

Ogdensburg City School District
Board of Education
Ogdensburg, New York

DATE: March 21st, 2022

KIND OF MEETING: Regular Meeting

WHERE HELD: OFA Cafeteria B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Renee` Grizzuto, Ronald Johnson, Craig Lalonde, Angela McRoberts, Michael Myers, Vicky Peo, Elizabeth Testani, Connor Sutton, Nick Davison, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pamela Luckie

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Kevin Kendall, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Technology Brook Reid, Kaleb Bertrand, Board Clerk Mariah Pearson, 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 February 28, 2022 and March 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 2022

Moved By: M. Myers

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 accept the recommendations as presented this 21st day of March 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Acceptance of Board of Education Minutes

Moved By: M. Myers

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 Regular Meeting Minutes held on March 7th, 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Letters and Communications to the Board of Education

None

Comments Relative to the Agenda

Report 16 has been removed from the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

NEW BUSINESS:

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

Report 1:

Resolution Establishing the Ogdensburg City School District as a Lead Agency Under the State Environmental Quality Air Act for Ogdensburg City School District 2021 Capital Outlay Project

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: R. Grizzuto

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Ogdensburg City School District as the Lead Agency for this project and directs the Board of Education President to complete all required SEQR applications, forms, notices, all related correspondences, and information requirements and the District Clerk to circulate and to mail all required notices to all involved agencies.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 2:

Resolution Determining that Capital Outlay Project at John F. Kennedy Elementary School is a Type II Action

Moved By: E. Testani

Supported By: R. Grizzuto

RESOLVED: Based upon an examination of the EAF and other available supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each relevant area of environmental concern, and based further upon the District's knowledge of the area surrounding the Action and such further investigation of the Action and its potential environmental impacts as the District has deemed appropriate, the District makes the following findings and determinations:

1. The District has determined that the Project constitutes a "Type II action" (as the quoted term is defined in the Regulations) because it falls clearly within the ambit of three actions included on the Type II list specified in Section 617.5 of the Regulations:

(a) "routine activity of an educational institution" (617.5(c)(8)); and/or

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(b) “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility” (617.5(c)(1)); and/or

(c) “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site;” (617.5(c)(2)); and

2. The Project is not subject to further review under SEQRA; and

3. Notwithstanding that the Project is not subject to further review under SEQRA, the District will continue to comply with the New York State Education Department Guidelines for School District Implementation of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) and Associated Changes in the SED Building Permit Process, which requires consultation with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; and

4. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the New York State Education Department.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 3:

Resolution to Approve Propositions to be Voted on by the Voters of the Ogdensburg City School District at the Annual Meeting and School Board Election on May 17, 2022

Moved By: C. Sutton

Supported By: A. McRoberts

RESOLVED: Section 1. The Project does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA). The regulatory bases are Section 617.5(c)(1): “maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility” Section 617.5(c)(2): “replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site “and Section 617.5(c)(8): “routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area.

Accordingly, the Project is not subject to review under SEQRA.

Section 2. The propositions hereinafter set forth is hereby authorized to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters at the annual school district election to be held in said District on May 17, 2022.

Section 3. The District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include as a part of the notice of the Annual Meeting the propositions in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION
(Capital Reserve Fund)

Shall the Board of Education of the Board of Education of the Enlarged Ogdensburg City School District, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for a ten-year term pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be titled “2022 Capital Reserve Fund” and fund such reserve in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, inclusive of accrued interest and other investment earnings, to be used for renovations and additions to all District facilities, including purchase of equipment, technology upgrades, classroom equipment and/or school infrastructure

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equipment, site development, athletic fields, storm and sanitary sewer, driveways, and parking lots, such reserve fund to be funded from (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designated reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law?

PROPOSITION
(John F. Kennedy Elementary School)

Shall the Board of Education of the Enlarged Ogdensburg City School District, be authorized to undertake a project consisting of the reconstruction of John F. Kennedy Elementary School at a maximum cost of \$3,000,000 including related site improvements, original furnishings, fixtures and equipment, architectural fees, and all other costs incidental to such work (the “Project”) and pay for the costs of the Project by using \$3,000,000 from the capital reserve fund approved by the District voters on May 18, 2021.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The motion having been duly moved, the resolution was acted upon by the Board of Education and there were 8 votes in favor of the resolution and 0 votes against the resolution as follows:

Ronald N. Johnson, President - Aye
Craig A. Lalonde, Vice President - Aye
Reneé C. Grizzuto - Aye
Pamela J. Luckie - Absent
Angela D. McRoberts - Aye
Michael C. Myers - Aye
Vicky May Peo - Aye
Connor G. Sutton - Aye
Elizabeth E. Testani - Aye

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 4-12:

Consent Agenda for items 4-12

Moved By: A. McRoberts

Supported By: E. Testani

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve reports 4-12 as part of a Consent Agenda this 21st day of March 2022.

