

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Board of Education

April 11, 2007

Present:	Mr. G. Brown, Mr. D. Brown, Mr. D. Cruikshank, Mrs. M. Marshall, Superintendent of Schools L. Thomas, High School Principal S. Poreda, Elementary Principal N. Gallaher, Business Administrator N. Henner, District Clerk G. Burpee
Absent:	Dr. D. Evans (arr. 7:33 PM)
Also Present:	Mrs. D. Alt, Ms. L. Benson, Mrs. S. Benson, Miss M. Blake, Mrs. S. Bucalo, Mr. J. Conway, Ms. A. Curtis, Miss R. Davis, Mrs. F. Dick, Mr. L. Dick, Mr. T. Duell, Mr. G. Evans, Mrs. D. Fox, Mr. J. Gale, Mrs. P. Graham, Mrs. J. Haitian, Mrs. J. Hammer, Miss C. Hayes, Miss B. Hazzard, Miss J. Huntley, Ms. D. Jeanblanc, Miss B. Kelly, Mr. D. Kelly, Mrs. L. Larkin, Miss J. Levix, Mrs. D. Liuzzo, Mrs. R. Neal, Mrs. J. Osowski, Mrs. S. Phillips, Mrs. J. Pickles, Mrs. L. Porter, Miss R. Porter, Mrs. R. Rasmussen, Mr. J. Somers, Miss K. Thorp, Mr. T. Thorp, Mrs. T. Thorp, Mrs. C. Wentworth, Mrs. B. Wood

CALL TO ORDER

President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.

AGENDA

The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Cruikshank and seconded Mr. D. Brown.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Mr. D. Brown moved the minutes of the March 14, 2007 meeting be approved, second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Thomas shared the following:

- A letter from Chenango County School Boards Association regarding the Functioning Audit Committee
- A Procedural Kit for Resolutions from New York State School Boards Association

Mr. Brown reported that the Board received letters from students. He thanked them for their input and the letters will be shared in executive session.

Executive Session
(Dr. Evans arrived, 7:33 PM)

Motion by Mr. G. Brown to enter executive session for financial reasons at 7:33 PM, second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Open Session

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to resume open session at 9:33 PM, second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Waltz inquired why the administration attended executive session when they weren't invited by the Board.
- Mr. Gale shared concerns about continually cutting staff members and the proposed renovation project.

REPORTS**Superintendent's**

Mr. Thomas reported on the following items to the Board:

- There is a possibility of the need to refurbish the

Business Administrator's (FY'06/07 - #75)	<p>current phone system or replace it. He has met with different representatives to get prices.</p> <p>Ms. Henner reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The quarterly report from Robin Neal, internal auditor. • There are several extra Earth Science textbooks that Afton Central School is interested in purchasing. <p>Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to declare the extra earth science textbooks as surplus and to sell them to Afton Central School at a fair price. Second by Mr. D. Brown.</p> <p>Motion carried, 5 - 0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributed additional financial reports and explained them. 						
Elementary Principal's	<p>Ms. Gallaher reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Conferences were well attended and was a very busy day. • 						
High School Principal's	<p>Mr. Poreda reported on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None at this time. 						
Board Member's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. D. Brown reported on the Chenango County School Boards Association Spring Dinner Meeting. He suggested inviting the guest speaker to come speak at a future Board meeting. • A letter from Bayport-Blue Point Central School asking for support of a resolution they are sponsoring at the school board's convention. • Mrs. Marshall reported she was pleased with how the 7th and 8th grade parent conferences were conducted. • Mrs. Marshall reported she was disappointed by a statement made at the last meeting during public comment. 						
<u>FINANCIAL REPORTS</u> (FY'06/07 - #76)	Tabled at this time.						
<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>	None at this time.						
<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>							
Municipal Cooperative Agreement for Health Insurance	<p>Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the municipal cooperative agreement for health insurance. Second by Dr. Evans.</p> <p>Motion carried, 5 - 0.</p>						
Committee on Special Education Recommendations	<p>Motion by Dr. Evans, to accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for the meetings of March 16, March 19, March 26, March 28, April 2, and April 3, 2007. Second by Mr. D. Brown.</p> <p>Motion carried, 5 - 0.</p>						
Appointment of Election Inspectors and Machine Custodian	<p>Motion by Mr. D. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following as election inspectors for the voting on May 15, 2007:</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Sharon Benson</td> <td>Lorraine Kupiec</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Phyllis Evans</td> <td>Robin Neal</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Nancy Hodge</td> <td>Julie Skramko</td> </tr> </table>	Sharon Benson	Lorraine Kupiec	Phyllis Evans	Robin Neal	Nancy Hodge	Julie Skramko
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Phyllis Evans	Robin Neal						
Nancy Hodge	Julie Skramko						
	<p>and to appoint the following as alternate election inspectors:</p>						

Mary Comfort

Laura Porter

And to appoint Paul Martin as the machine custodian.

Second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Transportation
Requests to Parochial
Schools

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve District transportation to parochial schools for the 2007-2008 school year as follows:

Cincinnatus Christian Academy – Cincinnatus

Jayson Moore

Stephanie Moore

Holy Family School – Norwich

Justin Graham
Susan Graham
Leah Kalin

Peter Kalin
Peter Robinson

New Life Christian School – Randallsville

Alicia Bencke
Jade Bencke
Jessica Bencke

Joseph Billy
Levi Billy

Second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Administrative
Salaries for 2007-
2008

Tabled at this time.

Confidential
Employee Salaries
for 2007-2008

Tabled at this time.

Adoption of the
Proposed 2007-2008
School Budget

Motion by Mr. Cruikshank, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the proposed 2007-2008 school budget in the amount of \$8,178,842.00. Second by Mr. D. Brown.

Motion carried, 3 - 0. (Dr. Evans and Mrs. Marshall abstained)

Participation in the
Broome-Tioga
BOCES Services for
2007-2008

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 the Otselic Valley Central School District will participate in the itemized services at the level(s) indicated and hereby agrees to pay Broome-Tioga BOCES the charges identified on the base contract according to the following schedule: eight equal payments between October 1, 2007 and May 1, 2008.

AND BE IT RESOLVED that payments on supplemental contracts will be implemented by the District in consonance with the payment schedule stipulated on the contract.

Second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Waltz commended those individuals who planned and took part in the D2 basketball championship celebration on April 9th. He would like to see more events of this nature. Dr. Evans commented that the real highlight of the evening was the raising of \$1,200.00 to be given to the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure for breast cancer.
- Several in attendance inquired about the proposed staffing cuts and when will employees be notified as well as parents as it affects their child's education.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. G. Brown, second by Mr. Cruikshank, to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 PM.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Submitted by,

Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk