

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412**

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING/WORKSHOP
7:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, October 10, 2006
West Hurley Elementary School**

CALL TO ORDER Trustee D'Orazio called **REGULAR MEETING/WORKSHOP** to order at approximately 7:03p.m.

TOBACCO POLICY STATEMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT Trustees D'Orazio, Bernholz, Patterson, O'Connor, Vanacore, Resnick Rosenfeld

ALSO PRESENT Superintendent, John G. Jordan; Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox; Assistant Superintendent, Victoria McLaren; Substitute Student Board Representative, Kevin Cristiani ; District Clerk, Jeanne Shultis; and approximately 42 visitors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Patterson 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 Regular Meeting/Workshop of the Board of Education held on September 26, 2006, and the Special Meeting held on October 4, 2006, are hereby approved as submitted.

Trustee Vanacore seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

WELCOME TO WEST HURLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- Assistant Superintendent Victoria McLaren introduced new District Treasurer, Robert Wenzel.
- High School Strings teacher, Wini Paetow, announced that the orchestra has been invited to perform at Lincoln Center as one of 14 selected from around the country. She provided the details of the proposed trip and requested support from the Board and the community. Members of the orchestra performed Fiddle Dance for the pleasure of the Board.

DISTRICT NEWS

Superintendent Jordan reported that:

- He has provided suggestions to Ulster County Mental Health for rewriting the contract so that it meets legal requirements in the hopes that the FACETs program may be continued as it has been before.
- Procedures for our Recruiter Policy should be in place by the next Board meeting.
- The FOIL request form is now on the website in case anyone needs it.
- Thanks are due to Armand Quadrini of KSQ Architects for making a connection with Dr. Judy Fox of the Princeton Day School. Dr. Fox is going to be doing the educational analysis of our capital project plans.

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- We will be losing Connie Hayes, our Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services as she will be going to New Paltz as of Monday, October 16th.

Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox, announced that the math results are still embargoed, but that they will be presented at a future meeting.

Trustee D'Orazio remarked that Onteora is #1 in the county.

REPORT FROM 2005-2006 STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

Substitute Student Representative Kevin Cristiani reported that this was his first Board meeting. He is attending Ulster County Community College for his senior year in High School and school is going good so far.

STUDENT COMMENT

No student comments were made at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

REPORTS/ PRESENTATIONS

- Audit Committee Report – Trustee Bernholz reported that the Committee met on October 6 with the external auditing firm and went into Executive Session to discuss the concerns about the past year's audit. She also reported that our district is in a healthy standing and report will be presented to the public at a future date. The next Committee meeting is scheduled for October 14 for the purpose of interviewing for the Internal Claims Auditor position.
- Communications Committee – Trustee O'Connor reported that the Committee had its' first meeting on September 25 and were going over the goals for this year. The Committee wanted her to bring to the Board their request that the Board continue to do as they did last year and acknowledge at each Board meeting communications received from the public.
- Facilities Committee – Trustee Patterson reported that the Committee has not had a meeting since May of last year, but there will be a meeting very shortly. They will be deferring to Victoria McLaren with internal things that need to be looked at.
- Policy Committee – Trustee D'Orazio thanked Trustees O'Connor and Vanacore for their work on the Military Recruiter Policy. He has received many favorable comments.
 - Trustee O'Connor reported that the next policy they will be working on is the attendance policy.
 - Trustee Vanacore reported that she was at a rally in New Paltz and Onteora was acknowledged for the work done on the recruiting policy. It seemed that we are in the forefront for this type of policy.
- Technology Committee – Trustee Vanacore reported that this Committee has not had a meeting yet. Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox, announced that a meeting is scheduled for October 23 at 3:45 p.m.

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Capital Project Update – KSQ Architect Armand Quadrini presented the third in a series of 4 workshops.

- Facility Conditions Report
- Overview of Work Completed to Date
- Current 2005-2006 School District Student Population
- Historical Documentation of Past 10 Year Student Population
- Design Population for Year 2011
- Base-Line Plan: Year 2011 Pupil Distribution based on Current Grade Configuration
- Onteora Elementary Class Size Guidelines
- Overarching District “Values” that we heard from Focus Group Meetings
- Report on West Hurley Site/Environmental Review
- Consider Alternative District Grade Configurations (9)
- Master Plan “A”: Plan Description
- Master Plan “A”: Attributes and Concerns
- Master Plan “C”: Plan Description
- Master Plan “C”: Attributes and Concerns
- Central Campus Plan: Plan Description
- Central Campus Plan: Attributes and Concerns
- Comparative Budget Costs of the 3 Plans
- Discussion Schedule: May 2007 Bond Referendum
- Recommendations and Next Steps

The architect and Board members responded to questions from members of the audience.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Trustee O'Connor moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of education of the Onteora Central School District that the 2006 Proposed Bylaw Amendments and Resolutions for the NYSSBA Annual Business Meeting as presented by NYSSBA be approved.

Trustee Vanacore seconded the Motion.

Discussion.

Trustee O'Connor moved to table the Motion.

Trustee Vanacore seconded the Motion to Table.

7 Yes 0 No

TABLED

MOTION TO APPROVE FIELD TRIP TO NYC FOR HS STRINGS ORCHESTRA STUDENTS

Trustee Patterson moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the proposal for a 2 night, 3 day trip to New York City from March 8-10, 2007, for approximately 38 High School strings orchestra students to perform, by invitation, at Lincoln Center be approved. Students will fund raise to partially cover the cost.

Trustee Bernholz seconded the Motion.

Discussion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

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**MOTION TO
APPROVE AND
ADOPT THE GOALS
FOR THE 2006-2007
SCHOOL YEAR**

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the following goals be approved and adopted for the 2006-2007 school year:

- Develop A Comprehensive 3-5 Year Budget Projection
- Support the Development of New Teaching and Learning Strategies In Order to Meet the Needs of Our Entire Educational Community
- Hire A Permanent Superintendent Who The Board Believes Has the Ability To Attain Our Established Goals
- Develop A Long-Term Master Plan Which Is Educationally Sound and Fiscally Responsible

Trustee D'Orazio seconded the Motion.

Discussion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

PERSONNEL

**RESIGNATIONS:
ADMINISTRATIVE**

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following ADMINISTRATIVE RESIGNATIONS:

NAME	POSITION/ SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Hayes, Connie	Assistant Director of Elementary PPS	10/13/06	Personal

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

Discussion. Amend effective date from 11/20/06 to 10/13/06.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

EMPLOYEE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	REASON
#1362	10/03/06-12/22/06	Medical – Paid; Family Medical Leave Revised ending date

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

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RESIGNATIONS:
INSTRUCTIONAL

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL RESIGNATIONS:

NAME	POSITION/ SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Negron, Michael	Assistant JV Football Coach	10/2/06	Personal

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED**APPOINTMENTS:**
INSTRUCTIONAL

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE

NAME	CERTIFI- CATION	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE FROM – TO	SALARY	REASON
Downs, Kelly	Elementary	Elementary Teacher – PH	10/3/06 – 12/22/06	1BA	Replace M Kenly (Leave)

EXTRA DUTY STIPENDS

NAME	POSITION	AMOUNT
Brown, Kenneth	Science Olympiad Asst Coach – MS	\$1,142
Burkhardt, Patrick	Belleayre Bash Co-Advisor	\$557
Burkhardt, Patrick	SADD Advisor	\$699
Burkhardt, Jeannine	National Honor Society (Co-Advisor)	\$581
Burkhardt, Jeannine	Belleayre Bash Advisor	\$1,671
Burkhardt, Jeannine	SADD Advisor	\$699
Cayea, Krista	Sounds of Jazz - Director	\$1,246
Chartrand, Louis	6 th Teaching Assignment	\$6,685
Cook, Debra	Student Affairs Council – HS	\$1,677
Fisher, Jeffrey	SAT Prep (After School)	\$1,671
Gray, Melissa	DECA Asst Advisor	\$1,023
Haug, Margaret	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,855
Maille, Julie	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,855
Opalka, Daniel	6 th Teaching Assignment	\$6,685
Paetow, Rowena	Chamber Ensemble Dir	\$1,523
Kaindl-Richer, Margit	Liaison – Foreign Language	\$2,855
Rosato, Phyllis	National Honor Society (Co-Advisor)	\$581
Schaffer Brian	STEP Program Advisor	\$2,060
Sears, Robin	SAVI Club Advisor	\$1,671
Silander, Myra	Junior Class Advisor	\$2,332
Silander, Myra	Quiz Bowl Advisor	\$1,437
VanBaren, Kathleen	Science Olympiad Coach – MS	\$1,599
Via, M. Scott	Liaison – Science	\$2,855
Lorzing-Wilmoth, Wendy	Middle School Cabinet	\$2,855
Wolfield, Dale	Liaison – Art	\$1,713
Wolfrom, Jane	G/T Advisor – PH	\$1,973
Cohen-Yannatos, Wendy	6 th Teaching Assignment	\$6,685

