# ONEONTA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING APRIL 20, 2023

The Oneonta City Board of Education met in regular session April 20, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Oneonta High School Library. Members present were Patrick Adams, President, Don Maples, Ricky Hicks, and Matthew Taylor. Sharon Breaseale was absent.

## AGENDA AND ADDENDUM TO AGENDA APPROVED:

On a move from Mr. Hicks and a second from Mr. Maples, the board unanimously approved the agenda and the addendum to the agenda.

## **MINUTES APPROVED:**

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board unanimously approved the minutes of Regular Board Meeting March 29, 2023.

#### **MARCH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS APPROVED:**

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the March financial statements were unanimously approved. The financial data and/or cash balances presented to the Board on April 20, 2023, are based on the reconciled bank statements to the general ledger as of March 31, 2023. President Adams commented the end of year figures provide noteworthy comparisons.

### **SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

On a move from Mr. Taylor and a second from Mr. Maples, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendation 1A.

#### 1. Students

A. Approved the overnight field trip to the University of Alabama for OHS Cheer camp June 26 through 29, 2023.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendations 2A through 2F.

## 2. Personnel

- A. Accepted the retirement of Shannon Jones, OHS Assistant Principal effective June 30, 2023.
- B. Approved the employment of Abby Jones as Local Reading Specialist for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- C. Approved the employment of Madeline Woodham as OES Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- D. Approved the employment of Morgan Walker as OES Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- E. Approved the employment of Cory Glasscock as Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach-teaching assignment to be determined for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- F. Approved Rosemary Atkinson as OES Homebound teacher for the 2022-2023 school year.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendations 2G, board member Ricky Hicks abstained from the vote.

G. Accepted the resignation of JD Whited, OES teacher/Bus Driver/Coach, effective May 3, 2023.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendation 3.

3. Approved the Facility Use Agreement for Miss Covered Bridge Pageant October 14 & 15, 2023.

# **BOARD REPORT:**

President Adams asked Superintendent Sosebee to give an update on the softball facilities. He appreciates members Don Maples and Ricky Hicks being involved. Initial drawings are still

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being reviewed. Once the floorplan is agreed upon, they want to move forward getting a full set of plans presented to the state so we will be ready when the decision is made to submit for bids. Lighting and scoreboard are also being discussed. Funding could be provided from left over bond money that has to be spent by October.

He thanked Shannon Jones and JD Whited for their work at OCS and stated his appreciation for what they have done for our students.

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

Superintendent Sosebee enjoyed the OHS Music & Drama performance of Willie Wonka. They did an excellent job preparing and performing. Additional school performances will be held tomorrow and four public performances over the weekend. Everyone is invited.

Spring testing in underway and going smoothly. Congratulations to Brad Mitchell and administrators for getting teachers ready.

We are in year one for MTSS implementation and progressing smoothly. Dr. Greg Benner will be the keynote speaker at Institute.

Schools are busy working on their master schedules for next year. We are expanding to a second session for OHS students to attend the Blount County Career Technical Center.

Thanks were extended to the board for approving the Local Reading Specialist, OES Teachers, and Head Boys Basketball Coach. Congratulations to Shannon Jones on her retirement and best wishes to JD Whited in his future endeavors.

Whole Board Training is scheduled for May 15, 2023, at 3:00 pm, on Media and Public Relations. The regular board meeting will be held after the training, at 5:30.

We are working on plans to evaluate our softball facilities and to assess the greatest needs. Initial steps were taken to get preliminary drawings and estimated cost per square foot. An informal set of plans will be discussed with coaches and other personnel involved. The layout would include office space for coaches, locker room, and restrooms. We are excited about this project and also looking at a scoreboard and improving lighting. This could be a project that would fall within the bond money that has to be spent by September 22.

Lunch is planned for the staff on the remote learning day next Friday on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Three local food trucks have been invited and employees presented options to sign-up for their preference, lunch will be served 11 to 1. We look forward to this event.

# **MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board unanimously voted to move to Executive Session to discuss personnel and the good name and character of such.

## **RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION:**

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board unanimously voted to reconvene to regular session.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the meeting was adjourned.

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