

# ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, April 10, 2012  
Middle School/High School

Minutes

## 1. Opening Items

1.01 Call to Order 6:00 6:05

1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement

1.03 Pledge of Allegiance

1.04 Roll Call

Present: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond

Not Present: Trustee McKeon, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Kurnit

Now Present: Trustee Kurnit arrived at approximately 6:08

Trustee McKeon arrived at approximately 6:30

## 2. Executive Session

2.01 The Board will vote to enter Executive Session (proposed 6:05)

*Motion:* Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss negotiations

Motioned By: Trustee Hickey

Second By: Trustee Spencer

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond,  
Trustee McKeon, Trustee Kurnit

Not Present: Trustee Fletcher

2.02 The Board will vote to exit Executive Session

*Motion:* Motion to exit Executive Session

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond,  
Trustee McKeon, Trustee Kurnit

Not Present: Trustee Fletcher

2.03 The Board will vote to re-enter Public Session (proposed 6:45)

*Motion:* Motion to re-enter Public Session

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Hickey

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond,  
Trustee McKeon, Trustee Kurnit

Not Present: Trustee Fletcher

## 3. Acceptance of Minutes

3.01 The Board of Education accepts minutes of the 3/20/12 Board meeting (proposed 6:45)

*Motion:* The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of the 3/20/12 Board Meeting

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Osmond

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Kurnit

Not Present: Trustee Fletcher

#### 4. Welcome

4.01 Principal Lance Edelman will introduce Teachers Shelly Hamilton and Lynn Battista to report on No Name Calling Week (proposed 6:50 duration 10 min)

7:10

High School Principal Lance Edelman suggested visiting the High School web page to see achievements of students and upcoming events. He introduced Shelley Hamilton and Lynn Battista to present on No Name Calling Week 2/13/12-2/17/12:

- Ordered wrist bands that say, "Onteora HS No Bullying" in the school colors
- Student-written quotes of the day were read on the morning announcements
- Inspirational music played in the morning as students entered building
- Students wore tie dyed "badges of kindness" to show support
- Students created black banners with inspirational quotes in oil pastels which were displayed around building
- Students wrote pledges, which are displayed outside cafeteria
- Students created a video which was submitted to a nation-wide contest
- Students created short Public Service Announcements which will be on local stations
- Students created activities to do with elementary students

#### 5. Board District News

5.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 7:00)

7:20

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- 3/22/12 – Onteora Legislative Action Committee meeting
  - Continuing to try to meet with Legislatures locally
- 3/23/12 District wide PTA Family night
  - Families from all 3 elementary school were present
- Sleep Walk play was intense and moving
- 3/28/12 was 2<sup>nd</sup> negotiations with Onteora Teachers Association
  - next one will be in May
- 4/13/12 the Ulster Legislative Action Committee will be meeting with Assemblyman Cahill
- 4/12/12 Annual Ulster County School Board Assoc. dinner
  - culinary students will cook dinner for Ulster County Board of Education members
- Calendar of all the Community Budget Talk calendar is completed
  - Board members should contact District Clerk with availability
- Friday night is the Quiz Bowl
- Baseball Tournament starts Thursday

**6. Superintendent District News****6.01 Comprehensive Educational Plan report (proposed 7:10 duration 30 min)**

7:20

Superintendent Phyllis McGill introduced Curriculum Specialist Marki Clar-O'Rourke to report on the Comprehensive Education Plan created to remediate students in Phoenicia Elementary School and the Middle School, which were identified as schools in need of improvement for students with disabilities

Marki Clar O'Rourke presented:

- Schools are identified based on 2009-2010 data
- Specifically cited for English Language Arts for students with disabilities and economically disadvantaged in Phoenicia and Middle School
- Worked on identifying root causes and put forward proactive measures
- Implications of being cited:
  - Each building has to provide SES Supplemental Educational Services which is support directly to students
    - Vendors came to a "fair" to show parents what they can do
    - Portion of Title I grant had to be allocated for that purpose
  - Each school had to identify a team for a School Quality Review (SQR) process
    - Team collects and reviews data:
      - what they are doing well
      - Review in 6 areas:
        - Collection, Analysis and Utilization of Data
        - Teaching and Learning
        - School Leadership
        - Infrastructure for Student Success
        - Professional Development
        - Facilities and Resources
  - Classroom walk-throughs looked at continuum of services in the schools
    - Execution of a summary report
      - Celebrations and area of improvement
  - Reports sent to Superintendent Phyllis McGill and to Dr. Charles Khorey, BOCES Superintendent
  - Detailed action plan that was created by each team

