

# ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

## REGULAR MEETING

6:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011**

Phoenicia Elementary School

## MINUTES

### 1. Budget Forum

Discussion: 1.01 The Board will hold a Budget Forum with the Public at 6:00

NOTE: Presentation and audio are available on the Onteora web site under BOE- Budget

#### Public Comment:

Maxanne Resnick – Would like to see the programs to be cut so the public can respond

Rita Vanacore – Declining enrollment

### 2. Opening Items

Information: 2.01 Call to Order 7:00

Trustee McGillicuddy called meeting to order at 7:25

Information: 2.02 Tobacco Policy Statement

Information: 2.03 Pledge of Allegiance

Information: 2.04 Roll Call

Trustee McKeon, Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit

### 3. Welcome Address

Information: 3.01 Principal Linda Sella will give the welcome address (proposed 7:00 duration 15 min)

7:25

Jackie Persons and David Laks, did a presentation about PBIS

### 4. Acceptance of Minutes

Action, Minutes: 4.01 The Board of Education accepts minutes 2/22/11 (proposed 7:15 duration 5 min)

**Motion:** The Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of 2/22/11

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Hickey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

### 5. Discussion and Possible Action

Discussion: 5.01 French Trip to Carhaix, France (proposed 7:20 duration 5 min)

7:44

French teacher Christy Nelson-Epstein and 3 students did a presentation on the proposed trip to France

**Motion:** To allow the students to go on the French trip

Motioned by Trustee McGillicuddy, seconded by Trustee Hickey

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

## 6. Board District News

Information: 6.01 The Board will announce district news (proposed 7:25 duration 5 min)

7:55

Trustee Kurnit reported:

- At the Ulster County School Board Association meeting Dr. Joseph Natale spoke – NYSSBA representative and former school Superintendent
  - Framed process of a budget and issues this year
- Last Friday during Staff Development Day social workers did presentation on Suicide Prevention
  - Do synopsis of presentation at next Board meeting in Middle School/High School

Trustee McKeon found lesson plans from Onteora on the “Trout in the Classroom” website

- Congratulations to the Onteora teachers

Trustee McGillicuddy reported:

- The Board toured Woodstock and Phoenicia during the school day
  - Good opportunity to see the educational program

Trustee Kurnit reported that Kevin LaMonda's 6<sup>th</sup> grade class was practicing a play. Board had the opportunity to be a part of it

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that the Race to Nowhere showing was a success

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that she, Trustee Fletcher and Trustee Kurnit are going to the State Issues Conference this weekend to meet with the legislators to advocate for the school district

## 7. Superintendent District News

Information: 7.01 Athletic Director Nick Millas will present the highlights of winter sports (proposed 7:30 duration 5 min)

8:00

Athletic Director Nick Millas presented on highlights of winter season

- 160 students grades 7-12 participated on winter teams
- 40 Varsity athletes earned all academic honors for the Mid-Hudson Athletic League.
- The following teams earned the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Scholar Team Award: Girl's and Boy's Indoor Track teams, Girl's and Boy's Basketball, Girl's and Boy's Alpine Ski. These teams had an average of 90 or higher.
- Onteora hosted the Section IX Division II Wrestling Tournament
- 28 weather related contests rescheduled this season.

#### Team Highlights:

- Boy's and Girl's Indoor Track-
  - Section 9 individual champion
- Qualified for States were:
  - Katie Klercker in the 300M and Emily Waligurski for the 1500M
- State Championships at Cornell
  - Katie Klercker finished 25th
  - Emily Waligurski finished 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Team Division Play: Girls 3<sup>rd</sup> Boys Boys 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Team Section Play: Girls 5<sup>th</sup> Boys 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Individual Division Play: 3 individual champions 1 relay
  - Individual Section Play: 2 individual champions 1 runners up relay
  - 9 school records broken
  - 20 individuals with at least a 90 overall average

#### Boy's Basketball-

- Rebuilding year with only two seniors and three returning players from last year's team.
- Closed the margin of losses from the beginning of the season to the end showing improvement.
- Team stayed intact despite lack of wins thanks to the efforts of our coach
- 4 players were MHAL Scholar Athletes

