



**Date:** March 22, 2016

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular

**Place:** Elementary School

**Members Present:** Sonia Apker, Mike Kilmer, Joaquin Lira, Luke Morenus, Bill Pedrick, Dave Quinlan, Levi Sutton, Martin Sweeney

**Members Absent:** Katie Dwyer

**Others Present:** Superintendent Ruscio, Director of Business & Finance Falls, Director of Instruction and Evaluation Llewellyn, District Clerk Yacavone, Administrators, Guests

President Apker called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

#### **Executive Session**

Motion by Quinlan, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board enter into an executive session at 6:32 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s).

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

Returned from Executive Session at 6:54 PM.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

#### **President's Comments**

- **Remarks**-President Apker welcomed the group.
- **Correspondence**-There was no correspondence.
- **Updates to Agenda**-There were no updates to the agenda.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Sweeney, that the Clerk's minutes of the March 8, 2016- regular meeting be approved as presented. (Board Notes Item A)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

#### **Superintendent's Report**

- **Remarks/Highlights:**
  - Superintendent Ruscio recognized that numerous OCM BOCES students were inducted into the National Technical Honor Society on March 17, 2016.
  - Coach Nasiatka and the entire Bowling Team were recognized for their outstanding season and for being back to back Sectional Champions.
  - It was noted that the District is in possession of several surplus items that have not sold at auction. The items will be placed outside for the community to take on an upcoming Saturday free of charge. This was deemed a better solution versus throwing the items out.
- **Correspondence:**
  - There was no correspondence.

#### **Elementary Highlight**

- Principal McGory along with several teachers presented *The Story of the Elementary Faculty and Staff*.

**Blue Pride**

- Principals highlighted events and activities happening within their buildings.

**New Business**

**Items Requiring Board Action**

**Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Pedrick, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Pre-school Special Education: (Board Notes Item B)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Reports from the Committee on Special Education**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded by Morenus, that the Board accept the Reports from the Committee on Special Education: (Board Notes Item C)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**2016-17 District Calendar**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Sutton, that the Board approve the 2016-17 District Calendar: (Board Notes Item D)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Foreign Language Field Trip Request**

Motion by Quinlan, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board approve the 2017 International Club Field Trip Request to Costa Rica: (Board Notes Item E)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Budget Transfer**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Kilmer, that the Board approve the Budget Transfer in the amount of \$100,000 in order to complete the 2016 Capital Outlay Project: (Board Notes Item F)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Removal of Bid**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Kilmer, that the Board approve the request to withdraw the Bid for HVAC Services from King & King Mechanical Inc.: (Board Notes Item G)

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Policy for Deletion**

Motion by Pedrick, seconded by Sutton, that the Board approve the following Policies for Deletion: (Board Notes Item H)

- Policy 6400-Maintaining Discipline & Conduct
- Policy 7502-Student Spectators Using School District Buses

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Policy for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Motion by Sweeney, seconded Morenus, that the Board approve the following Policies for 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: (Board Notes Item I)

- Policy 7000-Head Lice
- Policy 6202-Probation and Tenure
- Policy 5650-Smoking/Tobacco Use
- Policy 5670-School Food Service Program
- Policy 5680-Records Management

- Policy 5682-Information Security Breach and Notification
- Policy 5720-Transportation of Students
- Policy 5730-Use of Buses by Community Groups
- Policy 5740-School Bus Safety Program
- Policy 6171-Employee Grievances
- Policy 6190-Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires)
- Policy 6300-Appointment-Support Staff
- Policy 6460-Jury Duty
- Policy 6500-Health Insurance
- Policy 6551-Family & Medical Leave Act
- Policy 7220-Entitlement to Attend-Age & Residency
- Policy 7221-Non-Resident Students
- Policy 7270-Education of Homeless Children & Youth

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Personnel**

Motion by Morenus, seconded by Sutton, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Ruscio, the following personnel items be approved as presented:

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

**Instructional:**

Approve the Resignation, for **Retirement** purposes of those participating per the Homer Teachers' Association Contract for the following Teachers, effective June 30, 2016. Their resignation should be accepted with an appropriate letter of appreciation for their many years of service to the district.

*High School*

**Cheryl Carboine-Special Education Teacher**  
**Kathy Pratt-Science/Agriculture Teacher**

*Junior High School*

**Billi Gizzi-Special Education Teacher**  
**Brenda Nobles-Physical Education Teacher**  
**David Shiffman-Music/Band Teacher**

*Intermediate School*

**Karen Shirley-Reading Teacher**  
**Carolyn Withiam-Elementary Teacher**

*Elementary School*

**Margaret Little-Library Media Specialist**

Appoint the following as **Driver Education Teachers** for the Summer 2016 Session:

Lynne Renner  
 Randi Patterson

Appoint the following as **Practicum Student(s):**

*High School*  
 Collin Lake with Dan Bradshaw

*Intermediate School*  
 Shannon Tracy with Jennie Guy

Appoint the following as **Volunteers:**

*High School*  
 Michael Hurley

Appoint the following people as **Instructional Substitutes** for the 2015-16 school year:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Certification/Degree Area</u></b>
<b>Christina Lockenwitz</b>	Elem. Ed.

**Non-Instructional:**

Appoint the following as **Bus Driver Trainee(s):**

- Randy Holl
- Kevin Reese

**Informational Items**

- **Fundraising Updates**-Fundraising updates were provided from the High School.
- **OCM BOCES Annual Meeting**-The next OCM BOCES Annual Meeting is Wednesday, April 6, 2016-7:00 PM at the OCM BOCES Henry Campus.
- **Standard & Poor's Ratings Services**-Information from Standard & Poor's Ratings Services was provided. It was noted that the District's rating is AA- which is outstanding.

**Community Voices**

- There were no community voices.

**Board Committee Reports**

- *Audit*-No report.
- *Budget & Finance*-Mr. Morenus noted that the Budget & Finance continue to meet and review the 2016-17 district budget.
- *Policy*-The Policy Committee recently reviewed and recommended the policies above for deletion and 1<sup>st</sup> reading.
- *Community Relations*-No report.

**District Committee Reports**

- *Professional Staff Development Committee (PSDC)*-No report.
- *Health Advisory*-No report.
- *APPR*-No report.
- *Classroom-Technology Advisory Group (C-Tag)*-No report.
- *Character Education*-Minutes were provided from the March 9, 2016 meeting.
- *Instructional Leadership*-Ms. Llewellyn said the group recently met where they finalized plans for the External Review of the CTE Proposal in Agriculture.
- *Facilities*-No report.

**Board Member Activities**

- Mr. Kilmer attended the SUNY Cortland College Planning Presentation sponsored by the Guidance Department. Mr. Kilmer offer kudos to the Guidance Staff and the SUNY speaker for sharing their wealth of knowledge.
- Mr. Kilmer and Mrs. Apker both attended the All-district Instrumental Concert.
- Mr. Pedrick attended an OCM BOCES Board retreat along with a regular OCM BOCES Board meeting.

**Upcoming Events**

*March*

- 22-Board of Education
- 23-All-District Vocal Concert
- 25-Good Friday/Staff Development Day (No School for Students)
- 26-Superintendent's Forum
- 27-Easter
- 28-Kindergarten Registration Begins

*April*

- 1-JH 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day
- 2-Cabaret
- 2-NYSSMA Solo Festival
- 5-Board of Education
- 5-7 Grades 3-8 State ELA Exams
- 13-15 Grades 3-8 State Math Exams
- 13-JH Orientation
- 15-IN 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Play
- 18-Board of Education
- 18-Music Department Demo Concert
- 20-Kindergarten Grandparents Concert
- 25-29 Spring Recess

**Closing Remarks**

- There were no closing remarks.

**Executive Session**

Motion by Quinlan, seconded by Sweeney, that the Board enter into an executive session at 8:23 PM to discuss the Acquisition of Property

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	

Returned from Executive Session at 9:05 PM.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Kilmer, seconded by Pedrick, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:06 PM.

Yes	8	Motion Carried
No	0	