

# ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Regular Meeting

February 14, 2023

Middle School Auditorium  
60 S. Lincoln Ave., Orchard Park, NY 14221

### Board of Education

Members Present: Dr. Christine Gray-Tinnesz, President  
Dr. Jennifer Rogers, Vice President  
Mr. Ryan Cimo, arrived at 6:26 pm  
Mr. Ryan Anderson  
Mrs. Kim Hughes  
Mr. Tom Provost, left at 8:32 pm and returned at 8:34 pm  
Mrs. Karen Sreniawski

Members Excused: n/a

Others Present: Mr. David Lilleck, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Lisa Krueger, Assistant Superintendent – Curriculum  
Mr. Jeffrey Petrus, Assistant Superintendent – Business  
Dr. Dean Ramirez, Assistant Superintendent – Personnel  
Mrs. Cheryl Connors, District Clerk

Estimated Audience: 50

Dr. Tinnesz called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

### Executive Session

Motion by Dr. Rogers seconded by Mrs. Hughes, to enter Executive Session at 6:01 pm for the employment history of a particular person.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

### **Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Hughes, to adjourn Executive Session at 7:01 pm.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

### **Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

Meeting called back to order at 7:06 pm by Dr. Tinnesz. Dr. Tinnesz led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Announcements & Points of Pride

- Mr. Lilleck made the following announcements:
  - Mid-Winter Break is February 20-24
  - Friday, February 17 is a half day Pre-K through 8th grade and an early dismissal at the high school
    - Shared feedback from parents and guardians from the Thoughtexchange that each building shared this past fall which sought feedback on how the district is doing as we strive to maximize the potential of all students through our daily mission to:

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EXECUTIVE  
SESSION

ANNOUNCEMENTS/  
POINTS  
OF PRIDE

Promote equity and inclusion; Recognize and embrace diversity; and To identify and remove barriers to ensure access and opportunities. Over 500 parents and guardians participate. Some of the feedback shared, is though we have a solid foundation in place and much to be proud of, we still have work to do. Key areas of focus that came from the exchange centered on: Continuing to grow as an inclusive school community where we celebrate and honor all students and families' cultural backgrounds; continuing to seek the input of parents and students regarding inclusion; and continuing to evaluate and improve our school climate to ensure all students feel safe and free from bullying.

- o February is Black History Month and he shared some classroom work from Ellicott elementary.
- o Spoke about the elementary musicals in February.
- o Shared Valentine messages from Ellicott students.

**Consensus Items**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Cimo to approve the following:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the following consensus items:

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

**Consensus Minutes**

- January 10, 2023 & January 31, 2023

**Consensus Financials Approval** (attachment #1)

- Treasurer’s Report –December 2022
- Revenue Budget Detail – December 2022
- Appropriations Reports – January 2023
- Warrant Reports – January 2023
- Health & Welfare Service Rates

**Consensus Personnel**

**Personnel Considerations – Teachers and Administrators**

**Appointments - Probationary and Regular Substitute**

Name	Title	Cert Area / Status	Tenure Area	Initial Location	Type / Effective Date	Salary
<b>Bleem, Morgan</b>	Art Teacher	Visual Arts / Initial	Art	SD	Part Year Reg Sub 08/31/22 - 05/05/23 (end date amended) LOA - A Kreutinger	1 B pro-rated
<b>Holmwood, Olivia</b>	Elem Ed teacher	Child Ed (Gr 1-6) / Initial	Reading	WE	Part Year Reg Sub 03/08/23 - 06/30/23 LOA - A DaSilva	1 M (30) pro-rated
<b>Hrcak, Janine</b>	Spanish teacher	Spanish 7 - 12 / Permanent	For Lang	HS3	Part Year Reg Sub 02/09/23 - 03/10/23 L Sawicki deEsquerro	1 M (55) pro-rated
<b>Proefrock, Amanda</b>	Elem Ed teacher	Child Ed (Gr 1-6) / Initial	Elem	MS	Part Year Reg Sub 01/17/23 - 05/30/23 LOA - B Guetta	1 M (30) pro-rated
<b>Russo Cunningham, Jennifer</b>	Art teacher	Art / Permanent	Art	EG	Part Year Reg Sub 02/13/23 - 03/24/23 LOA - W Vastola	1 M (30) pro-rated
<b>Valeri, Jennifer</b>	Reading teacher	Literacy B-6 / Initial	Reading	WE	Part Year Reg Sub 01/17/23 - 06/30/23 Retire - J Haley	2 M (30) pro-rated

