

February 7, 2014

The Oneida Special School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, February 7, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the central office conference room. The following members were present: Dr. Danny Cross, Mr. Tommy Bell, Mr. Mark Matthews and Dr. Nancy Williamson. Also in attendance were Director Ann Sexton, Student Representative Gavin Webb and Board Secretary Lori Marcum.

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

Chairperson Williamson presented the board agenda for consideration with one addition. The addition would be added as Item 8 under Business Before the Board Leave Extension for Mrs. Ashley Marcum. The leave is requested to extend through April 1. Mr. Bell 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. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the consent agenda as follows. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of board minutes from the January 9, 2014 meeting.
- b. Quarterly Report of Revenue and Expenditures for the quarter ending December 31, 2013.

Under business before the board, Chairperson Williamson presented two fundraiser requests for board consideration. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the following requests as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Fundraiser Requests:

- a. Oneida Band Association (A. Bernard): Little Caesar's Pizza Kits
- b. OHS Baseball (S. West): Premier Athletics Diner Tickets

Chairperson Williamson then presented a field trip request from the OES Student Government. The field trip will be May 15-16, 2014 to Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Bell made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the field trip request as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a request for permission to advertise for custodial services for the 2014-2015 school year. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to all the district to advertise for custodial services. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a letter of resignation from Anne Smith. Mr. Bell made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the resignation. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented board policy 6.406 Prevention and Treatment of Sports Related Concussions for board consideration on second reading. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the policy on second reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented two board policies for consideration on first reading. Mr. Bell made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the following policies on first reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Board Policy (First Reading):

- a. Pediculosis (Head Lice) 6.4031

b. Vacations and Holiday for Twelve Month Employees 5.310

Chairperson Williamson then presented an extended leave request from Lisa Delk. The leave would be for the remainder of the school year. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Bell, to approve the leave as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

In the final order of business, Chairperson Williamson presented a request from Ashley Marcum to extend her leave until April 1. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the leave extension as presented. 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. There were no appointments.
2. Director Sexton announced the Star Fish Awards winners. The award honors those who make a difference in the lives of others in the school system. Star Fish winners for February are Tony Lambert, Jackie Carson and Zacch Brown. Director Sexton showed a presentation including pictures and videos of classes she has visited over the last few weeks. There were also classrooms featured from each school. They were:
 - Jenna Smith's second grade math class
 - Carilyn West's students doing a project after reading *Number the Stars* and making Stars of David
 - A joint project on civilization in Jordan Sims's and Sherrie Terry's classrooms
 - A progressive creative writing project in Rhonda Davis's room
 - Writing children's books in Jenny Martin's creative writing class.
3. Principal evaluations were given to the board. Director Sexton noted that she has not had a chance to go over with principals yet, but this will be completed soon.
4. Mrs. Melinda McCartt, School Health Coordinator, gave the following report. Mrs. McCartt noted that she was in Mrs. Tompkins classroom this week and was very impressed. The students were doing hands on activities with batteries and light bulbs. On January 14 CSH, along with Jonnie Lewis from the family resource center, attended a TRPA workshop and discussed a grant for a garden for the district. On January 23, the health teams met and discussed tobacco education, mini-grants, gardens and morning physical activities. The Scott County Health Department will have a nutrition fair in April for OHS. Kathy Scruggs will be at the schools and offer taste tests to students. The Healthy Kids and Teens after school program will begin soon. The Health Council meeting will be next Tuesday. March 17-22 will be "Kick Butts Week". The Anderson County Health Department will be doing dental education at OES. Today Mayor Lay signed the dental proclamation. March 5 will be Biometric Screenings for staff. Free sports physicals will be given in April and May courtesy of Mountain Peoples. Thanks to Ann Adkins who donated a treadmill to the OES Fitness room and thanks to Walgreens for donating pedometers.

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

1. OMS and OHS are getting back to work after several snow days.
2. Mr. Byrd attended the secondary principals conferences in Murfreesboro.
3. The writing assessment was given this week to 8th and 11th grade students. Over the next month, 6th, 7th, 9th, and 10th graders will also be tested.

4. The HS and MS math departments will be giving the CR tests next Tuesday.
5. OHS and OMS evaluations have begun with unannounced visits.
6. Congratulations to the OMS basketball teams on the completion of their season, both teams lost in the second round of the sectional tournament at Pigeon Forge. The OHS basketball teams will be finishing their season this weekend. Both HS teams are in 1st place at the end of the regular season. The district tournament will begin Tuesday. Congratulations to Cole West and Micah Stephens for being named District Players of the Year. Congratulations to Coach Marv West and Coach Rusty Yaden for being named Coaches of the Year. It was also noted that at Tuesday's home ballgames Coach Marv West was recognized for achieving 200 career wins and Coach Rusty Yaden was recognized for achieving 100 career wins.
7. The OMS Science Fair was January 23
8. The Senior Citizens Center will be hosting a "Night of the Arts" in the performing arts center on Saturday.

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

1. The SCORE report card has been released and OES scored above the state in achievement growth and value added in all categories.
2. OES has several student teachers and they have been a great asset to the school.
3. On Tuesday, Murfreesboro City Schools came for a visit to see the NWEA testing program.
4. Mr. Harper noted that eight (8) students have exited the reading mastery program which is a great accomplishment for the students.
5. The 5th grade completed the writing assessment this week. Grades 3 and 4 will test later this month.
6. Enrollment at OES continues to grow with approximately 640 students.
7. Donna Tompkins will be hosting a "Science Fair Board Night" at OES on Tuesday at 6:00.
8. OES is hosting a Valentines' Day dance tonight.

Dr. Williamson noted that the pictures and classrooms highlighted by Director Sexton's presentation are great examples of common core. Students need to be able to critically think through problems, not just memorize for tests.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Bell, to adjourn. Vote was taken and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Dr. Nancy Williamson
Chairman of the Board

Ann Sexton
Director of Schools