

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
October 26, 2011

Present:	Mr. G. Brown, Dr. Evans, Mrs. M. Marshall, Superintendent of Schools R. Hughes, High School Principal D. Henner, Business Manager, G. Lott, District Clerk G. Burpee
Absent:	Mrs. T. Hammond
Also Present:	Miss M. Blake, Ms. J. Hammer, Mrs. K. Kalem, Mrs. R. Neal, Mrs. J. Osowski, Mrs. K. Selden

CALL TO ORDER	President Brown called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. All pledged allegiance to the flag.
Oath of Office	The oath of office was administered by the District Clerk to Donna Liuzzo. Mrs. Liuzzo joined the Board at this time.
AGENDA	The agenda was approved on a motion by Dr. Evans and seconded by Mrs. Marshall. Motion carried, 4 - 0.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Mrs. Liuzzo moved the minutes of the September 28, 2011 meeting approved, second by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 4 - 0.
CORRESPONDENCE	Mr. Hughes highlighted items in the Rural School newsletter.
(FY'11/12 - #27)	An enrollment report regarding BOCES enrollment was distributed.
(FY'11/12 - #28)	Mr. Hughes shared a letter from the South Otselic United Methodist Church congratulating the District for the successful building proposal vote. They asked to be considered if there are excess items that perhaps the nursery school could utilize.
PUBLIC COMMENT	Mrs. Osowski asked for clarification of some of the wording in the extra classroom activity fund policy.
REPORTS	
Superintendent's	Mr. Hughes reported on the following:
(FY'11/12 - #29)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduced Julie Hammer and Mary Helen Blake who presented the six grants they have received in the last year. • Introduced the following new staff members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kimberly Kalem, Learning Technology Coordinator, a BOCES position Karen Selden, Special Education teacher
(FY'11/12 - #30) (FY'11/12 - #31)	<p>(A brief reception was held at this time.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An overview of the LINKS 13 Plan • Review of the 2010 – 2011 Regents results compared with the other 16 component districts within the DCMO BOCES • Update on building project. Mr. Kent met with all the groups of employees to discuss ideas with them. The project timeline may be moved up with the final approval coming in May or June. Construction may be able to begin in the late summer of 2012. • Mr. Gregory Brown was selected as the Otselic Valley

Grange's Citizen of the Year. There will be a reception in his honor on October 23rd at the Grange in South Otselic.

Elementary Principal's

Ms. Gallaher submitted a report which included information on:

- Back to School Activities
- Structure of faculty meetings
- Trainings and professional development
- Open House was well attended.

High School Principal's

Mr. Henner reported on the following:

- Girls' sectional soccer game on October 25th.
- Benchmark testing is moving forward
- Grades 5/6 Dance Club
- Halloween Dance on October 28th.

Business Manager's

Mr. Lott reported on the following:

- An update on the school lunch program.
- Discussion on a request to refund a late fee.
- A corrected tax bill to a parcel that doesn't exist.
- Discussion of the property tax cap.

(FY'11/12 - #32)

Board Member's

- At this time, the Board members were recognized for their service to the students, staff, and taxpayers of Otselic Valley in honor of School Board's Recognition Week. They were presented with a padfolio and thank you card.
- Mrs. Donna Liuzzo was welcomed to the Board. She is filling the one year unexpired term.
- There is a BOCES educational forum on November 15th.
- The Chenango County School Boards' Association Fall Dinner meeting in November 17th.
- The Legislative Breakfast is December 10, 2011.
- Dr. Evans suggested that another Board retreat is needed.
- Dr. Evans complemented Mr. Henner on his understanding of curriculum and his ability to present it to others.
- Dr. Evans reported that a gentleman complimented the Board, administration, and everyone else involved in the planning of the building project.

Financial Reports

(FY'11/12 - #33)

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

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Policy Manual –
Second Reading –
Extra classroom
Activity Fund Policy,
#5520

(FY'11/12 - #34)

This meeting constitutes the second reading of the extra classroom activity fund policy, #5520 of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel
Recommendations

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

Tracy Bosworth	Rescind appointment motion as a substitute teacher
Tracy Bosworth	Conditional appointment

	pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute school aide	
Danielle Graham	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute teacher	
David Benwell	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute teacher	
David Benwell	Appointment as the varsity softball coach	At a stipend per the OVTA contract
George Lott	Appointment as deputy claims auditor for purposes of the DCMO bills	
Justin Barlow	Appointment as the sports coordinator for the 2011-2012 school year	At a stipend per the OVTA contract

Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Committee on
Special Education
Recommendations

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the Committee on Special Education recommendations resulting from the meeting of September 30, October 11, and October 12, 2011. Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

LINKS 13 Plan
(FY'11/12 - #35)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the LINKS 13 Plan. Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

2011 Fire Inspection
Report
(FY'11/12 - #36)

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to accept the 2011 Fire Inspection Report. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Declaration of Surplus
Computer Equipment
(FY'11/12 - #37)

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

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Corrected Tax Bill
(FY'11/12 - #38)

Motions by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the removal of the property owned by County of Chenango/Alan E. Winner from the tax roll and cancel the current taxes of \$10.98. Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Refund of Late Fee

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to refund the late fee incurred by Mr. Basiura in the amount of \$33.74. for omitted taxes. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Policy Manual – First
Reading - Students
with Life Threatening
Allergies - #7521
(FY'11/12 - #39)

This meeting constitutes the first reading of the Students with Life Threatening Allergies Policy, #7521, of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual.

