

OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
410 West Sullivan Street
Olean, NY 14760

Special Meeting
June 30, 2008

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the City School District of Olean, NY was held on Monday, June 30, 2008 at 12:02 p.m. in the Board Room of the Olean High School located at 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY. The meeting was called to order by President Martello with a moment of silent prayer. Laurie Branch led the Board of Education in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENT: Michael Martello, President
Ira Katzenstein, Vice President
John Bartimole
Laurie A. Branch
Gordon E. Cross
Eric Garvin
Steven H. Hamed
Michiko H. McElfresh

ABSENT: George Pancio

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Ward, Superintendent
Ann O'Brien, Business Administrator
Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry, District Clerk
Judith Creeden, Director of Curriculum/Testing
Gerald Trietley, OMS Principal
Joel Whitcher, OMS Assistant Principal

OTHERS: Jeff Shaw, Olean Times Herald
Nick Pircio, WHDL

Public Comments:
No public comments.

Public
Comments

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda with the following changes: add to agenda Item 9. New Business, 7. Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund resolution; add 14. Executive Session b. (2) Contractual Issues.

Additions to
Agenda

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Communications, Commendations:

- a. Best wishes to Mark Ward
- b. Thank you card to the Board of Education from Betty Budzinski

Communication,
Commendations

Superintendent's Report:

Mark Ward expressed his pleasure working for the Olean City School District and noted accomplishments achieved over the past four years.

Superintendent
Report

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following Consent Agenda items:

Consent
Agenda

- a. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept and place on file the 4th Quarter (April-June) Student Activity Reports from the Olean Middle School.

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- b. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Warrant Report for June 1, 2008 through June 26, 2008 be accepted and placed on file.
- c. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the June 2008 Intra-fund Transfer listing in the amount of \$72,626.19 be accepted/approved and placed on file.
- d. Upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the Internal Claims Auditor Exception Report for the period covering month ending June 30, 2008 be accepted and placed on file.

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that a Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund be created for the purpose of funding future NYS retirement pension liabilities.

Creation of
Retirement
Contribution
Reserve Fund

Ayes 7 Nays 1 Motion Carried
(I. Katzenstein)

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the excess General Fund revenues over expenditures for the 2007-2008 exceeding the 4% limit to be transferred to the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund and/or Worker's Compensation Tax Certiorari and the Retirement Contribution Fund for the purpose of funding future obligations.

General Fund
Transfer

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by G. Cross, seconded by I. Katzenstein, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to accept the SAC's (Student Activity Council) donation of breathalyzer equipment to the Olean City School District.

Breathalyzer
Donation
Accepted

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, that Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent of Schools effective July 1, 2008, be authorized to sign an engagement letter with Brock, Schechter & Polakoff, LLP to conduct the 2007-2008 audit.

Brock,
Schechter &
Polakoff, LLP
Approved to
Conduct Audit

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that a special meeting be held on August 5, 2008 at 12:00 noon for the purpose of casting one vote for the BOCES Special Election.

August 5, 2008
Special Meeting

Ayes 8 Nays 0 Motion Carried

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Moved by L. Branch, seconded by G. Cross, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the Agreement between the Olean City School District and Christa Construction for capital project construction management services.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Agreement
Between Olean
City School
District and
Christa
Construction for
Capital Project
Construction
Management
Services
Approved

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that the unused portion of the tax certiorari reserve fund at June 30, 2008 be returned to the general fund.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Tax Certiorari
Reserve Fund

Moved by M. McElfresh, seconded by L. Branch, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, that Joseph Gervase, Tobi Snyder, and Meaghen Garbay be paid \$23 per hour for band-related holiday performances on non-school days as per the OTA contract.

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Joseph
Gervase, Tobi
Snyder, and
Meaghen
Garbay
Approved for
Band-Related
Holiday
Performances

Discussion Item:

1. June 27, 2008 Drill

Discussion
Item

Informational Items:

1. BOCES Board Candidate Nomination

Informational
Item

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Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve following the CSE recommendation reviewed on June 30th be approved:

CSE
Recommendatio
ns

APPROVED	APPROVED
900455330	900455331
900455341	900455866
900455094	900454701
900456086	900243796
900446854	900350289
900232496	900365428
900427918	900119855
900447070	900344168
900218123	900126355
900367928	900027110
900048886	900344168
900244148	900386647
900440596	900447074
900457117	900450985
900402690	

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Moved by L. Branch, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from Regular Session at 12:17 p.m. and convene in Executive Session to discuss (2) contractual issue and a grievance issue.

Regular Session

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry excused at 12:17 p.m.

Moved by E. Garvin, seconded by G. Cross, to adjourn from Executive Session and reconvene in Regular Session at 12:42 p.m.

Executive
Session

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Tribute to Steven Hamed for his years of dedicated service to the Olean City School District Board of Education.

Tribute to
Steven Hamed

Moved by I. Katzenstein, seconded by M. McElfresh, to adjourn from the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Adjournment
of Meeting

Ayes 8

Nays 0

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria L. Zaleski-Irizarry
District Clerk

July 2, 2008