

October 11, 2012

The Oneida Special School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, October 11, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the central office conference room. The following members were present: Mrs. Dorothy Watson, Dr. Danny Cross, Mr. Mark Matthews and Dr. Nancy Williamson. Student Representative Tucker Byrd, Director Ann Sexton and Lori Marcum were also present.

Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order. Caroline Bell led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance. Dr. Cross opened with prayer.

Chairperson Williamson presented the board agenda for approval with one item to be removed. The item to be removed was under business before the board, swearing in of the new board member. With no official available to swear in the new board member, Dr. Williamson stated that the appointed would need to go to the County Clerk Office at their convenience to get sworn in. Mrs. Watson made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the board agenda with the change. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented the consent agenda for board approval. Mrs. Watson 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. Board minutes from the September 6, 2012 meeting.
2. Certification of Compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated for the 2012-2013 school year (student textbooks).
3. Textbook Selection Committee for the 2012-2013 school year.
4. System Compliance Based on TN Statues & State Board Rules & Regs and Minimum Standards for 2012-13.
5. Extended Contract 2012-2013.

Under business before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for nominations for a replacement board member to fulfill the remaining term of Mrs. Lori Phillips-Jones who resigned last month. Dr. Cross nominated Mr. Tommy Bell. No other nominations were given. Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to appoint Tommy Bell as board member for the remaining two (2) years of the term. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Chairperson Williamson then presented eight (8) fundraiser requests for board consideration. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the fundraisers as follows. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Fundraiser Requests:

- a. OMS Baseball (D. Marcum): Selling subscriptions to ESPN the Magazine
- b. Prom Committee (S. Lovely): Dodgeball Tournament
- c. OMS Softball (J.Lay): Bake Sale
- d. OES Incentives (T. Morgan): Worlds Finest Chocolates
- e. OHS Various Groups: Krispy Kreme Donut Sales
- f. Oneida Band Association (A. Bernard): Baked Goods Sale
- g. Oneida Band Association (A. Bernard): Fruit Sale
- h. OMS Cheerleading (J. Smith): Halloween Black Out Dance

Chairperson Williamson then presented five (5) board policies for board consideration on first reading. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to approve the following policies on first reading. Vote was taken and motion carried.

Board Policies (First Reading):

- a. Class Ranking 4.602
- b. Graduation Requirements 4.605
- c. Attendance of Non-Resident Students 6.204
- d. Interscholastic Athletics 4.301
- e. Accelerated and Advanced Credit 4.604

Dr. Williamson recognized Mr. Wayne King representing STAND and the chamber of commerce. STAND and the Scott County Chamber of Commerce are once again this year recognizing an outstanding senior student nominated by the OHS staff who exemplifies character and citizenship. The October student of the month is Jessy Morrow.

Chairperson Williamson then presented a proposal to purchase a school bus along with financing for board consideration. Ms. Connie Thomas noted that the bus was an 85 passenger with storage underneath. The price for the bus is \$55,000. After a brief discussion, Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the purchase the school bus and to finance the \$55,000, also the board agrees to allow Director Ann Sexton to execute and sign all documents pertaining to the purchase and financing. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Watson, aye  
Cross, aye  
Matthews, aye  
Williamson, aye

Chairperson Williamson then presented a transfer resolution for board consideration. Ms. Connie Thomas noted that the transfer of funds was for the purchase of property adjacent to the school for capital projects. After a brief discussion, Mr. Matthews made a motion, with a second by Dr. Cross, to approve the transfer resolution. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.

Watson, aye  
Cross, aye  
Matthews, aye  
Williamson, aye

In the final order of business, Chairperson Williamson then presented an agreement with Roane State Community College and OSSD for board consideration. The agreement is standard with RSCC and detailed the dual credit classes. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mr. Matthews, to approve the agreement as presented. Vote was taken and motion carried.

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

1. Appointments: Rhonda Walters, Substitute Bus Driver and Allison Watts Mays, Central Office
2. Director Sexton introduced a new program called the Star Fish Awards. The award honors those who make a difference in the lives of others in the school system. Star Fish winners for October are Dani Strunk, Courtney Delk and Rachel Joiner.
3. The district report card has been released to the schools; however, it is still embargoed for the public. The system did very well.

4. Mrs. Melinda McCartt, School Health Coordinator, gave a presentation to the board. Health screenings were completed at the end of September with approximately 900 students screened. Thanks to all of those who assisted in that project. October 1-7 is Child Health Week. United Health made a presentation to the Oneida Middle called Health Rocks. The cafeteria has been offering taste testing of healthy foods for students. The first rounds of staff vaccinations have been completed and will continue on November 2. OMS has received a Shape the State grant, OES has received the Actions for Healthy Kids grant and the Organ Wise program through a grant for PreK-5. The district has also received the USDA Healthy School Challenge Award. The School Health Advisory Committee will meet tomorrow at the central office and the board is invited to attend.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Rick Harper, Oneida Elementary School Principal.

1. Mr. Harper attended the LEAD conference this week which was very beneficial.
2. The OES carnival was Tuesday night with a great turnout from staff, students and parents.
3. The staff has received additional training on the Imagine IT!, Reading Mastery and Corrective Reading programs.
4. The staff will also be receiving more training on the school wide positive behavior program.
5. OES will be conducting the constructive response math assessment and the english/language arts pilot after fall break.

Chairperson Williamson recognized Mr. Kevin Byrd, Oneida Middle and High School Principal.

1. Evaluations are well underway at the high school and middle schools.
2. Several visitors have been on campus over the last few weeks. District Attorney Lori Phillips-Jones delivered a prescription drug abuse program to the OHS and OMS wellness classes. The TSBA East Regional meeting was held in the new auditorium on September 18. Also, Area 14 Special Olympics was hosted by OHS on October 5.
3. Congratulations to Dr. Williamson on being inducted into the Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame last week.
4. OHS students and staff participated in Cancer Awareness Week, thanks to Miranda Lowe who headed up that project.
5. The schools are preparing for the ELA Pilot Writing Assessment.
6. OMS has completed the first round of Discovery Education inventories for students.
7. Bro. Larry Brooks from First Baptist Church along with the majority of the OHS student body held a "Meet Me at the Pole" prayer meeting last week.
8. 4-H is back at OMS. OHS students are being trained to conduct these classes.
9. Tomorrow, October 12, OHS football will be hosting Coalfield. Before the game, the 1992 team will be recognized on the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their state championship.
10. The drama class is performing "Heading for the Hills" this week, on Wednesday for OES, Thursday for OMS and Friday for OHS students. The Saturday performance will be for the public. The Saturday performance will begin at 6:00pm.
11. Thanks to Denny and LouAnn Smith as well as Farm Bureau for their \$2500 contribution to the OHS girls basketball team.
12. Fall break will be next week, October 15-19.
13. Grade cards will be going out on October 24.

Under other business, Mr. Dave Montague from the ELGIN foundation made a presentation on the program at OES. He detailed the data collected so far for the school and

compared this with other ELGIN participating school systems. The ELGIN initiative is to have 90% of students reading at grade level by the end of their 3<sup>rd</sup> grade year.

With no further business to come before the board, Chairperson Williamson called for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Cross made a motion, with a second by Mrs. Watson, to adjourn. Vote was taken and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

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Dr. Nancy Williamson  
Chairman of the Board

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Ann Sexton  
Director of Schools