

September 5, 2013

The Oneida Special School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, September 5, 2013, 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. Also in attendance was the new student representative for the 2013-2014 school year Mr. Gavin Webb. Director Ann Sexton and Lori Marcum were also present.

Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order. Beth Mullins led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. Dr. Cross opened with prayer.

Chairperson Williamson presented the board agenda for approval with one amendment. The amendment is the postponement of Supplemental Assignments under Business Before the Board Item #4 until the October meeting. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the board agenda as amended. Vote was taken and motion carried.

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

Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes from the August 1, 2013 meeting.
- B. Annual School Fundraiser Activities
- C. Extended Contract 2013-2014

Under business before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for the reorganization of the board. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to leave the board as it currently stands. Vote was taken and motion carried.

With the above motion, 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
- Mr. Tommy Bell, Board Member

Chairperson Williamson then called for discussion on board meeting times. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to leave the board meeting times at 6:00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then requested nominations for the TSBA Delegate Assembly. After a brief discussion, the board decided that Dr. Williamson and Mrs. Watson would be the delegates to the TSBA Delegate Assembly.

Chairperson Williamson then presented two board policies for consideration on second reading. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the following policies on second reading as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Board Policy (Second Reading):

- a. Promotion and Retention 4.603
- b. Nepotism 1.108

Chairperson Williamson then presented a board policy for consideration on first reading. The policy was Emergency Preparedness Plan 3.202. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve policy as presented on first reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented seventeen (17) fundraiser requests for board consideration. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the following fundraiser requests as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Fundraiser Requests:

- a. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Band breakfast and pictures with Santa
- b. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Booth at Bluegrass and Biker Festival
- c. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Selling advertisements for the band trailer
- d. Oneida Band (A. Bernard): Selling baked goods, decals and posters at home football games
- e. OHS Softball (P. Newport): Golf Tourney
- f. OMS Dance Team (K. Overton): Bracelet Sales
- g. OES Special Projects (Z. Brown): Sidewalk Sale
- h. OHS Softball (P. Newport): Gift Card Raffle
- i. OMS (K. Posey): Great American Gifts and Cookie Dough
- j. OMS (K. Posey): Krispy Kreme Doughnuts
- k. OMS (K. Posey): Rada Knives
- l. Art Department (K. Terry): T-Shirt Sales
- m. Art Department (K. Terry): Candy Sales
- n. OES (Z. Brown): Yankee Candles
- o. OHS Cheerleading (Jenna Smith): Pampering for Future Cheerleaders
- p. OHS Cheerleading (Jenna Smith): Selling Orange Accessories at Home Football Games
- q. OHS Prom (K. Reed): T-Shirt Sell

Chairperson Williamson then presented the ELGIN Children's Foundation Agreement for board consideration. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the ELGIN Agreement as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a field trip request for board consideration. The request, from the OMS 8<sup>th</sup> grade class, was for a trip to Washington, D.C. May 12-16, 2014. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the field trip request. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented an agreement between Apple Psychological Consultants and OSSD for board consideration. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the agreement as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the Safe Schools Application/Agreement. The Safe Schools application will be placing an officer in the schools for four (4) hours per day in cooperation with the Oneida Police Department. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the Safe Schools Application/Agreement. Vote was taken and motion carried.

In the final order of business, Chairperson Williamson presented a board policy for consideration. The policy, Section 504 and ADA Grievance Procedures 1.802, was requested to pass on first reading waiving the second. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the policy on first reading waiving the second. 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. Director Sexton made the following appointments for the 2013-2014 school year.  
Substitutes:

Mary Armstrong  
Mickey Banks  
Kimberly Bates  
Catherine Bell  
Christy Brawner  
Candace Burke  
Tina Buttram  
Mary Chitwood  
Eilen Enad  
Jessica Erickson  
Denise Flores  
Amy Garrett  
Delisa Howard  
Cathy Huff  
Felecia Hutson  
Bruce Kennedy  
Gayla Kidd  
Kanoa King

Jessica Lowe  
Phillip Andrew Martin  
Brittancy McCann  
Rebecca Morgan  
Stacy Queener  
Rhonda Sexton  
Mary Smith  
Chelsea Stanley  
Jimmie Sue Strange  
Rebekah Strunk  
Heather Taylor  
Missy Watters  
Laura Woodham  
Jessica Worley  
Tabitha Worley  
Sonya Yancey  
Tom Zdanio

Appointments:

Brenda Smith  
Kesse Cross  
Ashley Lowe  
Summer Jeffers  
Frank Carroll  
Laura Woodham  
Chris Chitwood  
Eugene Byrd  
Tracy Costello  
Kelly Scoggins

2. Ms. Sexton is working on job descriptions for staff especially teaching assistants as their jobs have changed. She also gave the board a copy of accountability forms which will be used for their evaluations this year.
3. Ms. Sexton gave the ACT scores to the board. The scores have gone up, but there is still room for improvement. She noted that although ACT is measures in the high school, it is a combination of all a students' schooling.
4. The district is now listed as an intermediate school system. Only 32 systems received this distinction this year. The district met most of the AMOs and was second in the state with the biggest reduction in gap closure for students with disabilities.
5. Mrs. Melinda McCartt, School Health Coordinator, gave the following report. Curriculum maps are now posted online for 6-8 and 9-12 wellness classes. CSH added approximately six Michigan Model manuals. Blue Cross/Blue Shield has replenished the Organ Wise workbooks for the schools. CSH conducted professional development on August 30; topics discussed were the concussion law and the epi-pen legislation. Health screenings will be September 12 and 20. Flu shots will be given the first week of October. September is Attendance Awareness Month.

Chairperson Williamson then recognized Mr. Rick Harper, Oneida Elementary School Principal for a report.

1. Mr. Harper gave the board a copy of the OES September calendar of events
2. Grade level meetings at OES went well.
3. OES is currently in the process of taking the first NWEA benchmark test.
4. Mr. Harper gave the board a copy of math templates being used by 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are having additional math time in math workshop while 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are using learning centers. With these workshops and centers, teachers are cooperating and using PLCs. Administration is working on problems with the SAT10 math scores.
5. Jamie Garner will be at OES this month and will be working with all grades. Jane Roundtree, from ELGIN, will also be at OES concentrating on K-3.
6. Family Reading Night will be September 10 from 5:00-7:30pm in correlation with the OES book fair which will be September 9 – 13.

Chairperson Williamson then recognized Mr. Kevin Byrd, Oneida Middle and High School Principal for a report.

1. Progress reports will be going home with OMS students tomorrow. OHS progress reports will go home on Monday.
2. OHS Homecoming festivities will be tomorrow night at halftime of the Wartburg game. Mrs. Glenda Tibbals Gray will be singing the National Anthem and the Alma Mater. Homecoming activities for students will begin at 12:45 tomorrow. Student hall decorations have been outstanding. Please check out these if you have a chance.
3. Fall sports are well underway with golf about to conclude their season and cross country scheduled for a meet tomorrow at the Oneida City Park.
4. OMS has completed benchmark testing for the fall and developed RTI groups.
5. College and career day for OHS will be September 23.
6. Teachers are working on PLCs and have turned in agendas.
7. Please contact the middle school or high school office if you have any questions or concerns.

Allen Hill, with Upland Design, addressed the meeting and asked for permission from the board to nominate the new science wing at the high school for the TSBA School of the Year Competition. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to allow Upland Design to nominate the science wing for the competition. Vote was taken and motion carried.

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

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Dr. Nancy Williamson  
Chairman of the Board

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Ann Sexton  
Director of Schools