

BOARD OF EDUCATION
OWEN D. YOUNG CENTRAL SCHOOL
Monday, September 24, 2012
Regular Meeting

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.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cathy Mayton-Collins, George Mower, Natalia Rogers, Lawrence Snyder and Linda Tharp. Cathy Mayton-Collins arrived at 7:14 p.m. and Linda Tharp left at 10:00 p.m.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Nicholas Fazio, Interim Superintendent; Jodie Rodriguez, Business Administrator; Marilyn Kennerknecht, District Clerk and 7 guests.

Vice President Mower called the meeting to order 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

At this time, Mr. Brennan Fahey, presented the Code of Conduct/Discipline Code to the community members present outlining changes that were made by the State and by the school's legal counsel. After receiving comments and questions, the Code of Conduct/Discipline Code will be approved during Action Items.

The Regular Board of Education meeting commenced at 7:37 p.m.

In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, the meeting agenda was approved with the addition of Executive Session and Action Items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Tharp, the Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2012 were approved.

4 Ayes 1 Abstain

In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Tharp, items "b through r" were approved.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- b. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 17, 2012
- c. Approval of Treasurer's Report for August and September
- d. Approve Tax Correction
- e. Approve Budget Transfer to accommodate for new secretary salary not in original budget.
- f. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve Mrs. Beverly Guilfoyle as mentor for Ms. Amy Haas for the 2012-2013 school year according to the language set forth within the VanHornesville Teachers' Association Contract.
- g. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve Mr. Christopher Hutchinson as mentor for Mr. Shannon Babbie for the 2012-2013 school year according to the language set forth within the VanHornesville Teachers' Association Contract.
- h. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Ms. Angela Becofsky as Art Club Advisor with a stipend of \$668.10.
- i. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Ms. Michelle Cipriano as co-advisor of the Science Club with a stipend of \$384.72.
- j. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mr. Jason Doell as Learn and Serve Club Advisor, stipend of \$325.76.
- k. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Ms. Patricia Frank as Student Council Advisor with a stipend of \$1868.26.
- l. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mrs. Beverly Guilfoyle as Ski Club Advisor with a stipend of \$504.84.

- m. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mrs. Beverly Guilfoyle as Learn and Serve Advisor with a stipend of \$347.54.
- n. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mr. Jeff Rupp as Science Club Advisor with a stipend of \$422.27.
- o. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mr. Patrick Shepard as International Club Advisor with a stipend of \$695.08.
- p. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Ms. Lori Stilwell as Junior/Senior National Honor Society Advisor with a stipend of \$1577.34.
- q. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Ms. Lisa Wilber as Ski Club Advisor with a stipend of \$394.34.
- r. Upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, appoint Mr. Tom MacMillan as Drama Club Advisor with a stipend of \$2284.63.

DISTRICT PRESENTATION

Cwynar and Company Auditors presented the Board with the annual financial statements. Mr. Cwynar and Mr. Farrow explained the Executive Summary audit findings from the current year and findings from the previous year with audit opinions.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs. Jackie Snyder questioned why the VanHorne Scholarship was not on the agenda. President Mayton-Collins said that it will be on the October agenda.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Voting Delegate -President Mayton-Collins will be attending the annual NYSSBA conference in October in Rochester.
- b. President Mayton-Collins received a letter from the Fort Plain School District in which they expressed interest in sharing services with area schools and possible future mergers. Vice President Mower commented that, due to the expanse of our district, he is interested in cost saving viable shared services. After discussion, President Mayton-Collins will send a letter to Fort Plain expressing interest and asked whether the Board would like to invite them to our consultant meeting. Trustee Tharp said she would like to wait until after meeting with the consultants.
- c. Consultant dates – the Board looked at their calendars to check dates. Possible dates are the evenings of October 23rd, November 5, 13 and 20th. Possible Friday dates are October 19, November 2 and 16th at noon.
- d. Combined soccer seems to be going smoothly. There are 15 ODY and 6 Richfield Springs players.
- e. Alumni Banquet was held on September 15 and was well attended and positive.
- f. Open House/Sports Booster dinner was well attended and a very positive atmosphere.
- g. President Mayton-Collins mentioned that she needs be available on October 2nd by phone regarding the bonding for the bus. Authority has been delegated to Mrs. Jodie Rodriguez.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. Junior Montana Murdock has been accepted to the All State NYSMA conference on November 29-December 2nd.
- b. There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at ODY on Friday, September 28 from 1:00-6:00 p.m.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- a. Mrs. Rodriguez provided the budget calendar to Board members. The first budget development meeting will be on October 22 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

In a motion by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Tharp, the Board entered Executive Session at 9:05 p.m. for the purpose of negotiations discussion as well as contract discussion specific to the Interim Superintendent as defined in section 105 (1F) of the public officer's law.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

In a motion by Trustee Rogers, seconded by Vice President Mower, the Board exited Executive Session at 10:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, the agenda is amended to include items "e and f".
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

a. In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, the Code of Conduct is adopted with the understanding that there are addendums to be created.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby extends the contract of the Interim Superintendent, Nicholas Fazio, until October 31, 2012 effective October 1, 2012.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, President Mayton-Collins is approved as voting delegate at the annual business meeting at the NYSSBA Convention in Rochester on October 25-27.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, approve two special education placements dated September 4, 2012 with a start date September 24, 2012.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

e. In a motion by Trustee Rogers, seconded by Trustee Snyder, adopt the audit report provided by Cwynar and Co.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

f. In a motion by Vice President Mower, seconded by Trustee Rogers, adopt the 2012-2013 budget development calendar.

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DISCUSSION TIME

Trustee Snyder reported seeing a map on WKTV from a consumer watch group that compiles data from NYSED and ranks school districts by cost per student.

Trustee Rogers welcomed back Trustee Snyder.

Vice President Mower feels that New York State should consider extending the school year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

BOARD COMMENTS

President Mayton-Collins thanked everyone for the positive community "vibe." She also mentioned that she has been approached about making the school a community center which could offer continuing education courses for adults. President Mayton-Collins reported that she has been asked about the public use of the restrooms in the school during soccer games. Currently there is a "porta potty" located on the field. The Board discussed this situation with different ways to monitor someone being in the school.

In a motion by Trustee Rogers, seconded by Vice President Mower, the meeting was adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Kennerknecht
District Clerk