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**CONSENSUS ITEMS**

**MINUTES**

**FINANCIALS**

**PERSONNEL**

**Appointments– Mentors (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Duffett, Elizabeth	Mentor for Sarah Jackson (EG)	Jan - May	OPTA	\$656
Tundo, Tina	Mentor for Samantha Wehner (SD)	Feb - Jun	OPTA	\$656

**Appointments– Extra Class Activity Advisor (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Bond, Paul	Musical Art Director (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,827 Group IV / Step 4
Comerford-Dormann, Alica	Instrumental Music Advisor - Band (ELEM) (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,827 Group IV / Step 4
Dings, Alison	Jazz Lab (MS) 50% (amend %)	2022/23	OPTA	\$541 Group V / Step 4
Ferrara, Matthew	Board Game Club Co-advisor (50%)	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$133.50 Group VI / Step 1
Hardenburg, Whitney	Musical Costume Designer (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,260 Group IV / Step 1
Krone, Nancy	Yearbook (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$2,275 Group III / Step 4
Krone, Nancy	Student Council (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,827 Group IV / Step 4
LaPaglia, Sarah	Jazz Lab (MS) 50% (amend %)	2022/23	OPTA	\$541 Group V / Step 4 (amended)
Nemec, Melissa	Science Club (WE) 50%	2022/23	OPTA	\$781 Group III / Step 1
McLeod, Mary	Science Club (WE) 50%	2022/23	OPTA	\$781 Group III / Step 1
Smith, Melissa	Musical Music Director (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$2,275 Group III Step 4
Smith, Melissa	Vocal Music Conductor (ELEM) (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,827 Group IV / Step 4
Stifter, Jeanna	Musical Director (ELEM) (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,707 Group III / Step 2
Weiss, Jeffrey	Board Game Club Co-advisor (50%)	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$133.50 Group VI / Step 1
Wert, David	Closed Circuit TV (WE)	2022/23	OPTA	\$1,082 Group V / Step 4

**Appointments – Community Education (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Kuebler, Cheryl	SAT Prep Course	Winter/Spring 2023	OPTA	\$50/hr
Sanchez, Roseanne	SAT Prep Course	Winter/Spring 2023	OPTA	\$50/hr
Rodemeyer, Melissa	SAT Prep Course	Winter/Spring 2023	OPTA	\$50/hr
Farrell, Kristen	SAT Prep Course	Winter/Spring 2023	OPTA	\$50/hr

**Appointments – Coordinators and Instructional Leaders (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Stott, Susan	IL - Computer (EL)	2022/23	OPTA	\$3,955

**Appointments – Per Diem Substitutes (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Certification
Dickey, Erich	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	1/10/23-6/30/23	Certified
Johnson, Isaac	Substitute Teacher	1/24/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Lutz, Kyle	Substitute Teacher	1/24/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Nagle, Lily	Substitute Teacher	1/24/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Engler, Brianna	Substitute Teacher	1/24/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Regan, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	1/24/23-6/30/23	Certified
Riggs, Lindsay	Substitute Teacher	1/24/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Hibbert, Erin	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	1/24/23-6/30/23	Certified
Holowoka, Matthew	Substitute Teacher	1/27/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Harrington, Siobhan	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	2/1/23-6/30/23	Certified
Ferrentino, Alexandria	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	2/7/23-6/30/23	Certified
Bellanca, Michael	Substitute Teacher	2/7/23-6/30/23	Uncertified
Lesniak, Rebecca	Substitute Teacher/Home Instructor	1/30/23-6/30/23	Certified

