

# ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412

## STUDENT MEETING

1:50 p.m.

**Tuesday, October 16, 2012**

Middle School/High School

Minutes

### **1. Opening Items**

- 1.01 Call to Order 1:58
- 1.02 Tobacco Policy Statement
- 1.03 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.04 Roll Call

Present: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

### **2. Welcome**

- 2.01 Principal Lance Edelman will give the welcome address (proposed 2:00)  
2:00

High School Principal Lance Edelman explained that the Board of Education spends an enormous amount of time advocating for the students, as unpaid Trustees.

Trustee McGillicuddy explained the qualifications and responsibilities of the Board of Education and the relationship to NYSSBA

### **3. Board & Superintendent District News**

- 3.01 The Board and Superintendent will announce district news (proposed 2:05)

Explanation of Legislative Action Committees and meeting with County Executive, Mike Hein

Superintendent Phyllis McGill:

- Introduced herself and described her role with the Board of Education.
- Project Based Learning: Aaron Diehl New Orleans Musician
  - Met with teachers earlier in the day
  - Had concert later in the day with all of Bennett School as well as the 9<sup>th</sup> period music classes
- Homecoming – well attended
  - Pep rally went extremely well
- Bennett had a red dress run for the victims of Hurricane Irene in Prattsville
- Elaine Ostrander was honored

### **4. Student Representative Report**

- 4.01 Student Representative Liza Tumen will report to the Board (proposed 2:10)  
2:15

- Sat. night homecoming dance had good participation
- Pep Rally lots of enthusiasm
- Ally Week this week – sign up to be an ally and show support

### **5. Discussion**

#### 5.01 First Reading of Policy 5661 District Wellness Policy (proposed 2:15)

Trustee Fletcher commented on this policy as a member of the Health and Wellness Committee

- Changes here are minor – mostly change wording – District Wellness to Health and Wellness
- Government requires all students to pick up certain items with their lunch
- Tried to tighten policy and make it shorter

Trustee Osmond

- Disclosure of ingredients is important
- Asked Health and Wellness committee to explore that as part of their function

#### 5.02 First Reading of Policy 7320 Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances (Student) (proposed 2:20)

Consensus to Table this item

#### 5.03 New York State School Board Association Resolutions (proposed 2:25)

##### Sunsetting Resolution #1

**RESOLVED**, that the New York State 1 School Boards Association seek to require the State of New York to fully fund the writing and scoring of all mandatory state tests for grades 3-8.

This resolution is asking New York State to reimburse school districts for the costs to score mandated state tests. This cost is currently borne by the individual school districts and, therefore, the local taxpayer. New York State should reimburse the school districts for this cost and should the state deem it necessary to pass this cost back to the federal government, NYSSBA should commit to lobbying for this cost and service.

NYSSBA has been lobbying for years, but is still fighting

### 6. Student Comment

#### 6.01 Students will comment on any agenda item (proposed 2:30)

Jonah Heckelman, Tassa Short, Thomas Smith, Rio Morales, Andrew Price – Open Campus

### 7. Adjournment

#### 7.01 Adjourn Meeting at approximately 2:35

Motioned By: Trustee Osmond

Second By: Trustee Fletcher

Results: Unanimous

Present: Trustee McGillicuddy, Trustee Fletcher, Trustee Osmond, Trustee Spencer

Not Present: Trustee Hickey, Trustee Kurnit, Trustee McKeon

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