

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Oceanside Board of Education, Oceanside Union Free School District, duly called and held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the School #6 Auditorium, 145 Merle Avenue, Oceanside, New York.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

In Attendance: President Garrity, Vice President Schoell, Mr. Blau, Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Maresca, Mrs. McGrath-Mulhern and Mr. Transom. Also in attendance were Superintendent Harrington and Assistant Superintendents Provvido and Van Cott and Acting Assistant Superintendent Rose. Dr. DeRosa was not in attendance.

A motion was made by Mrs. Garrity and seconded by Mr. Blau at 6:05 p.m. to move into executive session in the District Office Board Room.

A motion was made by Mrs. Schoell and seconded by Mr. Maresca at 7:18 p.m. to adjourn executive session and move into public session.

In Attendance: President Garrity, Vice President Schoell, Mr. Blau, Mr. D'Ambrosio, Mr. Maresca, Mrs. McGrath-Mulhern and Mr. Transom. Also in attendance were Superintendent Harrington, Assistant Superintendents Provvido and Van Cott and Acting Assistant Superintendent Rose and District Clerk Green. Dr. DeRosa was not in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Michael and Brian Hagan, School #2 students. The National Anthem was sung by Tara Podias, Oceanside High School student.

HONORS – Mrs. Garrity recognized Ms. Debra Kienke for being named the 2017 Special Education Administrator of the Year. Principals and directors recognized student accomplishments in an honors presentation following by a brief recess for the students, families and staff to enjoy refreshments. Students were recognized for achievements in Community Service, Academics and Fine and Performing Arts (Marching Band, All-State music groups, Art Guild and STEAM logo contest).

BE IT RESOLVED, that a page from the minutes of this meeting be set aside to record these accomplishments along with continued best wishes for success.

The meeting recessed for refreshments and reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Mr. Transom and seconded by Mr. Blau to accept the minutes of the October 18, 2017 Regular Meeting and the November 1, 2017 Special Meeting for file.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT – A motion was made by Mrs. Schoell and seconded by Mr. Maresca to accept the Treasurer's Report, the Transfer of Funds Report and the Internal Claims Auditor Review of Warrants Report for file.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Teaching with Passion and Purpose – Dr. Harrington reported on Superintendent's Conference Day held on November 7th. She reported that three nationally-recognized educators, along with two of our own teachers, spent the entire day with our professional staff. The featured speakers were Dr. Megan Allen, Sarah Wessling, Mike Soskil, Todd Nussen and Audrey Miller. Dr. Harrington extended a special thank you to the administrative team for their great work. There were workshops for our support staff as well. A heartwarming video was presented featuring students thanking their teachers for impacting their lives.

Dr. Harrington was proud to report that Regent Tilles was there to enjoy the entire morning with us; he was beyond impressed.

Construction Report – As submitted. Mr. Van Cott reported on the re-bid proposal and award for the FEMA-approved construction of a new maintenance/storage building at School #9. The original bid was in excess of the FEMA Section 428 Grant. The building will be 5 feet above existing grade. This construction is scheduled to be completed by August 31, 2018. All of the \$3.2 million in grant money will be used.

Policy Review/Update/First Reading – Mrs. McGrath-Mulhern presented the Board policies as listed and as attached to the records of this meeting.

Policy #3102.4	Assignment of Students – Homeless Children
Policy #3116	Student Records
Policy #6703.2	Meal Charge Policy

These updates and addition are part of the Board of Education’s regular annual review of Board Policies. As per procedure, policy changes were announced and discussed; voting will take place at a later Board of Education meeting.

Superintendent’s Reports

- Enrollment – As submitted.
- Professional Staff Development & Overnight Student Field Trips – As submitted.

Civil Service Personnel Recommendation – Dr. Harrington reported that Marie Barbella will assume the role of District Clerk upon the retirement of Robin Green. Ms. Green will be staying on as Business Administrator two days a week.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ON ITEMS FOR ACTION – There were no questions raised.

ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. BID AWARDS/FEMA SECTION 428 GRANT

On motion made by Mr. Maresca and seconded by Mr. D’Ambrosio

WHEREAS, the Oceanside Union Free School District has solicited and received sealed bids on November 7, 2017 in connection to the 2016 FEMA-approved construction of a new maintenance/storage building.

BE IT RESOLVED therefore that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oceanside Union Free School District hereby accepts the following bid proposals and awards the respective purchase contracts to the following bidders:

Contract 1 – General Construction:

Patriot Organization, Inc.

44 W. Jefryn Boulevard, Unit D

Deer Park, NY 11729

Phone 631-320-1166, Fax 631-320-1167

Base Bid:

\$1,594,000.00

Contract 2 – Plumbing Reconstruction:

Seaford Avenue Corp.
21 Brooklyn Avenue
Massapequa, NY 11758
Phone 516-785-6581, Fax 516-785-5160

Base Bid: \$ 123,000.00

Contract 3 – HVAC:

Walsh Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
85-04 Air Park Drive
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779
Phone 631-580-0805, Fax 631-580-5958

Base Bid: \$ 78,999.00

Contract 4 – Electrical Reconstruction:

Roland's Electric Inc.
307 Suburban Avenue
Deer Park, NY 11729
Phone 631-242-8080, Fax 631-242-6392

Base Bid: \$ 167,380.00

GRAND TOTAL OF BID AWARDS

\$1,963,379.00

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

B. APPROVAL TO DECLARE EQUIPMENT SURPLUS

On motion made by Mrs. Schoell and seconded by Mr. Blau

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education declares equipment attached to the records of this meeting as surplus.

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

C. APPROVAL TO ALLOW STUDENT TO COMPLETE THE 2017/2018 SCHOOL YEAR AT SCHOOL #2

On motion made by Mr. Maresca and seconded by Mr. D'Ambrosio

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Oceanside School Board and the Superintendent of Schools, a student be hereby permitted to complete 6th grade at School 2 for the 2017/2018 school year following their move to the School #5 area. Transportation will be provided by the parents/guardians for the remainder of the 2017/2018 school year.

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

D. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PLACEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion made by Mrs. Schoell and seconded by Mr. D'Ambrosio

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the CSE/CPSE Chairperson, the Board of Education hereby approves recommended placements and/or services as recommended in CSE/CPSE meetings held on the dates so indicated in the Committee Recommendations for Board of Education Review with Details, dated November 15, 2017.

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

E. APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATION

On motion made by Mr. Maresca and seconded by Mrs. Schoell

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the attached list of Professional Personnel Items be approved.

RESIGNATIONS:

MATHEW ALESCI, Teacher Assistant, effective at the close of business on 11/3/17, personal reasons.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:

ALISON MORRIS, Special Education Teacher (School #4) request for child rearing leave of absence without pay, following childbirth, and a recuperation period for the remainder of the 2017/2018 school year.

FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:

DEBORAH MAIORELLA, ENL Teacher/Pre-K Teacher (Schools #2, #6) leave of absence without pay, pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, and consistent with Board policy, following childbirth, for a period of up to twelve weeks.

VIVIEN LOBELL, Occupational Therapist (School #6), intermittent leave of absence without pay, pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, and consistent with Board policy, effective 11/2/17.

ALEXANDRA MANGANO, English Teacher (School #9M), leave of absence without pay, pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, and consistent with Board policy, following childbirth, for a period of up to twelve weeks. (Revised)

ROSARIA NAUGHTON, Science Teacher (School #9M), leave of absence without pay, pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act, and consistent with Board policy, following childbirth, for a period of up to twelve weeks.

APPOINTMENTS:

SUSAN GUEVARA

Tenure Area: Teacher Assistant

Effective: 10/30/17

1st Year of a 4-year Probationary Period

Probationary Period: 10/30/17-10/29/21 (subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure)*

Salary: \$31,544 Per Annum

Certifications: Childhood Education 1-6, Literacy B-6

Assigned to: School #2

HEATHER FINKELSTEIN Tenure Area: Teacher Assistant

Effective: 10/13/17

1st Year of a 4-year Probationary Period

Probationary Period: 10/13/17-10/12/21 (subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure)*

Salary: \$31,544 Per Annum

Certifications: Childhood Education 1-6

Assigned to: School #8

REGULAR SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS:

KAITLIN VIDAFAR Regular Substitute (Elementary)
Effective: 10/17/17
Replacing a teacher on leave of absence for the 2017/18 school year
Salary: 1MA \$40,000 Per Annum
Certifications: Literacy B-6, Early Childhood B-2, Childhood Education 1-6, Students w/Disabilities B-2, Students w/Disabilities 1-6
Assigned To: School #2

CHERYL APICE Regular Substitute (Elementary)
Effective: 10/30/17
Replacing a teacher on leave of absence for the 2017/18 school year
Salary: 1MA \$40,000 Per Annum
Certifications: Speech and Language Disabilities
Assigned To: School #9E

KIRAN LUZZI Regular Substitute (Special Education)
Effective: 12/11/17
Replacing a teacher on leave of absence for the 2017/18 school year
Salary: 1MA \$40,000 Per Annum
Certifications: Students w/Disabilities 1-6, Childhood Education 1-6
Assigned To: School #4

DANIELLE GIL Regular Substitute (Special Education)
Effective: 11/27/17
Replacing a teacher on leave of absence for the 2017/18 school year
Salary: 1MA \$40,000 Per Annum
Certifications: Students w/Disabilities 7-12, Social Studies 7-12
Assigned To: School #9M

ASSIGNMENTS TO SIXTH PERIOD OF INSTRUCTION 2017/18 SCHOOL YEAR – SCHOOL #7:

GERARD GAMBARDILLA, Social Studies teacher, a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$8,639.00 per annum.
JOHN LACASCIA, Technology teacher, a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$8,639.00 per annum.
STEPHANIE STAGNITTA , Music teacher, a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$8,639.00 per annum.
SEAN MICHEL, Technology teacher, .5 of a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$4,319.50 per annum.
EVELYN SWEENEY, Physical Education teacher, .25 of a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$2,159.75 per annum.

ASSIGNMENTS TO SIXTH PERIOD 2017/18 SCHOOL YEAR:

STEPHANIE MATINA, Career Prep teacher, a sixth period, effective 9/1/2017, at a stipend of \$8,639.00 per annum.

SALARY ADVANCEMENTS:

MELISSA LUCAS, Elementary Teacher (School #5), from MA to MA30, effective 9/01/17.
PETER STEIN, Social Studies Teacher (School #7), from MA30 to MA60, effective 9/01/17.

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

F. APPROVAL OF CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL

On motion made by Mrs. Schoell and seconded by Mr. Maresca

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the attached list of Civil Service personnel be approved.

RETIREMENT:

FELICIA BASS, Account Clerk, for the purpose of retirement, effective at the close of business on 1/19/18.

RESIGNATION:

CAROL BECERRA, School Nurse, effective at the close of business on 11/10/17, personal reasons.

APPOINTMENTS:

KIRA GRANGE

School Nurse, Step 1
10 Months, Probationary (10/23/17- 4/22/18)
Effective: 10/23/17
Assigned To: School #6

DIANE O'BRIEN

School Nurse, Step 1
10 Months, Probationary (10/25/17- 4/24/18)
Effective: 10/25/17
Assigned To: School #7

VICTORIA WEISSMAN

Typist Clerk, Grade 1, Step 1
12 Months, Probationary (11/13/17- 5/12/18)
Effective: 11/13/17
Assigned To: District Office-Special Education

BETH ROSENTHAL

Typist Clerk, Grade 1, Step 1
12 Months, Probationary (11/27/17- 5/26/18)
Effective: 11/27/17
Assigned To: School #7

CAROLINE KOCAJ

Typist Clerk, Grade 1, Step 1
12 Months, Probationary (12/04/17- 6/03/18)
Effective: 12/04/17
Assigned To: District Office-Human Resources

MICHELE PITKOWSKY

Typist Clerk, Grade 1, Step 1
12 Months, Probationary (12/04/17- 6/03/18)
Effective: 12/04/17
Assigned To: DOCA

CAROLE ANDOOS

Account Clerk, Grade IIIA, Step 1
12 Months, Probationary (12/11/17-6/10/18)
Effective: 12/11/17
Assigned To: District Office-Accounting

MARIE BARBELLA District Clerk
Effective: 12/16/2017
Stipend: \$10,000 Per Annum (pro-rated)
Assigned To: District Office

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENT STATUS:

SHARON CASTELLANO From: Account Clerk, Grade IIIA, Step 1
Probationary
To: Account Clerk, Grade IIIA, Step 1
Permanent
Effective: 12/12/2017
Assigned To: School #7

JUSTAN KRAEMER From: Senior Personnel Clerk – Permanent
To: Senior Personnel Clerk - Provisional
Effective: 7/01/2017

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

G. HOURLY EMPLOYEE RECOMMENDATIONS

On motion made by Mr. Maresca and seconded by Mrs. Schoell
RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the attached list
of new hourly employees be approved.

RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Antonietta Giacona	School Monitor PT Substitute	5/29/2016
Stella Stamatopoulos	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	10/13/2017
Mary Buda	Permanent Substitute	10/19/2017
Sheri Cohen	Food Service Helper PT Sub	10/25/2017
Caryn Briguglio	Typist Clerk PT Substitute	10/26/2017
Wendy Swords	Typist Clerk PT Substitute	11/3/2017

TERMINATIONS:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Ellis Espinal	Food Service Helper PT	9/29/2017
Ivy Landsman-Slevin	Per Diem Substitute Nurse	10/11/2017

END OF APPOINTMENTS:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Mersina Onesto	Per Diem Leave Replacement	10/18/2017
Kira Grange	Permanent Sub Nurse	10/22/2017
Claribel Rivera	School Monitor Part Time	10/27/2017
Heather Conn	Typist Clerk PT Substitute	11/12/2017
Kiran Luzzi	Per Diem Leave Replacement	12/8/2017

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:

ALISON ROTHENBERG, Pre-K Teacher (School #6) request for child rearing leave of absence without pay, following childbirth, and a recuperation period for the remainder of the 2017/2018 school year.

APPOINTMENTS:

Food Service Helper Part Time Substitute:

Name	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Claribel Rivera	10/30/2017	\$10.00/hour
Linda Treadway	11/6/2017	\$10.00/hour

School Monitor Part Time Substitute:

Name	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Michael Gagliardi	10/24/2017	\$10.00/hour
Thomas Hunter	10/25/2017	\$10.00/hour

Teacher Aide Part Time Substitute:

Name	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Patricia Maher	10/25/2017	\$10.00/hour
Maddalena Piacentino	10/25/2017	\$10.00/hour
Maria Diana	11/2/17-11/12/17	\$10.00/hour

School Monitor Part Time:

Name	Effective Date	Loc.	Rate of Pay
Jeanne Lau	11/13/2017	#3	\$11.00/hour
Johana Avila	11/13/2017	#2	\$11.00/hour

Teacher Aide Part Time:

Name	Effective Date	Loc.	Rate of Pay
Maria Diana	11/13/2017	#4	\$12.00/hour
Heather Conn	11/13/2017	#9M	\$12.00/hour

Per Diem Substitute Nurse:

Name	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Arlene Parmelee	10/5/2017	\$250.00/day

Per Diem Substitute Teacher - \$90/day:

Name	Certification	Effective Date
Jean Maxwell	Literacy B-6, Childhood 1-6	11/14/2017

Per Diem Substitute Teacher - \$110/day:

Name	Certification	Effective Date
Marion Rosen	Pre-K, K, 1-6	10/11/2017
Noam Lusterman	Nursery, K, 1-6	11/6/2017

Permanent Substitute Teacher - \$125/day:

Name	Certification	Loc.	Effective Date
Mersina Onesto	Physical Education	#9M	10/19/2017
Gina Pulewitz	Pre-K, K, 1-6	#8	10/24/2017
Mary Corr	Childhood Ed B-2, 1-6	#2	11/8/2017
Allison Castillo	Pre-K, K, 1-6	#8	11/20/2017

Per Diem Leave Replacement- \$150/day:

Name	Certification	Loc.	Effective Date
Spencer Blumenfeld	Music	#2, #5	11/2/2017

Per Diem Business Administrator:

Name	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Robin Green	1/1/2018 (max. of up to 12 days/mo.)	\$783.83/day

Hourly Teacher - \$50.76/hour:

Name	Certification	Effective Date
Ilene Herman	English to Speakers of Other Languages	11/13/2017

Homebound Tutor - \$50.76/hour:

Name	Certification	Effective Date
Ilyse Selowsky	Childhood Ed 1-6, SWD 1-6	11/15/2017

DOCA:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Terry Mytko	Asst Halloween Parade	10/28/2017	\$14.00/hour
Kyle Smith	Asst Halloween Parade	10/28/2017	\$12.00/hour
Terriann Rinck	CARES Counselor	10/30/2017	\$12.00/hour
Alison Abbey	CARES Counselor	10/31/2017	\$7.00/hour
Donna Kraus	Adult Ed Instructor	11/9/2017	\$31.00/hour

Athletics:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Rate of Pay
Brian Schoenfelder	JV Wrestling Coach	11/6/2017	per contract

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

H. 2017/2018 CO-CURRICULAR NEW APPOINTMENTS

On motion made by Mr. D'Ambrosio and Mrs. Schoell

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following co-curricular stipends be approved for the 2017/2018 school year.

Deletion:

Teacher	Activity	Loc	Stipend	To be paid by
Corrine Protasiewicz	Mathletes Grade 3	#2	0	0
Mersina Onesto	Boys Gym Club Grades 5/6	#2	\$45.06	Payroll Voucher
Mersina Onesto	Girls Gym Club Grades 5/6	#2	\$67.56	Payroll Voucher
Mersina Onesto	Character Club	#2	\$45.06	Payroll Voucher

Additions:

Teacher	Activity	Loc	Stipend	To be paid by
Michelle Martin	Mathletes Grade 3	#2	\$1,649	Payroll Voucher
Sean Keenan	Boys Gym Club Grades 5/6	#2	\$1,306.94	Payroll Voucher
Sean Keenan	Girls Gym Club Grades 5/6	#2	\$1,284.44	Payroll Voucher
Sean Keenan	Character Club	#2	\$1,306.94	Payroll Voucher
Kiera O'Hara	Mathletes Grade 5/6	#9E	\$1,649	Payroll Voucher
Laura Sinberg	Scenery	#2	\$1,131	Payroll Voucher
Christina Esposito	Director's Assistant	#2	\$1,131	Payroll Voucher

MOTION APPROVED 7-0-0

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT

Veterans Flag Ceremony – Dr. Harrington reported on the Veterans Flag Ceremony held on November 9, 2017 at Schoolhouse Green. OHS Castleton students paid tribute to the veterans who secure our freedom and in particular they honored local veteran Fred Morse. Mr. Morse served in WWII, Korea and during the Cuban Missile Crisis of the early 1960s. Local elected officials and a representative from the Governor's office also participated. Members of the American Legion, Jewish War Veterans and VFW were present as well. At our next ceremony on December 7th, the flag will be presented to Mr. Morse and another one will be raised for the next veteran.

Football Team – Dr. Harrington was proud to announce that the Oceanside Football team will take on Freeport for the Nassau County championship on Saturday, November 18th at 4:00 p.m. at Hofstra.

OHS Drama Presentation – Dr. Harrington reminded everyone to come see the OHS drama production of "*She Kills Monsters*" to be held on November 17 and 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the OHS Auditorium.

Turkey Shoot – Dr. Harrington reminded the community about the Turkey Shoot in the OHS lobby on Tuesday, November 21st.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Transom spoke about the Oceanside Interfaith Council hosting a Thanksgiving dinner which is open to those who might not have a place go on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23rd from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the OHS cafeteria. Volunteers are needed.

Mr. Transom stated that Oceanside Community Service desperately needs turkeys; there is a bin in front of Mr. Transom's house and at OHS.

Mr. D'Ambrosio proudly spoke about the very moving Veterans Flag Ceremony. Once the speeches and tributes had been made, two Kindergarten students presented Mr. Morse with flowers and then Castleton students raised the flag.

Mr. D'Ambrosio spoke about the Best Buddies Thanksgiving Feast held last night. There were a few hundred people in attendance and all the food was donated. It was a wonderful evening.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A few community members spoke about issues with bullying which were addressed by the Board President and Superintendent.

A community member thanked Mr. Transom for a wonderful Veterans Flag Ceremony.

ADJOURNMENT – A motion was made by Mr. Transom and seconded by Mrs. Schoell to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Marie Barbella
Secretary to the Board of Education

Robin Green
District Clerk