#### Girl's Basketball

- Overall record of 11-7
- Sectionals- Earned the #6 seed where they lost to Burke Catholic in the opening round
- Ranked in the States top 20 during the regular season as high as 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Julia Hinchey finished her career with over 1300 pts.
- 5 players are MHAL Scholar Athletes

#### Boys and Girl's Alpine Skiing

- Boys – Overall record of 46-2
- Won League and Section IX championship, Jacob Combe won the individual combined for Division I
- Finished 3<sup>rd</sup> as a team at the State Championships held in Lake Placid. Section IX finished 2nd
- Jake Vanacore was named Section IX Sportsman of the year
- State competitors: Kealey Viglielmo, Jake Vanacore, Jacob Combe, Andrew Wilsey, Rachel Castellano, and Isabelle LaMotte
- Girls – Overall record of 42-6
- Finished 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Section IX Championships

#### Wrestling

- Sectionals – Won the overall team championship for the third year in a row. Hosted the best attended small school section IX tournament since it began in 2003.
- 7 Individual Champions (Most Ever): C.J. Goldizen (Medaled at States for 5<sup>th</sup>), Pete Hottum, Zach Apolito, Jordan Gluskin, Avery Leighton, Donnie VanBuren, and Joe Friedel
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Tony Florida & Austin Weigel
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Joda Hoffman, Dustin Mackenzie, Quentin Kromirs, & Ryan Hickey

- 4th Place – Bernie Smith
- 100 Career Wins:
  - Donnie VanBuren
  - Pete Hottum
  - C.J. Goldizen
- Ranked 28<sup>th</sup> in the state- first team in school history
- 24 wins – School Record

Oneonta Midnight Madness Champions

- Six wrestlers with over 30 wins in a season- best ever
- Spring Sports- V/JV tryouts began Monday, March 7

- Modified tryouts begin Monday, March 14

Tuesday, 5/3 will be a mini-homecoming with many varsity home contests scheduled along with fundraising activities and other events being developed.

Transportation Dave Moraca reported good news:

- Senator Bonasic's office received Mr. Moraca's letter on behalf of the New York Association for Pupil Transportation pertaining to updating the information in the background checks for bus drivers
- Senator Bonasic wrote legislation and presented it to the Senate and Assembly to change the law to update the background checks on bus drivers

Superintendent Phyllis McGill thanked Mr. Moraca for helping to keep our children safe.

Superintendent Phyllis McGill reported that she met with all the building's and department staff to introduce herself and take questions

Assistant Superintendent O'Brien thanked Mr. Buono and everyone who came out for the Dodgeball Tournament

Information: 7.02 Budget Update (proposed 7:35 duration 30 min)

8:20

Trustee McGillicuddy asked for Health care updates

- No update from DEHIC yet on the increase for next year

Superintendent Phyllis McGill explained:

- She and Assistant Superintendent McLaren are meeting with OTA and ONTEA to try to plan together to offset some of the expenses in budget
- Working toward a tax levy of 3.9%
  - Manage budget and keep in reasonable range to maintain programs, continue to expand programs and support children while trying to close the budget gap
- the audio of the Forum will be put on the web site
- there will be more detail at the next Board Meeting on 3/22/11

8. Student Representative Report

Information: 8.01 Student Representative Angie Cross will report (proposed 8:05 duration 5 min)

8:25

Student Representative Angie Cross was not present to give her report

9. Acknowledge the last Public Be Heard

Information: 9.01 Board President Trustee Osmond will acknowledge those who spoke at the last meeting's Public Be Heard (proposed 8:10 duration 5 min)

Trustee McGillicuddy thanked Trip Ingalsbe for his comments

10. Student Comment

Information: 10.01 Students may comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 8:15 duration 10 min or more)

No student comment was made

11. Public Comment

Information: 11.01 The public may comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 8:25 duration 10 min or more)

