

Ogdensburg City School District  
Board of Education  
Ogdensburg, New York

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**DATE:** January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**KIND OF MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**WHERE HELD:** OFA Cafeteria

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Renee' Grizzuto, Ronald Johnson, James King, Craig Lalonde, Lawrence Mitchell, Michael Myers, Michael Tooley,

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Laurie Zweifel, Vicky Peo, Anthony Pope Student Representative

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Timothy Vernsey, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Technology Kevin Kendall, 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.

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION:**

**Report A:**

Acceptance of Committee on Special Education, Committee on Preschool Special Education and 504 Committee Recommendations for Meetings Held on December 14, 22, 2016 and January 4, 5, 2017.

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: L. Mitchell

**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 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Acceptance of Board of Education Minutes**

Moved By: L. Mitchell

Supported By: G. Grizzuto

**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 Regular Meetings, held on December 19<sup>th</sup> and January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.

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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  
None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Vernsey updated the Board regarding the SMART Schools Bond Money and its approval. The 1<sup>st</sup> year plan includes the purchasing of 100 new laptops and the completion of WiFi setup at OFA. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year plan includes upgrading the camera equipment and software.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION**

**Report 1:**

Sports Merger with the Heuvelton Central School District Spring Track (all levels)

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 approve the sports merger with Heuvelton Central School District in Spring Sports – Spring Track (all levels) for the 2016-2017 school year this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: All Present  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried

**Report 2:**

Sports Merger with the Heuvelton Central School District Boys Lacrosse (all levels)

Moved By: L. Mitchell

Supported By: R. Grizzuto

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve the sports merger with Heuvelton Central School District in Spring Sports – Boys Lacrosse (all levels) for the 2016-2017 school year this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: R. Johnson, J. King, C. Lalonde, L. Mitchell, M. Myers,  
Nays: R. Grizzuto, M. Tooley  
Motion Carried

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INSTRUCTIONAL DIVISION

**Report 3:**

New York State District and School Report Card 2015-2016

Mr. Kendall was present to answer any questions or concerns regarding the 2015-2016 New York State District and School Report Card. C. Lalonde asked Mr. Kendall if other schools had encountered issues meeting the AYP due to students opting out of testing. Mr. Kendall and Mr. Vernsey explained that this is common for the area and it is likely the Board will see many other schools encountering this same problem. The results of this report card do not affect financial aid numbers and the district consecutively not reaching AYP would only result in more aid for the development of staff.

PERSONNEL DIVISION

**Report 4:**

Re-Adoption of Substitute Teacher/Teaching Assistant/School Nurse Compensation Schedule

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 authorize the following COMPENSATION SCHEDULE for SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, SUBSTITUTE TEACHING ASSISTANTS, AND SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL NURSES effective retroactive to December 31, 2016:

TITLE	COMPENSATION SCHEDULE (Daily Rate)
Retired New York State Certified Teacher	\$135.00
BA/BS/Certified Substitute Teacher	\$85.00
Uncertified Substitute Teacher	\$75.00
Substitute Teaching Assistant	\$68.00
Substitute School Nurse	\$135.00

- Long-Term Replacement > 20 days, daily rate increases by \$23.00, pay will be retroactive to first day.
- Long-Term Replacement > 60 days, paid the per diem rate of a teacher (BA+30, STEP 1), pay will be retroactive to first day.
- If leave is known to be > 60 days, rate will begin immediately on the first day.
- If length of leave is not known and becomes > 60 days, pay will be retroactive to first day.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

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Motion Carried

**Report 5:**

Appointment of Substitute Teaching Assistants

Moved By: L. Mitchell

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 appoint the following as SUBSTITUTE TEACHING ASSISTANT at a rate of \$68.00 per day for the 2016-2017 school year:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHING ASSISTANTS	
DAKOTA BRADY	MATTHEW RAMM
DAVID PRUDHOMME	

In accordance with the Safe Schools Against Violence Act, appointment is contingent upon a successful background check.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 6:**

Appointment of Substitute Teachers and Nurses

Moved By: M. Myers

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 appoint the following as SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS and NURSES for the 2016-2017 school year.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS AND SUBSTITUTE NURSES	
STACY BARR	LAUREN PLOOF
ALEXANDER FARRELL	

In accordance with the Safe Schools Against Violence Act, appointment is contingent upon a successful background check.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 7:**

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Appointment of Summer Marching Band Assistants for 2017

Moved By: M. Myers

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 appoint LISA CHASE as SUMMER MARCHING BAND ASSISTANT, at a salary of \$1,000.00 for the 2017 summer season.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint SHERRI MILLER as SUMMER MARCHING BAND ASSISTANT, at a salary of \$1,000.00 for the 2017 summer season.

Ayes: R. Grizzuto, R. Johnson, J. King, C. Lalonde, L. Mitchell, M. Myers

Nays: None

Abstain: M. Tooley

Motion Carried

**Report 8:**

Revised Appointment of Half-Time (.5) Elementary Physical Education Teacher

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: C. Lalonde

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint KYLE BOUCHARD as HALF-TIME ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER, BA, STEP 1, at a prorated salary of \$21,388.00, effective January 3, 2017, status probationary (probationary period 01/03/17 through 01/03/21, unless extended in accordance with the law). This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provision of Section 3012 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 9:**

Appointment of Unpaid Winter Coaches 2016-2017

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: M. Myers

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**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint BRENT RIDER as UNPAID WRESTLING COACH (2<sup>nd</sup> year), for the 2016-2017 winter season.

Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint ANGELA MCROBERTS as UNPAID BOYS MODIFIED 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE BASKETBALL COACH (1<sup>st</sup> year), for the 2016-2017 winter season.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 10:**

School Counselor Tenure Appointment

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: L. Mitchell

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, **M. BRIDGET DOLAN** be and is hereby granted tenure as **SCHOOL COUNSELOR** in the Ogdensburg City School District, effective January 5, 2017.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**BUSINESS AND FINANCE DIVISION**

**Report 11:**

Tax Collector's Report of Unpaid Taxes

Moved By: R. Grizzuto

Supported By: L. Mitchell

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the 2016-2017 Tax Collector's Report shows the total taxes collected in the amount of \$6,724,788.32 and that the list of unpaid taxes is as follows: City of Ogdensburg: Taxes \$517,404.45, Interest \$25,870.22; Town of Oswegatchie: Taxes \$144,425.66, Interest \$7,221.28; Town of Lisbon: Taxes \$51.70, Interest \$2.59; 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 12:**

Resolution to Approve Change Order 2-01

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Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: L. Mitchell

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve Change Order 2-01, Lighting Replacement Project 51-23-00-01-0-002-010 Dome, presented this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: R. Grizzuto, R. Johnson, J. King, C. Lalonde, L. Mitchell, M. Tooley

Nays: M. Myers

Motion Carried

**Report 13:**

2017-2018 Budget Discussion for the Elementary Department

M. Tooley asked administration to look at the current level the contractual line is set at and to come back to board with a recommendation for increasing that line.

**Report 13:**

2017-2018 Budget Discussion for the Libraries

No action needed – information and discussion only.

**Reports B1, B2, B3, B5 & B6:**

Items Numbered **B1, B2, B3, B5 & 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, B5 & B6**, through one motion and second of motion on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report B4:**

Revenue Status Report/December 2016

M. Tooley asked for an update from administration and staff regarding the revenue of the afterschool program. He would like to know if the numbers on the report are accurate and if so, is the district falling short of projected numbers.

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: L. Mitchell

**RESOLVED:** Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of

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Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve the Revenue Status Reports and Finding them to represent the status of operations as of December 31, 2016, hereby accepts the report as presented this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Other:

None

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

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vote to Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: M. Myers

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 6:37 p.m.

Next meeting held on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mariah Ahmad  
Board Clerk