



2024-2025 Board of Education



Orchard Park CSD Board Meeting Report

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Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Rogers, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Provost, Mr. Comeau, Mr. Draves, Mr. Romanello and Mr. Lippett, student ex-officio

Welcome!

- Mohamed Afif, Bus Driver
- Kaelyn Bova, Art Teacher, South Davis Elementary
- Janet Bratos, Bus Attendant
- Talia Calabro-Zwolinski, Cleaner, Middle School
- Sheila Cooke, Bus Attendant
- Miranda Dibble, ELA Teacher, Middle School
- Jillian Distefano, Teacher Aide, Eggert Elementary
- Connie Engasser, Teacher Aide, Ellicott Elementary
- Kristen Greiner, ELA Teacher, Middle School
- Krista Lakes, Teacher Aide, Ellicott Elementary
- Zachary Lampman, Bus Driver
- Zachary Setera, Cleaner, Middle School
- Joel Sudyn, School Monitor, Windom Elementary
- Peter Sullivan, Bus Driver
- Annie Weston, Cleaner, Windom Elementary

Congratulations!

- Pamela Rawson, retiring from the Transportation Department after four years of service

Announcements and Points of Pride

- Superintendent Lilleck's announcements and points of pride can be found by clicking the link [*Points of Pride*](#) or visiting www.opschools.org/Page/11064.
- We encourage you to review information regarding the New York State Education Department's Blue Ribbon Commission timeline and details, which can be found by clicking the link [*NY Inspires: A Plan to Transform Education in New York State*](#).





Reports:

- Mr. Lippitt, student ex-officio member, reported on **STAP-Comm**. They have raised over \$1200 to support families through Roswell adopt a family. STAP-Comm is sending 11 students to the New York State Council on Leadership and Student Activities for leadership training and collaboration. STAP-Comm is preparing for the Erie County Student Leader Summit, a countywide event founded last year, to foster leadership collaboration among student leaders.
- Mrs. Hornung reported on several committees. Mrs. Hornung reported on the **DCIP** committee's discussion on the **Blue Ribbon Commission** and regionalization. She reported on the **Inclusive Learning and Student Support Committee** which is lead by Mrs. DiCanio and Mr. Grupka. The committee has formed three subgroups to address: MTSS (Multi-Tiered Systems of Support), Regression and Extended School Year (ESY), and Inclusion. Mrs. Hornung also reported on the **Community Engagement and Wellness Committee** (formerly the Character Education and Nutrition & Wellness Committee). The committee focused their meeting on planning the topics for next year's Parent Information Series. The committee also discussed streamlining district-wide efforts for spirit weeks, fundraising, and collection drives to simplify participation for families with children in multiple school buildings.
- Mr. Lilleck reported on the **District Safety Committee** Meeting, lead by Mr. Pietrantone and Mr. Roth. The committee heard from the local authorities about "swatting" happening around the country. He thanked the continued assistance and leadership from the Orchard Park Police Department. He reported on the meeting of the Policy Committee and their review of the policy on transportation and the committee will review the co-curricular behavior policy at their next meeting.

Action:

- **Approved all Consensus Items.**
- **Accepted donations** from the Quaker Athletic Booster Club, the Music Boosters and an anonymous donor.
- Declared several pieces of equipment from the district and two transportation vehicles as surplus.
- **Adopted the 2025-26 Budget Development Calendar.** Key dates include:
 - January 14, 2025 - Preliminary budget discussions and planning
 - February 11, 2025 - First draft of the 2025-26 Budget presented to the Board of Education
 - March 1, 2025 - Submission of Tax Levy calculation information & district's calculation of Tax Levy limit to the State
 - March 25, 2025 - Target date for Board adoption of budget
 - April 22, 2025 - Deadline for Board to adopt a budget
 - May 6, 2025 - Budget Hearing - Board meeting
 - May 20, 2025 - Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election - High School Gym
- Adopted the following Board of Education Goals:
 - **Policy Review Process Goal:** During the course of the 2024-25 school year, the Board will work with administration to evaluate at least two current policies for potential review and update from the perspective of the mission and vision of the district DCIP work with a focus on equity, inclusion, and access to remove barriers and promote opportunities for all students.
 - **Advocacy Goal:** By the conclusion of the 2024-25 school year, the Board will consider for advocacy at least two matters over which the Board does not have direct authority, but which do impact the mission and vision of the district DCIP work in equity, inclusion, and access. If appropriate, the Board will issue a statement or letter on these matters advocating for an outcome aligned with our DEI principles that improves access and opportunities for all students.



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