change Order # EC-001 - Comalli

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve Change Order #EC-001 increasing the contract between Comalli Group Inc. and the Onteora Central School District for the ADA project in the amount of \$9,084.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such a change order.

11.10 Change Order # SC-001 - Casa Builders

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve Change Order #SC-001 decreasing the contract between Casa Builders, Inc and the Onteora Central School District for the ADA project in the

amount of \$23,075.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such a change order.

11.11 Change Order # SC-002 - Casa Builders 2

Recommended Action: BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve Change Order #SC-002 decreasing the contract between Casa Builders, Inc and the Onteora Central School District for the ADA project in the amount of \$1,500.00 and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such a change order.

12. Old Business

12.01 The Board will discuss Old Business

- Marijuana laws have changed what has to change as far as policy/regulations?
 - What are other schools doing?

13. New Business

13.01 The Board will discuss New Business

8:55

- People are increasing participation in Board meetings – need to get audio correct and keep chats on to keep people engaged
- If one wants to speak at a Town of Hurley meeting during Public Be Heard one has to be there personally or people write letters and the President reads them
- How does the chat encourage productive engagement
- Have rules – for online and in-person to encourage constructive engagement
- How is it healthiest to take remote questions?
 - Can it be technological feasible?
 - Fix current audio problems
- Communications Committee to look at how people to engage remotely
- Not acceptable that anyone advertises their business during Public Be Heard
 - Perhaps add to statement done about PBH
- On 8/31/21 the Eviction Moratorium will send a waive of homeless students
 - Draft a resolution with the districts, towns, county to work together to support homeless in any way they can
 - Show support by showing that housing insecurity is part of conversation
 - Ask to speak at municipalities during Public Be Heard or submit a statement
 - Board members who live in municipalities to talk to their town
- Add “or promote any commercial ventures or products” to President’s instructions before Public Be Heard

Had a Legislative Action Committee – recreate one?

- Members: Trustee Sherry, Trustee Bishop, Trustee Ratcliff
- Point of Order: Created a committee off agenda, Board member left could not participate
 - Keep actions to things that are on agenda
- NYS School Board Association Conference October 24-26, 2021
 - Attendees: Trustee Salem (no hotel room), Trustee Storey (free registration)

14. Request For Information

14.01 Board members will request information of the Superintendent

Trustee Sherry asked lead testing report methods of remediation long term and short term, why getting lead in tests at all

Trustee Storey asked for a breakdown of AP tests and how our students did

Trustee Osmond any plan to revive Diversity Cadre?

- Interim Superintendent Corsones reported that on Monday spoke with someone from Trustee Salem about reviving the Diversity Cadre, what was its purpose and identify a true diverse group to join in conversation

15. Adjournment

15.01 Adjourn the Meeting. Next meeting is August 17. (proposed 8:50)

Recommended Action: Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:20

Motioned: Trustee Bishop

Seconded: Trustee Storey

Result: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee Salem, Trustee Sherry, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Storey, Trustee Ratcliff, Trustee Bishop

Not Present: Trustee DeJesus

Minutes Recorded by Fern Amster,
District Clerk



Board of Education: Kevin Salem, Emily Sherry, Laurie Osmond, Valerie Storey, Bennet Ratcliff, Dafne DeJesus, Cindy Bishop