

Oyster River Cooperative School District

Regular Meeting

July 17, 2013

6:30 p.m.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Maria Barth, Tom Newkirk, Kenny Rotner, Megan Turnbull, Ed Charle, Ann Lane

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Superintendent James Morse, Susan Caswell, Todd Allen, Jay Richard

There were 8 members of the public present.

I CALL TO ORDER: By Chair Maria Barth at 6:45 for Manifest Review/Approval

II PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Maria Barth addressed the Right to Know Law. It is always good to get feedback from the community. She apologized and noted that they are looking into it and there will be a training session at the next meeting.

III PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Dean Rubine of Lee congratulated Dr. Morse on his first successful year in the District.

The Board will move Section VIII to this portion of the meeting.

VIII SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES

Sustainability Coordinators “Green Team” Committee Members: Dennis Harrington introduced the members to the Board. He feels that this will help to continue diminishing their ecological foot print.

Motion to approve Sustainability “Green Team” Nominees:

Emily Spognardi	Green Team Coordinator	Up to \$4,000
Emily Spognardi	Green Team Leader	Up to \$2,000
Kathleen Hanlon	Green Team Leader	Up to \$2,000
Maggie Morrison	Green Team Leader	Up to \$4,000

Mary Caulfield	Green Team Leader	Up to \$4,000
Cydney Scarano	Green Team Ladder	Up to \$4,000
Total		Up to \$20,000

Kenny Rotner moved to approve the above Green Team nominees, 2nd by Tom Newkirk. Motion approved 6-0.

IV ACTIONS

Superintendent and Board Actions:

Motion to Approve ORHS Guidance Teacher Resignation: Ann Lane moved to approve the ORHS Guidance Teacher Resignation with regret and thanks, 2nd by Tom Newkirk. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to affirm the hiring of ORHS Science Teacher Position: Tracey Benkoski Ann Lane moved to approve the Superintendent's affirmation to hire Tracey Benkoski to an ORHS Science Teacher Position, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to affirm the hiring of ORHS .4 Math Teacher Position: Robert Reynolds Ann Lane moved to approve the Superintendent's affirmation to hire Robert Reynolds as a .4 Math Teacher Position, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 7-0.

Motion to affirm the hiring of ORMS Technology Integrator Specialist Position: Kathy Bonoccorsi. Ann Lane moved to approve the Superintendent's affirmation to hire Kathy Bonoccorsi as the ORMS Technology Integrator Specialist, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to affirm the hiring of two ORHS Guidance Counselors: Jason Baker and Kim Cassamass. Ann Lane moved to affirm the hiring of Jason Baker as an ORHS Guidance Counselor, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Ann Lane moved to affirm the hiring of Kim Cassaass as an ORHS Guidance Counselor, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to approve an ORMS Paraprofessional Maternity Leave of Absence 9/18/13-12/12/13. Ann Lane moved to approve the ORMS Paraprofessional Maternity Leave of Absence, 2nd by Tom Newkirk. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to approve a Moharimet Paraprofessional Leave of Absence BOY – January 2014. Ann Lane moved to approve the Moharimet Paraprofessional Leave of Absence, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to approve ORHS Coach/Volunteer Positions

Volunteer Positions:

Cyd Scarano	Girls Varsity Soccer	No Stipend
Eric Travis	Cross Country	No Stipend
Greg Tucker	Boys Soccer	No Stipend
Bev Cole	Girls Soccer	No Stipend
Sean Stewart	Girls Volleyball	No Stipend
Nicholas Ricciardi	Boys Soccer	No Stipend
Stacia Hogle	Girls Volleyball	No Stipend
Greg Tucker	Boys Soccer	No Stipend

Paid Positions:

Greg Gephart	Boys Cross Country	\$3,828
Fergus Cullen	Girls Cross Country	\$3,453
Charles Crull	Boys Varsity Soccer	\$4,308
Jacob Baver	Boys Reserve Soccer	\$2,494
James Thibault	Boys JV Soccer	\$2,856
Dan Brodeur	Girls Varsity Volleyball	\$3,528
Cassandra Sweatt	Girls JV Volleyball	\$2,320
Lynda Nelson	Girls Varsity Soccer	\$4,308
Megan Wiley	Girls JV Soccer	\$2,556
Eric Foster	Varsity Golf	\$1,991
Mark Smallwood	Varsity Field Hockey	\$4,308
David Burrows	Girls Varsity Basketball	\$4,988

