

January 7, 2015

The Oneida Special School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, January 7, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the central office conference room. The following members were present: Mrs. Dorothy Watson, Dr. Danny Cross, Mr. Brom Shoemaker, Mr. Mark Matthews and Dr. Nancy Williamson. Also in attendance were Student Representative Jamee Cox, Director Ann Sexton and Lori Marcum, secretary.

Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order. Ayla and Jaxson Sims led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

Director Sexton recognized Mrs. Jordan Sims who made a presentation to the board. In honor of School Board Appreciation Month, the 6th grade class and teachers sent a thank you card for their hard work, love and dedication.

Chairperson Williamson presented the board agenda for consideration with two additions. The first addition was a letter of resignation from Mrs. Stephanie Erwin and would be added to Item VI under Business Before the Board. The second addition was an extended leave request from Mr. Jason Terry which would be added as Item VIII. With the changes, Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the board agenda as amended. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the consent agenda for board approval. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the consent agenda as follows. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of board minutes from the December 3, 2015 board meeting.

Under business before the board, Chairperson Williamson then presented the district Audit Report for year ending June 30, 2015 for board consideration. Mr. Shoemaker noted that some items on the report would need to be discussed at a work session. Mr. Shoemaker made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the Audit Report as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a letter of resignation from Mrs. Gina Harris. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the resignation as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented nine (9) board policies for board consideration on first reading. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the following policies on first reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Board Policies (*First Reading*):

- A. 1.108 Nepotism
- B. 1.400 School Board Meetings
- C. 1.704 Charter Schools
- D. 5.602 Staff Time Schedules
- E. 4.206 Special Programs
- F. 4.605 Graduation Requirements
- G. 4.700 Testing Programs
- H. 5.305 Family and Medical Leave
- I. 6.414 Prevention and Treatment of Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Chairperson Williamson then presented Board Policy 4.6000 Grading System. Director Sexton requested that this policy be passed on first reading, waiving the second. Mr. Shoemaker made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve Policy 4.6000 Grading System on first reading waiving second reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented Board Policy 4.6041 High School Credit for Eighth Grade Algebra. Director Sexton noted that this policy was no longer needed as the middle school no longer offer eighth grade algebra and therefore requests the board delete the policy from its manual. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Mr. Shoemaker, to delete policy 4.6041. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented two (2) letters of resignation for board approval. The letters were from Mrs. Christy Blevins and Mrs. Stephanie Erwin. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the resignations. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a fundraiser request for board consideration. The request, from OMS Cheerleading and OMS Baseball, was for a basketball tournament. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Shoemaker, to approve the fundraiser as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

In the final order of business, Chairperson Williamson presented an extended leave request from Mr. Jason Terry for consideration. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to grant the leave request. Vote was taken and motion carried.

With no other business before the board, Chairperson Williamson then recognized Director Ann Sexton, for the Superintendent's Report.

1. Director Sexton announced the STAR Fish Award winners. The award honors those who have made a difference in the lives of others in the school system. STAR Fish award winners for January are Leslie Pemberton, Brenda Smith, and April Jones.
2. Director Sexton had the following appointments.
 - Substitutes: Kimberly Crabtree, Whitney Orick, Ronnie Cooper, Brent Bowling, Brittany Bowling, Jimmie Sue Strange, Stacy Slaven
 - Appointments: Natalie Smith, Tammie Hamilton, Sandra Hagler, Mindy Wagaman, Mackenzie Adkins
3. Mrs. Melinda McCartt, Coordinated School Health Director, gave the following CSH report:
 - The Midyear Report for Oneida CSH has been entered into the RANDA site as of December 26th. Refer to this report to review the progress of Goals and objectives for CSH of Oneida fund this program
 - Dental Re screens for all schools were December 16th.
 - Thanks to the Health Department for Funding Staff Walking Clubs. Oneida has 6 teams of 7 people.

- Oneida Schools Biggest Loser Competition is gearing up with over 22 participants so far. Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce for their help with sponsoring this program.
- Team UP For Health will be offered to all staff who wish to participate beginning January 12th. This is a Nutrition/weight Management program with incentives to for achieving healthy weight management practices
- UT Extension will be coming into OES classrooms to offer nutrition education for grades k-5.
- The Health Department completed 249 flu vaccinations for students this month at Oneida Special School District.
- The Oneida School nurse, Marilyn Seabolt saw over 600 students in the clinic for the month of December.
- CSH received Notice that the Oneida Middle School has been Awarded the *Blueprints for Learning* grant! This new program will addresses life skill training in the areas of drug resistance, social skills and violence prevention.
- Healthy School Teams will meet January 13th at 1:30 p.m. at Oneida Central Office.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Rick Harper, Oneida Elementary Principal for a report.

1. Mr. Harper noted that OES is off to a good start after Christmas break.
2. OES picked up 8 new students in KS-5. Preschool has added 11 new students.
3. OES is getting ready for TN Ready Assessments.
4. The research group turned their findings into Vanderbilt. Vanderbilt will review the findings and turn the information over to Governor Haslam and the state legislature. It was very supportive of Pre-K program. The recommendation to the state will be 1 ½ - 2 hours of engaged academic instruction which is what we are doing in PreK and Kinderstart.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Ms. Kelly Posey, Oneida Middle School Principal, for a report.

1. Grade cards were sent home yesterday with students.
2. Parent/teacher conferences are scheduled for January 13.
3. OMS basketball traveled to Norris tonight. Tomorrow night will be homecoming, and those festivities will be before the games.
4. OMS 8th grade night for basketball will be January 11 honoring basketball, cheerleading and girls soccer.
5. The district tournament will begin January 23 at Anderson County.
6. The OMS science fair is scheduled for January 26. Public viewing will be 3:30-5:00.
7. OMS 8th grade graduation will be May 24 @ 9:00 am.
8. TN Ready testing for 6th grade is scheduled for February 9. Other grades will follow.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Kevin Byrd, Oneida High School Principal for a report.

1. EOC testing and semester exams were completed for semester 1 before leaving for Christmas break.
2. Basketball is in full swing with a game tomorrow at Sunbright. Home games are scheduled for January 16 and 18.
3. Early release day for professional development will be January 13.
4. Congratulations to Shawn West for being selected as sectional coach of the year for baseball by the coach's association.
5. Grade cards went out this week.
6. OHS is working hard to prepare for the next round of testing.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Shoemaker made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross to adjourn. Vote was taken and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Dr. Nancy Williamson
Chairman of the Board

Ann Sexton
Director of Schools