**Appointments – Coaching (Teachers and Others)**

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
<b>Collesano, Stan</b>	Wrestling - Assistant Varsity	Winter 22/23 (amended)	Community Member	\$5,014 / Step 4
<b>Hausberger, Chelsie</b>	Lacrosse - Assistant JV, Girls	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$3,741 / Step 4
<b>Hillegas, Charles</b>	Basketball - Modified, Boys	11/21/22 - 1/12/23 (7 weeks) amended	OPTA	\$3,021.48 / Step 4
<b>Mancino, Emilio</b>	Track & Field - Varsity, Girls	Spring 2023	Community Member	\$5,014 / Step 4
<b>Masters, Jamie</b>	Track & Field - Modified, Girls RESCIND	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$3,362 / Step 4
<b>Michael, Gregory</b>	Lacrosse - Modified, Boys' RESCIND	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$3,362 / Step 4
<b>Michael, Gregory</b>	Basketball - Modified, Boys	1/16/23 - 2/16/23 (4 weeks)	OPTA	\$1,726.56 / Step 4
<b>Paternostro, Derek</b>	Track & Field - Modified, Girls	Spring 2023	OPTA	\$2,882 / Step 2

**Leaves of Absence (Teachers and Administrators)**

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
<b>Maiorana, Abigail</b>	Teaching Assistant (EL)	10/08/22 - 12/22/22; 1/3/23 - 1/30/23 (amended)	Unpaid LOA \$4.4
<b>Cross, Rachel</b>	Elem Ed teacher (WE)	10/13/22 - 06/30/23 (amend end date)	Unpaid LOA \$4.4

**Resignations and Retirements (Teachers and Administrators)**

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
<b>Braunscheidel, Daniel</b>	Science teacher (MS)	7/1/2023	Retirement (30 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Clark, James</b>	Library / Media Specialist (WE)	7/1/2023	Retirement (23 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Gibson, James</b>	Phys Ed teacher (SD)	7/1/2023	Retirement (41 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Goff, Caroline</b>	Science teacher (HS)	7/1/2023	Retirement (25 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Rombola, Darlene</b>	Elementary Ed teacher (EG)	7/1/2023	Retirement (30 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Russo, Mary</b>	Elementary Ed teacher (EG)	7/1/2023	Retirement (24 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Sosnowski, Lisa</b>	Math teacher (MS)	7/1/2023	Retirement (24 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Stoddard, Lynn</b>	Elementary Ed teacher (SD)	7/1/2023	Retirement (25 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Stott, Susan</b>	Elementary Ed teacher (EL)	7/1/2023	Retirement (35 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Tundo, Tina</b>	Spec Ed teacher (SD)	7/1/2023	Retirement (30 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Vastola, Wendy</b>	Art teacher (EG)	7/1/2023	Retirement (50 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Williams, Bonnie</b>	English teacher (HS3)	7/1/2023	Retirement (23 yrs OPCSD)
<b>Wolf, Jonathan</b>	Principal (HS)	7/1/2023	Retirement (30 yrs OPCSD)

**Contractual and Other (Teachers and Administrators) (attachment #2)**

- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign an MOA regarding Instructional Coaching.
- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign an MOU regarding compensation for Teaching Assistants.

## **Personnel Considerations – Support Staff**

### **Appointments (Support Staff)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position (Initial Location)</b>	<b>Type of Appointment</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Compensation (Initial Schedule)</b>
<b>Dimitrievski, Alex</b>	Full-time 10 month Senior Building Guard	Provisional	1/16/2023	\$22.78/hr Salary Schedule K
<b>Forcier, Tyler</b>	Full-time 10 month Building Guard (HS)	Provisional	1/30/2023	\$20.78/hr Salary K Schedule
<b>Pelton, Nigel</b>	Full-time 12 month Building Maint.Mechanic-HVAC	Probationary	12/28/2022	\$34.25/hr Salary B Schedule
<b>Buss, James</b>	Full-time 12 month Building Maint.Mechanic-HVAC	Probationary	12/28/2022	\$34.25/hr Salary B Schedule
<b>Fahey, William</b>	Full-time 12 month Building Maint.Mechanic-Carpenter	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$36.03/hr Salary A Schedule
<b>Howes, David</b>	Full-time 12 month Building Maint.Mechanic-Plumber	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$36.03/hr Salary A Schedule
<b>O'Brien, Kevin</b>	Full-time 12 month Building Maint.Mechanic-Electrician	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$34.25/hr Salary B Schedule
<b>Ott, Leonard</b>	Full-time 12 month Custodian	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$21.13/hr Salary I Schedule
<b>Dionne, Jocelyn</b>	Part-time 10 month Teacher Aide (SD)	Temporary	2/6/23-6/13/23	\$14.96/hr
<b>Panicali, Christine</b>	Full-time 12 month Laborer	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$19.38/hr Salary I Schedule
<b>Malec, Nicholas</b>	Full-time 12 month Cleaner	Probationary	2/6/2023	\$16.62/hr Salary I schedule
<b>Neureuter, Connor</b>	Full-time 10 month Cleaner	Probationary	2/13/2023	\$15.69/hr Salary K Schedule 8.0 hrs/day

