

ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting

April 16, 2024

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

Board of Education

Members Present: Dr. Jennifer Rogers, President
Mr. Ryan Anderson, Vice President
Mr. Steven Comeau
Mr. Ed Draves
Mr. Tom Provost
Mrs. Karen Sreniawski
Mr. Shane Brege, Student Ex-Officio

Members Excused Mr. Ryan Cimo

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

Estimated Audience: 70

Dr. Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements & Points of Pride

- Mr. Lilleck shared the following:
 - Spoke about the Thought Exchange survey regarding class rank. He shared the overall reaction from students was to move away from class rank. The comments from parents were mixed. He stated the next steps are to begin to plan different ways to acknowledge student achievement and determine what the timeline will look like as we move away from class rank while not affecting students currently in the process.
 - Friday, April 19, 2024, is a half-day for Pre-K, elementary, and middle school students and an early dismissal for high school students.
 - Eggert will host International Night Thursday, April 18, from 5:30-7 p.m. He shared this is a wonderful event and opportunity to learn more about the culture of the members of our community.
- Mr. Hack, the athletic director, shared all the accomplishments in both athletics and academics of our student athletes. Many of student athletes attended and were recognized for their accomplishments on the field and in the classroom. Mr. Hack shared that he believes that opportunities in sports help our youth, mentally, physically, and academically. He is looking forward to having more opportunities in the coming years for our student athletes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
AND POINTS
OF PRIDE

April 16, 2024

Consensus Items

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, 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 – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

Consensus Minutes

- March 26, 2024

Consensus Financials

- Appropriations Report – March 2024 and Warrant Report – March 2024 (attachment #1)

Consensus Personnel

Personnel Considerations – Teachers and Administrators

Appointments – Tenure (Teachers and Administrators)

Appointments - Probationary and Regular Substitute

Name	Title	Cert Area / Status	Tenure Area	Initial Location	Type / Effective Date	Salary
Bleem, Morgan	Art teacher	Visual Arts / Initial	Art	SD	Part Year Reg Sub 12/4/23 - 6/10/24 (amend end date) LOA - A Kreutinger	2 B pro-rated

* This expiration date is tentative and conditional only. Except to the extent required by the applicable provisions of Section 3012 of the Education Law, in order to be granted tenure the teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period the teacher shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

Appointments – Mentors (Teachers and Teachers)

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Johnson, Philip	Mentor for Mary Kate Graham (MS)	April 2024 - June 2024 July 2024 - March 2025	OPPA	\$1,200

Appointments – Community Education (Teachers and Others)

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Dena, Brian	Curling Program	Spring 2024	OPTA	\$35/hr

Appointments – Per Diem Substitutes (Teachers and Others)

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Certification
Keicher, Kristen	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/4/2024-6/30/2024	Uncertified
Struzynski, Rebecca	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/10/2024-6/30/2024	Certified
Cox, David	Per Diem Substitute Teacher	4/5/24-6/30/24	Uncertified

Appointments – Coaching (Teachers and Others)

Name	Title / Activity	Effective Dates	Employee Group	Salary / Stipend
Fabbro, Kathleen	Volleyball - Grils Varsity Head	Fall 2024	OPTA	\$6,469 / Step 4
Markarian, Emily	Field Hockey - Varsity	Fall 2024	OPTA	\$6,469 / Step 4

Appointments – Summer - Misc (Teachers and Others)

Name	Title / Position	Rate
Batchen, Stacy	Co-Director Summer Quaker Camp / Spec Ed ESY Program (EG)	Up to 35 days - 7.5 hrs / day @ OPTA §3.3.9 (CBA 2024-2029)
Foley, Moira	Co-Director Summer Quaker Camp / Spec Ed ESY Program (EG)	Up to 45 days - 7.5 hrs / day @ OPTA §3.3.9 (CBA 2024-2029)
Caligiuri, Kim	MS Summer Transition Director (MS)	Up to 30 days - 5.5 hrs / day @ OPTA §3.3.9 (CBA 2024-2029)

Leaves of Absence (Teachers and Administrators)

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
Perry, Alyssa	Elementary Ed teacher (WE)	10/06/23 - 03/27/24	Unpaid LOA §4.4

Resignations and Retirements (Teachers and Administrators)

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
Jerge, Lindsey	School Psychologist (EG)	6/30/2024	Resignation

Contractual and Others (Teachers and Administrators) (attachment #2)

- The extension of the effective tenure date for Alyssa Perry, Elementary Education teacher (WE) from 08/30/2022 - 12/10/2025 due to an unpaid LOA (10/12/23 - 03/27/24)
- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute an MOA with the Orchard Park School Central Office Administrators (OPCOA) in regards to the contract of Head Bus Driver - Kristin Guadagno.

Personnel Considerations – Support Staff**Appointments (Support Staff Substitutes)**

Name	Title Activity	Effective Dates	Civil Service Title
Vigneron, Leslie	Support Staff Substitute	4/1/24-6/30/24	Clerical/Aide
Scott, Jennifer	Support Staff Substitute	4/9/24-6/30/24	Registered Professional Nurse

Resignations and Retirements (Support Staff)

Name	Position	Effective Dates	Comment
Egan, Nancy K.	Full-time 12 month Cleaner	08/01/24	Retirement 31.50 years of service

Special Education (attachment #3)

- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Annual Reviews of Sixty-Eight (68)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Re-Evaluation of Fourteen (14)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the **Initial Educational Placement of Twelve (12)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Amendments of Ten (10)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the **Declassification Support Services of Two (2)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for **Declassification of One (1)** Resident Child
- Recommendation by the 504 Committee for the **Accommodation Plan of Fifteen (15)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on **Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Annual Review of Seventeen (17)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the **Preschool Initial Educational Placement of Eight (8)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the **Preschool Amendments of Two (2)** Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the **Preschool Declassification of Three (3)** Resident Children

SPECIAL
EDUCATION

Comments on Consensus, Committee Reports and Presentations

- Dr. Ramirez congratulated Nancy Egan, buildings & grounds, on her retirement after 31.5 years in the district
- Shane Brege, student ex-officio, reported on STAP-Comm and their Thrift Pop-up Shop, held on April 15. Students interested in STAP Comm positions are required to come to a committee meeting on Thursday, April 18. A Bald for Bucks fundraiser is currently being planned. The March Madness fundraiser was a great success and money raised went to support the Boys and Girls Club. A meeting is being scheduled with elementary principals to plan the senior walk for the 2024 graduating class. The last STAP-Comm meeting is May 20, at 7 p.m. at the high school.
- Mrs. Hornung reported on the District Comprehensive Improvement Plan (DCIP) committee meeting. They reviewed all the work that has been done in meeting the goals of DCIP. While there is still work to be done, it was wonderful to review the progress that has been made.
- **Presentation** – Mr. Aaron Grupka, director of curriculum, instruction, and assessment and Mr. Brandon Pafk, high school principal, presented high school accountability data to the Board of Education. The presentation was an opportunity to look at our students' performance on the June 2023 Regents exams and the diploma types our students graduated with in June 2023 by subgroups. The data will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of our District Comprehensive Improvement Plan, our Literacy Steering Committee, and all other curricular initiatives where data can be collected, evaluated and reviewed.

Discussion

- **Surplus Vehicles** – Mr. Petrus stated that the transportation department would like to declare a bus, a loader and a trailer as surplus. All items with value will be sold through Auctions International.
- **Re-Adoption of 2023-24 School Calendar** – Mr. Lilleck shared that the district has utilized four snow-closing days during the 2023-24 school year. He has confirmed that the four days will be need to be added to our elementary calendar in June in order to comply with the 180 days NYSED requirement. June 17, 18, 20 & 21, 2024 will now be required elementary student attendance days.
- **Out of Country Field Trip** – Mr. Lilleck shared that the high school world languages department is requesting to schedule a school trip to France the summer of 2025. As per the regulation that implements policy 8460, any field trip that takes place out of the continental United States requires the approval of the Superintendent and the Board of Education.
- **Erie 2 BOCES Cooperative Bid Resolution** –Mr. Petrus stated that this is another avenue for the district to use to purchase items if the cost is the lowest available.
- **Erie 2 BOCES Commitment Statement** – Mr. Petrus shared that the Commitment Statement is for services included in the 2023-24 budget that the Board adopted last month.
- **Erie 2 BOCES Board of Education Candidates Election** – Mrs. Connors stated there are four candidates for the four vacancies on the Erie 2 BOCES Board of Education. Each of the component districts cast their vote for up to four candidates to serve July 1, 2024-July 30, 2027.
- **Erie 2 BOCES Administrative Budget Vote** – Mrs. Connors stated that the Board will be voting on the administrative portion of the BOCES Budget which is \$3,818,064.

