

OTSELIC VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
April 21, 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:	Mr. S. Amos, Mr. J. Barlow, Mr. R. Bassett, Mr. B. Brown, Miss H. Brown, Mr. T. Byrnes, Mr. R. Collins, Mrs. J. Cookingham, Mr. N. DeRochie, Mr. I. Dunagan, Mr. J. Foster, Mr. D. Haitian, Mrs. J. Hammer, Mrs. L. Highfield, Mrs. J. Osowski, Miss B. Parshall, Ms. D. Slocum, Mrs. C. Smith, Mr. S. Smith, Mrs. M. Soule, Mrs. S. Stone, Mrs. T. Straight, Mr. A. Winn, Mrs. H. Wood

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 Dr. Evans, and seconded by Mrs. Liuzzo. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	Mrs. Marshall moved the minutes of the March 19, and April 8, 2014 meeting be approved, second by Dr. Evans. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Executive Session	Motion by Mr. Brown to enter executive session at 7:36 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 8:35 PM, second by Mrs. Liuzzo. Motion carried, 5 - 0.
CORRESPONDENCE	Budget runs from area legislators regarding state aid have been received.
PUBLIC COMMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Smith inquired what the policy and procedures are for students when they have completed their testing. She stated that it is not fair for students in grades 3-8 to “sit and stare” when done with their testing and that they should be allowed to read silently. • Mrs. Stone inquired what the payment is to Sherburne – Earlville CSD for the share transportation service.

REPORTS

Superintendent's

Mr. Hughes reported on the following:

- Dolly Parton Imagination Library. It is part of the Madison County Literacy Coalition where anyone in the District, birth to age 5 will receive a free book once a month. This will be starting soon.
- The grand opening of the library to the public is slated to coincide with Fishing Heritage Day on May 17, 2014.
- The proposed 2014-2015 budget was reviewed. Various components of the budget were highlighted and explained.

Director of Curriculum,
Instruction and Special
Programs

Mrs. Eaves reported on the following:

- Scholastic Reading Inventory and Scholastic Math Inventory are two assessments that have been researched for providing data on student growth.
- Professional Development has centered on wellness and planning for the 2014-2015 school year
- Good News: students are more accountable, Schoology program is being utilized, Global Studies classes are doing a culture exchange with students in Morocco, Lauren Harris and Carly Stone have received full tuition scholarships to Morrisville State College.

High School Principal's

Mr. Henner reported on the following:

- A possible Common Core Night is being discussed for parents for sharing legal regulations pertaining to the testing with Jeff Craig presenting. Mrs. Peabody asked about a curriculum night for parents of the younger students.
- The contract with Coca-Cola is moving ahead.
- There is seating enough in the Multi-Purpose Room for graduation. Plans are moving ahead for that including provisions for a balloon drop which was a great concern of the students.

Business Administrator's

Mr. Berson reported on the following:

- The District was a recipient of a titanium level of the School Safety Excellence Award through Utica Mutual Insurance Company. Justin Barlow collected the necessary information to submit for this award as part of his internship.
- Work is being done at the Georgetown building on the heating issues.
- The ball fields are being ready for play.
- The budget notices are being prepared.
- ID Badges will roll out in the very near future.
- The March transportation report was previously distributed.

(FY'13/14 - #67)

Athletic Director's

Mr. Henner reported on the following:

- None at this time.

Board Member's

The following topics were discussed:

- Mrs. Marshall read a statement prepared by her for not being proactive about the opt out process in terms of the state testing. She apologized for how it was handled.
- Mrs. Peabody expanded on what Mrs. Marshall said in that she acknowledged what was wrong with the process.

Financial Reports
(FY'13/14 - #68)

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

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy Manual –
Second Reading -
Complaints
Concerning School
Personnel Policy,
#3421
(FY'13/14 - #69)

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

Motion by Mr. Brown, to adopt policy #3421, Complaints Concerning School Personnel Policy of the Otselic Valley Central School Policy Manual. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel
Recommendations

Tenure Appointments

a. Caitlin Connelly – Spanish Teacher

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Caitlin Connelly, 209 Revere Rd., Syracuse NY 13214, having successfully completed her probationary period and having initial certification as a Spanish 7-12 teacher, certification number 1235875, be granted a tenure appointment in the tenure area of Spanish 7-12, effective September 5, 2014. Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

b. Daniel Henner – Principal

Motion by Mr. Brown, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that Daniel G. Henner, 638 7th Street, Sterling NY 13156, having successfully completed his probationary period (7/1/2011 to 6/30/2014), and having permanent certification as a school district administrator, certification number 108608235, be granted a tenure appointment in the school district administrator

area, effective July 2, 2014. Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 3 – 0 (Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Peabody abstained)

2014-2015 Delaware-
Chenango-Madison-
Otsego BOCES
Administrative Budget
Vote
(FY'13/14 - #70)

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

RESOLVED, that the Otselic Valley Central School Board of Education does hereby approve the proposed Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2014-2015 school years in the amount of \$2,136,359.00

Second by Mrs. Liuzzo.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Delaware-Chenango-
Madison-Otsego
BOCES Board
Member Election
(FY'13/14 - #70)

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, to approve one (1) vote in favor of the following two candidates to serve on the Board of Education of the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES:

Richard Dillon
Linda Zaczek

Second by Dr. Evans.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

2014 – 2015
Transportation
Requests to Parochial
Schools

Motion by Dr. Evans, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to approve District transportation of the following students to the parochial school as listed for the 2014 – 2015 school year on the days that Otselic Valley Central School is in session:

Holy Family School – Norwich

Justin Graham – gr. 8
Peyton Graham – gr. 4
Skyler Graham – gr. 1

New Life Christian School – Randallsville

Suzanne Drumheiser – gr. 10
Diana Marvin – gr. 6
Isaac Trush – gr. 12

Second by Mrs. Peabody.

Adoption of Proposed
2014-2015 School
Budget

Motion by Mrs. Marshall, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, to adopt the 2013-2014 school budget in the amount of \$10,446,672. Second by Dr. Evans.

Appointment of
Election Inspectors and
Machine Custodian

Motion carried, 5 - 0.
Motion by Mrs. Peabody upon the recommendation of the
Superintendent of Schools, to appoint the following as election
inspectors for the district voting on May 20, 2014:

Election District #1

Nancy Hodge
Lorraine Kupiec

Election District #2

Kai Loomis, Head Inspector
Mary Comfort
Beverly Smith

And to appoint Paul Martin as the machine custodian for the voting.

Second by Mr. Brown.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

Committee on Special
Education
Recommendations

Motion by Dr. Evans, to accept the recommendations of the
Committee on Special Education resulting from the meetings on
March 14, March 18, and March 26, 2014. Second by Mrs.
Peabody.

Motion carried, 5 - 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mrs. Stone inquired about the sign, cleaning the sidewalk,
and the flag at the Georgetown building.
- Mr. Foster inquired about some aspects of the budget.
- Mr. Smith is concerned about the welfare of the children.
- Mrs. Cookingham inquired about the Common Core.
- Mrs. Smith distributed literature on NYSUT condemning
the “sit and stare” process for state testing.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Dr. Evans, to adjourn the meeting
at 9:51 PM.

Motion carried, 5 – 0.

Submitted by,

Gail Evans Burpee
District Clerk