

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
August 19, 2015

Present:	Mr. J. Foster, Mrs. R. Peabody, Mr. R. Collins, Mrs. D. Liuzzo, Mrs. M. Marshall, Superintendent of Schools D. Henner, Principal R. Berson, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Programs L. Eaves, District Clerk G. Burpee
Also Present:	Mrs. K. Bishop, Miss M. Blake, Mrs. S. Bucalo, Mrs. J. Doroshenko, Mr. R. Doroshenko, Mr. J. Gale, Mrs. G. Gonzalez, Mrs. P. Graham, Mr. D. Haitian, Mrs. J. Hammer, Mrs. C. Neal, Mrs. S. Phillips, Mrs. B. Robinson, Mrs. K. Rutz, Mrs. D. Smith, Mrs. S. Stone, Mr. C. VanVoorhis

- CALL TO ORDER** President Foster called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.
- AGENDA** The agenda was approved on a motion by Mrs. Marshall and seconded by Mrs. Peabody.
- Motion carried, 5 - 0.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS** Mrs. Peabody moved the minutes of the July 8, 2015 meeting be approved, second by Mrs. Marshall.
- Motion carried, 5 - 0.
- Executive Session** Motion by Mrs. Peabody to enter executive session at 7:04 for the purpose of a particular personnel issue, and personnel appointments, second by Mrs. Liuzzo.
- Motion carried, 5 - 0.
- Open Session** Motion by Mrs. Marshall to resume open session at 7:50 PM, Second by Mr. Collins.
- Motion carried, 5 - 0.
- CORRESPONDENCE** The following correspondence was received:
- Sympathy cards were sent to the families of Mitchell Gary and Lew Ford.
- PUBLIC COMMENT**
(FY'15/16 - #9) • Mrs. Robinson read a statement regarding the art and agricultural programs.
- Mr. Gale supports the art and agriculture programs. He also inquired how much money is spent at BOCES and for what purpose.
- REPORTS**
Superintendent's Mr. Henner reported on the following:
- Statewide School Finance Consortium Breakfast at the school board's convention. Six attendees of the convention from Otselic Valley are interested in attending the breakfast.
 - Continuing playground in Georgetown discussion. A certified playground inspector could come in to inspect the playground. The attorney recommends following the insurance company's recommendation. The attorney will not be changing his recommendation with the playground inspection. It will just be an opportunity to spend more money. Mr. Henner recommends to follow the guidelines of the attorney and the insurance company. It was suggested that the District's attorney and the town's attorney talk to each other and perhaps find a cooperative agreement.

Motion by Mrs. Liuzzo to dismantle the playground at the Georgetown campus, second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Mrs. Peabody will talk to Supervisor Walrod about different options for the town regarding a playground.

- Update on the Parking Lot project with the tree removal. District employees did the work to remove the trees. The district saved \$5,000.00 by getting local vendors to remove the trees and purchase two chainsaws for District to use now and in the future. By doing so, the District was able to keep the funds local, it was cheaper, and it looks good.

Principal's

Mr. Berson reported on the following:

- Graduation Rate
- 3-8 NYS Assessment results
- Georgetown Alumni gathering.
- Field Trip Plan
- Parent participation initiative
- DASA/Leadership Academy
- Operations and Maintenance Update

Director of Curriculum,
Instruction and Special
Programs

Mrs. Eaves reported:

- The LINKS committee developed a plan to help student achievement.

Business Manager's

Mrs. Gonzalez reported on the following:

- Capital project
- Municipal advisors
- Newsletter costs
- Electricity Contract
- UPK Grant
- Audit
- Internal Claims Audit Findings

Committee Reports

It was the consensus of the Board to reactivate the Safety Committee, Finance Committee, and the Policy and Procedure committee

Board Member's

- Mrs. Peabody and Mr. Foster volunteered to serve on the finance committee.
- Mrs. Peabody reminded everyone that both campuses are "Tobacco Free Zones". Mr. Berson can get free signs to post.
- Mrs. Marshall thanked Mr. Berson for listening and getting the Georgetown campus back in shape.
- Mrs. Marshall thanked Mr. Berson, Mrs. Eaves, and Mr. Henner for getting parents involved in their child's education.
- A question was raised about the status of another auction. Mr. Berson answered that the District is at that point of setting up an auction.
- Mr. Collins inquired if the classrooms would be air conditioned when the students return to school.
- Mr. Collins also inquired why there is no microwave in the cafeteria for the students to use. It was explained that it is a liability for students to use one which raised another question of the liability of students making coffee in the coffee house in the library.