8:25

No public comment was made

12. Executive Session

Action: 12.01 The Board will enter executive session to discuss negotiations, discipline of a particular employee and tenure recommendations (proposed 8:35)

8:25

**Motion:** The Board will enter executive session to discuss negotiations, discipline of a particular employee and tenure recommendations

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Hickey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action: 12.02 The Board will re-enter the public session (proposed 9:00)

The Board will re-enter the public session

**Motion:** The Board will re-enter the public meeting at approximately 10:30

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Hickey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

13. Consent Agenda

Action (Consent): 13.01 Approve consent agenda item numbers 13.02 - 13.06 (proposed 9:00 duration 5 min)

Approve consent agenda item numbers 13.02-13.06

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Hickey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

Action (Consent): 13.02 Personnel Agenda

**RESIGNATION(S): INSTRUCTIONAL**

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Kaindl-Richer, Margit	Foreign Language	6/24/11	Retirement
Margolis, JoAnn	Elementary	6/30/11	Retirement
Melvin Jr., William	Special Education	6/30/11	Retirement

**APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL**

**EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Carroll, Megan	Softball – Modified – Head Coach (split)	\$581
Cytryn, Herbert	Tennis – Varsity – Coach (Unpaid Volunteer)	\$0
Motzkin, Barry	Tennis – Varsity – Coach (Unpaid Volunteer)	\$0
Murphy, Steven	Musical – Orchestra Director	\$762
Rushkoski, Sharon	Musical – Coordinator	\$458
Wiacek, Dawn	Softball – Modified – Head Coach (split)	\$581

**PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Groeters, Michael	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day
Werner, Kayla	Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$80/day

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
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#2174	1/6/11 – 3/4/11 Amended end date	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave
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**APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

**PART TIME APPOINTMENT**

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY/ STEP	REMARKS
Ravetier, Franca	School Monitor – WD	2/24/11	Step 15	Replaces L.Weir – 2/hr per day

**PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES**

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Pomeroy, Lorena	Substitute Food Service Worker	\$9/hr

Action (Consent): 13.03 Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations

The Board hereby approves the Instruction - Schedule U-The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #3/11, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Spencer

Action (Consent): 13.04 SEQRA

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT TYPE II ACTION WHEREAS, the Onteora Central School District ("District") Board of Education (ABoard@) is proposing a construction project to replace existing under ground fuel and sensor lines and upgrade tank top components for two underground petroleum bulk storage tanks, located at the District Middle/High School Complex ("Project"); and WHEREAS, the Project shall be constructed in accordance with the New York State Petroleum Bulk Storage Regulations; and WHEREAS, the proposed Project is a routine activity of the District and/or the maintenance, or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure that qualifies as a Type II action set forth in 6 NYCRR Part 617.5, State Environmental Quality Review Act (ASEQRA@). 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.

Action (Consent): 13.05 Ulster County BOCES Cooperative Bid

COOPERATIVE BIDDING BLANKET RESOLUTION WHEREAS it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Ulster County, adopting this resolution to jointly request bids for certain commodities to be determined by the Superintendent of this school district from time to time for the 2011-12 school year, NOW, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the Onteora Central School District hereby agrees to participate with other school districts of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Ulster County, New York, in the joint bidding of commodities to be requested by the school district Purchasing Agent and approved by the Superintendent; and be it further RESOLVED that the specifications as prepared by the Steering Committee of participating school districts and presented to this Board of Education will be used and that this Board, if it desires to purchase these commodities agrees to purchase said commodities at the lowest bid price recommended by the Steering Committee of the joint school districts; provided, however, that each participating Board of Education in exercising its legal responsibilities, has the right to reject and/or modify the recommendation of the Steering Committee in the awarding of the bid; and be it further RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Kingston Daily Freeman, the Middletown Times Herald Record and the Poughkeepsie Journal in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 of the General Municipal Law.

Action (Consent): 13.06 Financial Management Report - January 11

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the Financial Management Report for the month of January 2011.

Stipulation of Settlement

**Resolution:** BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District that the Stipulation of Settlement between the District and Employee #1926 is hereby approved

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Kurnit .

