

MINUTES
ORISKANY CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019, 7pm
Board of Education Room, Oriskany Central School District Administrative Office

BOARD MEMBERS:

	Present	Absent
Michelle Anderson	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
James Chase	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Carl Graziadei	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Therese Hanna	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Brian Judycki	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Adam Kernan	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Amy Mayo	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

ADMINISTRATION:

	Present	Absent
Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Laurie Widman, Business Administrator	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Melissa Lowell, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Jamie Grimshaw, Jr./Sr. High School Principal	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Karen Hinderling, Elementary School Principal	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm .

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of Claims Audit Invoice:
 - a. September 14, 2019
 - b. September 25, 2019
2. Approval of Financial Statements:
 - a. Transfers for August 2019
 - b. Transfers for September 2019
3. Approval of CSE/CPSE recommendations

Motion by Therese Hanna, seconded by Amy Mayo, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education accept the consent agenda.

 7 Aye Nay Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

Communications, Reports and Announcements:

1. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
 - a. None
2. Communications of the Board President
 - a. There is a community member request to review the current 2019/2020 Board of Education meeting dates that Tim Gaffney will respond to based on BOE recommendation

3. Communications of the Superintendent

- a. There has been a question regarding the funding of the trip to China for certain students
- b. Pep Rally programming is being discussed with the Athletic Director and the Jr./Sr. High School principal as to content
- c. New employees will be invited to the November 12, 2019 BOE meeting to be welcomed to the district

4. Communications of the School Business Administrator/District Clerk

- a. The fence at the elementary track is open on the side, which is the man-gate, the double wide fence will remain locked for security and maintenance of the track. We will post a sign indicating the track is open to the public by using the man-gate.
- b. The retention ponds need to be cleaned out but not re-dug as they are operating correctly. The lower ditch by the Admin building will be re-trenched, we are trying to get it scheduled this fall.
- c. Purchasing continues to be reviewed as to cost savings in all areas
- d. Biometric scanners are being installed for employees to clock in and out eliminating the production of triplicate forms and to further utilize the financial software currently in place at the district
- e. VisitU will be implemented in the coming weeks at the Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School buildings. This is a visitor management system where people will be scanning a driver's license to pick a child up or enter a building to ensure the safety of the students, faculty, staff and community members.
- f. Printing with Papercut is being implemented this week in the Elementary and Jr./Sr. High School buildings. This centralizes printing in the buildings and eliminates the need for individual printers, ink and the maintenance/repairs of individual printers in each classroom. This also allows students to print a limited number of pages from their Chromebooks, which we have not had the ability to do until now. All the machines are on contact and have no additional cost except the paper, this should save a substantial amount of money for the district.
- g. There is a resolution tonight to approve the Walmart Tax Certiorari settlement, eliminating the possibility of a large tax refund to them, however, their property will be adjusted to market value, thereby reducing the tax base for the school. We have another tax refund lawsuit regarding cable optic lines and the attorneys are reviewing it to determine our possible exposure.

5. Communications of the Building Principals

N.A. Walbran

- Thank you to the Oriskany Fire Department for volunteering the time last week for our "Be Safe" Fire Prevention activities.
- Last week I held **WIN** meetings with all our grade levels. This year we renamed our "Rtl" time blocks to **WIN: What I need** and added an additional 30-minute time slot. **WIN** times include resource, Rtl Tier 2 or 3 intervention, Social-emotional groups, enrichment groups.
- The Community Involvement Focus Team - Alyssa Brown, Michelle Commisso, Stacy DeFabio, Stacey Kraeger, Amanda Lekki-Tomaino, Heather Nugent and led by Instructional Leader, Karen Irwin, organized a presentation by local author Tennille-Lynn Millo. Every student will receive her book, *Grace the Owl*, which is about an owl at the Utica Zoo. The presentation will take place on Friday, October 18, along with a visit by the Utica ZooMobile for all our students. In conjunction with the presentations, our school is collecting donations for the Utica Zoo. Also, our PTA purchased "Be All You Can BEE at NA Walbran" shirts for all faculty, staff, and students to wear on our special day.
- On October 4, WUTR recorded every class saying the Pledge of Allegiance. The recordings will be broadcast throughout the year during Good Morning America.

