

# ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

## ***CORRECTED*** ***MINUTES***

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**August 5, 2008**  
**Bennett Elementary School**

**CALL TO ORDER** Trustee Legnini called **REGULAR MEETING** to order at approximately 7:03 p.m.

### **TOBACCO POLICY STATEMENT**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENT** Trustee Laurie Osmond, Trustee Maxanne Resnick, Trustee Michelle Friedel, Trustee Donna Flayhan, Trustee Ralph Legnini, and Trustee Ann McGillicuddy

**NOT PRESENT** Trustee Richard Wolff

**ALSO PRESENT** Superintendent of Schools, Leslie G. Ford; Assistant Superintendent, Victoria McLaren; and approximately 25 visitors.

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION** Trustee Osmond moved to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:05 p.m. to discuss the employment history of a particular person or persons. Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION** Trustee Resnick moved to return to REGULAR SESSION at approximately 8:14 p.m. Trustee Flayhan seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**APPOINTMENT OF CLERK** Trustee Osmond moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:  
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District that Victoria McLaren be appointed as Clerk Pro Tem in the absence of a District Clerk.  
Trustee Friedel seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:  
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District that the minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Board of Education meeting held on July 1, 2008 are hereby accepted as revised.  
Trustee Osmond seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

- ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES** Trustee Resnick moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:  
BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District that the minutes of the Reorganization/Regular Board of Education meeting held on July 15, 2008 are hereby accepted as revised.  
Trustee Friedel seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**
- WELCOME TO BENNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** Bennett Elementary School Principal Gabriel Buono welcomed everyone.
- STUDENT COMMENT** Student Representative William Melvin reported that:
- He is looking forward to working with the Board of Education
  - He worked on the Nature Trail at Bennett Elementary School and invited the Board of Education to visit it
  - The GAP program organized by Frau Kaindl-Richter was very successful
- REPORTS/ PRESENTATIONS**
- Presentation of Service Award – Herb Rosenfeld (presentation postponed)
  - Business Reports – District Treasurer Monica Kim reviewed the monthly Financial Management Report and answered Board member questions.
- PUBLIC BE HEARD**
- Erica Beesmer: Teacher being transferred
  - Tori Barthel: Teacher being transferred
  - Alex Nichols: Teacher being transferred
  - Donna Bryan: Teacher being transferred
  - Bob Curran: Adult Education Program at Ulster BOCES
- MOTION TO APPROVE POLICY** Trustee Friedel moved to adopt policy #6570.  
Trustee Resnick seconded.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**
- NO ACTION TAKEN** **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District will not entertain a vote on the Large Parcel Legislation, thus sending a clear message to the New York State Legislature, the Ulster County Legislature and the Onteora Central School District that, we, the Trustees feel that this type of legislation fractures the cohesiveness of a school district and that no school district should be involved in political issues.
- MOTION TO AUTHORIZE APPORTIONMENT OF SCHOOL TAXES PURSUANT TO SECTION 1316 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW FOR** Trustee Resnick moved to approve to approve the following RESOLUTION:  
**WHEREAS**, section 1316 of the Real Property Tax Law authorizes school districts which consist of property in more than one city or town and which include designated large property that: (a) constitute at least five percent (5%) of the total assessed value of the property in the district that is used to establish the latest state equalization rates; (b) have a full value estimate of at least five million dollars; and (c) if removed from the total assessed value or full value estimate used for computing the latest state equalization rate would cause the equalization rate to be changed by at least five percent (5%); and  
**WHEREAS**, the State Board of Real Property Services has identified

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SCHOOL YEAR**

properties owned by the New York City Water Board in the Town of Hurley and the New York Department of Environmental Protection in the Town of Olive as such designated large property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education desires to opt for use of the alternative apportionment methodology pursuant to section 1316 of the Education Law for the 2008-09 school year;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education does hereby authorize apportionment of its school taxes pursuant to the provisions of section 1316 of the Real property Tax Law for the 2008-09 school year. Trustee Osmond seconded the motion.

