

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Board of Education

March 19, 2014

Present:	Mr. G. Brown, Dr. D. Evans, Mrs. D. Liuzzo, Mrs. M. Marshall, Mrs. R. Peabody, Superintendent of Schools R. Hughes, Principal D. Henner, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Programs, L. Eaves, Business Administrator, R. Berson, District Clerk G. Burpee
Also Present:	Mrs. S. Bucalo, Ms. S. Conway, Miss M. Davies, Mrs. J. Davis, Mr. R. Day, Mrs. J. Hammer, Miss B. Hughes, Mrs. R. McGrath, Mrs. C. Morse, Mrs. L. Moseley, Mrs. J. Osowski, Miss C. Pittsley, Mr. G. Plummer, Ms. D. Slocum, Ms. L. Stover, Mrs. S. Swayze, Mr. E. Wentworth

CALL TO ORDER	President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.
AGENDA	The agenda was approved on a motion by Dr. Evans, and seconded by Mrs. Marshall. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Mrs. Marshall moved the minutes of the February 19, 2014 meeting be approved, second by Mrs. Peabody. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Executive Session	Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 7:37 PM for a particular personnel matter, second by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Open Session	Motion by Mr. Brown to resume open session at 8:12 PM, second by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
CORRESPONDENCE	A fax was received from Senator Seward regarding State Aid.
PUBLIC COMMENT (FY'13/14 - #58)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs. Bucalo and Mrs. Hammer, on behalf of the OVTA, read a letter about team work. A letter from the OVTA was distributed via the Boards' Dropbox regarding staffing needs for the 2014-2015 school year.
REPORTS Superintendent's (FY'13/14 - #59)	<p>Mr. Hughes reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced Mark Hanrahan from Matthews Bus Sales who presented information on leasing buses. Informational packets were distributed to the Board. Buses slated to be replaced were discussed as well as those the District no longer needs. He discussed the advantages of leasing a bus for five years. State aid is the same for a lease as if it were purchased. There is no mileage restriction, the buses are built to the District's specifications, and there is a saving on the parts and labor. The responsibility of the District would be fuel, filters, washer fluid, wipers, and tires. All other items are covered under warranty. It was consensus of the Board to include in the legal notice a referendum to lease six buses. The fitness center equipment is in. Staff members are anxious to start using it. There will be safety training as well as a waiver to sign before a person is allowed to use it. The capital project is about 95% completed. An update was given on the proposed 2014-2015 budget. A three year comparison of expenditures was shown. Discussion on the advantages of switching health insurance

- The wording of the referendum to develop the two adjacent properties was discussed. This will be included in the legal notice pertaining to the voting in May.
- The March staff professional development centered on grade level team work.
- The April professional development topic will be writing standards and rubrics.
- She asked the teachers what they are doing to address math fluency and she will share this information with the other teachers.
- Good News: the library is finished, 100% of the kindergartners scored 80% or better on the reading assessment; there are two student teachers – one with Ms. Soprano in second grade and one with Ms. Stover in speech.
- A representative is needed for the Wall of Fame Committee. Mrs. Marshall volunteered.
- An update was given on the Coca-Cola proposal. The company would like to have a pilot year next year. Based on sales, they may set up a contract for subsequent years. There would be two machines with timers on them, and a fountain system in the concession stand. Mrs. Hillman is looking at a snack machines whereby students could use their PIN number to purchase items after school.
- Mrs. Osowski reported on the benefits of the Colgate Seminar program.
- He and Mr. Berson attended a meeting on a new messaging system supported by BT BOCES in place of the Global Connect the District currently uses.
- Mr. Berson reported on the following:
 - The NYS Department of Labor compliance items have been addressed and are current.
 - The Booster Club donated funds for the indoor futsal soccer goals.
 - The Yearbook Club has made the third installment of \$1000.00 on the loan given to them by the District. Two more installments will complete the repayment.
 - Explanation of the internal claims audit findings.
 - The custodial team has continued to address building needs.
 - Heating issues in the K-2 wing are being addressed.
 - Transportation reports were discussed.
- Mr. Henner reported on the following:
 - He thanked the Booster Club for sponsoring the winter sports banquet.
 - The indoor soccer tournament had more participation this year than last year. Mr. Preston and the Booster Club were thanked for their involvement with this tournament.
 - The spring sports have begun. Due to the lingering winter

Athletic Director's

(FY'13/14 - #60)

Business Administrator's

High School Principals

Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Programs

weather conditions, there has been a lot of rescheduling.