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PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	CERTIFICATION	SALARY
Bylebyl, Michele	Certified Substitute Teacher	\$95/day

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED**APPOINTMENTS:
NON-
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS:

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTES

NAME	CERTIFICATION	SALARY
Weiser, Ginger	Certified Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$10/hr

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED**FINAL NYSED
CLEARANCE
RECEIVED:**

Trustee Vanacore moved to acknowledge the following FINAL NYSED CLEARANCES RECEIVED:

NAME	POSITION
McKenna, Karen	Music Teacher
Perry, Felix	Football – JV – Assistant Coach

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

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

Trustee Vanacore moved to acknowledge the following FINAL NYSED CLEARANCES THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED:

NAME	POSITION
Becker, Kari	Food Service Helper
Bucher, Donald	Science Teacher
Castellano, Felice	Substitute Uncertified Teaching Assistant & Clerical
Eiferd, Mae	Substitute Nurse (RN)
Hass, Barbara	Certified Substitute Teacher
Krebser, Lynn	Substitute Bus Attendant
LaMotte, Monika	Substitute Uncertified Teaching Assistant & Clerical
Vanacore, Ralph	Uncertified Substitute Teacher
Vos, Christine	Certified Substitute Teacher
Woodard, Colette	Uncertified Substitute Teacher and Home Instruction

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED**INSTRUCTION**

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**MOTION TO
APPROVE CSE/CPSE
RECOMMENDATIONS
SCHEDULE U, #10/06
A-101006**

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) Recommendations, Schedule U, #10/06 A-101006, Confidential, as reviewed by Trustee Vanacore.

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

**BUSINESS AND
FINANCE**

DONATIONS

The acceptance of the following donation(s) to the Onteora Central School District is with sincere thanks and appreciation for these generous donations to be used by students and staff in the District.

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the donation from the Onteora Retired Educators in the amount of \$500 for the school libraries of the District to be dispersed as follows: \$200 to the Jr/Sr High School, \$100 each to the Woodstock, Bennett and Phoenicia Elementary Schools be accepted.

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the donation from the VRNA LLC in the amount of \$1000 for library improvements for the Woodstock Elementary School be accepted.

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

Trustee Vanacore moved to approve the following RESOLUTION:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education of the Onteora Central School District approve the increase to the 2006-2007 Budget per the following donations:

VRNA, LLC

A2610.521.07	Supplemental - Woodstock	\$1,000.00
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ONTEORA RETIRED EDUCATORS

A2610.521.01	Supplemental – Middle-High School	\$250.00
A2610.521.03	Supplemental – Bennett	\$100.00
A2610.521.04	Supplemental – Phoenicia	\$100.00
A2610.521.07	Supplemental – Woodstock	\$100.00

Trustee Resnick seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

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OLD BUSINESS

Trustee Patterson requested a discussion at the meeting on November 14, 2006, regarding policy on class sizes.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Vanacore attended the last Ulster County School Boards Association meeting where discussion was held about making their meetings quarterly instead of monthly due to lack of attendance. These meetings are very valuable sources of information. At the next meeting they are scheduled to provide an informative session on legislation with David Little. She requested that we put on the agenda to resolve that at least one member will attend each of these meetings with an alternate.

BOARD MEMBERS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Trustee Bernholz requested that a copy of Superintendent's Jordan's article mentioned in the press release be provided to the Board members.

Trustee D'Orazio reiterated his position on having presentations about educational programs in our District on a regular basis – at least every other meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee D'Orazio acknowledged receipt of letters from Tamara Lang, Tasha Peterson and Joan Walker.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Trustee O'Connor moved to ADJOURN at approximately 9:27 p.m.
Trustee Rosenfeld seconded the Motion.

7 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

Recorded by:
Jeanne Shultis
District Clerk
