

Ogdensburg City School District  
Board of Education  
Ogdensburg, New York

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DATE: January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

WHERE HELD: OFA Cafeteria

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Johnson, James King, Craig Lalonde, Michael Myers,  
Vicky Peo, Michael Tooley, Laurie Zweifel, Anthoni Pope Student  
Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Renee' Grizzuto and Lawrence Mitchell

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Timothy Vernsey, Jeffery Swanson, Patricia  
Smithers, Board Clerk Mariah Ahmad, and Citizens

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Board President Ronald Johnson at 6:00 p.m.  
in the OFA Cafeteria.

Pledge of Allegiance

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION:

**Report A:**

Acceptance of Committee on Special Education, Committee on Preschool Special  
Education and 504 Committee Recommendations for Meetings Held on January 5, 7,  
2016.

Moved By: J. King

Supported By: L. Zweifel

**RESOLVED:** Having the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, the  
Committee on Preschool Special Education and the 504 Committee, the Board of Education of  
the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby accept the recommendations as presented this  
19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Acceptance of Board of Education Minutes

Moved By: L. Zweifel

Supported By: M. Tooley

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of  
the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby accept the minutes for the meeting held on  
January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

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Ayes: All Present  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried

Letters and Communications to the Board of Education:  
None

Comments Relative to the Agenda:  
There were no comments relative to the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:  
None

NEW BUSINESS:  
Personnel Division

**Report 1:**  
Resignation of Part-Time Food Service Helper

Moved By: C. Lalonde  
Supported By: M. Myers

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby accept the resignation of BARBARA RICHARDSON, as PART-TIME FOOD SERVICE HELPER, effective December 21, 2015.

Ayes: All Present  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried

**Report 2:**  
Resignation of Teaching Assistant

Moved By: J. King  
Supported By: V. Peo

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby accept the resignation of BRIDGET FLEAHMAN, as TEACHING ASSISTANT, effective January 15, 2016.

Ayes: All Present  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried

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**Report 3:**

Retirement of Secondary Social Studies Teacher

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: J. King

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby accept the retirement of MARK BRADY, SECONDARY SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER, effective June 30, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 4:**

Appointment of Advantage After-School Program Teaching Assistant

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: M. Myers

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint JESSICA AZZERONE, as ADVANTAGE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM TEACHING ASSISTANT, at a rate of \$11.50 per hour for the 2015-2016 school year.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 5:**

Appointment of Volunteer Odyssey of the Mind Coach

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: L. Zweifel

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint MARISSA FOSTER, as VOLUNTEER COACH for ODYSSEY OF THE MIND (1<sup>st</sup> year), for 2015-2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Business and Finance Division

**Report 6:**

Tax Collector's Report of Unpaid Taxes

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: V. Peo

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the ~~2013-2014~~ 2015-2016 Tax Collector's Report shows the total taxes collected in the amount of \$6,558,357.88, and that the list of unpaid taxes is as follows: City of Ogdensburg: Taxes \$535,903.95, Interest ~~\$21,436.16~~ \$26,795.16; Town of Oswegatchie Taxes: \$120,663.95, Interest \$6,033.20; Town of Lisbon Taxes \$52.83, Interest \$2.64; be accepted, and be it further RESOLVED that the List of Unpaid Taxes be transmitted to the proper collection agencies for collection.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 7:**

Surplus Property

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: M. Tooley

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District approve the Business Manager to dispose of the Surplus vehicle pursuant to Board Policy 5250R this 19<sup>TH</sup> day of January, 2016

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 8:**

Preliminary BOCES Service Request for 2016-2017

Mr. Vernsey explained that this report was created by going over the billing and services numbers for December. M. Tooley asked if the final number of \$150,000.00 were the current projected savings for the year. P. Smithers explained that this number only accounts for half of the year. M. Tooley made it clear that the numbers seen in the report are based on current participation and current spending only. These are to be used looking forward at finalizing budget numbers later in the year.

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**Report 9:**

Resolution to Approve Change Order 14-01

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: L. Zweifel

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve Change Order 14-01, EXCEL Consolidation and Capital Improvements Project Phase 5 – Ogdensburg Free Academy – Project Number: 2007-122F, presented this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 10:**

Resolution to Approve Budget Transfer

Moved By: J. King

Supported By: M. Tooley

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve the budget transfer of \$341,782.69 this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 11:**

2016-2017 Budget Discussion re: Elementary Department

M. Tooley requested that explanations regarding specific budgetary needs be included in the report.

M. Tooley also suggested buying any Xerox paper listed in the report with the remaining balance of this year's budget.

**Report 12:**

2016-2017 Budget Discussion re: Libraries

No action needed – information and discussion only.

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**Reports B1, B2, B3, and B6:**

Items Numbered B1, B2, B3, and B6 Approved by the Board of Education as part of a Consent Agenda

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: J. King

**RESOLVED:** Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby adopt a Consent Agenda and approve items B1, B2, B3, and B6, through one motion and second of motion on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report B4:**

Revenue Status Report

M. Tooley inquired about the lack of fund collected for Athletic mergers in the fall. J. Swanson commented that there were about \$12,000 dollars in fees to be collect soon for both the fall and winter sports seasons.

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: J. King

**RESOLVED:** Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District hereby approves the Revenue Status Reports and finding them to represent the status of operations as of December 31, 2015, hereby accepts the report as presented this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report B5:**

Revenue Status Report

M. Tooley noted that Phase 3 had not been closed out. Mr. Vernsey commented that they were advised to wait until the fields have been assessed.

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: M. Myers

**RESOLVED:** Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District, having reviewed the Budget Status Reports and finding them to represent the status of operations as of December 31, 2015, hereby accepts the report as presented this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

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Motion Carried

Other:  
None

**Concluding Comments by Citizens, Board Members, and /or Administration:**

J. King made a few suggestions pertaining to building maintenance. He noted that sidewalk and entrance between the small and large gyms is in need of being shoveled even though the doors are not used as often as other entrances to the building. J. King would also like to see the lights on the score board of the large gym repaired and requests that the doors between the small and large gym are left open for modified sports games.

Mr. Vernsey congratulated Mark Brady on the acceptance of his retirement.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vote to Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved By: J. King

Supported By: V. Peo

RESOLVED: That, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby adjourn to Executive Session to discuss contractual and personnel issues.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Having no further business, President Johnson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.  
Next meeting held on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mariah Ahmad  
Board Clerk