Financial Reports
(FY'14/15 - #10,11)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to accept the June and July financial reports as presented. Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS
Personnel
Recommendations

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following:

Caitlin Connelly	Resignation as a Spanish teacher	Effective July 20, 2015
Krista Sheridan	Resignation as a guidance counselor	Effective August 11, 2015
Jennifer Fish	Resignation as a guidance counselor	Effective August 31, 2015
Lacey Eaves	.2 FTE Leave	Effective September 8, 2015 through June 24, 2016
Carleton Hills	Appointment as a per diem guidance counselor	At a per diem rate of \$300.00
Gail Burpee	Appointment as deputy purchasing agent	

Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0. (Mrs. Peabody abstain)

Extracurricular
Appointments

Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following with a stipend per the OVTA contract:

Cynthia Neal	Appointment as a spring musical director	At a stipend per the OVTA contract
Cynthia Neal	Appointment as an elementary musical director	At a stipend per the OVTA contract
Cynthia Neal	Appointment as a Class of 2016 advisor	At a stipend per the OVTA contract
Sally Bucalo	Appointment as a mentor for the 2015-2016 school year	At a stipend per the OVTA contract
Gregory Winn	Appointment as a mentor for the 2015-2016 school year	At a stipend per the OVTA contract

Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Instructional
Appointments

a. Timothy LaRose – Guidance Counselor

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the

Superintendent, Timothy M. LaRose, 556 County Route 10, Pennellville, NY 13132, who is provisionally certified in the school counselor area, is hereby appointed to a tenured position in the school counselor tenure area effective on September 8, 2015) and ending on September 7, 2019 providing he earns at least three years of composite ratings of effective or highly effective, and does not earn a developing or ineffective composite rating in his/her final year of probation. Salary for school year 2015-2016 is based on the duly executed collective bargaining agreement. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

b. Kathleen Mary Glavin – Spanish Teacher

Motion by Mr. Collins, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Kathleen Mary Glavin, 473 Woodruff Avenue, Syracuse NY 13208, who is professionally certified in the Spanish Teacher 7-12, and provisionally certified in the Childhood Education, grades 1-6 area, is hereby appointed to a tenured position in the Spanish teacher tenure area effective on September 8, 2015) and ending on September 7, 2019 providing she earns at least three years of composite ratings of effective or highly effective, and does not earn a developing or ineffective composite rating in his/her final year of probation. Salary for school year 2015-2016 is based on the duly executed collective bargaining agreement. Second by Mr. Foster.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Declaration of Surplus Items

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to declare four walkie talkies and one 2-way radio as surplus and to dispose of them as appropriate. Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Policy Manual – First Reading and Adoption – Probation and Tenure, #6125 (FY'15/16 - #12)

This meeting constitutes the first reading and adoption of the Probation and Tenure Policy, #6125, of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual.

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to adopt the Probation and Tenure Policy, #6125, of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual, per New York State Law. Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

2015-2016 Instructional Substitute List (FY'15/16 - #13)

Motion by Mr. Collins, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 2015-2016 instructional substitute list. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

2015-2016 Non - Instructional Substitute List (FY'15/16 - #14)

Motion by Mr. Collins, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the 2015-2016 non-instructional substitute list. Second by Mr. Foster.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Tax Variance

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to declare a tax bill paid in full if the amount paid is not more than one dollar under or less than ten dollars over the amount to be paid. Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Tax Warrant
(FY'15/16 - #15)

Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the 2015-2016 tax warrant in the amount of \$3,147,128.00. The date of the tax warrant will be September 1, 2015. There will be no penalty for taxes paid on or before October 1, 2015. Taxes paid on or after October 2, 2015 will incur a 2% penalty. Taxes not collected by November 3, 2015 are returned to the County Treasurer's office for collection.
Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Creation of a Student
Monitor Position

Tabled at this time.

Policy Manual – First
Reading and Adoption
- Policy Manual
Disclaimer Policy
(FY'15/16 - #16)

This meeting constitutes the first reading and adoption of the following policy for the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual:

As of July 1, 2014, Otselic Valley Central School is now a Pre-Kindergarten to Grade 12 school. Any reference to a K-12 school in this policy manual shall be considered as a Pre-kindergarten to Grade 12 School and all policies includes the Pre-kindergarten students.

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to adopt the Policy Manual Disclaimer policy of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual. Second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

10-Month
Administrator
Working Conditions

Motion by Mrs. Marshall upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 10-month administrator working conditions. Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

12-Month
Administrator
Working Conditions

Motion by Mrs. Liuzzo, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 12-month administrator working conditions. Second by Mr. Foster.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Confidential
Employees Working
Conditions

Motion by Mrs. Liuzzo, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the confidential employees working conditions. Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Cook Manager
Working Conditions

Motion by Mrs. Peabody upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the cook manager working conditions. Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mrs. Stone inquired how many years are Board members seated.
- Mrs. Liuzzo asked Mrs. Peabody about the status of the Drug Coalition.
- Mrs. Liuzzo suggested reactivating the policy committee.

Executive Session

Motion by Mrs. Marshall to enter executive session at 8:56 PM for the purpose of a Board chain of command and a particular personnel matter. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Open Session

Motion by Mrs. Marshall to resume open session at 10:00 PM, second by Mr. Collins.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, second by Mr. Collins, to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 PM.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Submitted by,



Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk

