

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Oyster Bay – East Norwich Central School District

Date: April 20, 2021
Kind of Meeting: Business Meeting
Location: Oyster Bay High School, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County NY
Members Present: Laurie Kowalsky-President
Nancy Castrogiovanni-Vice President
Todd Cronin
Darren Gerbosi
John McEvoy

Members Not Present: Maryann Santos

Others Present: Dr. Francesco Ianni, Superintendent
Michael Cipriani, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Dr. Lisa Mulhall, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment
Darlene Dolan, District Clerk

L. Kowalsky called meeting to order at 6:45 PM

Motion by N. Castrogiovanni, second by T. Cronin to enter executive session for the purpose of Personnel.

Motion by T. Cronin, second by J. McEvoy to claim out of executive session at 7:33 PM

Superintendent report:

Dr. Ianni reported that Oyster Bay High School was ranked #10 out of 500 schools according to a study in the 2021 Best Public High Schools in NY State. A leading panel of experts with decades of experience in education were consulted. They compared 1,200 public high schools across the state. The study is based on 4 categories: college readiness, school experience, diversity & teachers/staff. National Honor Society inductions/ceremonies are underway. Student recognition this evening is for achievement in Art. The Fine and Performing Arts Department put together a virtual art gallery showcasing all of the artistic talent at OBEN. Covid update: tents put up outside so students can enjoy lunch outside. Graduation update: Ms. Lasher is working hard to have our graduation ceremony. Regulations will be put in place. There will be 3 separate ceremonies. More end of year details will follow soon. Dr. Ianni thanked Mrs. Lasher for her hard work and enthusiasm in planning these events for our students.

Assessment/Regents Update: At the HS level, in June, NYS Regents Exams will be administered in Algebra, Earth Science, Living Environment and ELA. All transcripts will have an E for exemption unless student requests grade to be sent to College. No scores included in final grade calculation. June 15, 16, 18 and 21 will be regular days of instruction. Grades 3-8 Assessment tests will be administered on April 20, 27 & May 4 & 7. Assessment comes in many different forms. State assessment is one piece of the puzzle. All types of assessment are viewed as a learning experience. It is very important to support our instructional systems to view assessment as a part of their learning experience.

BEDS code update: previously data reported from HS to state has been cumulative for grades 7-12. Dr. Mulhall has done tremendous work with the state to separate grades 7-12 into two separate BEDS codes (7&8 & 9&12). Having 2 separate BEDS codes for Oyster Bay-East Norwich will be more reflective of the students hard work.

Dr. Ianni introduced Ms. Maureen Raynor who is on the agenda this evening to replace Dr. Mulhall as the New Deputy Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. Ianni introduced Mr. Femino who is here this evening for the Student Art Achievement. He thanked him and his staff for their hard work on all the virtual performances from the fine and performing arts department during the month of March. Mr. Femino recognized two Seniors for their outstanding achievement in Art. A slideshow of art work which was displayed at ASAA all county art exhibit and GO APE through the art league of LI was shown. Senior scholarship recipient was recognized & another Senior whose work is being displayed at Heckscher Museum. A photo was taken and students were presented with certificates. Mr. Femino thanked all art teachers for their commitment to the students.

Correspondence: Mr. Cronin reported on correspondence since the previous business meeting.

BOCES Budget: Mr. Cronin reported that he and Mr. Gerbosi reported on the BOCES budget.

Motion by J. McEvoy, second by T. Cronin to approve the minutes from the meetings of:

Workshop Meeting 3/2/21
Business Meeting 3/16/21

Motion unanimously carried. The minutes were approved.

Motion by T. Cronin, second by N. Castrogiovanni to approve the following;

VI PERSONNEL ACTIONS

A) Professional Personnel

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby approves the following *Professional Personnel and Civil Service Personnel* Resolutions as listed:

1. RESIGNATION

1.1 SABRINA MEEHAN Position: K-12 Supervisor of Counseling Services
Effective: Close of business day 06/16/2021

2. APPOINTMENTS

2.1 SUPERVISION SCHEDULE Position: Supervisors/Scorers/Timers
Effective: 2020-2021 School Year
Period Date: Fall
Salary: As per Agreement between the OBENCSD and the OBENTA.
*See Attachment

2.2 REGENTS REVIEW INSTRUCTORS Positions: Regents Review Facilitators
Status: 6 hours each (maximum)
Salary: \$78.56 per hour (pending student enrollment)
Effective: May/June 2021