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Ayes: All Present
Nays: None
Motion Carried

PERSONNEL DIVISION

Report 13:
Resignation of Part-Time Food Service Helper

Moved By: A. McRoberts
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 accept the resignation of PAIGE BLEAU as PART-TIME FOOD SERVICE HELPER, effective March 7, 2022.

Ayes: All Present
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Report 14:
Resignation of Full-Time Laborer

Moved By: E. Testani
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 ANDREW RISHE as FULL-TIME LABORER, effective March 8, 2022.

Ayes: All Present
Nays: None
Motion Carried

Report 15:
Appointment of Teaching Assistant

Moved By: M. Myers
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 appoint MORGAN WRIGHT as TEACHING ASSISTANT, at a salary, to be prorated, of \$24,052.65, effective March 21, 2022, status probationary (probationary period 03/21/22 through 03/21/25)

Ayes: All Present
Nays: None
Motion Carried

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Report 17:

Appointment of Teaching Assistant

Moved By: A. McRoberts

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 appoint HEATHER FERGUSON as TEACHING ASSISTANT, at a salary, to be prorated, of \$24,052.65, effective March 21, 2022, status probationary (probationary period 03/21/22 through 03/21/25)

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 18:

Substitute Coordinator Salary Increase

Moved By: M. Myers

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 authorize a SALARY INCREASE of \$750.00, to KATIE KING, SUBSTITUTE COORDINATOR, for a total salary of \$10,833, effective retroactive to September 1, 2021.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 19:

Reclassification of Laborer Position to Building Maintenance Helper

Moved By: E. Testani

Supported By: C. Sutton

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint CHRISTOPHER MEASHAW, SR., as BUILDING MAINTENANCE HELPER, effective March 21, 2022, at a salary of \$31,778.68 to be prorated, status probationary (probationary period March 21, 2022 through March 20, 2023).

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Report 20:

Reclassification of Laborer Position to Building Maintenance Helper

Moved By: E. Testani

Supported By: C. Sutton

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby appoint CODY GARDNER, as BUILDING MAINTENANCE HELPER, effective March 21, 2022, at a salary of \$27,476.15 to be prorated, status probationary (probationary period March 21, 2022 through March 20, 2023).

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

BUSINESS AND FINANCE DIVISION

Report 21:

BOCES Final Commitment Service Request for 2022-2023

Moved By: R. Grizzuto

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 signing of the final commitment service request form for BOCES services for the 2022-2023 school year on this 21st day of March 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 22:

NERIC Final Commitment Service Request for 2022-2023

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: A. McRoberts

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby authorize the signing of the final commitment service request form for NERIC services for the 2022-2023 school year on this 21st day of March 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

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Report 23:

Board Acceptance of Internal Risk Assessment Audit 2021 and Corrective Action Plan

Moved By: C. Lalonde

Supported By: C. Sutton

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve the Internal Audit and Corrective Action Plan to be submitted to SED on March 22, 2022 on this day March 21, 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 24:

Resolution to Approve Budget Transfers

Moved By:

Supported By:

RESOLVED: Having the approval of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby approve the Budgetary Transfers presented on this 21st day of March 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Report 25:

2022-2023 Budget Update

The current proposed budget includes a \$2,850,000 capital outlay project for a total of \$52,787,655. This represents a \$3,399,655 or a 7.2% increase from prior year. Excluding the capital project, which we will receive aid on, it is a \$649,655 or a 1.38% increase from the prior year.

Report B1-B6:

Consent Agenda for items B1-B6

Moved By: E. Testani

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 approve reports B1-B6 as part of a Consent Agenda this 21st day of March 2022.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Other:

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The Board confirmed for the Student Representative the rumor concerning litterboxes within the school to be false.

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

Board members and Mr. Kendall congratulated Mrs. Dwyer on a phenomenal school play and expressed their joy at seeing the kids enjoying a mask free event.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved By: A. McRoberts

Supported By: V. Peo

RESOLVED: That, the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg City School District does hereby adjourn at 6:15 pm.

Ayes: All Present

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Next meeting held on April 4th, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mariah Pearson
Board Clerk