General Obligation
Bonds for Capital
Project

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

BOND RESOLUTION DATED OCTOBER 26, 2011 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AT GEORGETOWN-SOUTH OTSELIC AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS CONSISTING OF ADDITION TO, AND CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF, SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN CONTEMPLATION THEREOF, THE LEVY OF TAXES IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPENDITURE OF SUCH SUMS FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic, New York, at a special meeting of such voters duly held on September 28, 2011, duly approved a proposition authorizing the levy of taxes to be collected in installments, in the manner provided by the Education Law, for the class of objects or purposes hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, acting as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on July 25, 2011, has duly issued a negative declaration and has determined that the implementation of the type I and unlisted actions as proposed will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic shall undertake certain capital improvements to the School District's existing school buildings and facilities, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof, and as generally outlined to and considered by the voters of the School District at a special voter meeting on September 28, 2011.

Section 2. The Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic is hereby authorized to issue its General Obligation Serial Bonds in the aggregate principal amount

of not to exceed \$15,490,000, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this resolution (hereinafter referred to as “purpose”) is certain capital improvements consisting of addition to, and construction and reconstruction of, school buildings and facilities within the School District (each such building being a class “A” (fireproof and certain fire resistant) building as defined in Subdivision 11 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of said Local Finance Law), site and athletic field improvements, and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the aggregate maximum cost of said purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$17,000,000, and such amount is hereby appropriated therefor; and (b) the Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic’s plan to finance the cost of said purpose is (i) to provide \$1,510,000 from the existing capital reserve fund for such costs; and (ii) to provide up to \$15,490,000 from funds raised by the issuance of said Bonds and the Bond Anticipation Notes hereinafter referred to; and (c) no money has heretofore been authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 97 of Paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of said purpose is thirty (30) years.

Section 6. The Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic is hereby authorized to issue its Bond Anticipation Notes in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$15,490,000, and is hereby authorized to issue renewals thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York in order to finance the purpose in anticipation of the issuance of the above described Bonds.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) there are presently no outstanding Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said Bonds, (b) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby shall mature within one year of the date of issuance thereof or such longer term as may be desired in accordance with the provisions of the Local Finance Law, (c) the Bond Anticipation Notes authorized hereby are not issued in anticipation for Bonds for an assessable improvement, and (d) current funds will be provided prior to the issuance of the Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes herein authorized, to the extent, if any, required by Section 107.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic reasonably expects to reimburse the general fund, or such other fund as may be utilized, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized herein, from the proceeds of the obligations authorized hereby for expenditures, if any, from such fund that may be made for the purpose prior to the date of issuance of such obligations. In addition, the School District reasonably expects such reimbursement from the proceeds of Qualified School Construction Bonds in an amount of up to \$5,000,000, the current

amount of such financing allocated to the School District by the State Education Department. This is a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation §1.150-2 and Section 54A of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 9. The faith and credit of the Otselic Valley Central School District at Georgetown-South Otselic, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all taxable real property of said School District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 10. The power to further authorize the issuance of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Local Finance Law of New York, including without limitation, the consolidation with other issues, the determination to issue Bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, all contracts for, and determinations with respect to credit or liquidity enhancements, if any, and to sell, issue and deliver said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes, subject to the provisions of this resolution and Local Finance Law, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education or to the Vice President of the Board in the event of the absence or unavailability of the President. The President of the Board of Education, Vice President and the District Clerk are hereby authorized to sign by manual or facsimile signature any Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued pursuant to this resolution, and are hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes the corporate seal of the School District and to attest the same. The President of the Board of Education is additionally authorized (but not required) to execute and deliver a financing agreement with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York and any other agreements and documents necessary to accomplish a financing, all as may be determined in the discretion of the President of the Board of Education.

Section 11. This resolution, or a summary hereof, shall be published in full by the District Clerk of the School District together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the School District. The validity of said Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said Bonds may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with, at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity, is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT Mrs. Neal complemented the organization of the girls' soccer sectional game in that all students could attend a portion of the game to show their school spirit.

Executive Session Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 10:02 PM for the purpose of personnel and contractual issues. Second by Dr. Evans.
Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Open Session Motion by Mrs. Marshall to resume session at 11:23 PM, second by Dr. Evans.
Motion carried, 4 - 0.

ADJOURNMENT Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Dr. Evans, to adjourn the meeting at 11:24 PM.
Motion carried, 4 – 0.

Submitted by,

Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk