

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
OWEN D. YOUNG CENTRAL SCHOOL
November 14, 2016**

The mission of the Owen D. Young Central School is to provide an excellent educational environment in which all students can achieve success and become contributing citizens.

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

II. Board of Education

Members present: President Linda Tharp, Trustee George Mower, Trustee Quendryth Marshall, Trustee Paul Kennerknecht. Trustee Holly Pullis arrived at 6:44 p.m. Absent: none. Others present: Superintendent Brennan Fahey, Business Official Jodie Rodriguez, Maintenance Supervisor Dan Parker, Bob Copeland, and grade 12 students Alyssa Patterson, Nick Hula, Anthony Chiacchia and Lindsey Shibley.

- a. In a motion by Trustee Mower, seconded by Trustee Marshall, the meeting agenda was approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. Privilege of the Floor

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III. Guest Reports

- a. Student Council representatives Alyssa Patterson, Nick Hula and Anthony Chiacchia revisited the issue of fairness in crowning a King and Queen at prom, homecoming, and in other 7-12 grades. The representatives said that the student body has expressed no concerns with the way things have been done thus far, that the crowning of royalty improves school spirit, and is part of the fun of the pep rally. Student Council members will continue to discuss alternatives to this tradition at their next meeting. One option would be to crown only juniors and seniors. Ms. Patterson noted that any representatives at these events should maintain at least an 85% average. President Tharp asked that the

representatives meet again with the Student Council, continue to survey students and discuss alternatives.

b. Bob Copeland from Mohawk Valley Capital Management in Clinton, NY, presented a twelve-month synopsis of the Combined Account Portfolio for the Owen D. Young School Foundation. Mr. Copeland will be happy to return at any time to address questions and concerns.

c. Dan Parker – Building Maintenance Report. President Tharp complimented Mr. Parker on work performed over the summer. Mr. Parker said that the whole custodial crew and summer crew did a great job. President Tharp requested a list of various items up for purchase/when they should be purchased; list should include kitchen appliances. Superintendent Fahey said that the roof contractors will begin work on Universal Pre-K building on November 16.

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 Marshall, seconded by Trustee Kennerknecht, the Board entered into Executive Session at 7:06 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In a motion by Trustee Pullis, seconded by Trustee Marshall, the Board exited Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

V. ROUTINE BUSINESS

- a. Approval of minutes of October 17, 2016.
- b. Approval of Personnel Report dated November 14, 2016.
- c. Approval of Treasurer's Report for September 2016.
- d. Approval of CSE recommendations.

In a motion by Trustee Marshall, seconded by Trustee Mower, the Board approved a., c., and d.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In a motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, seconded by Trustee Mower, the Board approved b.

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VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. In a motion by Trustee Marshall, seconded by Trustee Mower, the Board approved Richfield Springs students participating in ODY Ski Club during the 2016-17 school year

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. In a motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, seconded by Trustee Pullis, the Board approved the donation of a photograph of Mr. Owen D. Young and the Class President at the 1932 ODY graduation.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

President Tharp thanked Mr. Andrew LaLonde, the donor of the photograph. Trustee Mower would like to see the photograph included in the yearbook. President Tharp believes that more people would see the photo if it is included in the school newsletter.

VII. Old Business

a. Shared sports update. Discussion took place about the the girls' modified, junior varsity and varsity volleyball teams, and the number of players from Richfield Springs who play on the teams.

VIII. Policies

a. In a motion by Trustee Marshall, seconded by Trustee Kennerknecht, the Board approved the 2nd reading and adoption of Policy number 7601.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IX. Board Forum

a. President's Report

a. NYSSBA Conference reflection. President Tharp learned a great deal about the health crisis taking place regarding opiate drug abuse. Opiate abuse should be considered a chronic disease. More deaths result from opiate overdoses than deaths resulting from car accidents. Trustee Marshall recalled how powerful it was to hear a recovering addict speak at her high school.

President Tharp discussed various topics and issues that were voted on at the Voting Delegates Conference. President Tharp noted that the OnBoard Newspaper did a good job of summarizing the issues presented at the convention.

b. Round Table. Trustee Marshall enjoyed the recent ODY Talent Show, but emphasized the need to fix the speakers. Trustee Kennerknecht asked if Big Apple Music could assist. Trustee Marshall reported that she has received positive feedback regarding the school's new "drop off" procedure. Mornings are more of a safety concern than afternoons. Trustee Kennerknecht inquired about the school's policy on replacement uniforms for sports. Purchasing uniforms depends on the individual coach's feedback. Trustee Mower recommended a memoir, *Hillbilly Elegy*, by J. D. Vance. Trustee Pullis stated that the Fall Fest went very well, thanking President Tharp and Trustee Kennerknecht for attending. Academic Coach Mr. Mark Dunn was thanked for asking his former student, Jill Reale, to announce the event on a local news station. Vendors at the Fall Fest were pleased, overall. Trustee Pullis agrees that the Talent Show needs fine-tuning so that the event becomes more organized, well-run, and polished. She suggested making it more of a learning experience, both on stage and behind the scenes. The Pullis family

was pleased to have students from Mr. Waters' class and Ms. Heinig's class visit their farm.

X. Administrative Reports and Recommendations

- a. Superintendent/Building Principal's Report
 - a. Donkey Basketball is no longer being considered.
 - b. Drop-off/pick-up procedure is going well, with only one parent complaint.
 - c. Senator Seward visited ODY, stopping in every elementary classroom and some high school classes. The Senator has a genuine interest in the area, and ODY is grateful that he took the time to visit.
 - d. Manufacturing Day
- b. Business Official's Report
 - a. In a motion by Trustee Kennerknecht, seconded by Trustee Marshall, the Board approved the final tax collection report and resolution.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. Fund balance estimate.

Trustee Kennerknecht inquired about the minimum balance for the VanHornesville scholarship account. Mrs. Rodriguez replied that it is to be \$500,000. Currently, the account is at, roughly, \$493,000.

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XII. Adjournment

In a motion by Trustee Marshall, seconded by Trustee Kennerknecht, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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Eva Allegretti
Board Clerk

PERSONNEL REPORT

November 14, 2016

As recommended by Superintendent Brennan M. Fahey, the Board approve the appointments and accept the resignations, as listed in the Personnel Report, noting the salary, certification, and tenure status of all appointees, as appropriate.

1. Appointments:

Name: Gabriela Herringshaw
Position: Varsity/JV/ Modified Basketball/Volleyball Clock Operator or Bookkeeper
Effective Dates: November 15, 2016 – April 1, 2017
Salary: \$25 per game

Name: Joshua Mayton
Position: Substitute Cleaner
Effective Dates: November 15, 2016 – June 30, 2017
Salary: \$10.25/hr

2. Leave request:

- a. Renee Weaver – Leave request for personal reasons. Leave will commence January 3, 2017 and run through February 10, 2018.

3. Resignations:

Name: John Stever
Position: Building Maintenance Mechanic
Effective Date: November 30, 2016

4. Substitute Teachers:

Brien, Erin
Clements, Carrie
Dilorio, Suzanne
Hall, Linda
Jackson, Edward
Tenney, Christine

5. Resignation for purpose of retirement:

- a. Per article 11 of the Van Hornesville Teachers Association agreement, Renee Weaver wishes to retire effective February 10, 2018. Upon recommendation of the superintendent, the district waives sections 11.2c & d requiring Ms. Weaver to retire at the end of the 2017/18 school year.

b. RESOLUTION

By Trustee Keyner Knecht

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Owen D. Young Central School District, that it does hereby accept the irrevocable letter of resignation for purposes of retirement from Renee Weaver, a Math Teacher for the District, effective February 10, 2018.

Seconded by Trustee Mower