

PROPOSED
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
January 16, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Superintendent Steve Head

Members Present: K.Williams, J.Terakedis, R.Reynolds, A.Gast, R.Tessier,

Members Absent: H.Ruttkofsky, D.VanBrunt

Others Present: S.Head, K.Springer, K.Terakedis, T.Aiken, D.Blank, C.Garrison, A.Strong, T.Comden, D.Biringer, C.Garrison

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Steve Head.

Motion by J.Terakedis to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by R.Reynolds
Motion carried 5-0

Motion by K.Williams to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2022 meeting. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0 .

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of December 2022 in the amount of **\$1,070,786.88**. Seconded by R.Tessier Motion Carried 5-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT - Kara Terakedis read the report on the buildings
Elementary- The elementary is preparing for the 5th grade Kiwanis scholarship silent auction at Homecoming on Feb. 10th - please join them to support the 5th graders. It will be in the high school cafeteria outside the gym at the boys basketball game. They just finished NWEA winter testing. Several new families have enrolled at OES and joined our wildcat family. Yearbook cover contest winner is Trammel Valasek.

In the Middle School, today's PD allowed time for staff to meet by district department, and by grade level in the middle school. We reviewed data, discussed instructional strategies, and planned for the next 9 weeks. We finished up the first semester and our 2nd incentive trip to Adrian Skatery is planned for 1/19. We are having Micki Cardwell from Ok to Say present to each grade level on the 17th. Our 8th grade is starting to get the end of middle school anxiety. It's always an emotional second half of the year. Staff is working to support them and keep things fun for them to end their time with us. We are working on finalizing a formal dance for the MS. Students are looking forward to it. Mrs. Ellison, Mrs. Anderson, and Mrs. George are presenting at the MEMSPA Middle-Level Conference on February 3-4 to share how the Student Success and Resource Center operates.

In the High School, they had an amazing cornhole tournament before Christmas break with 40 teams that competed. The band performed their famous Glow Show for the student body at an all school assembly. Just finished a successful Exam week and looking forward to starting the 2nd semester. Our winter sports are in the thick of their season and meeting a lot of challenges with success. Not to rush the season but we have already begun some of the Spring sports sign ups. The year is moving fast!

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE: Pastor Dick Blank-904 Pentecost Hwy. spoke on his beliefs on wokism.

Semiannual Reorganization Meeting:

Election of Officers:

Motion by R.Tessier to elect Keith Williams as Board President. Seconded by A.Gast. Roll call vote: Reynolds - yes, Terakedis - yes, Williams - yes, Gast - yes, Tessier -yes. Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by R.Reynolds to elect Jason Terakedis as Board Vice-President. Seconded by A.Gast . Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Williams- yes, Tessier - yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by J.Terakedis to elect Alex Gast as Board Treasurer. Seconded by R.Tessier. Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Williams- yes, Tessier - yes Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by A.Gast to elect Dave VanBrunt as Board Secretary. Seconded by J.Terakedis. Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Williams- yes, Tessier- yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Auditor Appointment:

Motion by J.Terakedis to elect Meredith Francis, CPA as auditor. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Roll call vote: Terakedis- yes, Reynolds- yes, Gast- yes, Williams- yes, Tessier- yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Committee Appointments:

Below are the BOE Committees that were established last year:

Athletic: Gast, Ruttkofsky, VanBrunt

Bond: Tessier, Terakedis, VanBrunt

Building/Grounds: Reynolds, Terakedis, Williams

Curriculum/School Improvement: Tessier, Ruttkofsky, Gast

Finance: Gast, Terakedis, Williams

Personnel: Ruttkofsky, Reynolds, VanBrunt

Policy: Tessier, Reynolds, Williams

LCASB Representative: Keith Williams, Jason Terakedis (Alternate)

MASB Representatives: Gast, VanBrunt-Alternate

Motion by A.Gast to accept Committee Appointments as presented. Seconded by J.Terakedis. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS -

High School Building Report - Shared celebrations - some positives from the day to day in the classrooms. Mrs. McMichael shared a presentation showcasing what is going on with the HS art department. Mrs. Biringer presented data on one component of Explicit Instructions, Opportunities to Respond. This is an area they are continuing to work on and do learning on with the teachers. She also presented on Literacy Strategies that are being implemented to improve reading comprehension. Mr. Comden presented information on the 18 credit Michigan Merit Curriculum diploma as an alternative for highly at risk students. He also gave an update on the vape detectors. The numbers are continuing to go down with the detectors as well as the presence of staff in the bathrooms. Parental support has been positive.

Dyan Biringer reported on Project Lead the Way. There are 4 MS classes being taught by Heather Hildreth and Noelle Martell. Those classes are Medical Detectives, Design & Modeling, Robotics and Magic of Electrons. In the HS, Dylan Thompson teaches Intro to Engineering Design and Principles of Engineering. Dyan Biringer teaches Principles of Biomedical Sciences and Human Body Systems. She gave updates on what projects the classes are working on.

EMPLOYMENT

Motion by J.Terakedis to acknowledge the hire of Jennifer Dye - ES Paraprofessional. Seconded by R.Reynolds. Motion carried 5-0.

ACTION -

Motion by R.Tessier to decline the \$30 stipend for board members at meetings. Seconded by J.Terakedis. Motion Carried 5-0.

Motion by A.Gast to accept the 22-23 budget amendment resolution as presented. Seconded by J.Terakedis . Roll Call Vote Reynolds - yes, Terakedis - yes, Williams - yes, Gast - yes, Tessier - yes. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - The finance committee met to discuss the 22-23 budget amendment.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mr. Head gave a huge thank you to all of the Onsted Community Schools Board Members. Their support is very important in getting work done within the schools. He is very thankful for all they do for the staff and students in our community. Congratulations to the candidates that were re-elected and sworn in at the previous meeting. The board candidates were presented with a certificate of appreciation.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Ray - Thank you for the board member recognition. Thanks to Tim and staff for the reports.

Gast - Recognize that today is MLK day and his legacy and what that means. Thanks for the HS report and Anita for the finance report.

Williams - Congratulations to those elected to the 6 year terms. Mentioned PLTW and what an awesome option that is at the MS and HS.

Jason - Thank you to the teachers from PLTW. Happy New Year! Great to see all the awesome things happening around campus.

R.Reynolds - Thanked Tim for the great building reports, thank you Steve for the recognition and all you do.

Motion by R.Reynolds to adjourn meeting at 8:52 pm. Seconded by J.Terakedis.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary
Board of Education
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