### **Appointments (Support Staff Substitutes)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title Activity</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Civil Service Title</b>
<b>Heinen, Jacqueline</b>	Support Staff Substitute	1/13/23-6/30/23	Clerical-mailings only
<b>DiCioccio, Lisa</b>	Support Staff Substitute	1/31/23-6/30/23	Clerical, Teacher Aide, Monitor
<b>Sherk, Noreen</b>	Support Staff Substitute	1/31/23-6/30/23	Clerical, Teacher Aide, Monitor

### **Leaves of Absence (Support Staff)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title Activity</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Comment</b>
<b>Dimitrievski, Alex</b>	Full-time 10 month Provisional Building Guard (HS)	1/16/2023	Leave of absence
<b>Boehringer-Snyder, Sarah</b>	Part-time 10 month Teacher Aide (SD)	1/17/2023-05/14/2023	Unpaid Leave of Absence - Maternity

### **Appointments – Mentors (Support Staff)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title / Activity</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Employee Group</b>	<b>Salary / Stipend</b>
<b>Basile, Sandy</b>	Mentor to Full-time 10 month Building Guard Tyler Forcier	1/31/23-1/30/24	OPSRPA	\$200
<b>Randon, Alana</b>	Mentor to Part-time Temporary Teacher Aide Jocelyn Dionne (SD)	2/6/23-6/13/23	OPSRPA	\$80
<b>Curtin, Suzanne</b>	Mentor to Part-time Temporary Teacher Aide Kelsey Smith (HS)	12/1/22-1/20/23	OPSRPA	\$20 (amended stipend)
<b>Olivieri, Karen</b>	Mentor to Full-time 12 month Clerk Typist Lisa DiCiocco (SE)	9/6/22-1/30/23	OPSRPA	\$80 (amended stipend)

**Resignations and Retirements (Support Staff)**

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
<b>Hacker, Brody</b>	Full-time 12 month Maintenance Mechanic (B&GR)	1/3/2023	Resignation
<b>Lemme, Jane</b>	Part-time 10 month Bus Driver	3/4/2023	Retirement (16 years of service)
<b>Pelton, Nigel</b>	Full-time 12 month Assistant Maintenance Mechanic Crew Chief	12/28/2022	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Building Maintenance Mechanic - HVAC. See Item No.3.5.B.1.3 and creation of position
<b>Buss, James</b>	Full-time 12 month Maintenance Mechanic	12/28/2022	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Building Maintenance Mechanic - HVAC. See Item No.3.5.B.1.4 and creation of position
<b>Fahey, William</b>	Full-time 12 month Maintenance Mechanic	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Building Maintenance Mechanic-Carpenter. See Item No. 3.5.B.1.5 and creation of position
<b>Howes, David</b>	Full-time 12 month Maintenance Mechanic	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Building Maintenance Mechanic-Plumber. See Item No. 3.5.B.1.6 and creation of position
<b>O'Brien, Kevin</b>	Full-time 12 month Maintenance Mechanic	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Building Maintenance Mechanic-Electrician. See Item No. 3.5.B.1.7 and creation of position
<b>Ott, Leonard</b>	Full-time 12 month Laborer	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Custodian. See Item No.3.5.B.1.8
<b>DiCioccio, Lisa</b>	Full-time 12 month Clerk Typist -SE	1/30/2023	Resignation
<b>Brady, Nancy</b>	Part-time 10 month Teacher Aide (WE)	2/24/2023	Retirement (20.50 years of service)
<b>Malec, Nicholas</b>	Full-time 10 month Cleaner	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Cleaner. See Item No. 3.5.B.1.11
<b>Panicali, Christine</b>	Full-time 12 month Cleaner	2/6/2023	Resignation contingent on appointment to Full-time 12 month Laborer. See Item No. 3.5.B.1.10
<b>Smith, Kelsey</b>	Part-time Temporary 10 month Teacher Aide (HS)	2/8/2023	Resignation

**Position Management (Support Staff)**

Position	Location	Type/Status	Effective Date
<b>Creation of (2.0) 8.0 FTE Building Maintenance Mechanics - Carpentry</b>	B&GR	2.0 Permanent - FT / 12-month	1/18/2023
<b>Creation of (2.0) 8.0 FTE Building Maintenance Mechanics - Electrician</b>	B&GR	2.0 Permanent - FT / 12-month	1/18/2023
<b>Creation of (2.0) 8.0 FTE Building Maintenance Mechanics - Plumber</b>	B&GR	2.0 Permanent - FT / 12month	1/18/2023

**Contractual and Other (Support Staff) (attachment #3)**

- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. David Lilleck, hereby ratifies the collective bargaining agreement and hereby approves the funding of the Agreement between the District and the Orchard Park School Related Professionals Association (OPSRPA). This contract is for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027.
- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign an MOA with the OPSRPA establishing the starting rate of pay for the position of Building Maintenance Mechanic-Plumber, Building Maintenance Mechanic-Electrician and Building Maintenance Mechanic-Carpenter in the amount of \$34.25 per hour.

**SPECIAL  
EDUCATION**

**Consensus Special Education** (attachment #4)

- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Annual Reviews of One Hundred Thirteen (113)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Re-Evaluation of Two (2)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the **Initial Educational Placement of Six (6)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Amendments of Thirty-Two (32)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Declassification of Six (6)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the 504 Committee for the **Accommodation Plan of Sixteen (16)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on **Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Annual Review of Resident Thirteen (13)** Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the **Preschool Initial Educational Placement of Twenty-Four (24)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the **Preschool Amendments of Seven (7)** Resident Children

**COMMENT/  
REPORTS/  
PRESENTATIONS**

**Comments on Consensus, Committee Reports and Presentations**

- Dr. Ramirez commented on the 15 retirements approved on the agenda. He spoke of their love for Orchard Park and their students and families. He mentioned them all by name and thanked them for their dedication and service to the district.
- Mr. Lilleck – Thanked the Board for the approval of the support staff contract effective July 1, 2023.
- STAP-Comm – A member of STAP Comm reported on their student support fund to help students in high school that need help with school supplies. Spoke about mural contest and Winter Homecoming.
- 2023-24 First Draft Budget Presentation – Mr. Lilleck stated that the first draft of the 2023-24 budget aligns with the DCIP and Board Goals, will enhance and support current programs will not have a tax increase to the tax levy (second year in a row). The budget will add two SRO's for the elementary level, add AIS support, music support, additional elementary extracurricular programs, additional modified sports teams, elementary assistant principals, special education support, business office support, technology and curricular area supports. Mr. Lilleck also spoke about the student ex-officio and shared they student would not be a voting member or have access to confidential information. Mr. Petrus reviewed the ARP funding from the federal government from 2020 and beyond and reviewed the CSRA funding and how the district has allocated both of those funding sources to support students.

**DISCUSSION**

**Discussion**

- **Donation Erie County Agricultural Society Donation to Windom Elementary** – Mr. Petrus shared that the Erie County Agricultural Society would like to donate \$100 per bus for transportation cost for students for the Farm to Table Program
- **Donation from Catherine Agnello to Windom Elementary** – Mr. Petrus stated that Ms. Agnello would like to donate \$1,250 to Windom to be used for the purchase of needed materials / supplies for economically disadvantages students.
- **Donation from James Kontrabecki to South Davis Elementary** – Mr. Petrus shared that Mr. Kontrabecki would like to donate a Charles Walter upright grand piano and bend (valued at \$6,000) to South Davis.

- **Donation from the South Davis PTO** – Mr. Petrus shared that the PTO would like to donate \$1,000 to be used to purchase library books for South Davis.
- **Donations from the Quaker Athletic Booster Club** – Mr. Petrus stated the booster club would like to donate funding for the Girls Soccer coaches to attend a training convention and to cover the cost of filming the varsity football program.
- **Surplus Bus & Transportation Equipment** – Mr. Petrus explained that the transportation department has a school bus and some miscellaneous items to surplus. The bus has over 130,000 miles. The items will be sold via Auctions International to recoup some of the funding.
- **Surplus Obsolete High School Textbooks** – Mr. Petrus stated that the high school has World Language textbook they would like to declare obsolete since they are no longer used.
- **June 30, 2022 External Audit Corrective Action Plan** – Mr. Petrus explained that this is the response to the with a management letter for submission to the state.
- **Nomination of Candidates for Election to the E2CC BOCES Board of Education** – Mrs. Connors shared that four seats are up and this is the process to nomination candidates that are interested to run for a seat that component districts will vote on April 19.
- **Senior Citizen & Disability Property Tax Exemptions** – Mr. Petrus explained that it is have been many years since the district revised this exemptions and after researching the exemptions the recommendation would be to increase the levels so more of our senior and disabled residents meet the criteria.
- **First Read of Policy 1131 - Students Serving as Ex-Officio Members of the School Board** – Dr. Krueger shared that the student would be seated at the Board table but will not be a voting member or have access to executive session or access to confidential information. She reviewed the selection process.

**Reports**

- Dr. Krueger reported on Safety had a subcommittee meeting that met with Officer Mazur and discuss making emergency drills more efficient. Mid yer contdent reviewed in curricular area to discuss the mid point and if we are meting our goals and prepare for summer curriculum work. DCIP meet and K-12 leadership meeting and both committees reviewed student assessment data.

**ACTION**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the Donation of \$100 from the Erie County Agricultural Society toward the transportation cost for Windom Elementary Students to attend the "farm to Table" program at the Agricultural Center.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

**ACTION**

**ACCEPTANCE  
OF DONATION  
FROM THE ERIE  
COUNTY  
AGRICULTURAL  
SOCIETY**

**ACCEPTANCE  
OF DONATION  
FROM  
CATHERINE  
AGNELLO**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation of \$1,025 from Catherine Agnello to Windom Elementary to be used for the purchase of materials for economically disadvantaged students

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

**ACCEPTANCE  
OF DONATION  
FROM JAMES  
KONTRABECKI**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation from James Kontrabekki of a Charles Walter upright grand piano and bench, valued at \$6,000, for South Davis Elementary.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

**ACCEPTANCE  
OF DONATION  
FROM THE  
SD PTO**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation, valued at \$1,000, from the South Davis PTO.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

**ACCEPTANCE  
OF DONATIONS  
FROM QABC**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donations from the Quaker Athletic Booster Club of two United Coaches Convention Registration for Coaches Mike Graffeo and Joe Adamec (\$1,075 value) and funding for the filming of the varsity football program (valued at \$1,500)

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

**DECLARATION  
OF  
TRANSPORTATION  
ITEMS AS  
SURPLUS**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby declares the bus and transportation equipment as presented as follows surplus:

- Bus #339, Vin# 4DRBUSKN2DB303997, 2013  
Mileage 130,222  
Broken floor rails, hood damage and engine issues
- Twelve 2-way radios (out dated)
- Miscellaneous obsolete tools
- Three pay loader tires

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:  
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby declares the following high school World Language textbooks as obsolete.

- Triangulo: Aprobado, Wayside Publishing, Copyright 2013, ISBN 978 1-938-026-41-6 or possibly 978-1-938-026-40-9 - # count - 27
- Temas: AP Spanish Language and Culture, Vista Higher Learning, Copyright 2014, ISBN 978-1-61857-222-6 - # count - 57

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson  
 No – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

**DECLARATION  
 OF TEXTBOOKS  
 AS OBSOLETE**

**ACCEPTANCE  
 OF AUDIT  
 CORRECTIVE  
 PLAN**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:  
**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School approves the revised June 30, 2022 External Audit & Single Audit Corrective Action Plans as written:

**Orchard Park Central School District  
 Corrective Action Plan – Auditors’ Findings and Evaluation  
 June 30, 2022**

Contact Person: Jeffrey R. Petrus, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
 Phone: (716) 209-6209 E-mail: jpetrus@opschools.org

<b>Management Letter - Auditors’ Findings and Evaluation</b>	<b>Responsible Person Date to be Completed</b>	<b>Corrective Action Planned</b>
Use of Time Clocks	Asst Supt for Business (Jeffrey Petrus)/Asst Supt for HR (Deam Ramirez) Prior to June 30, 2024 (ongoing)	The District is continuing to explore its options for use of an electronic time clock system to record time/out and attendance for hourly employees that interfaces with our nVision financial software system. We’ve heard many issues with the TimePiece module that is an nVision product. We are exploring other options at this time.
School Lunch Accounts	Asst Supt for Business (Jeffrey Petrus)/ Treasurer (Tina Frisch)/Personal Touch Food Service (Lisa Valentin) June 30, 2023 (ongoing)	District is currently working with Internal Auditors (Lumsden & McCormick) and Personal Touch Food Service to make sure District’s general ledger for prepaid lunches reconciles to the Nutrikids Reports moving forward. We now have a new Food Service Director that we are working with to resolve this issue.
Future Reporting Requirements	Asst Supt for Business (Jeffrey Petrus) June 30, 2023 (ongoing)	No corrective action required.
<b>Section II. Single Audit Financial Statement Findings</b>	<b>Responsible Person Date to be Completed</b>	<b>Corrective Action Planned</b>
Unrestricted Fund Balance Calculation	Asst Supt for Business (Jeffrey Petrus)/Superintendent (David Lilleck)/ Board of Education June 30, 2022	Management acknowledges that the District has available fund balance in excess of the 4% allowed by Real Property Tax Law. There were some large unanticipated expense reductions and self-funded health insurance credits and rebates at year end June 30, 2022, that left us with higher than anticipated fund balance. Should there be any remaining amounts in excess of 4% at year end June 30, 2023, it will be transferred to reserves.
<b>Section III. Single Audit Federal Award Findings</b>	<b>Responsible Person Date to be Completed</b>	<b>Corrective Action Planned</b>
No Findings Noted	N/A	N/A

Yes –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson  
 No – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

**NOMINATION  
OF CANDIDATES  
TO E2CCB  
BOARD**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education hereby casts its vote for the nomination of

**Gregory Cole**, 24 Babcock Street Silver Creek, NY 14136

**Thomas DeJoe**, 14 Fay Street, Brocton, NY 14716

**David Lowrey**, 96 Sigman Lane, Elma, NY 14059

**Christine Schnars**, 20 Fairfield Avenue, Jamestown, NY 14701

as candidate(s) for the BOCES election on April 19, 2023 to the Erie 2-Chautaugua-Cattaraugus Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

**No** – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

**APPROVAL  
OF SENIOR  
CITIZEN AND  
DISABLED  
CITIZENS  
TAX LIMITS**

Motion by Dr. Rogers, seconded by Cimo, to adopt the following resolutions:

**WHEREAS**, Section 467 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law authorizes a county, town, and school district to grant a real property tax exemption to senior citizens owning real property; and

**WHEREAS**, the statute provides income limits for various levels of the senior citizen real property tax exemption; and

**WHEREAS**, a county, town, and school district can update and increase the income limits from time to time for senior citizen real property tax exemptions; and

**WHEREAS**, the senior citizen exemption income limits previously adopted by the Orchard Park Central School District are currently as follows:

<b>ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	
Income up to and including 15,000	50% Exemption
More than 15,000 — less than 16,000	45% Exemption
16,000 or more — less than 17,000	40% Exemption
17,000 or more — less than 18,000	35% Exemption
18,000 or more — less than 18,900	30% Exemption
18,900 or more — less than 19,800	25% Exemption
19,800 or more — less than 20,700	20% Exemption
20,700 or more — less than 21,600	15% Exemption
21,600 or more — less than 22,500	10% Exemption

and,

**WHEREAS**, Erie County has approved the following increased senior citizen real property tax exemption income limit levels for 2023 as follows:

<b>ERIE COUNTY</b>	
Income up to and including 29,000	50% Exemption
More than 29,000 — less than 30,000	45% Exemption
30,000 or more — less than 31,000	40% Exemption
31,000 or more — less than 32,000	35% Exemption
32,000 or more — less than 32,900	30% Exemption
32,900 or more — less than 33,800	25% Exemption
33,800 or more — less than 34,700	20% Exemption
34,700 or more — less than 35,600	15% Exemption
35,600 or more — less than 36,500	10% Exemption
36,500 or more — less than 37,400	5% Exemption

and,

**WHEREAS**, these increases appear to be reasonable and appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, it is prudent that the County and School District use the same income levels for property tax exemptions for each individual property; it is hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District hereby approves increasing the income levels from \$15,000 to \$29,000 for a 50% senior citizens real property tax exemption, and from \$21,600 to \$36,500 but less than \$37,400 for the 5% senior citizen real property exemption, to be consistent with and adopting all of the Erie County sliding scale senior citizen real property tax exemption income levels; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the revised income levels will be effective and utilized for the 2023-2024 school tax year.