Middle School Principal Jennifer O'Connor reported on the Middle School Comprehensive Educational Plan

- Tremendous support from BOCES, Pupil Personnel Director Jim Walker, Special Education Teacher Denise Connolly and Parent Representative Maxanne Resnick
- Middle School priorities:
  - Each teacher will incorporate CCLS into her instruction
  - ELA teachers will create and follow a curriculum guideline for both reading and writing
  - All teachers will consistently teach reading comprehension and test taking strategies

Phoenicia Principal Linda Sella presented the Phoenicia Comprehensive Educational Plan Priorities:

- Teachers will implement a K-1 District Wide Literacy Assessment
- Teachers will dedicate no less than a 90 minute, uninterrupted literacy block daily
- Teachers will identify gaps in Teachers College Reading and Writing Workshop for Students With Disabilities
- Teachers will determine and adopt strategies to fill the identified gaps in Teachers College instruction for Students with Disabilities

#### Discussion

- Past deadline, but State department delayed in getting information to us
- Teams will be reviewing what evidence can be collected that proves the plan is having the intended progress. Plan will be updated and reported to the State
- CEP is a 2 year plan
- Not sure of how reconfiguration will impact this status
- Teams streamlined the plans to be within the requirements of RTTT, so it is not additional work, but work already required by the State
- Bring back to board guidelines on what happens to these students included in CEP with reconfiguration

#### 6.02 Update on Reconfiguration (proposed 7:40 duration 10 min)

Superintendent Phyllis McGill reported:

- Sent a letter to all faculty as to their building assignments
- If assignment was changed, faculty received a personal letter
- Principal Gabriel Buono met with 2012-2013 faculty at Bennett
- Project Based Learning trainers came to meet with him and core staff
- Similar meetings with Phoenicia and Woodstock
- Principal Gabriel Buono meeting with music faculty and different grade level teachers
- PTAs are opening activities as district wide
  - Will attend the PIP meeting to lay out plan to welcome children and families in different schools

#### Now Present:

Trustee Fletcher arrived at 8:00

#### 6.03 Transportation Report (proposed 7:50 duration 15 min)

8:00

Transportation Director Betty Hughes and Dispatcher Nicole Sommer presented the development of another transportation plan:

- Due to:
  - Outcry from public in multi-age busing
  - Not starting buses until 7am caused a problem with BOCES students
  - Shuttles and 3-tier busing was not viable
- Same number of buses (34), but assigned differently
- Small additional cost can be offset by eliminating shuttles currently running
- Each elementary school has its own buses

- Dismissal time is same as now
- 4-6 students can
  - come home on the MS/HS late bus
  - come in early on MS/HS bus
- Still working on not having MS or HS run starting before 7 am
  - Now 13 start pick up after 7 am
  - Working on other runs
- This plan in cooperation of Principals, Director of Food Services and Dispatcher Nicole Sommer

Superintendent Phyllis McGill clarified:

- Needing instructional time for Project Based Learning
- Move music to before or after school
- Also talking about doing chorus during general music, since most concepts overlap
- More efficiently use the day, so students do not necessarily come in early or late

Discussion:

- Cost will increase due to extra miles
- K- 6 start time is 8:45, but each school would have their own buses
- Start time for MS and HS would be 7:30 instead of 7:22
  - BOCES students will come to high school first
  - Have homeroom
  - Have Breakfast
  - When buses arrive, they will let students off buses as they come instead of waiting on bus until 7:25
    - Bus will proceed to Bennett, if any Bennett students are on the bus
  - Helps cafeteria; not everyone there at the same time
- Elementary students who come in early for music will be picked up on MS/HS runs, if the parents do not drive them
- Before and after school options need to be sorted out
  - Before school music would be 45 min., instead of 1 hr. 20 min. after school with all 4-6 on MS/HS bus
  - Strong intra-mural program after school
- Traveling on buses with older students and coming in early were 2 problems that this solves
- Discussion on plans to clarify music teachers' preferences
- Plan is to continue to teach recorder in grades K-3
- Create updated sheet on pros and cons on transportation and put up on web site
- Advocate in the future for later start time for MS/HS

6.04 The Superintendent will report on District News (proposed 8:05)  
8:40

- This weekend is the Middle School science fair

## 7. Student Representative Report

7.01 Student Representative Jessica Moss will report to the Board (proposed 8:10)  
Katelyn Sudik reported for Jessica Moss:

- Quiz Bowl Friday presented by National Honors Society
  - Retired Teacher Phyllis Rosato will MC
- Senior class is presenting a Hypnosis show Friday, tickets are \$10
- School play, Sleepwalk was 3/23/12-3/25/12
- Junior class presented a Badminton tournament on 3/14/12

## 8. Public/Student Comment

8.01 The public and students may comment on any agenda or non agenda item.  
(proposed 8:15 duration 20 min)

8:45

Wendy Wolfenson – Variances should be decided sooner to be better able to prepare students, why are Bennett's students who are changing schools only participating in PTA events and no school events?

Rebecca Balzac – Research shows that Project Based Learning needs more than 6 months to implemented properly

Letter was read from the Ulster County Music Educators Association, Phillip Stevenson, President about the cuts to the music program

## 9. Budget Presentation

9.01 The Superintendent will present the 2012-2013 Budget (proposed 8:35 duration 20 min)

8:55

Superintendent Phyllis McGill began by congratulating the student participants in All County Music, then presented the 2012-2013 Budget:

- 2010-2011 District Report Card
  - District wide Onteora made Adequate Yearly Project (AYP) in all areas except:
    - Students with Disabilities for ELA, Math and Science
    - Economically disadvantaged students graduation rate
  - Phoenicia ELA and Math Students with Disabilities not make AYP
  - Middle School Students with Disabilities in ELA did not make AYP
- Financial Report Card
  - Expenditure per pupil
    - Very simple formula – budget divided by number of students
      - \$15,495 per student
      - \$40,000 per student
    - Above state average per student
  - New York City helps to offset these costs, due to the taxes collected for the reservoir property
  - Paying less per \$1,000 than all the other districts in Ulster County
- Amount of integration with Students of Disabilities educated in the mainstream
  - Lower than other districts
- Believes we have stabilized and enrollment is will level off at 1,100 and 1,200 students
- Reducing budget and proposing a 0% levy increase
  - Able to reduce due to reconfiguration savings of \$2 million and other line item trimming
  - Tax cap is not effecting Onteora this year, does not project it will affect us

- next year
- Does not mean that taxes will not go up – each town is impacted by their own assessment
- Money was saved due to retirement incentive to teachers
- Additional needs due to keeping 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at Bennett and large Kindergarten class, reducing Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant and replacing with an Occupational Therapist
- Health insurance costs increase is less than anticipated
- Reviewed Reserve accounts
- Contingent Budget implications:
  - Can not allow groups to use schools unless they pay for all expenses
  - Can not purchase equipment for students to borrow
  - Can not purchase uniforms
  - Can not purchase service to evaluate anything in the district

Discussion:

- Clarify if the district can not transport teams in a contingent budget
- Enrollment is higher than FACTS report
  - If kindergarten classes continue to come in at 108, we will level off at 1,400
- RUPCO development is still under construction, will likely bring in students
- Board conference line increased
  - Line was not increased, funds were re-allocated
- In Phoenicia there are more Students with Disabilities than other schools, so not meeting AYP could be at any school where these students are being educated
- Can levy be decreased?
  - Don't want to cut the budget so close
  - The Board can apply more funds to the levy
    - levy is not set until August
    - The maximum increase in the levy will be 0%
- Tax Levy Cap did effect the district this year, as the reconfiguration was necessary
- Much of the budget line items have been reallocated, as supervisors carefully went through their budgets

9.02 2012-2013 Budget Adoption (proposed 8:55)

9:40

*Motion:* Superintendent recommends Board of Education approval of the following Proposition: Proposition # 1 – 2012-2013 Budget BE IT RESOLVED, that the Onteora Central School District Board of Education be and is hereby authorized to expend the sums set forth under the various headings which are voted upon in gross and not in detail in the total amount of \$49,686,922 (which includes \$20,000 to support public library) for the year commencing July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013, and the Board is authorized to levy and collect the necessary tax thereof on the taxable property of the District.

Motioned By: Trustee Hickey

Second By: Trustee Osmond

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

**No Longer Present**

Trustee Osmond and Trustee Hickey left at approximately 9:40

**10. \*\*\*\* 10 Minute Break**

10.01 The Board will take a 10 minute break at 9:40

**No Longer Present**

Trustee McKeon left at approximately 9:50

**11. Discussion and Possible Action**

11.01 Extension of Attorney Retainer (proposed 9:10 duration 10 min)

9:50

*Motion:* Adjust the 2011-2012 retainer based on a modified cap of 384 hours, increasing the retainer by a total of \$19,023.36 for the remainder of the school year.

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Osmond

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon

11.02 Transportation Change in Reconfiguration (proposed 9:20 duration 10 min)

*Motion:* WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has adopted the reconfiguration plan of Phoenicia Elementary School and Woodstock Elementary School as K-3 grade schools and the Bennett Elementary School as a 4-6 grade school ("Reconfiguration Plan") commencing with the 2012-2013 school year; and WHEREAS, as adopted such Reconfiguration Plan contemplated transporting the 4-6 grade students, who would be attending Bennett Elementary School, with the 7-12 grade students attending the Onteora Middle/High School; and WHEREAS, the Superintendent has recommended that, based on age range considerations, the 4-6 grade students continue to be transported with the K-3 grade students attending Phoenicia and Woodstock Elementary Schools during the 2012-2013 school year; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District amends the Reconfiguration Plan, but only to the extent necessary to continue transporting the 4-6 grade students attending Bennett Elementary School with the K-3 grade students attending the Phoenicia and Woodstock Elementary Schools during the 2012-2013 school year.

Tabled until next meeting

11.03 Wind Turbine at Bennett (proposed 9:30)

*Motion:* WHEREAS, the Onteora Central School District ("District") Board of Education ("Board") is proposing to install at the Bennett Elementary School, a 37 foot tall wind turbine that was donated to the District ("Project"); and WHEREAS, the Project serves a dual purpose; first, the turbine operation will be incorporated into the educational curriculum offered to students; second, the turbine will supplement the



District's electrical supply; and WHEREAS, the Project is a routine activity of the District that qualifies as a Type II action set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5, State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"): WHEREAS, the proposed Project includes no other potential involved agencies that have been identified in regards to the project; and WHEREAS, the Board has considered the information and documentation, which describe the design and intent of the proposed Project. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Onteora Central School District Board of Education, based upon the record before it, including the general, specific and detailed knowledge of the Board of the proposed Project and under the applicable standards of SEQRA and 6 NYCRR Part 617.5, hereby determines that: a. The proposed Project is classified as a Type II Action; and b. In accordance with Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, the Board is precluded from further environmental review.

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer  
Second By: Trustee Fletcher

Who will decide where it goes?

Experts have walked the site with Principal Gabriel Buono

Why is Bennett raising money if it's donated?

Donated by the Bennett Student Government to the District

Who will do the installation?

Directed by the vendor some of our staff will erect

Fence, landscape and other aspects will come with further donations

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon

Trustee Spencer to look at detailed information

#### 11.04 Stipulation of Settlement (proposed 9:35)

*Motion:* Resolution No. 11.04 Settlement of Claims in Lieu of Special Education Impartial Due Process Hearing WHEREAS, the parents of Student No. 04102012 have communicated certain claims to the District with regard to Student No. 04102012 special education services; and WHEREAS, the parents and the District are desirous of settling these claims prior to the commencement of a Impartial Due Process Hearing; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that all claims for tuition, tutoring, services, evaluations, compensatory education, attorney or expert fees, or damages for the student for the 2011-2012 school year, as defined in the Stipulation of Settlement, be resolved by payment in an amount of \$55,000.00 by the District in accordance with the terms and conditions of a Stipulation of Settlement to be entered into between the Board and the parents; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to execute all documents in furtherance of this resolution.

