

Present:	Mr. G. Brown, Mr. D. Cruikshank, Mrs. D. Fox, Mrs. M. Marshall, Superintendent of Schools L. Thomas, High School Principal S. Poreda, Elementary Principal N. Gallaher, District Clerk G. Burpee
Absent:	Dr. D. Evans (Arr. 7:36 PM)
Also Present:	Ms. S. Eschen, Mr. R. Fisher, Mrs. T. Hammond, Ms. C. Hanville, Mrs. R McGrath, Mrs. R. Neal, Mrs. L. Porter, Ms. R. Porter, Mrs. P. Rounds, Mrs. Stone,

CALL TO ORDER

President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.

AGENDA

The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Cruikshank and seconded by Mrs. Fox.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(Dr. Evans arr. 7:36 PM)

Mrs. Marshall moved the minutes of the August 15, 2007 meeting be approved, second by Mrs. Fox.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Thomas shared the following correspondence:

- A thank you from Trevor Rohlin for the opportunity to work at Otselic Valley.
- a letter from Mrs. Warner
- an announcement regarding the BOCES Education Forums
- Various BOCES correspondence

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Porter praised the music teachers but is concerned about the small room with several students and only one period to rehearse. She suggested using the cafeteria for practices for both groups. Mrs. Porter is also concerned about the number of study halls.

REPORTS

Superintendent's

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

- A bus driver grievance regarding a specific bus run
- An update on the telephone system at the high school. There have been many positive comments.
- An update on the school business official search
- An update on facilities planning. A newspaper article detailing the "town hall" meetings scheduled throughout the year was distributed. Updated conceptual drawings were distributed. The timeline was discussed. The first step is an enrollment projection that will be done by the School Boards' Association. There are two facilities planning committee meetings scheduled in September, one in each building.
- An update on the tax warrant.

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Business
Administrator's

- None at this time.

Elementary Principal's

Ms. Gallaher reported on the following items:

- Introduction of new staff members: Patricia Rounds as an LTA for Reading First and Rosemary McGrath as the new kindergarten teacher.

- Opening Day went well. The largest class is the kindergarten class.
- An update on the Mentor training. She and Mr. Poreda met with the new staff members for two days. The most meaningful part of the training was the tour of the District.

High School
Principal's

Mr. Poreda reported on the following:

- Introduction of new staff members: Colleen Hanville as the new Spanish teacher, Sarah Eschen as the new special education teacher and Robert Fisher is the new science teacher.
- Opening Day also went well.
- Mr. Thomas brought up the senior trip issue. The proposed itinerary includes two days when school is in session. It was the consensus of the Board to allow this trip with the statement that from now on, only one day will be allowed for a senior trip unless it is during a break from school.

Board Member's

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- Mr. Cruikshank reported on his opening day presentation. He was thanked for going to the opening day and that it was nice to have a Board member in attendance.
- Mrs. Marshall reported on the Chenango County School Boards' Association meetings. She distributed a list of dates for the upcoming year.
- Mrs. Marshall complimented how nice the buildings look and how nice the high school office looks.
- Mr. Cruikshank announced that the facilities planning meetings are open to the public.
- Mrs. Marshall reported that nominations are needed for Board Member of the Year.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel
Recommendations

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

Calvin Locke	Resignation as a Spanish teacher	Effective August 22, 2007
Sarah Eschen	Three year probationary appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a special education teacher at a salary of \$32,702.00 (Step 2B)	Effective September 4, 2007 through September 3, 2010
Colleen Hanville	Three year probationary appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a Spanish teacher	Effective September 4, 2007 through September 3, 2010

	at a salary of \$33,512.00 (Step 2B+18)	
Patricia Rounds	Three year probationary appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a Licensed Teaching Assistant (Reading First) at a salary of 17,881.50 (Step 3 + 53)	Effective September 4, 2007 through September 3, 2010
Karen Coye	Resignation as a school aide	Effective August 24, 2007
Jolene Payne	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute teacher, teaching assistant, and substitute aide	
Alan Ingerto	Appointment as a substitute teacher	
Fred Gee	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute teacher	
Patricia Graham	Appointment as a mentor for the 2007-2008 school year	At a stipend of \$750.00
Diane Slocum	Appointment as a mentor for the 2007-2008 school year	At a stipend of \$750.00
Christine Williams Neal	Appointment as a mentor for the 2007-2008 school year	At a stipend of \$750.00
Sarah Yafchak	Appointment as a mentor for the 2007-2008 school year	At a stipend of \$750.00
Sierra Frantz	Appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute school aide	

Jeremiah Haslun	Appointment as the boys junior varsity basketball coach for the 2007-2008 school year	At a stipend according to current OVTA contract
James Hegedus	Appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute custodial worker	
Wendy Roodenburg	Appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute custodial worker	
Sarah Eschen	Appointment as the girls junior varsity basketball coach for the 2007-2008 season	At a stipend according to current OVTA contract

Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

NYSSBA Contract for District Enrollment Study

Motion by Mr. Cruikshank, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve contract for the district enrollment study conducted by NYSSBA. Second by Mrs. Fox.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

LINKS IX Plan
(FY'07/08 - #20)

Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the LINKS IX Plan. Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Amended Tax Warrant

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the amended tax warrant in the amount of \$2,647,303.00 for the 2007-2008 school year, with collection between the dates of September 6, 2007 through October 5, 2007 with no penalty and October 6, 2007 through November 5, 2007 with a 2% penalty. Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Auditor's Report
(FY'07/08 - #21)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the 2007 auditor's report. Second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Transportation Request

Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve District transportation of the following students to parochial schools:

Yumi Sakagami requested by Brenda and David Coe to New Life Christian School
Katelin Smith requested by Charlene Smith from Holy Family School

Second by Mrs. Fox.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mrs. Porter inquired about the librarian position at the high school.
- Mrs. Stone inquired about the Evening Sun that is supposed to be delivered to the elementary school.

Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 9:20 PM for the purpose of personnel, second by Mr. Cruikshank.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Open Session

Motion by Mr. Brown to resume open session at 9:45 PM, second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Fox, second by Mr. Cruikshank, to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Submitted by,

Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk