

## Draft Minutes

### BOARD OF EDUCATION OWEN D. YOUNG CENTRAL SCHOOL July 5, 2017

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#### **I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order at 6:49 p.m.

#### **II. Board of Education**

Members present: Trustee George Mower, Trustee Quendryth Marshall, Trustee Paul Kennerknecht, and Trustee Holly Pullis. Absent: President Linda Tharp. Others present: Superintendent Brennan Fahey, Business Official Fred Seifried, Clerk Eva Allegretti and Shannon LaBruzzo.

a. In a motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, seconded by Trustee Pullis, the meeting agenda was approved. MOTION CARRIED

b. Privilege of the Floor

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#### **III. Guest Reports**

a. None.

**IV. Executive Session** (for the purpose of matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular employee as defined in section 105 (1F) of the public officer's law.)

In a motion by Trustee Mower, seconded by Trustee Pullis, the Board entered into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. MOTION CARRIED

- c. Pool update. Pool hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. A change in schedule will depend on usage. Because there is so much construction taking place, adding extra pool hours would be difficult.
- d. Regents results. Overall, results were similar to last year's. ELA and Global Studies results were strong; Math and Science results were weaker. Algebra scores were stronger than Geometry scores. Concerns were noted regarding some of the questions on the Geometry Regents. Not all schools require a Geometry credit for graduation, but ODY does. Trustee Kennerknecht emphasized that Geometry concepts must be applied to real-life situations in order to be meaningful. Trustee Kennerknecht requested that a scatter graph be constructed indicating the number of students who earned specific grades on the Geometry Regents. Trustee Kennerknecht would like this information from other schools. Mr. Fahey expressed obtaining this data may be difficult. Mr. Kennerknecht would like to see a graph to compare ODY students' scores on the Geometry Regents to students' scores from other districts. Superintendent Fahey said we would not obtain regional data regarding Regents until September or October, at which point he will provide this information. A number of factors contribute to lower Regents scores. Students experience stress when taking multiple exams within a short period of time, this was the third exam in two days for these particular students. Also, it was felt students seemed to have rushed through the exams and do not carefully read directions. Trustee Pullis noted that this is a serious concern that she sees taking place at the elementary level. Carefully reading directions must be reinforced at all grade levels. Trustee Kennerknecht strongly emphasized the need for ODY to strengthen its STEM (Science-Technology-Engineering-Math) programs. A brief discussion followed regarding the Progress Report from Schoolhouse Construction. Superintendent Fahey then shared that a BOE Special Meeting will take place in the school's former library at 6:30 p.m. on July 17, 2017, when a representative from School House will be present to answer questions and do a brief walk through.

b. Business Official's Report

- a. Lunch balance summary 2017-2018 is at \$144.23, which is very good compared to previous years. Discussion arose regarding if ODY cafeteria staff can monitor siblings who share accounts, and children who purchase too much of one item (ice cream, fruit snacks, etc.). When BOCES took control of the lunch program, ODY lost its ability to closely monitor these aspects of individual accounts. Trustees Marshall and Pullis would like to see the BOCES food program policies in order to determine to what extent ODY cafeteria staff could monitor individual student accounts.

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**XI. Adjournment** In a motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, seconded by Trustee Pullis, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Eva Allegretti  
Board Clerk

Owen D. Young Central School District  
REORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA

July 5, 2017

6:30 PM

Regular Meeting to Follow

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AGENDA

OPEN MEETING: Eva Allegretti, District Clerk

OATH OF OFFICE: Administered to Superintendent Fahey by Eva Allegretti

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: President and Vice President of the Board of Education

Call for Nominations: District Clerk, Eva Allegretti

PRESIDENT: Motion by Trustee Marshall, and seconded by Trustee Kennerknecht to nominate

Linda Tharp as President of the Board of Education for the 2017-18 school year.

Call for Nominations: District Clerk, Eva Allegretti

VICE PRESIDENT: Motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, and seconded by Trustee Mower to nominate

Quendryth Marshall as Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2017-18 school year.

OATH OF OFFICE administered to newly elected President and Vice President by District Clerk.

Turn meeting over to Board President.

APPOINTMENTS

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent; Motion by Trustee Pullis, and seconded by Trustee Kennerknecht BE IT RESOLVED that the Owen D. Young Central School District approves the appointment of personnel as listed in items A-BB on the July 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting Agenda.

VOTE: All Aye

- A. District Clerk – Shannon Labruzzo (\$3,500)
- B. District Treasurer – Fred Seifried
- C. Deputy Treasurer – Shannon Labruzzo
- D. Tax Collector – M & T Bank
- E. Deputy Tax Collector – Fred Seifried
- F. Independent Auditor – Cwynar & Company
- G. Extra Classroom Activity Treasurer – Fred Seifried
- H. Faculty Auditor, Extra Classroom Activities Account – Brennan Fahey
- I. Audit Committee – Holly Pullis, Quendryth Marshall, George Mower, Paul Kennerknecht and Linda Tharp
- J. School Doctor – Tri County Medical Center (\$3,500)
- K. Voting Delegate for NYSSBA – Linda Tharp
- L. Attendance Officer – Susan Soposki
- M. CSE Chair – Alicia Soper/BOCES
- N. Records Access Officer – Fred Seifried
- O. Records Appeals Officer – Superintendent
- P. Records Management Officer – Wanda Armstrong
- Q. Asbestos Designee – BOCES Safety Office
- R. Compliance Officer (Title 9) – Fred Seifried
- S. Liaison for Homeless Youth – Alicia Soper

- T. Chemical Hygiene Officer – BOCES Safety Office
- U. Dignity Act Coordinators – Alicia Soper/Academic Coach
- V. School Attorney – Ferrara Law Firm (\$205 per hour)
- W. Internal Claims Auditor – Mildred Merrick (\$1,625)
- X. Clerk Pro-tem – Trustee Marshall
- Y. Financial Consultant – Bernard P. Donegan
- Z. CSE Secretary – Terri Costello
- AA. Chapter I Coordinators – Superintendent and Business Official

**DESIGNATIONS**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent; Motion by Trustee Kerner-Knecht and seconded by Trustee Mower approve the designation as listed of items A-I on the July 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting Agenda.

VOTE: All Aye

- A. Treasurer to establish petty cash fund of \$100
- B. Official Newspaper – Times Telegram
- C. Bank of Depository – Adirondack; NBT National Bank, M & T Bank, Chase Bank and Citizens Bank.
- D. Official Bank Signatories – Shannon Labruzzo and Fred Seifried
- E. Purchasing Agent – Superintendent
- F. Superintendent to certify payroll
- G. Designated Educational Official – Brennan Fahey
- H. School Pesticide Representative – BOCES Safety Office
- I. Regular meetings will be held on the following dates: July 5 (re-organizational & regular meeting), August 14, September 11, September 22 (retreat, Time/location TBD), October 18, November 13, December 11, January 8, February 12, March 12, April 18 (BOCES budget vote & regular meeting), May 7 (annual budget hearing & regular meeting), June 11. All meetings begin at 6:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

**AUTHORIZATIONS**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent; Motion by Trustee Mower and seconded by Trustee Kerner-Knecht BE IT RESOLVED that the Owen D. Young Central School District approves the Authorizations as listed in items A-E on the July 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting Agenda.

VOTE: All Aye

- A. Superintendent to authorize all staff conferences within budgetary limitations and priorities
- B. Superintendent to approve and authorize budget transfers
- C. Superintendent to Apply for Grant-In-Aid
- D. Federal mileage reimbursement rate for authorized use of private vehicles for school business.
- E. Superintendent to authorize Business Manager/Official to select, price, and supervise sale of surplus supplies, equipment, and books as these items may accumulate throughout the 2017-18 school year; and also notify the Board of any such sale price prior to sale.

**READOPTIONS**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent; Motion by Trustee Pulis, and seconded by Trustee Kerner-Knecht BE IT RESOLVED that the Owen D. Young Central School District approves the Authorizations as listed in items A-D on the July 5, 2017 Reorganization Meeting Agenda.

VOTE: All Aye

- A. Re-adoption of all Policies and Code of Ethics in effect during previous year.
- B. Non-Resident tuition rate at \$0 for the 2017-18 School Year
- C. Substitute Teacher Pay Rates of \$85 for certified, \$75 for non-certified and \$73 for Teacher Aide.
- D. Substitute Cleaner rate at \$10.50/hr, ODY retired substitute bus driver \$17.75/hr, substitute bus driver \$14.25/hr, substitute RN at \$80/day, LPN at \$73/day

**WATER DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS**

- A. Water Treatment Plant Operator – Lisa Wilber (\$6,425)
- B. Deputy Water Operator – Dan Parker (\$500)
- C. Water Department Treasurer – Fred Seifried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to Adjourn by Trustee Pulis seconded by Trustee Kerner-Knecht. All Aye.