

Ogdensburg City School District  
Board of Education  
Ogdensburg, New York

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DATE: April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

WHERE HELD: OFA Cafeteria

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Myers , Vicky Peo, Anthoni Pope Student Representative

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

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Board President Ronald Johnson at 6:11 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 March 14, 15, 17, 18, 29, 2016.

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: R. Grizzuto

**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 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Acceptance of Board of Education Minutes

Moved By: L. Mitchell

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, with minor changes, for the meeting held on March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Letters and Communications to the Board of Education

Mrs. Tuttle supplied Mr. Vernsey with a letter written by Christy Smith about the Cub Scout troop which recently visited the OFA Planetarium. Mrs. Smith provided the children and troop leaders with a presentation explaining the revolution of the stars, how to identify constellations, what a star is and much more. This was the fifth time this troop has been to the planetarium.

Comments Relative to the Agenda

None

OLD BUSINESS:

**Report 1:**

Recognition of the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the Class of 2016

The Board, citizens, faculty and staff present recognized the great accomplishments of the 2016 graduation class's Valedictorian, Matthew Ramm, and Salutatorian, Yazhou "Jo" Zhou.

**Report 2:**

Approval of the Smart Schools Investment Plan

Moved By: L. Zwiefel

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 approve the Smart Schools Investment Plan as presented, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

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NEW BUSINESS:  
Personnel Division

**Report 3:**

Resignation of Varsity Boys & Girls Outdoor Track & Field Assistant Coach

Moved By: M. Tooley

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 resignation of CHRISTOPHER McROBERTS as BOYS & GIRLS Varsity OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD ASSISTANT COACH, effective March 24, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 4:**

Teaching Assistant Tenure Appointment

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: C. Lalonde

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, **JULIE MERRIFIELD** be and is hereby granted tenure as **TEACHING ASSISTANT** in the Ogdensburg City School District, effective March 24, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**Report 5:**

Retirement of Laborer

Moved By: L. Zwiefel

Supported By: M. Tooley

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District hereby accept the retirement of WAYNE RAMSEY as LABORER, effective June 30, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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**Report 5:**

Retirement of Laborer

Moved By: L. Mitchell

Supported By: C. Lalonde

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District hereby appoint JUSTIN CASEY as UNPAID JUNIOR VASITY SOFTBALL COACH, (1<sup>st</sup> year), for the 2016 spring season.

Ayes: Renee' Grizzuto, Ronald Johnson, Craig Lalonde, Lawrence Mitchell, Michael Tooley, Laurie Zweifel,

Nays: James King

Motion Carried

Business and Finance Division

**Report 6:**

Resolution to Adopt the 2016-2017 Budget

Mr. Swanson explained the district would be receiving only \$160,000 in aid as of Friday. In light of this Mr. Swanson made some changes to the proposed budget since the last review on March 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Vernsey commented that they district is still within the tax cap. M. Tooley expressed his appreciation to the administration and faculty for the smoothest budget development he has seen in years. He knows a lot of hardwork went into this.

Moved By: M. Tooley

Supported By: R. Grizzuto

**RESOLVED:** Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District hereby approve the 2016-2017 budget in the amount of \$42,800,000.00 on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Other:

None

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

None

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Vote to Adjourn to Executive Session

Moved By: L. Mitchell

Supported By: M. Tooley

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 6:28 p.m.  
Next meeting held on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mariah Ahmad  
Board Clerk