Oriskany Jr/Sr HS:

- I am continuing to meet with faculty members throughout the week to gather perspective from them on wants, needs and their perspective on the great things about the school as well as challenges.
- Grade level meetings will be held this Wednesday to introduce myself school-wide and to go over and emphasize several school expectations.

Alternative HS:

- We have shifted to the new [Raise the Age](#) law on October 1, 2019. We only have students ages 18-21. As a result, our classes have been adjusted to be in compliance to ensure students receive five hours of instruction daily.
- TASC next week- 3 students taking parts of the test
 - 2 have earned Regents credit for some subjects

6. Communications of the Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Office of PK-12 Curriculum, Instruction, and Accountability

- We have received the NYS APPR scores. All overall composite scores have been shared with teachers. We are expected to roll over our system this week to begin the current school year's observations.

7. Communications of the Board of Education

a) General Communications

- a. None

b) Finance/Audit Committee Report

- a. We had a meeting tonight regarding the audit, there is no corrective action plan necessary again this year. Mainly due to the turnover in the district, with people being new to their positions, there were several areas noted where additional training is recommended.

c) Facilities Committee Report

- a. Next meeting is in November

d) Policy Committee Report

- a. We had a meeting tonight, we reviewed some policies that will be discussed at the next meeting and some will be approved at the next meeting

Resident Participation: 30 minutes on any agenda or school related item
(5-minute maximum per speaker)

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Approval of Unpaid Leave

- a) Virginia Ross – September 25, 2019 pm only through September 30, 2019
- b) Mary Stark – October 17, 2019 and October 18, 2019

Motion by Amy Mayo, seconded by James Chase, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education approve item 1.

7 Aye Nay Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

2. Recommendations for the 2019-20 School Year:

- a) Shawn Cassevah – School Monitor in the Fitness Center for the 2019-20 school year. He is Civil Service approved, has been fingerprinted and cleared for employment and has his Certificate of Completion of First Aid for Coaches.
- b) Kyle Liddy – School Monitor in the Fitness Center for the 2019-20 school year. He is Civil Service approved, has his Certificate of Completion of First Aid for Coaches and this will be contingent upon satisfactory criminal background clearance from the Division of Criminal Justice Services and the FBI.
- c) Jillian LaLonde – Junior Play Director for the 2019-20 school year.
- d) Sandra Reilly LaLonde – Costume Designer, Volunteer – Junior Play for the 2019-20 school year.
- e) Eileen Bates – Costume Designer, Volunteer – Junior Play for the 2019-20 school year.
- f) Stefanie Ringlehan – Backstage Support and Parent Coordination, Volunteer – Junior Play for the 2019-20 school year.
- g) Michael Giardino – Substitute Teacher-Certified and has been fingerprinted and cleared for employment.
- h) Carmen Genao – Substitute Teacher – Uncertified and this is contingent upon satisfactory criminal background clearance from the Division of Criminal Justice Services and the FBI.

Motion by Michelle Anderson, seconded by Amy Mayo, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education table item 2a for further discussion, to be voted on after executive session.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

Motion by Carl Graziadei, seconded by Brian Judycki, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education approve items 2b-h.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

3. Resolution to settle the tax certiorari proceedings commenced by Wal-Mart in accordance with the terms set forth and hereby delegates to Ferrara Fiorenza PC the authority to execute such settlement documents. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Carl Graziadei, seconded by Therese Hanna, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education approve item 3.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

4. Resolution accepting the audit report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.

Motion by Brian Judycki, seconded by James Chase, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education approve item 4.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

Motion to Move in to Executive Session: Legal and Personnel

Motion by Therese Hanna, seconded by Carl Graziadej, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education move into executive session for discussion of personnel matters at 7:37 pm.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

Out of Executive at 8:03 pm.

Revisit Item #1a

Motion by Therese Hanna, seconded by Amy Mayo, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education approve item 1a.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

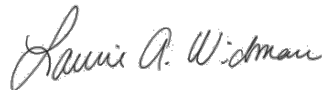
Motion to Adjourn at 8:04 pm

Motion by Carl Graziadej, seconded by Amy Mayo, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Mr. Timothy Gaffney, Superintendent of Schools, that the Oriskany Central School Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm.

7 Aye ___ Nay ___ Abstain

Motion Carried 7/0

Respectfully Submitted,



Laurie A. Widman
District Clerk