

**ONEONTA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 27, 2022**

The Oneonta City Board of Education met in regular session June 27, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Oneonta High School Library. Members present were Patrick Adams, President, Don Maples, Ricky Hicks, Sharon Breaseale, and Matthew Taylor.

AGENDA APPROVED:

On a move from Mr. Hicks and a second from Mrs. Breaseale, the board unanimously approved the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVED:

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Taylor the board unanimously approved the minutes of Regular Board Meeting May 16, 2022, and Special Called Meeting June 14, 2022.

MAY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS APPROVED:

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the May financial statements were unanimously approved. The financial data and/or cash balances presented to the Board on June 27, 2022, are based on the reconciled bank statements to the general ledger as of May 31, 2022.

SCHOOL RECOGNITIONS:

State Board Member Dr. Cynthia McCarty toured our system last week and was very complimentary of the school facilities and the various summer camp programs. Many thanks to Assistant Superintendent Tammy McMinn and the administrators for all of their work.

OHS Principal Jones, OMS Principal Rogers and several others will be attending a Solution Tree conference in Arkansas next week which focuses on collaborative teaming, assessments and working with standards. Some of the attendees will also attend the MEGA conference the week after. Superintendent Smith stated his appreciation for the efforts and dedication of the staff seeking out training to make the system better.

COMMUNICATIONS:

President Adams opened the floor to public comment, no one responded.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mrs. Breaseale, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendations 1A through 1F.

1. Students
 - A. Approved the enrollment of thirty-four (34) OES non-resident students for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - B. Approved the continued enrollment of twenty-seven (27) OMS 6th grade non-resident students for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - C. Approved the enrollment of two (2) OMS non-resident students for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - D. Approved the placement of eight (8) OMS non-resident students on probationary status for the first semester of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - E. Approved the continued enrollment of twenty-five (25) OHS 9th grade non-resident students for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - F. Approved the continued enrollment of one (1) OHS 9th grade non-resident student on probationary status for the first semester of the 2022-2023 school year.

On a move from Mr. Hicks and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendations 2A through 2K.

2. Personnel
 - A. Accepted the resignation from Jake Thomas, OHS Social Science Teacher.
 - B. Approved Kaycee Lowe as Special Education Aide for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - C. Approved the employment of Peyton Gilliland as OMS Science Teacher effective August 1, 2022.

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- D. Approved the employment of Keith DePew as OHS Social Science Teacher & Head Varsity Baseball Coach effective August 1, 2022.
- E. Approved the employment of Brady Lett as EL Instructional Aide effective August 1, 2022, pending verification of highly qualified status.
- F. Approved the continued status as TEAMS teacher for Christy Bass, Rhonda Ford, Ashlea Posey, Nic Riley and Erica Whited; and non-renewal of Lisa Wall TEAMS contract.
- G. Approved Jill Phillips as Varsity Girls Basketball Head Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.
- H. Approved Chelsea Walker as Varsity Volleyball Head Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.
- I. Approved Jonathan Butler and Jalen Johnson as non-compensated volunteer assistant coaches for the Middle School and Varsity football teams for the 2022-2023 school year.
- J. Approved the employment of Gina Campbell as CNP Director effective July 11, 2022, pending background clearance.
- K. Approved Jackie Nix to be paid \$200 per day for a maximum of 30 days during the 2022-2023 school year for training and support of the new CNP Director.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendation 3.

- 3. Approved the policy revisions to the OCS Credit Recovery Guidelines for Computer Based CR Courses.

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendation 4.

- 4. Approved the 2022-2023 OCS Student Handbook.

On a move from Mr. Hicks and a second from Mr. Maples, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendation 5.

- 5. Approved the 2022-2023 OCS Chromebook Policy.

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Maples, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendation 6.

- 6. Approved the OCS Salary and Supplement Schedules for the 2022-2023 scholastic year.

On a move from Mr. Taylor and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Smith's recommendation 7.

- 7. Approved Budget Amendment #2 for FY22.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

President Adams extended thanks to Officer Roddam for his work keeping the campus secure during the summer camps. He thanked administrators for all their work finding highly qualified and competent personnel and faculty.

President Adams recognized Mr. Smith's last meeting as Superintendent. An official send-off gathering was hosted at the end of school allowing faculty and staff members to extend their thoughts and wishes. Mr. Smith was the right man at the right time for the job. He provided stability, always had the best interest of the system at heart, moved us in the right direction, and kept improving the systems' academic success. With his guidance through COVID, our system came out with minimal loss of learning. Projects completed during his tenure include: STEM lab; renovation of the auditorium and common area; HVAC systems in the gym and auxiliary gym; relocating the Central Office; new band room; renovate the auxiliary gym and new weight room; major stadium renovation; new turf; new track and field; new on-campus

baseball facility; and the pole barn. There have been a phenomenal number of projects taken on over the past several years. It has been a privilege and pleasure to work with him.

Vice –President Maples stated he has been board president with five superintendents, and Mr. Smith was the exact right for our system. He provided a calming effect with his leadership skills. A gift certificate was presented from the board with their appreciation for all he has done for the system.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Superintendent Smith stated three of the current board members were active when he interviewed for the position and he felt good about the fit after the interview. The job offer from Patrick Adams was a memorable event fulfilling his desire to be at Oneonta. This experience has made him a better leader and educator. We have a great board that serves the school system. Oneonta is a special place, and it is the people that make it special. There is no better place for an educator. Being Superintendent at Oneonta has been the pinnacle of his career. He thanked the board members for trusting him in every aspect.

June is a busy month due to the work load and differing schedules, thanks to all the people working here during the summer. We are fortunate to be surrounded by good people, hard workers that love the school system.

Congratulations to the new employees that have been hired tonight and recently. We wish for long and positive relationships during their tenure and we hope to be done with hiring people for a while.

Summer maintenance projects are on-going.

A new scoreboard was ordered for the stadium which should be installed before the first football game. We look forward to providing another element of information and entertainment to the community by streaming announcements and videos. President Adams stated we need to start thinking about advertising on the scoreboards, whether a fixed ad or digital scrolling. A process needs to be developed and pricing reviewed. Superintendent Smith stated we have had good comments and feedback on the digital board in the front of the school. The new scoreboard will provide great information to a captive audience.

Special thanks to this Board, the Central Office Staff, Administrators and employees for the support shown during his tenure as Superintendent of Oneonta City Schools. Good luck to Mr. Sosebee as new Superintendent.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks the meeting was adjourned.



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PRESIDENT