

**ONEONTA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 15, 2023**

The Oneonta City Board of Education met in regular session May 15, 2023, 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 April, 20, 2023.

APRIL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS APPROVED:

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mr. Hicks, the April financial statements were unanimously approved. The financial data and/or cash balances presented to the Board on May 15, 2023, are based on the reconciled bank statements to the general ledger as of April 30, 2023.

SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendations 1A through 1D.

1. Students
 - A. Approved the enrollment of one (1) OES non-resident student and the continued enrollment of one (1) OES non-resident student for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - B. Approved the continued enrollment of twenty-four (24) OMS non-resident students for the 2023-2024 school year, and two (2) OMS non-resident students on probationary status for the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year.
 - C. Approved the continued enrollment of twenty-five (25) OHS non-resident students for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - D. Approved the continued enrollment of two (2) OHS non-resident students on probationary status for the first semester of the 2023-2024 school year.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mrs. Breaseale, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendations 2A through 2U, excluding item 2I granting tenure for Elyssa Smith.

2. Personnel
 - A. Accepted the retirement of Rhonda Lind, OCS Bus Driver, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - B. Accepted the retirement of Lori Brooks, CNP Worker, effective August 1, 2023.
 - C. Accepted the resignation of Brittani Scott, OES Teacher, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - D. Accepted the resignation of Keith DePew, OHS Social Science Teacher and Head Baseball Coach effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - E. Accepted the resignation of Jason Parrish, OHS Health Teacher, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - F. Accepted the resignation of Luis Vazquez, OHS Career Preparedness Teacher, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - G. Accepted the resignation of Christy Brooks and OCS Full Time Substitute, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
 - H. Approved the non-renewal of Wesley Brewer, OCS Technician, effective the conclusion of his 2022-2023 school year contract.
 - I. Approved the continued employment granting tenure or non-probationary status of certified and classified personnel:

Certified employees:

- Kara Green Oneonta Elementary School Teacher
- Austin Owens Oneonta Elementary School Teacher
- Emily Siler Oneonta Elementary School Teacher
- ~~Elyssa Smith Oneonta Elementary School Teacher~~
- Amanda Haston Oneonta High School Teacher
- Misty Sandlin Oneonta High School Teacher

Classified employees:

- Jennifer Horton OES Bookkeeper
- David Elrod Bus Driver
- Gary Hunt Bus Driver
- Becky Kaaa CNP Worker

- J. Approved the employment of Kimberly Owen as OES Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- K. Approved Abby Patterson as Art Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year
- L. Approved Alex Strickland as OHS Assistant Principal for the 2023-2024 school year.
- M. Approved the employment of Kurt Prater as Head Varsity Girl's Basketball Coach with teaching assignment to be determined for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- N. Approved the employment of Chris Shelton as Head Varsity Baseball Coach with teaching assignment to be determined for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- O. Approved the employment of John Michael Lauderdale as Alternative Program Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023.
- P. Approved Luis Vazquez as OCS Bus Driver for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Q. Approved the employment of Debbie Rudy as LPN for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 3, 2023. This position will be paid with IDEA funds.
- R. Approved Brad Mitchell as OMS Administrator and Jennifer Gallagher as OMS teacher for 2023 OMS summer school, June 5th through 23rd, 2023.
- S. Approved Misty Sandlin and Shannon Jones as OHS 2023 summer school instructors.
- T. Approved the following personnel as 2023 summer camp workers:
- Jessica Faulkner as custodian for three weeks, to be paid from ESSER III SR funds.
 - Tawanna Clark and Cordell Webb as nurses for a combined total of 160 hours, to be paid from ESSER II funds.
 - Sandy McElvey and Regina Vargas as STEAM Camp Teachers to be paid from ESSER III SR funds.
 - Abby Patterson as Elementary Art Camp and Secondary Art Camp Teacher to be paid from ESSER III SR funds.
 - Kathleen Sosebee as Middle School Photography Camp Teacher to be paid from ESSER III SR funds.
 - Jennifer Fallin as Missoula Children's Theater Supervisor to be paid from ESSER III SR funds.
- U. Approved CNP requests:
- Jackie Nix as CNP support for up to 10 days to be paid from CNP funds.
 - Gina Campbell, Annette Wilson, Mindy Egan, and Vickey Bynum as CNP staff June 5-23, 2023, for various hours each as needed, to be paid from CNP funds.

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendation 21 granting tenure for Elyssa Smith. Board member Ricky Hicks abstained from the vote.

- I. Approved the continued employment granting tenure or non-probationary status of certified and classified personnel:

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Certified employees:

- Elyssa Smith Oneonta Elementary School Teacher

On a move from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Taylor, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendation 3.

3. Approved summer 2023 services to be provided by:
 - Lindsay Yarbrough certified Occupational therapy assistant paid by IDEA funds.
 - Kristal Moman occupational therapy services, paid by IDEA funds.
 - Alabama Pediatric Therapy Services speech therapy, paid by preschool funds.
 - Milestones BCBA paid by Supplemental Grant funds.

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

4. Accepted the proposal from Kelly Hawthorne Photography for the OES 2023-2024 school pictures.

On a move from Mr. Maples and a second from Mrs. Breaseale, the board unanimously approved Superintendent Sosebee's recommendation 5.

5. Approved Change Order Request #15 to Coston General Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$105,500.00 for construction services for the baseball field. This amount will be paid from the remaining PSCA funds.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board President Adams opened the nominations from the floor for board officer elections for the 2023-2024 school year. On a motion from Mrs. Breaseale and a second from Mr. Hicks, the board approved the nomination to re-elect Patrick Adams as Board President. On a motion from Mr. Hicks and a second from Mrs. Breaseale, the board approved the nomination to re-elect Don Maples as Board Vice President. President Adams stated his appreciation for the board's vote of confidence.

President Adams commended the central office staff and administrators for their work on hiring personnel and the seriousness of getting the best-qualified personnel for our system.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Superintendent Sosebee stated, just prior to this meeting, our school board members participated in a whole board training presented by Mrs. Dana Vandiver, with the Alabama Association of School Boards, entitled Media and Public Relations. This training satisfies the state required, two hours per year of whole board training for board-superintendent teams and also counts towards the six hours that each board member is to complete annually.

We have arranged to highlight the fantastic work taking place in our schools. We have enlisted the support of OFFER and Hometown Bank to produce a series of short videos that will be used on social media platforms throughout the year. This Tuesday, a film crew will be on our campus to capture footage for these videos. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase the incredible work our schools are doing and to promote our school system.

Thanks were extended to our Principals for the work they have done to bring recommendations of candidates to this meeting tonight. May is an extremely busy month in schools and their efforts are appreciated to secure the best candidates possible.

Lathan Associates has been commissioned to begin designing architectural drawings and engineering drawings for two projects at our softball field. First, a new softball dugout with a locker room, restrooms, and coaches office. Second, is new led lighting for the field.

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This Thursday, Mr. Sosebee will be joining other District 9 Superintendents with the School Superintendents Association and meeting with our State Senators and State Representatives as we only have 10 days left in the legislative session.

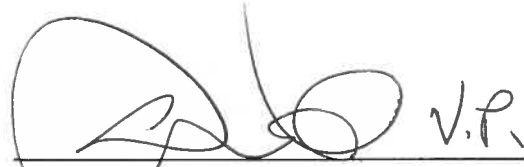
Lastly, with only eight days of school remaining, everyone is invited to join us on the football field for graduation, Friday, May 26, 7:00 pm.

President Adams asked if there was any official word on capital funding. Mr. Sosebee stated nothing has been received yet.

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



SECRETARY



PRESIDENT