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Kurnit

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon

## 12. Consent Agenda

12.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02-12.08 (proposed 9:40 duration 5 min)

*Motion:* Approve consent agenda item numbers 12.02-12.08

Motioned By: Trustee Fletcher

Second By: Trustee Kurnit

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon

12.02 Personnel Agenda

## **APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL**

### **SHORT-TERM SUBSTITUTE**

NAME	CERTIFICATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	SALARY	REASON
Melvin Jr., William	Special Education	Special Education Teacher - MS	03/14/12 – 03/26/12	1MA	LOA Replacement
Melvin Jr., William	Special Education	Special Education Teacher - MS	04/09/12 – 04/27/12	1MA	LOA Replacement

### **EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS 2011-2012**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Bucher, Donald	AIS/Earth Science (After School)	\$1,877.00
Ferraro, Aubree	AIS/Regents Prep (After School) 3 (.50 FTE) Algebra Regents (split w/Edward Whitlow)	\$ 938.50
Keenan, Bryan	AIS/Chemistry (After School) 1	\$1,877.00
Knoche, Stephen	AIS Instructor (After School) 1 Global Regents	\$1,877.00
Whitlow, Edward	AIS/Regents Pres (After School) 3 (.50 FTE) Algebra Regents (split w/Aubree Ferraro)	\$ 938.50

### **Per Diem Substitutes**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Dorrity, Mark	Substitute Clerical Worker	\$ 9.50/hour
Edison, Fern	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95.00/day
Gale, Trevor	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$ 9.00/hour
Gale, Trevor	Substitute School Monitor	\$ 9.00/hour
Mayfield, Kathleen	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80.00/day
Scott, Rachel	Substitute Registered School Nurse	\$95.00/day
Vogt, Kristie	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95.00/day

## **RESIGNATION: INSTRUCTIONAL**

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Cocozza, Susan	Certified Teaching Assistant - BN	06/30/12	Retirement
Lundberg, Janet	Certified Teaching Assistant - PH	06/30/12	Retirement
Oakes, Janet	Certified Teaching Assistant - PH	06/30/12	Retirement
Wisneski, Janet	Typist – PH	06/30/12	Retirement

## **LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL**

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON	
#3170	04/18/12 – 06/19/12*	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave	
#2325	03/14/12 – 03/26/12**	Administrative – Paid Leave	

\*Estimated dates

\*\*Revision

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#2342	03/30/12	Administrative – Paid Leave
#3394	03/29/12 – 04/04/12	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave
#2174	03/10/12 – 04/19/12*	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave
#2733	03/07/12 – 03/28/12*	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave
#2733	03/29/12 – 04/05/12*	Medical – Unpaid Medical Leave
#3196	03/14/12 – 06/17/12	Medical – Unpaid Leave

\*Extension of leave

**SALARY CHANGES: INSTRUCTIONAL****SCHEDULE T 11/11**

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The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following SALARY CHANGE (INSTRUCTIONAL), as the result of **EDUCATIONAL INCREMENT**, effective **February 1, 2012**.

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	CURRENT STEP (SALARY)	RECEIVED STEP (SALARY)
Kuhne, LeeAnn	Special Education Teacher - PH	21M+36 (\$104,199)	21M+42 (\$104,979)

12.03 Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

*Motion:* The Board hereby approves the Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #3/12, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Fletcher

12.04 Declare Surplus Vehicles

*Motion:* BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District declare the following vehicles as surplus and authorizes the sale of these items at the Ulster County BOCES Auction to be held on April 14, 2012: 1999 Ford E-350 rack truck Vin# 1FDSE37FXXHA3595 2003 Ford E-450 Vin# 1FDWE45F7\*3HB35090 1995 International Vin# 1HVBHAMX\*SH249512 1995 Oldsmobile Vin# 1G3AJ85M3\*S6412103 1996 Chevrolet Vin# 1GBJK34F7\*TE197694

12.05 Donation

*Motion:* The Superintendent recommends acceptance of a donation totaling \$180.00 CASH, from Hannaford Helps Schools, to be used to support PBIS. The Superintendent recommends approval to increase the 2011-2012 Budget per the following donations: Hannaford Helps Schools A2110.431.01 HS Supplemental \$180.00

12.06 Financial Report Feb 2012

*Motion:* BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby accepts the Financial Report from Feb. 2012

12.07 Warrant Schedule

*Motion:* BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby accepts the Warrant Schedule H7-11

12.08 Approve Volunteer

*Motion:* The Board of Education hereby approves Tori St. Pierre as a volunteer for the Phoenicia Elementary School.