1 Yes 5 No

**DEFEATED**

**MOTION TO  
CREATE NON-  
INSTRUCTIONAL  
POSITIONS**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District, that the following positions shall be created on August 6, 2008:

**Non-Instructional**

Part-Time Food Service Helper

6 – Part-Time School Monitors

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
CREATE  
INSTRUCTIONAL  
POSITIONS**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District, that the following position be increased effective August 6, 2008:

**Instructional**

Art from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**APPOINTMENTS:  
ADMINISTRATIVE**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION/ SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	SALARY	COMMENT
DiGiovanni, Joseph	Interim Administrator	8/6/08 – 6/30/09	\$400 Per Diem	Extend Appointment

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**RESIGNATION(S):  
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Stebbins, Julie	Psychologist – HS	9/26/08	Retirement

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**LEAVE OF  
ABSENCE:  
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#2293	9/1/08 – 3/29/09	Medical – Unpaid Family Medical Leave

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**APPOINTMENTS:  
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT**

NAME	CERTIFICATION	TENURE AREA	PROBATIONARY DATES	SALARY STEP	REMARKS
Turck, Sarah	Provisional – School Counselor	Guidance	8/18/08 – 8/17/11	1MA+18	Replaces K.Freeburg
*Sassono, Robert	Permanent-Health	Health	9/1/08-8/31/11	10MA	MS Health

\*Pending pre-employment processing

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**TEMPORARY  
APPOINTMENTS:  
NON-  
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION	DATES	RATE OF PAY	REMARKS
Beesmer, Carol	Summer Substitute IEP proctor	8/12/08 – 8/14/08	On step	Summer BOCES
Michalicka, Rebecca	Summer Substitute IEP proctor	8/12/08 – 8/14/08	On step	Summer BOCES
Rushkoski, Sharon	Summer Substitute IEP proctor	8/12/08 – 8/14/08	On step	Summer BOCES
Warren, Isabella	Summer Substitute IEP proctor	8/12/08 – 8/14/08	On step	Summer BOCES

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**EXTRA DUTY  
STIPENDS:**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Allison, Bridget	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,962
Burkhardt, Jeanne	Liaison – Math	\$2,962
Connolly, Brian	Liaison – P.P.S.	\$2,962
Connolly, Denise	P.P.S. Coordinator – HS	\$3,554
Douglas, Jean	Liaison – Occup. Ed	\$1,777
Douglas, Jean	DECA Advisor	\$3,860
Erlwein, Doreen	G/T Advisor – BN	\$2047
Iannotti, John	SAVI Club – Asst. Advisor	\$1,040
Iannotti, John	Liaison – Social Studies	\$2,962
Iannotti, John	Debating Club – Model Congress	\$1,199
	& 2 <sup>nd</sup> Longevity	\$150

