

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
February 19, 2014

Present:	Mr. G. Brown, Dr. D. Evans, Mrs. D. Liuzzo, Mrs. M. Marshall, Mrs. R. Peabody, Superintendent of Schools R. Hughes, High School Principal D. Henner, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and CSE, L. Eaves, Business Administrator, R. Berson, District Clerk G. Burpee
Also Present:	Mrs. J. Davis, Mr. J. Gale, Mrs. R. McGrath, Ms. D. Slocum, Mrs. M. Soule, Mrs. S. Swayze

CALL TO ORDER	President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.
AGENDA	The agenda was approved on a motion by Mrs. Marshall, and seconded by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Dr. Evans moved the minutes of the January 15, 2014 meeting be approved, second by Mrs. Marshall. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Executive Session	Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 7:33 PM for a particular personnel matter, second by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Open Session	Motion by Dr. Evans to resume open session at 8:07 PM, second by Mrs. Peabody. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
CORRESPONDENCE	None at this time.
PUBLIC COMMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gale inquired about the veteran's exemption on school taxes. He recommends waiting a year before any action is taken. • He also mentioned other topics of interest including automobile insurance, the impact of the common core on college students majoring in education and a report on CSPAN comparing education around the world.
REPORTS	
Superintendent's	Mr. Hughes reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital project update. The project is still well under budget. There is still work to be done on the heating system and the univents. The District may go out for bids on flooring and

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changing bathrooms among other minor details to be completed that weren't included in the original plans. There is still plenty of funding left to cover such items.

- The finalization of the purchase of the two adjacent properties is moving along. A separate referendum is being discussed to be held at the May vote to develop these two parcels.
- Mr. Sweeney will be at the next meeting to discuss replacing three buses with over 100,000 miles. He is investigating leasing new buses. As leasing is less than purchasing for five years.
- The state aid projection was displayed in preparation of the 2014-2015 budget. It is expected that the ERS portion of the budget will increase upwards of \$30,000.00 and the TRS will increase about \$100,000.00 for 2014-2015. There is a distinct possibility that there will be a change in health insurance. The Central New York School Boards' Association is sponsoring a Restore Gap Elimination Adjustment program at West Genesee High School on March 12th that Mr. Hughes will be attending.

Director of Curriculum,
Instruction and CSE's
High School Principal's

- No report at this time.

Mr. Henner reported on the following:

- More classes through TC3 have been approved. Several students and Ms. Ross and Mr. Barlow visited TC3 recently. There should be forty classes available by next year.
- An update on the winter season sports was given. Ten student wrestlers went to sectionals. Isaiah Dunagan was the District's first champion. He also placed fifth in the interclass competition. Mr. Winn did an outstanding job this year.
- The Varsity girls basketball team played a first round sectional game at Lyme Central School. The team and the coaches did a good job throughout the season.
- The CCL Cheerleading competition was cancelled this year in Cincinnati. Plans are being made for Otselic Valley to host it next year.

Business Administrator's

Mr. Berson reported on the following:

- The fuel bid and the bread bid were explained.
- Explanation of the tax cap for this year.
- New York TRS was explained
- Hazardous waste reporting was completed for DEC and filed.
- The internal claims audit report.
- Food service update. The mid year inventory and final transition from Georgetown was completed.
- Operations and maintenance tasks that are being completed

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during the February break.

- Acceptable temperature in the building is being addressed with the various vendors working on the project.
- There will be a comprehensive transportation report and presentation at the March meeting by Mr. Sweeney.
- In regards to the veteran's exemption, none of the sixteen component districts are moving forward with it at this time.
- The "Breakthrough to Glory" tax exemption status was reviewed.

Board Member's

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The following topics were discussed:

- The Educational Forum to be held on March 6, 2014 at the Harrold Campus was discussed.
- Dr. Evans hearing good things about the District from other areas.
- Assemblyman Finch has rescheduled his visit to February 28, 2014 due to the snow day on February 14, 2014.
- Chenango County School Boards' Association is March 3, 2014. The Spring Dinner Meeting is April 1 or 2, 2014.
- Mrs. Marshall thanked Mrs. Peabody for the blurb in the On Board newspaper about her.
- Mr. Brown reported that when he comes to Saturday Morning Basketball, he sees staff members here working in their classrooms. He is very impressed with their dedication. He also noticed the run-off from the roof over the K-2 wing landing on the sidewalk and icing over.
- It was discussed holding graduation in the Multi Purpose Room since the contractors want to start on the gym floor.

Financial Reports

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Motion by Dr. Evans, to accept the January financial reports as presented. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Recommendations

Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the following:

Kelsea Graves	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute school aide
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Darin Aiken	Conditional	At an
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	appointment pending	hourly rate
	clearance from the State	of \$10.00
	Education Department	
	as a substitute custodial	
	worker, effective	
	January 21, 2014.	
JennyLee Naber	Conditional	
	appointment pending	
	clearance from the State	
	Education Department	
	as a substitute school	
	aide and substitute food	
	service helper	
William Becker	Resignation as a	
	substitute bus driver	

Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Extra-Curricular Appointments

Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the following extra-curricular appointments with stipends according to the 2011-2015 OVTA contract.

Mary Helen Blake	Appointment as the Elementary Spring Musical art director
Julie Hammer	Appointment as the Elementary Spring Musical stage craft director
Cynthia Neal	Appointment as the Elementary Spring Musical music director

Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Committee on Special Education Recommendations

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education resulting from the meeting on January 13, 2014. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Establishing Lead Agency and SEQRA Determination (Capital Outlay Project) (FY'13/14 - #53)

Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS the voters of the Otselic Valley Central School voted to approve the 2013-2014 school budget which included funds to finance a capital construction project (Capital Outlay Project)

consisting of reconstruction of the K-12 school building to include locker reconstruction, ceiling reconstruction, hardware reconstruction and related construction activities:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of Education of the Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown- South Otselic hereby declares itself, and is hereby designated as, Lead Agency for the proposed action and therefore responsible for determining whether an environmental impact statement is required in connection therewith and otherwise complying with the procedural and substantive requirements of SEQRA.
2. Based upon the review by the Board of Education of the proposed project, and using the information available including a duly completed full environmental assessment form, the Board hereby finds the proposed action constitutes a Type 2 action” as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA.
3. Based upon the review by the Board of Education of the EAF and other necessary criteria, the Board hereby finds and determines that a type 2 action requires no action according to Section 617.5(c)(2) “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part:’ and Section 617.5(c)(8) “routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related closing”
4. A copy of this resolution shall be placed on file in the Office of the District Clerk where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours posted in such places and published in such manner as shall be necessary to conform to the requirements of SEQRA.
Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Cooperative Bidding
for Bread and Bread
Products
(FY'13/14 - #54)

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Otselic Valley Central School participate in cooperative bidding for bread and bread products for the school year 2014-2015 with other school

districts in the Southern Tier of New York State, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Doretta Hughson, Clerk of the Board of Education, GST BOCES, be designated to advertise, receive and open said bids and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Otselic Valley Central School reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Declaration of Surplus
Library Books
(FY'13/14 - #55)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to declare the list of library books as surplus and to dispose of them as appropriate. Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Policy Manual –
Complaints
Concerning School
Personnel Policy
(FY'13/14 - #56)

This meeting constitutes the first reading of the Complaints Concerning School Personnel Policy of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual.

Fuel Bid
(FY'13/14 - #57)

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the cooperative fuel bid for the 2014-2015 school year. Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ms. Slocum reported that the OVTA is developing suggestions for instructional staffing needs for the 2014-2015 school year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Dr. Evans, to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 PM.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Submitted by,



Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk