Operations Committee Meeting
Monday, April 20, 2026

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1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Meeting called to order at 4:37 p.m.

Present:
Alex Calbi, Chairperson
Dr. Genelle Morris, Superintendent
Jenny Bilotta, Business Administrator
Jen Mahar, Director of Special Programs
Betty Burrows

Others Present:
Cheri Frame
Steve Anastasia
Cathy Young, BOE President

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Out of State Field Trip - DECA
Two DECA students will be attending the DECA National competition in Atlanta, Georgia from 4/24/26 to 4/29/26. Susie Goodwin-Harvey and Jen Pace will chaperone.
This application will be sent to the BOE for approval on the 4/21/26.

B. New Club Application - OIMS Drama Club
Creation of a club will allow this club to have an account for revenues and expenses. The first production of "Honk" will be presented on April 24th and April 25th. This club has been well received by the students and parents of OIMS.
This application will be sent to the BOE for approval on April 21st.

C. Sports Banquets
A discussion about the current set up of Sports Banquets and it would be possible to restructure so parents could attend. . The BOE is interested in more community engagement and get kids motivated and to see if they can collaborate to improve engagement,

Cheri Frame (Sports Boosters) and Steve Anastasia (Athletics Department) discussed the current set up of the Sports Banquets, which is three separate banquets - Fall, Winter, and Spring and the students have dinner provided in the cafeteria and the parents join them in the auditorium for the awards ceremony. Student dinners are $10.50 and this is paid for by the Sports Banquet. Currently JV does not participate in the dinners, but get the awards the same as Varsity. Modified gets a pizza party paid for by the Sports Boosters. Several JV teams have eliminated due to a lack of numbers. So most sports just have Modified and Varsity. JV teams can be reinstated if there is enough interest, but with dwindeling enrollment and lack of interest in students to participate, that is unlikely.

Parents were polled and 76% felt that $15 for their dinner was unreasonable and they would prefer not to attend the dinner portion of the event. After Covid the Athletics Department and Sports Boosters changed it to the current format.
Many of Olean's families have limited income for involvement in sports or the activities such as the banquet.

The Committee would like to see:

- Older students involved with the younger students as coaches, mentors or volunteers.
- Partnering with Y-Care to include short sports camps in the after-school program, or on weekends, to encourage participation. Y-Care will be moving from the Southern Tier Catholic building to East View soon.
- The Chairperson will be set up with the Y, the Mayor, Parks & Rec, Sports Boosters, Athletics, Youth Program Leaders, to discuss collaboration especially at the 4, 5 and 6th grades.

3. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjournment at 5:19 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2026 at 4:30 in the BOE Conference Room.