Kaindl-Richer, Margit	Liaison – Foreign Language – HS	\$2,962
Knoche, Stephen	Student Affairs Council – HS	\$1,740
Kuhne, LeeAnn	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,962
Lorzing-Wilmoth, Wendy	Sixth Teaching Assignment (Math)	\$6,935
McGuire-Milo, Kimberly	Science Olympiad Asst. Coach – HS	\$1,185
McGurgan, Erin	Liaison – English	\$2,962
Melvin, William	Computer Advisor – MS	\$4,533
Melvin, William	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,962
Messmer, Richard	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,962
Michalicka, Rebecca	DECA Asst. Advisor	\$1,062
Morris, Ashton	Computer Advisor – HS	\$4,533
Seche, Joanne	Science Olympiad Coach – HS	\$1,659
Via, M. Scott	Liaison – Science	\$2,962
Wolfield, Dale	Liaison – Art	\$1,777
Buono, Gabriel	Summer Prep School Principal	\$1,200
Schnell, Barbara	Summer Pre-K Principal	\$1,400
Sella, Linda	Summer Prep School Principal	\$1,400
Alter, Lori	Soccer – 7/8 Grade (Girls)	\$1,712
Battista, Lynn	Volleyball – Varsity – Head Coach	\$3,343
Bronder, Craig	Football – Jr. H.S. – Head Coach	\$2,897
Burkhardt, Patrick	Track – Cross Country – Head Coach	\$3,475
Calinda, Jason	Soccer – Varsity – Head Coach (Boys)	\$4,119
Fein, Peter	Tennis – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls)	\$2,416
Hoyt-Friedman, Jacob	Soccer – Varsity – Head Coach (Girls)	\$4,119
Kasprzyk, Christopher	Football – Varsity – Head Coach	\$5,019
Oster, Samantha	Cheerleading – Advisor (Fall)	\$1,580
Ostrander, Joshua	Football – Varsity – Assistant	\$3,734
Robertson, Jessica	Field Hockey – J.V. – Assistant Coach	\$2,705
Stewart, Valerie	Field Hockey – Varsity – Head Coach	\$3,734
Vanburen, Cindy	Volleyball – J.V. – Assistant Coach	\$2,574
Via, M. Scott	Golf – Varsity – Head Coach	\$2,705

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**PER DIEM  
SUBSTITUTES:**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Rushkoski, Amina	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**RESIGNATIONS:  
NON-  
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Croswell, David	Part time School Bus Driver	July 25, 2008	Personal

Palmer, Part time School Bus Driver July 31, 2008 Personal  
Lawrence  
Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**APPOINTMENTS:**  
**NON-**  
**INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT**

NAME	POSITION	PERIOD	RATE OF PAY	REMARKS
Patricia Knight	Cook Manager	*7/1/08 – 8/31/08	Hourly rate	Summer hours - Max 100
*Amended dates				

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS**

NAME	POSITION	PERIOD	RATE OF PAY
*Palmer, Lawrence	Summer School Bus Driver	7/1/08 – 8/31/08	On Step

\*Rescind appointment

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**  
**NON-**  
**INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#1060	7/7/08 – 9/1/08	Medical – Paid Family Medical Leave

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.  
6 Yes 0 No  
**CARRIED**

**FINAL NYSED CLEARANCE RECEIVED:**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION
Altman, Ellen	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Arnold-Mays, MaryAnn	Certified Substitute School Nurse
Croswell, David	Part Time School Bus Driver
Cuneo, Jan	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Downes, Troy	Soccer – 7/8 grade (Boys)
Hull, Lewis	Building Maintenance Helper – HS
Moore, Maureen	Short-term substitute Library Media Specialist
Perez, Brian	Soccer – J.V. (Boys)
Post, Cheryl	Typist - Woodstock

Ryan, Sarah Certified Substitute Teacher  
Waligurski, Karen Certified Substitute School Nurse

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**FINAL NYSED  
CLEARANCE HAS  
NOT YET BEEN  
RECEIVED:**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

NAME	POSITION
Benjamin, Amanda	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker
Benjamin, Katelyn	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker
Bergenn, Brandon	Baseball – J.V. – Head Coach
Cservak, Jacob	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker
Henderson, Robin	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Kerwin, Michelina	Uncertified Substitute Teaching Assistant
Kiersted, Amanda	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker
Lejeune, Deborah	Certified Substitute School Nurse
Puertas, Lucas	Summer Substitute Custodial Worker
Trimboli, Johanna	Uncertified Substitute Teacher

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
APPROVE  
CSE/CPSE  
RECOMMENDA-  
TIONS,  
SCHEDULE U,  
#06/08 A-080508**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #08/08 A-080508, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Richard Wolff.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS AND  
FINANCE**

