

**Oneonta City School District
Minutes of the
December 14, 2016
Board of Education Meeting**

Location: Riverside Elementary School

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Amy Burnsworth, Darren Gaisford, Bill Grau, Melissa Jervis, Susan Kurkowski

Members Absent: Daniel Buttermann, Jamie Reynolds

Others Present: Joseph J. Yelich; *Superintendent*, Lisa Weeks; *Business Manager*, Timothy Gracy, Thomas Brindley, Kevin Johnson, Walter Baskin, Melinda Murdock, Eileen Lishansky, District Clerk media and public.

Bill Grau, Vice-President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Resolved, to adopt the agenda as amended.

Addendums to Personnel Memorandum #2016-20 and Financial Memo 2016-19 included in the supplemental folder.

Resolution Moved: Amy Burnsworth	Resolution Passed
Seconded: Susan Kurkowski	(5-0)

Resolved, to accept the minutes of the November 9, 2016 Board of Education meeting as presented.

Resolution Moved: Melissa Jervis	Resolution Passed	<i>Minutes</i>
Seconded: Amy Burnsworth	(4-0-1 Abstained: Gaisford)	11/09/16

Opportunity to Address the Board:

Dr. Kenneth Sider, VV teacher re: Christopher Columbus lesson
Dorothy Wisnewski, VV parent re: Christopher Columbus lesson
Kevin Schultz – VV parent re: Christopher Columbus lesson

Mr. Grau and Mr. Yelich responded to the audience and commented that the Board encourages teachers to incorporate critical thinking in their lessons and to teach from all perspectives. They concluded by thanking those who came forward to speak this evening.

Resolved, that the reading of the Non-Certificated Personnel Memorandum #2016-20 be waived and that the action items dated December 14, 2016 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Resolution Moved: Darren Gaisford
Seconded: Melissa Jervis

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

Resolved, that the reading of the Teaching and Administrative Personnel Memorandum #2016-20 be waived and that the action items dated December 14, 2016 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Resolution Moved: Amy Burnsworth
Seconded: Darren Gaisford

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

Presentations:

SUNY Mentor Partnership @ Riverside – Our 6th Successful Year
Melinda Murdock; *Principal*, Karen Jost; *SUNY* Professor, Kaitlyn Hoffman, School Counselor

HUNT Engineering – Ryan Garrison reviewed the Preliminary Smart Schools Act Investment Plan

Capital Project Update- Superintendent Joseph J. Yelich

The following resolution was approved as presented:

Approval of Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014 Preliminary Investment Plan

*SSBA
Investment Plan*

Resolved, upon the Superintendent's Recommendation: that the Board approves the resolution below for the Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014:

WHEREAS, in October 2016, the District established a committee that was charged with creating a Scope of Work for use of the District's Smart Schools Bond Funds pursuant to the Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has been presented with background information regarding that Committee's work and a recommended Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan dated December 2016 ("Preliminary Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that the Committee followed the requirements for the development of the Preliminary Plan.

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the recommended Preliminary Plan; and *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the Board of Education directs the District Clerk to post such Preliminary Plan on the District website for at least thirty (30) days with an address to which any written comments on the Plan should be sent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education will hold a public hearing on January 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to allow stake holders to respond to the Preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan dated December 2016 including a review of any written comments that have been submitted by that date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs the District Clerk to provide adequate notice of the public hearing as provided under the law through local media and the District website for at least two weeks prior to January 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution Moved: Susan Kurkowski
Seconded: Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

The following resolution was approved as presented:

**STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT TYPE II RESOLUTION
REGARDING ONEONTA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT EMERGENCY PHONE SYSTEM
REPLACEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Oneonta City School District proposes to replace its existing phone system; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), the Oneonta City School District is required to assess impacts to the environment in compliance with SEQRA regulations included in 6 NYCRR Part 617 (Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations); and

WHEREAS, the Oneonta City School District is the appropriate agency to be the lead agency to undertake the project review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 under SEQRA provides that certain actions identified in subdivision (c) of that section are Type II actions and not subject to environmental review under SEQRA and that such activities include §617.5(c)(1) “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility,” and §617.5(c)(2) “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site;” and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements consist solely of replacement of the existing phone system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED ON SUCH REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION, BE IT RESOLVED by the Oneonta City School District Board that:

1. The Oneonta City School District Board is the lead agency for the SEQRA review of the proposed project.
2. The proposed project is a Type II action which is not subject to review under SEQRA, and it will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment.
3. The Oneonta City School District Board is hereby authorized to sign and file, or have filed, on behalf of the District all documents necessary to comply with SEQRA.
4. This resolution is effective immediately.

Resolution Moved: Darren Gaisford
Seconded: Susan Kurkowski

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

Resolved, that the reading of Financial Memorandum #2016-19 dated December 14, 2016 be waived and that the financial action items be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

*Financial
Memo
2016-19*

Resolution Moved: Darren Gaisford
Seconded: Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

Resolved, to approve the Final Tax Collector's Report for 2016-2017 as presented.

Tax Report

Resolution Moved: Darren Gaisford
Seconded: Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

Being no further business the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and move to Executive Session to discuss Special Education. At 8:20 p.m. Amy Burnsworth motioned, seconded by Darren Gaisford. Motion passed unanimously (5-0) and the Board of Education moved to Executive Session.

At 8:23 p.m. the Board convened in Executive Session.

Resolved, to approve as presented the CSE/CPSE recommendations for students as listed on Special Education Memorandum #2016-18, dated December 14, 2016.

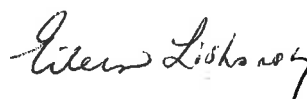
*Special
Education
Memo
#2016-18*

Resolution Moved: Darren Gaisford
Seconded by: Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed
(5-0)

At 8:43 p.m., Susan Kurkowski motioned, seconded by Darren Gaisford to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously (5-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Eileen Lishansky
District Clerk