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

\*\*\* Put on Next Agenda \*\*\*

14. Committee Reports -5 min each

Information: 14.01 Audit Committee - Trustee Spencer to report. Next meeting is at 4:30 in the Central Administration Conference Room on 4/4/11 (proposed 9:05)

Information: 14.02 Facilities Committee - Trustee Kurnit to report. Next meeting is at 3:30 in the Central Administration Conference room on TBD

Information: 14.03 Green Committee - Trustee Osmond to report. Next meeting is at 2:40 in the HS Conference room on 4/6/11

Information: 14.04 Policy Committee - Trustee McGillicuddy to report. Next meeting is in the Central Administration Conference room at 9:30 on TBD

Information: 14.05 District Committee: Health and Wellness Committee - Assistant Superintendent O'Brien to report. Next meeting is 2:45 pm in the Health Room of the High School on 3/24/11

Discussion: 14.06 District Committee: Technology - Superintendent Gregory to report. Next meeting is 4:00 pm in Room 121 of the H.S. on 3/21/11

15. Old Business

Discussion: 15.01 The Board will discuss the issue with President (proposed 9:35 duration 10 min)

\*\*\*\*\* End of Skipped Agenda Items \*\*\*\*\*

16. New Business

Discussion: 16.01 The Board will discuss new business (proposed 9:45 duration 10 min)

Assistant Superintendent McLaren asked that the lock box now with JP Morgan be moved to Catskill Hudson Bank. In full and proper disclosure, Assistant Superintendent McLaren stated that her husband is an employee of Catskill Hudson Bank, and they would not benefit in any way. The Board agreed for her to explore the change in banks

17. Request For Information

Discussion: 17.01 The Board will request information (proposed 9:55 duration 10 min)

10:40

Trustee Kurnit asked about the ESL program being run through the Language or English Department

Trustee McGillicuddy asked:

- the participation rate of Rosetta Stone
- Fast Forward cost and effectiveness

- Health care insurance costs
- Has anything changed with MHAL

# 18. Public Comment

Information: 18.01 The public will comment on any agenda or non-agenda item (proposed 10:05 duration 10 min)

No public comment was made

# 19. Adjournment

Action: 19.01 Adjourn Meeting. Next meeting 3/22/11 at Woodstock Elementary School (proposed 10:15)

**Motion:** The meeting is adjourned at approximately 10:45

Motion by Trustee McGillicuddy, second by Trustee Hickey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

## 2010– 2011 Board of Education Meeting Schedule

**\*NOTE: snow dates**

July 6, 2010		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 3, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
August 24, 2010		Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
September 14, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
September 28, 2010		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
October 12, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
October 26, 2010		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
November 9, 2010*		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
November 30, 2010		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
December 14, 2011		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
January 11, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
January 25, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
February 8, 2011		Regular Meeting	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
February 22, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
March 8, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
		Regular Meeting		
March 22, 2011		Superintendent's 2010-2011 Budget Recommendation	Woodstock School	6:00 p.m.
		Regular Meeting		
April 5, 2011		2010-2011 <b>Budget Adoption</b>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
April 27 , 2011	<b>Wed</b>	Regular Meeting AND <i>a countywide vote date for BOCES Board Seats and BOCES Administrative Budget</i>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
May 3, 2011		Regular Meeting and <b>Budget Hearing</b>	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.
May 17, 2011		<b>Budget Vote</b>	<b>All four (4) Elementary Schools</b>	<b>2:00 to 9:00 p.m.</b>
May 17, 2011		Special Meeting (Declaration of Votes Cast)	Middle-High School	9:30 p.m.
June 7, 2011		Regular Meeting	Bennett School	6:00 p.m.
June 21, 2011		Regular Meeting	Phoenicia School	6:00 p.m.
July 5, 2011		Reorganization/Regular Meeting	Middle-High School	6:00 p.m.

\* Meetings are held on Tuesdays @ 6:00 p.m. unless the meeting date is a **snow date**, the meeting will be held the **Thursday** of that week, except **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, snow date **Wednesday**