**WHEREAS**, Section 459-c of the New York State Real Property Tax Law authorizes a county, town, and school district to grant a real property tax exemption to persons with disabilities and limited incomes; and

**WHEREAS**, the statute provides income limits for various levels of the persons with disabilities and limited incomes real property tax exemption; and

**WHEREAS**, a county, town, and school district can update and increase the income limits from time to time for persons with disabilities and limited income real property tax exemptions; and

**WHEREAS**, the persons with disabilities and limited incomes exemption income limits previously adopted by the Orchard Park Central School District are currently as follows:

<b>ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	
Income up to and including 18,500	50% Exemption
More than 18,500 — less than 19,500	45% Exemption
19,500 or more — less than 20,500	40% Exemption
20,500 or more — less than 21,500	35% Exemption
21,500 or more — less than 22,400	30% Exemption
22,400 or more — less than 23,300	25% Exemption
23,300 or more — less than 24,200	20% Exemption
24,200 or more — less than 25,100	15% Exemption
25,100 or more — less than 26,000	10% Exemption
26,000 or more — less than 26,900	5% Exemption

and,

**WHEREAS**, Erie County has approved the following increased persons with disabilities and limited incomes real property tax exemption income limit levels for 2023 as follows:

<b>ERIE COUNTY</b>	
Income up to and including 24,000	50% Exemption
More than 24,000 — less than 25,000	45% Exemption
25,000 or more — less than 26,000	40% Exemption
26,000 or more — less than 27,000	35% Exemption
27,000 or more — less than 27,900	30% Exemption
27,900 or more — less than 28,800	25% Exemption
28,800 or more — less than 29,700	20% Exemption
29,700 or more — less than 30,600	15% Exemption
30,600 or more — less than 31,500	10% Exemption
31,500 or more — less than 32,400	5% Exemption

and,

**WHEREAS**, these increases appear to be reasonable and appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, it is prudent that the County and School District use the same income levels for property tax exemptions for each individual property; it is hereby

**PUBLIC  
COMMENT/  
CORRESPONDENCE**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District hereby approves increasing the income levels from \$18,500 to \$24,000 for a 50% persons with disabilities and limited incomes real property tax exemption, and from \$26,000 to \$31,500 but less than \$32,400 for the 5% persons with disabilities and limited incomes real property exemption, to be consistent with and adopting all of the Erie County sliding scale persons with disabilities and limited incomes real property tax exemption income levels; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the revised income levels be effective and utilized for the 2023-2024 school tax year.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

**Public Comment / Correspondence**

- A member of the audience stated they is lack of safety concerns regarding male using female facilities. Quersted the gender-neutral policy and overnight accommodation,
- A member of the audience stated that they expressed disappointment in resolution passed to adopt a policy regarding changing a student genders
- A member of the audience spoke about the petition to remove the gender-neutral policy.
- A member of the audience stated that transgender students are just trying to co-exist and want to be free from harassment.
- A member of the audience stated that the teachers union is running the district and parents have a right to be heard and free from harassment.
- A member of the audience stated that kids can suffer from the transgender policy. The policy is creating division.
- A member of the audience stated there are loop ] holes in the gender neutral policy and the Board should take out the loopholes to keep all kids safe
- A member of the audience stated that there has been bullying against transgender students since the last board meeting.
- Mr. Lilleck reminded everyone that the policy is just stated what is already in NYS Education Law, laws, and regulations from the state. Even when the policy was not adopted, the district was already following the same procedures as required by law. Many other local districts passed this same or similar policy several years ago after the laws/regulations had been adopted by the state.

Two letters of correspondence added to official record – one from E2CC BOCES and the other from candidate Lowrey. (attachment #5)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Cimo, seconded by Dr. Rogers to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.

**Yes** –Tinnesz, Rogers, Cimo, Hughes, Sreniawski, Provost and Anderson

No – n/a

**Motion Unanimously Carried 7-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Connors  
District Clerk

**Minute Attachments**

1. Financials
2. Personnel MOA's
3. Personnel MOA's
4. Special Ed. Detail
5. Correspondence

**Other Attachments**

Official Meeting Announcement  
Agenda

February 14, 2023