Ann Lane moved to approve the slate of volunteer and paid coach positions for the winter season, 2nd by Tom Newkirk. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to amend Superintendents Contract for Cell Phone Usage: \$45.00 per month to compensate use of personal cell phone for school business. Ann Lane moved to amend the Superintendent's Contract for Cell Phone Usage, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to consider a new Agenda Format:

0 CALL TO ORDER (6:30PM)

I 6:30-7:00 MANIFEST REVIEW/APPROVAL AT EACH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

II PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (7:00PM)

III PUBLIC COMMENTS

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

V ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

A DISTRICT

B BOARD

VI DISTRICT REPORTS

A Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report

B Superintendent's Report

C Business Administrator

D Student Senate Report

E Other

VII DISCUSSION ITEMS

VIII ACTIONS

A Superintendent's Actions

B Board Action Items

IX SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE UPDATES

X PUBLIC COMMENTS

XI CLOSING ACTIONS

A Future Meeting Dates

XII NON-PUBLIC SESSION (RSA 91-A:3) (If required)

XIII ADJOURNMENT

Ann Lane moved to consider the new Agenda Format, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Motion to approve Board Priorities:

Continuing Discussion on equitable distribution of elementary students
Continuing Discussion regarding Tuition Students
Development and adoption of a Strategic Plan
Establish the ABC charge for the upcoming year
Establish the Sustainability charge for the upcoming year
Continued Dialogue with community

Tom Newkirk moved to approve the Board Policies, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion to approve List of attached Policies:

Policies for a First Read:

Establishing Criteria for Special Education Evaluations	TBD
Complaints about School Personnel	KEB
Reconsiderations of Instructional Materials & Procedure	KEC&R
Public Conduct on School Property	KFA
Visitors to the School	KI

Tom Newkirk moved to approve the above Policies for a First Read, 2nd by Ann Lane. Motion approved 6-0.

Policy for 2nd Read/Adoption

Approval of Handbooks and Directives	CHCA
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School, Community, and Home Relations
Public Information Program
Use of Students in Public Information Program

KA
KDA
KDCA

Tom Newkirk moved to approve the above Policies for a 2nd Read/Adoption, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Policy for Deletion

Communication with Parents

KFB

Tom Newkirk moved to approve Policy KFB for deletion, 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

Assistant Superintendent/Curriculum and Instruction Report: None

Superintendent's Report:

Update on Tuition: Superintendent Morse would like a detailed discussion at the Board meeting in August to outline a tuition update. A full-fledged presentation with detail is timely.

Update on Strategic Plan: Two of the components will be ready for the Board's consideration in the fall. The academic piece will be available for the budget season.

Update on 2014 Redistricting for elementary schools: Superintendent Morse discussed the possibility of having Mast Way become the "Kindergarten Center". Students would then go to their appropriate school for Grade One. Lisa Huppe, the Transportation Director, is working on the implications of this possibility.

Business Administrator:

FY14 Budget Goals Discussion: Superintendent Morse discussed taking the initiative with Sue Caswell and presenting a budget initiative to the Board at

the next meeting. This would organize the conversation around the budget for the Board to provide critique, add, modify and delete. The Board agreed by consensus to review a budget initiative prepared by the Superintendent and Sue Caswell.

Student Senate Report: None

VI ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENDATIONS

Caroline Eastman commended teachers on their call for proposals. Their unique ideas and thoughts have been outstanding.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

BOARD APPROVALS

Motion to approve 7/10 minutes: Kenny Rotner moved to approve the July 10th minutes, 2nd by Ann Lane. Motion approved 5-1-0 with Ann Lane abstaining.

The 6/19 minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

Approval of Manifests:

Payroll Manifest #26 \$2,882,258.21

Payroll Manifest #27 \$976,919.49

Payroll Manifest #1 \$391,720.90

Vendor Manifest #26 \$103,747.43

Vendor Manifest #1 \$236,990.34

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Taylor of Durham appreciates the apology from the Chair at the beginning of the meeting on the right to know law.

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CLOSING ACTIONS:

Tom Newkirk moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., 2nd by Kenny Rotner. Motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully yours,

Laura Grasso Dobson
Recording Secretary