**MOTION TO  
ADOPT AND  
PURCHASE  
GEOMETRY  
TEXTBOOK**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District, upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts the following textbook series:
  - Preparing for the Regents Examination in Geometry an Amsco Publication and hereby authorizes the purchase of said textbooks district-wide.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
APPROVE  
CATSKILL  
WATERSHED  
GRANT AND  
AUTHORIZE  
CONTRACT**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the contract between the Onteora Central School District and the Catskill Watershed Corporation to accept a public education program grant for the Phoenicia Elementary School in the amount of \$2000.00 for the 2008-2009 school year and authorizes the Superintendent to sign such an agreement.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
AWARD PRINTING  
BID**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the award of the printing bid to the lowest responsible bidder, Tri-State Associated Services, for the amount of \$5,314.84, based on the bid documents of July 25, 2008.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
DECLARE  
EQUIPMENT  
SURPLUS AND  
APPROVE OF  
DISPOSAL**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District declare the items on Schedule D as surplus equipment and authorize the disposition of these items.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
AWARD FOOD  
BIDS**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder based on the bid documents of July 25, 2008 for the 2008-2009 school year to:

Ice Cream Bid

Gillette Creamery

Ginsberg's Inc.

Variety Snack Bid

Ginsberg's Inc.

Pizza Bid

Nardone Brothers Baking Co. Inc.

Beverage Bid

Snapple Distributors, Inc.

Pepsi Cola Hudson Valley

Bottling Co.

Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Bread Bid

Freihofer Sales Co. Inc.

Formisano Bakery Products

Cohen's Bakery

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**



**MOTION TO  
ADOPT AND  
PURCHASE  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SCIENCE  
TEXTBOOKS**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District, upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts the following textbook series and hereby authorizes the purchase of the following:

Middle School Science Series for grades 7 & 8:  
CPO Science's Physical Science with Earth and Space;  
CPO Science's Life Science;  
Glencoe Science's Life Science.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
AWARD INTERIOR  
AND EXTERIOR  
DOOR BID**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the award of the bid for the Interior & Exterior Doors for the Middle Senior High School to the lowest responsible bidder, Dutchess Door & Hardware Inc. for the amount of \$32,367.45 based on the bid documents of August 4, 2008.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
AWARD BENNETT  
ELEMENTARY  
ELECTRICAL/DAT  
A WIRING BID**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the award the bid for the Electrical/Data Wiring for Classroom Computer Lab at the Bennett Elementary School to the lowest responsible bidder, Arace Electronics, for the amount of \$8,560.00 based on the bid documents of August 4, 2008.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
APPROVE  
CONTRACT WITH  
DR. DINAPOLI**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the contract between the Onteora Central School District and Dr. Arthur DiNapoli, MD, PhD, Inc. for the amount of \$38,758.00 and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to sign such an agreement

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS  
REPORTS**

Trustee Friedel moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

- **BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** on recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District has reviewed and hereby approves the FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT for August 2008.

Trustee Resnick seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
ENTER INTO  
EXECUTIVE  
SESSION**

Trustee Friedel moved to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 9:05 p.m. to discuss collective negotiations.

Trustee Osmond seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**MOTION TO  
RETURN TO  
REGULAR  
SESSION**

Trustee Resnick moved to return to REGULAR SESSION at approximately 12:00 a.m.

Trustee Osmond seconded the motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Superintendent Ford discussed the following issues with the Board:

- Water filtration system at Middle School/High School
- Bottled water for Middle School/High School
- Auditorium Plans have received State Education Department approval
- Woodstock Boiler
- Shared Decision Making
- Variances
- Board Goals Review
- Strategic Planning
- Transportation
- West Hurley Building
- Electric Panels at High School and Woodstock

**NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Legnini discussed the Dress Code.

Superintendent Ford discussed a District Blog.

Trustee Resnick discussed the upcoming NYSSBA Conference.

Trustee Osmond discussed a student "Town Hall" Board meeting.

~~to be changed to one hour.~~

**MOTION TO  
ADJOURN**

Trustee Resnick moved to adjourn at approximately 1:29 a.m.

Trustee Osmond seconded the Motion.

6 Yes 0 No

**CARRIED**

Recorded by:  
Victoria McLaren  
Clerk Pro Tem