

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
OTTO-ELDRED BOARD OF EDUCATION**

An executive session was held prior to the regular meeting from 5:30 pm – 6:57 pm.

The regular meeting of the Otto-Eldred Board of Education was held in the Otto-Eldred Elementary Tech Center on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President, Cynthia Murphy.

The meeting began with everyone present saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS: Lance Baker, Lisa Beaver, Robert DeLong, Jeannine Gray, Marlene Lang, Cynthia Murphy, Elizabeth Murphy, Jolene Schuessler

ABSENT: Matthew Windsor

ADMINISTRATION: Matthew D. Splain, Superintendent; Nicholas J. LaBella, High School Principal; Lindsay Burns, Director of Student Services/Special Education; Jodi L. Flexman, Business Manager/Board Secretary

FACULTY/STAFF: Katie Barrett, Nicole Cochran, Virgil Graham, Kayla Johnson, Tammy Maxson, Tammi Rouff, Melanie Splain, Amanda Tanner, Brandon Witmer

VISITORS: Jezlyn Barton, Aliyah Cole, Erikka Henretta, Wanda Stebbins, Kristin Zona

REPORTERS: None

Minutes

Motion: It was moved by Marlene Lang, seconded by Lance Baker, to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023. All present voted yes.

At this time the board provided time for public comment. No regular public comment was given.

Treasurer's Report

Motion: It was moved by Marlene Lang, second by Lance Baker, to approve the September 2023 Treasurer's report as presented. All present voted yes.

Bill List

Motion: It was moved by Lisa Beaver, seconded by

Jeannine Gray, to approve Mrs. Flexman's request to pay the October 2023 General Fund bills on October 17, 2023, and present the bill list at the November 2023 board meeting. All present voted yes.

Cafeteria Report

Motion: It was moved by Lisa Beaver, second by Lance Baker, to approve the September 2023 Cafeteria report as presented. All present voted yes.

The schedule of accounts and athletic fund reports for September 2023 were presented for informational purposes.

Mrs. Burns briefly discussed enrollment numbers, relayed there are a few changes in Chapter 14, 15, and 16, and shared some concerns about the validity and terminology of the PAYS surveys. In addition, the Winter Keystones have been scheduled.

Mr. Labella relayed to the board that Mrs. Jackson will be assisting with PSAT online testing this week, the marching band will be competing in Brockway on Saturday, October 21, 2023, there will be an activity day on Thursday, November 2, 2023, and there will be a Veteran's Day assembly on Friday, November 10, 2023.

Mr. Splain noted some information on the Fair Funding Lawsuit. Some information was provided to help understand how the underfunded schools are impacted. He also discussed an upcoming PCCD grant for mental health.

Policies

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, second by Jolene Schuessler, to approve the final reading of the following policies:
006 Meetings
216.1 Supplemental Discipline Records
251 Students Experiencing Homelessness, Foster Care, and Other
All present voted yes.

Planning Updates

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded by Lisa Beaver, to approve the purchase of radio communication equipment at approximately \$17,312 using the PCCD funds. All present voted yes.

Personnel

Motion: It was moved by Elizabeth Murphy, seconded by Marlene Lang, to approve Billi Rees as a substitute teacher and Marilynn Wells as a substitute aide and cafeteria. This is pending receipt of certifications, clearances, and any other

necessary documentation. All present voted yes

Supplemental Positions

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded by Marlene Lang, to approve the following supplemental positions for the 2023-2024 school year:

Winter Strength Coach – Jonathan Magro

Baseball Scorekeeper – Ben Mooney, Stefanie Wolfe

Basketball Cheer Advisor – Tracey Green

Basketball Cheer Asst Advisor – Jenna Hartzell

This is pending receipt of certifications, clearances, and any other necessary documentation. All present voted yes.

Supplemental Positions

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded by Marlene Lang, to approve the following the resignation of Boyd Fitzsimmons as the Winter Strength Coach for 2023-2024. All present voted yes.

Volunteers

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded by Marlene Lang, to approve the following volunteers for the 2023-2024 school year:

Strength Volunteer – Boyd Fitzsimmons

Basketball Cheer Volunteer – Rosie Rodgers, Kim Stewart, Brachele Valerius. This is pending receipt of certifications, clearances, and any other necessary documentation. All present voted yes

Compensation Agreement

Motion: It was moved by Lance Baker, seconded by Lisa Beaver, to approve the OESD part-time staff agreement as presented. All present voted yes.

Compensation Agreement

Motion: It was moved by Lisa Beaver, seconded by Lance Baker, to approve the successor agreement for the current CBA with OEEA. All present voted yes.

Compensation Agreement

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded by Lisa Beaver, to approve the MOU allowing parent-teacher conferences to be held the evening of Thursday, November 2nd and the morning of Friday, November 3rd. All present voted yes.

Club Officers

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded

by Lance Baker, to approve the 2023-2024 Club Officers as presented. All present voted yes.

Field Trips

Motion: It was moved by Lisa Beaver, seconded by Elizabeth Murphy, to approve the following field trips:

Jr. High Quiz Bowl, Date: 10/17/23, Location: IU9, Smethport, Students: 5, Chaperones: 1 (Daniels), Transportation: District Van Requested

College Visit, Date: 10/17/23, Location: UPB, Students: 30, Chaperones: 2 (Jackson, Prescott), Transportation: Todd's Bus Requested

RIT/Rochester Planetarium, Date: 10/25/23
Location: Rochester, NY, Students: 5-6
Chaperones: 1 (Daniels), Transportation: District Van Requested

Canticle Farms, Date: 10/27/23 (tentative),
Location: Allegany, NY, Students: 7, Chaperones: 1 (Miller) Transportation: District Van Requested

Career Exploration Day, Date: November 2023 (TBD), Location: Saint Marys HS, Students: 8
Chaperones: 1 (Daniels), Transportation: District Van Requested

The Lightning Thief: TYA Edition (Musical)
Date: 11/16/23, Location: UPB, Students: 46
Chaperones: 4 (Wolfe, V Graham, Wilson, TBD)
Transportation: Todd's Bus Requested

IU9 Jr/Sr Choir, Date: 11/17/23, Location: Bradford Area High School, Students: 20
Chaperones: 1 (Barrett), Transportation: Todd's Bus and District Van Requested

STEAM Day, Date: 11/21/23, Location: Saint Francis University, Students: 5, Chaperones: 1 (Daniels), Transportation: District Van Requested

Art Exhibit Experience, Date: 03/07/24
Location: Pitt Bradford, Students: 40, Chaperones: 2 (Daniels, Maxson), Transportation: Todd's Bus Requested

Husky Dog Pound: Shark Tank-Inspired
 Entrepreneur Competition, Date: 03/21/24
 Location: Bloomsburg University, Students: 8
 Chaperones: 2 (Daniels and TBD), Transportation:
 District Van Requested

Teddy Bear Clinic, Date: 04/26/24, Location:
 BRMC-Bradford, PA, Students: 40
 Chaperones: 4 (Splain, Mahar-Yoder, 2 Aides)
 Transportation: Todd's Bus Requested

Wilds Center: Media Lab – Rustic Duck Business
 Promotion Opportunity, Date: TBD, Location: Kane,
 PA, Students: 8, Chaperones: 1 (Witmer)
 Transportation: District Van Requested

All present voted yes.

Adjournment

Motion: It was moved by Jeannine Gray, seconded
 by Lance Baker to adjourn at 7:38 PM into
 executive session. All present voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,



Jodi L. Flexman
 Business Manager/Board Secretary