

September 6, 2012

The Oneida Special School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, September 6, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the central office conference room. The following members were present: Mrs. Dorothy Watson, Dr. Danny Cross, Mr. Mark Matthews and Dr. Nancy Williamson. Student Representative Tucker Byrd, Director Ann Sexton and Lori Marcum were also present.

Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order. Dr. Cross opened with prayer. Tyler Layne led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. STAND and the Scott County Chamber of Commerce are once again this year recognizing an outstanding senior student nominated by the OHS staff who exemplifies character and citizenship. The September student of the month is Tyler Layne.

Chairperson Williamson presented the board agenda for approval with one addition and one item to be removed. The addition would be item 14 under business before the board, the Director's Contract and Performance Evaluation. The item to be removed was under the consent agenda, Extended Contract for 2012-2013. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the board agenda with the changes. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the consent agenda for board approval. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the consent agenda as follows. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of board minutes from the August 2, 2012 board meeting.

Under business before the board, Chairperson Williamson presented a letter of resignation from Mrs. Lori Phillips-Jones. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to accept the resignation. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mayor Jack Lay to swear in new board members. Taking the oath of office were Dr. Nancy Williamson and Dr. Danny W. Cross.

Chairperson Williamson then called for the reorganization of the board. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to nominate Dr. Nancy Williamson as chairperson. Vote was taken and motion carried. Mr. Matthews then made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to nominate Dr. Cross as Vice-Chairman. Vote was taken and motion carried. Dr. Cross then made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to nominate Mrs. Watson as Secretary/Treasurer. Vote was taken and motion carried.

With the above motions, the board organization is as follows:

Dr. Nancy Williamson, Chairman
Dr. Danny Cross, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Dorothy Watson, Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Mark Matthew, Board Member

Chairperson Williamson noted that the board would select a replacement for Mrs. Phillips-Jones at the October board meeting.

Chairperson Williamson then called for discussion on board meeting times. After a brief discussion, the board decided to leave the board meeting times at 6:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month.

Chairperson Williamson then requested nominations for the TSBA Delegate Assembly. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to nominate Dr. Williamson and Dr. Cross as delegates to the TSBA Delegate Assembly. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the 2012-2013 supplemental assignments for board approval. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the supplemental assignments. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Cross, aye
Watson, aye
Matthews, aye
Williamson, aye

Chairperson Williamson then presented ten (10) board policies for board consideration on second reading. After a brief discussion, Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the following policies on second reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Board Policies (Second Reading):

- A. School Board Meetings 1.400
- B. Charter Schools 1.704
- C. Separation Practices for Tenured Teachers 5.200
- D. Separation Practices for Non-tenured Teachers 5.201
- E. Evaluation of the Director of Schools 5.803
- F. Suspension, Expulsion and Remand 6.316
- G. Safe Relocation of Students 6.4081
- H. School Admissions 6.203
- I. School Wellness 6.411
- J. Evaluation 5.109

Chairperson Williamson then presented five (5) fundraiser requests for board consideration. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the fundraisers as follows. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Fundraiser Requests:

- a. OMS Dance Team (K. Overton): Raffle
- b. OMS 8th Grade Trip (K. Trammell): Great American Gifts and Cookie Dough
- c. OMS Girls Soccer (S. Martin): Oneida Indian Apparel
- d. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Discount at Pizza Hut
- e. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Variety Show

Chairperson Williamson then presented an Agreement and MOU with the University of Memphis (Confucius Institute) and OSSD for board consideration. Ms. Sexton noted that this was the second year for the program. She recognized the Chinese teachers from the Confucius Institute, Ms. Olive and Ms. Ruth, who were in attendance and addressed the board. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the agreement as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the ELGIN Agreement for board consideration. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the ELGIN Agreement. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the Children's Center of the Cumberland Agreement for board consideration. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the Children's Center of the Cumberland Agreement. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented two letters of resignation for board approval. The letters were from Mrs. Traci Sexton and Mr. Rodney Hicks. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the letters of resignation. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a field trip request from the OMS 8th grade class. The field trip would be May 13-17, 2013 to Washington, D.C. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the field trip. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented an executive decision for board approval. The decision was a fundraiser request from Oneida Middle School to sell Auntie Anne's Pretzels. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the executive decision. Vote was taken and motion carried.

In the final order of business, Chairperson Williamson then presented the director's performance evaluation results for the board to discuss. Chairperson Williamson noted that the contract has changed and would run from July 1 through June 30 of each year. Chairperson Williamson noted that Ms. Sexton's evaluation was excellent and recommended that the board extend Ms. Sexton's contract for one year through June 30, 2015. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to extend the director's contract through June 30, 2015. Vote was taken and motion carried.

With no other business before the board, Chairperson Williamson then recognized Ms. Ann Sexton, for the Superintendent's Report.

1. Appointments: Ashley Jeffers, School Nurse
2. Mrs. Melinda McCartt, School Health Coordinator, gave a presentation to the board on the new wellness policies for the system. Additionally, health screenings will be tomorrow at OHS and OMS. The elementary screenings will be September 27. Staff vaccinations will be September 19 and 20.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Kevin Byrd, Oneida Middle and High School Principal.

1. All is going well at OMS and OHS. The new schedules are working well.
2. The first progress reports for this year will go home with students tomorrow, September 7. Mr. Byrd encouraged parents to access Skyward regarding their student's grades, attendance and discipline.
3. The teacher evaluation process will begin again next month.
4. Middle school and 9th grade health screenings will be tomorrow.
5. The OMS football team is playing Norris at home tonight.
6. The OHS football team will be traveling to Cumberland Gap tomorrow.
7. Homecoming for both OMS and OHS will be next week on Thursday and Friday respectively.
8. The debut of the middle school dance team will be tonight during pre-game ceremonies.
9. Equipment has been obtained for the fitness center and we are looking at an early October open date.
10. Golf, soccer and cross country seasons are also underway.
11. OHS has four foreign exchange students this year, three from Germany and one from Norway.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Rick Harper, Oneida Elementary School Principal.

1. The OES staff is working hard on the new reading program.
2. OES is currently fine tuning schedules.
3. The reading initiative will be an asset to the school. The visiting reading coaches have been very helpful. OES is working on a plan to meet the annual measureable objectives.
4. Mr. Hicks is working on individual student portfolios for all OES students.

5. Mr. Harper thanked Mrs. Traci Sexton for her help and service to OES.
6. Family Reading Night will be Tuesday, September 11 from 5:30 – 7:30 as part of Book Fair week at OES.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to adjourn. Vote was taken and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Dr. Nancy Williamson
Chairman of the Board

Ann Sexton
Director of Schools