

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL  
Board of Education  
January 20, 2015

Present:	Mrs. M. Marshall, Mrs. R. Peabody, Mr. G. Brown, Mrs. D. Liuzzo, Superintendent of Schools D. Henner, Business Administrator R. Berson, District Clerk G. Burpee
Absent:	Mr. J. Foster, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Programs L. Eaves
Also Present:	Mr. C. Bishop, Mrs. K. Bishop, Mrs. J. Doroshenko, Mr. R. Doroshenko, Mr. D. Fay, Mr. R. Kent, Mrs. C. Lohsen, Ms. D. Slocum, Mr. W. Tilley,

CALL TO ORDER	President Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. All pledged of allegiance to the flag.
AGENDA	The agenda was approved on a motion by Mrs. Peabody and seconded by Mrs. Liuzzo.  Motion carried, 4 - 0.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Mrs. Liuzzo moved the minutes of the December 17, 2014 and January 3, 2015 meetings be approved, second by Mrs. Marshall.  Motion carried, 4 - 0.
BOCES Presentation (FY'14/15 #37)	At this time, Mr. Wayne Tilley was introduced who presented information on the shared business office service through the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES. Currently four districts in the BOCES are interested in this service. Three business officials would handle what is done in this position. With BOCES aide and State aide, the final cost would be about one-third of the current expense of a business administrator.
Building Project Update	Mr. Dan Fay gave an update of the building project to date. The 2015 Capital Outlay project which encompasses the lighting panel in the MPR has been approved by State Ed. Phase two of the original project will begin in the Spring. This is for the renovation of the toilet rooms and locker rooms. The parking lot project is waiting for historical approval from the state. The vault is nearing completion. It was originally built of fire rated gypsum and is now built of concrete blocks. Items that need looking at that were brought up by Board members included ice by the Pre-K-2 wing. It appears a gutter system is missing. The sidewalk by the ramp needs attention and the new gym floor has dead spots. These items will be looked at and fixed if needed. Mr. Kent thanked the District for choosing them to design the project.
Executive Session	Motion by Mrs. Peabody to enter executive session at 8:08 for the purpose of particular personnel issue, second by Mrs. Liuzzo.  Motion carried, 4 - 0.
Open Session	Motion by Mr. Brown to resume open session at 9:12 PM, Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.  Motion carried, 4 - 0.
CORRESPONDENCE	None at this time.
PUBLIC COMMENT	• None at this time.

## REPORTS

## Superintendent's

Mr. Henner reported on the following:

- Mrs. Eaves will be conducting observations using Face-Time while she is on a part-time maternity leave.
- The "green" house belongs to the District now.
- The January 16, 2015 staff development time was devoted to reviewing the LINKS plan. He and Mr. Berson hosted a question and answer period to update the staff on the administrative changes.
- The January 30, 2015 staff development day will focus on "Right to Know" training, the Storia program and item analysis and grading of the Regents examinations,
- None at this time.

Director of  
Curriculum,  
Instruction and  
Special Programs

## Interim Principal's

Mr. Berson reported the following:

- The question and answer forum on January 16, 2015 went well.
- Mr. Barlow is doing a good job with student management.

Business  
Administrator's

Mr. Berson reported on the following:

- Internal claims auditing findings
- The fuel bid process
- There was discussion on the school lunch portion size. The students are getting the maximum portion size that is allowed set forth by the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs.
- The budget development timeline was discussed.
- Quotes have been received for the additional lighting at the Georgetown campus.
- The heating issues at the Georgetown building have been addressed.
- The seating in the MPR has been repaired.
- Cleaning out the Georgetown building has been ongoing.
- A transportation report was included in your dropbox. It was suggested that Mr. Bertholf be invited to the next meeting to discuss the shared transportation service.

## Athletic Director's

Mr. Henner reported the following:

- The Alumni Game was held recently. Alumni members were presented with a small, labeled piece of the old gymnasium floor.
- The banners for the gymnasium should arrive in the next few weeks.

## Committee Reports

- The Policy Committee will meet in early February at a date to be determined.
- The Finance Committee will meet on the Thursday before the next Board meeting.
- The Policy and Procedure Committee met recently. They are looking at policies to revise.

## Board Member's

The following items were discussed:

- Mrs. Marshall is excited with the new leadership of the District.
- Due to possible sectional basketball games, it was suggested changing the date of the February Board meeting.  
Motion by Mrs. Marshall to change the meeting date of the February meeting to February 25, 2015, second by Mrs.

Peabody.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

**Financial Reports**  
(FY'14/15 - #38)

Motion by Mr. Brown, to accept the December financial reports as presented. Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

**UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**Personnel**  
**Recommendations**

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

Robert Berson	Appointment as the interim principal for the remainder of the school year, effective January 1, 2015	With a salary increase of 1.4 of the administrative index
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Christine Frink	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute food service helper, substitute school aide, and substitute custodial worker	
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Elizabeth Hackett	Conditional appointment pending clearance from the State Education Department as a substitute food service helper, substitute school aide, and substitute custodial worker	
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Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following extra curricular appointments:

Jenny Naber	Appointment as an alternate scorekeeper/ scoreboard operator for home basketball games	Retroactive to January 3, 2015
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Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Substitute Rate  
Adjustment

Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to adjust the substitute rate for all categories of substitute teachers by \$6.00, effective December 31, 2014. Second by Mrs. Marshall.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

OVEA Contract

Motion by Mrs. Liuzzo, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to approve the 2014 – 2017 contract between the Otselic Valley Central School Board of Education and the Otselic Valley Employees Association. Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

Request for School  
Speed Limit

Motion by Mrs. Peabody, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there are not sidewalks on County Road 13 and County Road 13A for the students to utilize, plus the speed limit surrounding the Otselic Valley Central School is 30 mph, the Otselic Valley Central School Board of Education resolves to change the speed limit on County Road 13 from 30 mph to 20 mph, from County Road 13 A to the bridge west of County Road 13 and County Road 13 A from 30 mph to 15v mph from County road 13 to Ridge Road during school hours and school events.

Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

BOCES Unit Cost  
Methodology

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve the BOCES unit cost methodology for the 2015 – 2016 school year. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 4 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Slocum thanked Mr. Henner and Mr. Berson for their flexibility.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Mrs. Peabody, to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 PM.

Motion carried, 4 – 0.

Submitted by,

  
Gail Evans Burpee  
District Clerk