Class Title	Teacher/Teachers
Algebra I	David Lazar, Karina Alteri, Carla Pimentel
Earth Science	Fanny Diaz, Emily Powell
English	Shannon Murphy, Fanny Diaz
Living Environment	Jill Sanborn, Fanny Diaz

2.3 MICHAEL LAMENDOLA Position: Leave Replacement
Effective: 04/06/2021
Period Date: 04/06/2021 – 06/25/2021 *revised
Certification: Music, Emergency COVID-19
Salary: BA, Step 1 - \$309.95 per day

Assigned to: + holidays
 Replacing: Oyster Bay High School
 Dr. Dissinger (Unpaid Leave)

2.4 CURRICULUM WRITING

Positions: Curriculum Writing Projects
 Period Date: Spring 2021
 Salary: \$78.56 per hour

Project Title	Teachers	Maximum Project Hours
Incorporating Local History	Keegan Harris	6
Living Environment Laboratory Modifications	Jillian Sanborn	10
Science Resource Development Grades 3 & 4	Patricia Murray, Kristine Friedman	20

2.5 ANGELA WAGNER

Position: Extracurricular Activities Coverage
 Status: up to an additional 5 hours per week
 As per student's IEP
 Effective: 04/21/2021 – 06/25/2021
 Period Date: 2020-2021 School Year
 Salary: \$26.58 per hour
 Student #: 200002420

2.6 LILA ZAHED

Position: Leave Replacement
 Effective: 04/21/2021
 Period Date: 04/21/2021 – 06/25/2021

Certification: School Social Worker, Provisional
 Salary: BA, Step 1 - \$309.95 per day
 + holidays
 Assigned to: James H. Vernon School
 Replacing: D. Ferrazano (Unpaid Leave)

2.7 MAUREEN RAYNOR

Position: Deputy Superintendent
 Status: Probationary
 Effective: 06/01/2021
 1st year of a 4 Year Probationary period
 Certification: School District Leader, Professional
 Salary: \$ 210,000 - prorated
 Assigned to: Administrative Office
 Replacing: L. Mulhall

2.8 DANIELLE DIMINO

Position: Substitute Teaching Assistant

Status: up to 7 hours per day
 Effective: 04/15/2021
 Period Date: 04/15/2021 – 06/25/2021
 Certification: Teaching Assistant, Level 1
 Salary: \$26.58 per hour
 Assigned to: Oyster Bay High School
 Replacing: C. Peragallo (Leave Replacement)

2.9 COACHES

Effective: 2020-2021 School Year
 (pending student enrollment)
 Period Date: Spring

Assignment	Span/Time	Name	Cont./New	Sch	Yr/Step	Salary
Track & Field Asst. B&G Var	4/22 – 6/14	Christopher Romeo	New	I	1	\$6,105
Baseball Varsity Asst.	4/22 – 6/14	Jonathan Cruz	New	I	1	\$4,509
Baseball Asst. J.V.	4/22-6/14	Robert Venegas	New	I	1	\$4,510
Track & Field Asst. 7&8, Asst.	05/03- 06/11	Thomas Volk	New	I	1	\$3,702
Tennis Boys Var. H.C.	4/22-6/14	Richard Geiger	New	I	1	\$4,356

2.10 VERNON PLAY COVERAGE

Position: Teaching Assistant
 Effective: Spring 2021
 Salary: \$26.58 per hour

Liz Kaufman	Up to 30 hours	Student: 363623537
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B) Non-Teaching

1. **PERMANENT CIVIL SERVICE**

1.1 FRANCESCO ZANGARI

Position: Groundskeeper
 Assigned to: Buildings & Grounds
 Effective: 04/22/2021

2. **APPOINTMENT**

2.1 JASON SAVASTANO

Position: Laborer, PT Substitute
 Effective: 04/21/2021
 Assigned to: Districtwide
 Salary: \$14.00 per hour
 Status: On call, as needed. Pending Civil Service Approval

Discussion:

J. McEvoy asked a question regarding the curriculum writing project on tonight's Agenda entitled incorporating local history. Dr. Mulhall replied that Dr. Pesqueira is working with Raynham Hall, Oyster Bay Historical Society and Teddy Roosevelt Association to find examples of local history to add to existing curriculum.

Motion unanimously carried.

Laurie Kowalsky welcomed Ms. Raynor.

Motion by T. Cronin, second by J. McEvoy to approve the following business actions;

VII BUSINESS ACTIONS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby approves the following *Business* Resolutions as listed:

A) ACCEPTANCE OF WARRANTS

The Board of Education hereby accepts the Warrant of Schedules and Claims as presented by the Internal Claims Auditor to the Treasurer for the months of March 2021.

B) TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following budget transfers: Transactions #3563-3564.

C) EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUNDS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the reports of the Extra Classroom Activity Funds as submitted for March 2021.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by N. Castrogiovanni, second by T. Cronin to approve the following special services:

VIII SPECIAL SERVICES

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby approves the following *Special Services* Resolutions as listed:

A) CPSE/CSE MINUTES

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District has arranged that the following appropriate special education programs and/or services be provided as recommended by the Committee on Special Education:

CSE

2/24/2021	2	Annual Review
2/24/2021	2	Requested Review
2/26/2021	1	Annual Review
2/26/2021	1	Requested Review
3/04/2021	1	Requested Review
3/04/2021	1	Annual Review
3/05/2021	1	Annual Review
3/05/2021	1	Requested Review
3/15/2021	1	Requested Review
3/15/2021	1	Annual Review
3/16/2021	1	Requested Review

3/24/2021	1	Initial Eligibility Meeting
3/24/2021	1	Reevaluation/Annual Review
3/26/2021	1	Initial Eligibility Meeting
4/08/2021	1	Requested Review

CPSE

2/22/2021	3	Annual Review
2/24/2021	3	Annual Review
2/25/2021	1	Reevaluation/Annual Review
3/01/2021	2	Requested Review CPSE to CSE Transition
3/02/2021	1	Requested Review
3/02/2021	3	Annual Review
3/09/2021	1	Annual Review
3/12/2021	2	Annual Review
3/12/2021	1	Reevaluation CPSE to CSE Transition
3/12/2021	1	Requested Review
3/23/2021	1	Annual Review
3/24/2021	1	Annual Review

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by J. McEvoy, second by T. Cronin to approve the following new business:

IX NEW BUSINESS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby approves the following *New Business* Resolutions as listed:

A) APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION INSPECTORS

The following people will be appointed as election inspectors for the May 18th budget vote at the rate of \$14.00 per hour unless otherwise noted. *

- Gowe, Grace
- Hathaway, Joan
- LeMar, Judy (Chief Election Inspector/\$15.00 per hour) *
- Ninesling, Jessica
- Ninesling, Nicole
- Silver, Isadore
- Silver, Olivia
- Vicari, Jeanette

B) APPROVAL OF 2021-22 HOLIDAY SCHEDULES FOR CLERICAL/CUSTODIAL UNITS

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the holiday schedules submitted by the Clerical and Custodial Bargaining Units for the 2021-2022 school year.

C) APPROVAL OF 2021-2022 BOCES ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET/BOCES BOARD MEMBER VOTE

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (hereinafter "BOCES") has proposed and presented its tentative Administrative budget for the 2021/2022 school year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the BOCES tentative administrative budget for the 2021/2022 school year in the amount of twenty-three million, two hundred thirty-four thousand, eight hundred and nine dollars (\$23,234,809) be, and hereby is, approved by this Board.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby casts one (1) vote each for Susan Bergtraum, Martin R. Kaye, and Michael Weinick to fill three vacancies on the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (3 three-year terms commencing on July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024).

C) ACCEPTANCE OF SCHOLARSHIP FUND PROPOSAL

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the establishment of the following Oyster Bay High School student scholarship:

The Sandy & Art Mager Social Justice Scholarship Fund

D) REJECTION OF BIDS – VERNON PLAYGROUND RESURFACING

WHEREAS, the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District has solicited and received sealed bids for voter-approved capital improvements,

BE IT RESOLVED therefore that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District hereby rejects bid proposals opened on March 9, 2021 as listed below in the best interests of the District and the public in making economical use of public moneys:

BASE BID GC-1: Playground Surfacing

ALTERNATES TO BASE BID GC-1: Playground Surfacing

Discussion:

N. Castrogiovanni asked if the scholarship fund was a donation. Mr. Cipriani replied.

Motion unanimously carried.

Friday packet:

L.Kowalsky asked if there were additional opt-outs received. Dr. Ianni replied.

Mr. Cronin stated that last year, numbers for opt-outs were much higher and that they're going down;

Dr. Mulhall stated that grades average out differently this year with opt-outs since tests are being given on multiple dates. Ms. Kowalsky mentioned that the state requires a districts opt-outs to be under 5%.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:02 PM and enter into executive session for matters of personnel.

Motion by J. McEvoy, second by T. Cronin.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Dolan
District Clerk