Board Member's

(FY'13/14 - #61)

The following topics were discussed:

- A question and answer document regarding the election of BOCES Board Members, the BOCES annual meeting, and the voting on the BOCES administrative budget was given to the Board members.
- Invitations to the Chenango County School Boards' Association were distributed. Mr. Brown has been nominated for an award.

Financial Reports

(FY'13/14 - #62)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to accept the February financial reports as presented. Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Recommendations

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

Lisa Mullenax	Termination of probationary appointment as a school aide	Effective close of business on March 7, 2014
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Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Development of Property

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

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Otselic Valley Central School district at Georgetown-South Otselic is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of addition to, and construction and reconstruction of, existing school buildings and facilities, site and athletic field improvements and the acquisition of other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$498,018; and that the balance of such cost or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be offset by state aid available therefor: and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$498,018 shall be issued.

Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

2014 Notice of Annual Budget Hearing, Budget Vote and Board Member Election

(FY'13/14 - #63)

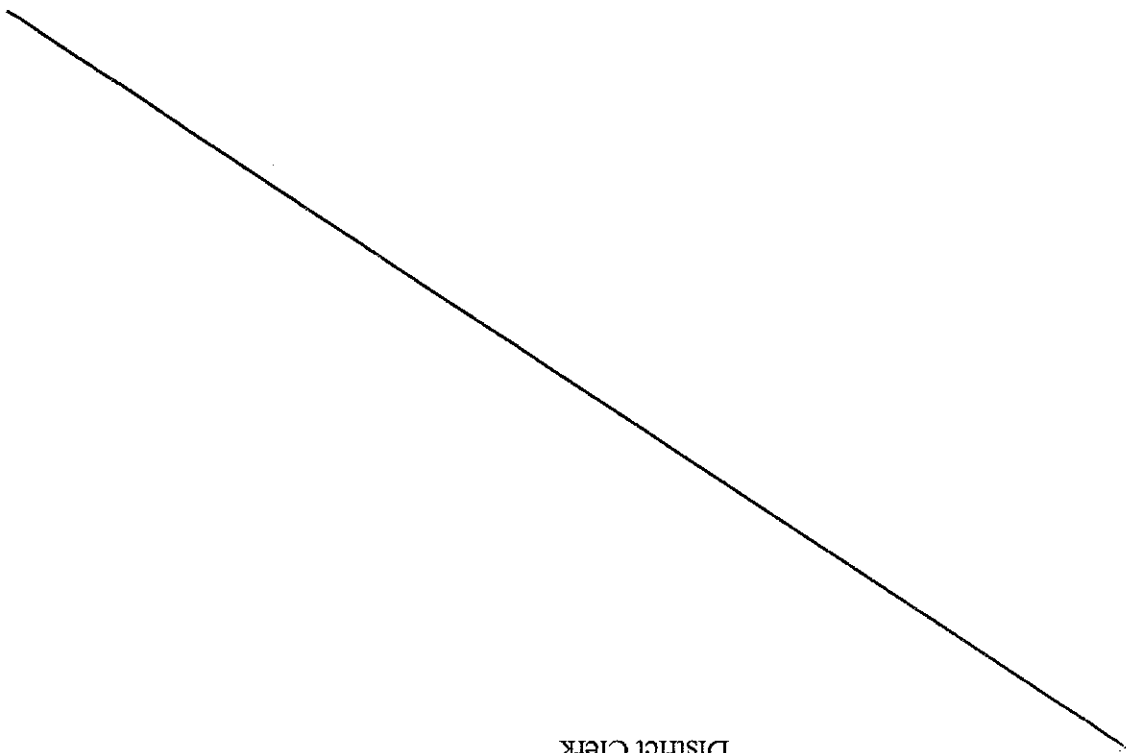
Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the 2014 Notice of Annual Budget Hearing, Budget Vote and Board Member Election. Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Policy Manual – Complaints Concerning School Personnel Policy

(FY'13/14 - #64)

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



Gail Evans Burpee
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District Clerk

Submitted by,

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Mrs. Liuzzo, second by Dr. Evans, to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 PM.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Open Session
Motion by Dr. Evans to resume open session at 11:02 PM, second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Executive session
Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 10:05 PM for the purpose of personnel matters, second by Dr. Evans.

PUBLIC COMMENT
• Ms. Slocum has drafted a letter of programming ideas for next year from the OVTA.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Acceptance of Gift to the School
Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the gift of indoor futsal soccer goals to the school from the Booster Club. Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

2014-2015 School Year Calendar (FY13/14 - #66)
Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the 2014-2015 school year calendar. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Acceptance of Bids for the Capital Outlay Project (FY13/14 - #65)
Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the bid from D. Hillman & Sons for the capital outlay project in the amount of \$232,000.00. Second by Dr. Evans.