DISCUSSION

**DECLARATION
OF
TRANSPORTATION
VEHICLES/
EQUIPMENT
AS SURPLUS**

ACTION

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby declares the following items as surplus:

#159 - 2010 Chevy, Minibus, Vin#1GB6G2AG4A1146656

#459 - 2014 Volvo Loader, VIN#VCE0L60FP00061864

#480 - 2022 Trailer, VIN#7H2BE3633ND043846

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**READOPTIOIN
OF 2023-24
SCHOOL
CALENDAR**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby re-adopts the 2023-24 school calendar.

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Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**APPROVAL
OF
FIELD TRIP
TO FRANCE**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the High School Out of Country Field Trip France in July of 2025.

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**ADOPTION
OF
COOPERATIVE
BID
RESOLUTION**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It is the plan of a number of public school districts in Erie-2 Chautauqua-Cattaraugus County BOCES, New York, to bid jointly those items indicated on the attachment, **WHEREAS,** The Orchard Park Central School District is desirous of participating with other school districts in Erie-2Chautauqua-Cattaraugus County BOCES in the joint bidding of the commodities mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, and, **WHEREAS,** The Orchard Park Central School District wishes to appoint a committee to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, reporting the results to the Boards of Education and making recommendations thereon; therefore, **BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District hereby appoints Karen Drummond, BOCES and a committee chosen by her to represent it in all matters related to the above, and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education authorizes the above mentioned committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities, and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the cooperative bidding and, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the committee; (3) that after award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations directly with successful bidder(s).

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**ADOPTION
OF E2CCB
COMMITMENT
STATEMENT
RESOLUTION**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District has reviewed the Commitment Statement from Erie 2 – Chautauqua – Cattaraugus BOCES for services to be provided during the 2024-25 School year, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District agrees that such services are required to complement the existing educational program, therefore **BE IT RESOLVED,** that the services to be provided and the cost proration are acceptable to this district.

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**ELECTION
OF E2CCB
BOE
MEMBERS**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District hereby cast their vote for

- ✓ Mr. Gregory Cole, 24 Babcock Street, Silver Creek, NY 14136, Silver Creek Central School District
- ✓ Sylvester Cleary, 10109 Bradigan Road, Forestville, NY 14062, Forestville Central School District
- ✓ Mrs. Nancy Renckens, 528 Central Avenue, Dunkirk, NY 14048, Dunkirk Central School District
- ✓ Mr. John Y. Waterman Jr., 12134 Burning Springs Road, Perrysburg, NY 14129, Gowanda Central School District

in the Election of members of the Board of Cooperative Education Services, Second Supervisory District of Erie, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties.

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

**APPROVAL
OF E2CCB
ADMINISTRATIVE
BUDGET**

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to approve the following:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District hereby approves the 2024-25 tentative BOCES Administrative Budget in the amount of \$3,818,064.

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

CORRESPONDENCE

Public Comment / Correspondence

- Correspondence (2) Re: E2CC BOCES Board - Mr. Carpenter & Mr. Waterman, Jr. (attachment #4)

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Sreniawski, to adjourn 7:58 p.m.

Yes – Rogers, Anderson, Sreniawski, Provost, Comeau and Draves

No – n/a

Motion Unanimously Carried 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Connors
District Clerk

Minute Attachments

1. Financials
2. MOA
3. Special Education
4. Correspondence

Other Attachments

Official Meeting Announcement
Agenda