**13. Committee Reports -5 min each**

13.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report on the Internal Auditor position. Next meeting is 4:30 at Central Administration on 5/7/12 (proposed 9:45)

10:15

Will be meeting with Internal Auditor to review findings

13.02 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is 3:30 at Central Administration on 4/16/12

Has not met since last Board meeting

13.03 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report. Next meeting at 2:40 in the HS Conference Room on 4/11/12

Has not met since last Board meeting

13.04 Policy Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is 9:30 at Central Administration on 4/23/12

Has not met since last Board meeting

13.05 Legislative Action committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is at 6:30 in the Central Administration Conference room on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

13.06 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee. Next meeting is in Room 120A of the High School at 2:45 on 4/26/12

Met on 3/22/12 – minutes are up on the web site. School Lunch Manager Christine Downs presented changes in food services which will be put up on web site

13.07 District Committee: Technology - Superintendent McGill to report. Next meeting is in room 120A of the High School at 4:00 on TBD

Has not met since last Board meeting

**14. Old Business**

14.01 The Board will discuss Old Business (proposed 9:55 duration 10 min)

No Old Business was discussed

## 15. New Business

15.01 The Board will create Superintendent Goals (proposed 10:05 duration 15 min)

Tabled until next Board meeting

15.02 The Board will discuss New Business (proposed 10:20 duration 10 min)

Email from NYSSBA asking for a music group to perform at the NYSSBA Convention.  
Superintendent Phyllis McGill to follow up.

One Voice for Laos would like to start club at the high school

- Tend not to do a club around 1 area
- Superintendent Phyllis McGill will follow up after speaking with High School Principal Lance Edelman

Work harder to keep website updated more regularly.

Superintendent Phyllis McGill to look at other models of PR people

Have to work to end meetings at 10:00

## 16. Request For Information

16.01 The Board will request information (proposed 10:30 duration 10 min)

10:30

Trustee McGillicuddy asked:

- List of all stipends go for web pages and BOCES cost for communication
- Proposed new bus runs to Board
- New bus runs to schools
- Frequently Asked Questions as a menu item on the web site

Trustee Kurnit asked:

- How much early childhood discretionary time are speech paths are given to go into kindergarten in the new configuration?
- What is the plan for personnel for increasing the discretionary services time for K-3?
- What is the process on variances with the reconfiguration?
- On website under upcoming events – put in dates rather than “today” and “tomorrow”

Trustee Fletcher asked:

- Do not send bus runs to all schools until Board approves the plan
  - Transportation Director Betty Hughes should say that this is not final
  - Should talk in generalities when presenting to PTA meetings
- Create Q & A for Transportation
- Answer a past RFI of which bus model is being used for the assigning of students to schools

Trustee Spencer asked:

- General information sheet beefed up with pros and cons of what this new transportation option will bring
  - Bring this to PTA meetings
- Why does 2 tier work and 3 tier not work?

**17. Public Comment**

17.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item Please limit comments to 3 minutes (proposed 10:40 duration 10 min)

11:00

Rebecca Balzac – New transportation model needs to be communicated completely so parents can voice concerns before Board makes their decision

**18. Adjournment**

18.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting is WEDNESDAY April 25, 2012 at the Middle School/High School (proposed 10:50)

*Motion:* The meeting is adjourned at 11:00

Motioned By: Trustee Spencer

Second By: Trustee Fletcher

Results: Unanimous

Yea: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Spencer, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee Fletcher

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Osmond, Trustee McKeon

Minutes Recorded By:  
Fern Amster, District Clerk



Board of Education: Ann McGillicuddy, Tony Fletcher, Laurie Osmond, Dan Spencer, Tom Hickey, Rob Kurnit, Michael McKeon