Oneonta City School District

Minutes of the January 21, 2015 Board of Education Meeting

Location:

District Office – 31 Center Street

Time:

7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Amy Burnsworth, Daniel Buttermann, Darren Gaisford, Bill Grau,

Melissa Jervis, Susan Kurkowski, Jamie Revnolds

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Joseph J. Yelich, Superintendent; Lisa Weeks; Business

Manager, Timothy Gracy, Tom Brindley, Kevin Johnson,

Melinda Murdock, Eileen Lishansky, District Clerk;

public and media

Jamie Reynolds, President called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Resolved, to adopt the agenda as amended.

Amendments to Personnel Memo #2015-02 and the Superintendent's Report. Both included in the supplemental folder.

Resolution Moved:

Darren Gaisford

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Melissa Jervis

(7-0)

Resolved, to accept the minutes of the January 7, 2015 Board of Education meeting as presented.

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Resolution Moved:

Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Daniel Buttermann

(7-0)

Melinda Murdock, Principal at Riverside Elementary reported on a new After-School program for elementary students the Fitness & Ultimate Nutrition Program (FUN). This is a grant-funded program.

Resolved, that the reading of the Non-Certificated Personnel Memorandum #2015-02 be waived and that the action items dated January 21, 2015 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Personnel Memo #2015-02

Resolution Moved:

Darren Gaisford

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Susan Kurkowski

(7-0)

Resolved, that the reading of the Teaching and Administrative Personnel Memorandum #2015-02 be waived and that the action items dated January 21, 2015 be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Resolution Moved:

Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Melissa Jervis

(7-0)

Resolved, to agree that the Board President, the Superintendent of Schools, and the School District's attorney are each separately authorized to sign any necessary documents to complete Tax Certiorari agreements for the Oneonta City School District.

Resolution Moved:

Daniel Buttermann

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Amy Burnsworth

(7-0)

Presentation by Karen Rowe, Curriculum Coordinator- How Are We Assessing Our Students in Grades K-5? Karen reviewed the newly revised K-5 report cards. An informational meeting is scheduled for parents on January 28, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m. in the District Office, 1st floor gym.

Washington D.C. trip/OMS Service Club:

Discussion: Proposal of 6th grade Service Club and trip to Washington D.C. A lengthy discussion occurred on this topic. There are three steps to complete if the District is to establish a new club. First, there needs to be a resolution by the Board to vote on the establishment of an OMS Service Club. The Board would then need to appoint advisors and establish an appropriate stipend to budget, which needs to be agreed upon between the OCSD and the OTA. This process would take time and that is a factor at this point if a May trip is the goal. Another idea was to make the trip a 7th grade trip giving the students the opportunity to obtain service hours in 6th and 7th grade. The question arose whether or not 7th graders would be welcomed on the trip with the 6th grade Safety Patrol students from surrounding districts since we would be collaborating with them for buses, hotel rates, venue tickets, etc.

Conclusion: There needs to be some questions answered before the Board can make a responsible decision. Mr. Yelich will work with Mr. Johnson, OMS principal to gather more information to bring before the Board.

Mr. Yelich gave a brief update on the Capital project. He will be meeting with Mr. Paul Bedford, Architect and prepare a project close-out report for the February 11th meeting. Mr. Yelich bulleted pertinent items released during the Governor's State of the State address which aired earlier today.

Resolved, that the reading of Financial Memorandum #2015-02 dated January 21, 2015 be waived and that the financial action items be approved as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools.

Financial Memo #2015-02

Resolution Moved:

Darren Gaisford

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Bill Grau

(7-0)

Being no further business, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn and move to Executive Session to discuss Special Education. At 8:37 p.m. Amy Burnsworth motioned, seconded by Susan Kurkowski.

Motion passed unanimously (7-0) and the Board moved to Executive Session.

At 8:44 p.m. the Board convened in Executive Session.

Resolved, to approve as presented the CSE/CPSE recommendations for students as listed on Special Education Memorandums #2015-02, dated January 21, 2015.

Resolution Moved: Amy Burnsworth

Resolution Passed

Seconded by:

Darren Gaisford

(7-0)

At 9:24 p.m., Bill Grau motioned, seconded by Susan Kurkowski to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously (7-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Eileen Lishansky

District Clerk