

PROPOSED  
ONSTED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
March 18, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jason Terakedis

Members Present: Heather Ruttkofsky, Keith Williams, Alex Gast, Ray Tessier, Jason Terakedis, David VanBrunt, Ryan Reynolds

Members Absent: None

Others Present: A.Strong, K.LaFollette, K.Roe, T.Aiken, H.Hildreth, N.Martell, C.Garrison, K.Springer

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Terakedis. The Mission Statement was read by President Terakedis.

Motion by K.Williams to approve the agenda. Seconded by R.Tessier Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2024 Board Meeting. Seconded by A.Gast Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by A.Gast to approve the disbursements for the month of February 2024 in the amount of \$1,150,198.30. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 7-0

Student Representative Report: Kaylee Rankin presented the student representative report: OHS had multiple successes and recognitions in the many winter sports competitions the last several weeks, further proof of the strong sports program we have here. Thanks to all the winter coaches and the athletic department. We are now in the midst of Spring sports with a couple of competitions this week weather permitting. Parent teacher conferences were last week with approx 130 conferences held throughout the afternoon and evening. We have a couple of field trips coming up. This Thursday we have around 20 students going to the Career Connections Career fair at LCS and on April 8 we have a Mr Thompson's science classes going on an eclipse field trip to Wapakoneta (waa·puh·kuh·neh·tuh) Ohio. Juniors are currently prepping in Math and English for the SAT which as part of the MME testing coming up in April. Seniors are looking excitedly at graduation as they work hard to fight off senioritis these last couple months of their HS career. It is coming fast. Everyone is eagerly awaiting the start of Spring Break this Friday at 3:00.

Comments from the Audience: None

Reports - MS Student of the month was read by Alaina Ellison. HS Student of the month was read by Tim Comden. A.Ellison gave the status report from the MS. T.Aiken gave a presentation on the Hands on History class that he is teaching as an elective. This is a local history class that is doing field trips throughout Lenawee County. The students also do a family tree as a project during the class. Heather Hildreth gave a presentation on the PLTW classes that she teaches in the MS and also reported on the PLTW classes in the HS. Heather is looking at adding one more class next year. Classes that she will be teaching, she will need to be specifically trained in which she will do over the summer. Noelle Martel also presented on the PLTW class that she teaches. and spoke about the Salmon project she does with her 8th grade physical science class. This is the second year she has done this project with the kids. She is also doing the chemistry challenge

with the chemistry club again this year. Last year the team came in 3rd place. This year they came in 4th place.

Motion by R.Tessier to acknowledge the hiring of Bernard Schmit - HS Math Teacher. Seconded by D.VanBrunt . Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by K.Williams to acknowledge the resignation/retirements of Jim Arnett - Bus Driver, Paul Jensen - 2nd Grade Teacher, Daisy McVay - Cook/Cashier, Julie Butler - Cook/Cashier, Sadie Miller - MS Cafeteria Assistant, Brenda Hubbard - Food Service/AP with regret. Seconded by A.Gast . Motion Carried 7 -0.

Discussion - No Discussion items this month.

Motion by R.Tessier to forego the Board Compensation for the year. Seconded by A.Gast Motion Carried 7-0.

Motion by K.Williams to approve the Telephone System Upgrade for \$33,846.54 . Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 7-0

Motion by R.Reynolds to approve the Desktop/Monitor purchase in the amount of \$33,568.64. Seconded by K.Williams. Motion Carried 7-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the Chromebooks/Carts Purchase of \$28,336. Seconded by D.VanBrunt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Motion by A.Gast to approve the Elementary A/V room upgrades in the amount of \$48,547.57. Seconded by H.Ruttkofsky. Motion Carried 7-0.

Committee Reports: There will be a Policy Committee Meeting scheduled to review the spring NEOLA updates.

The Superintendent's Report: Report was given by President J.Terakedis in Mr. Head's absence. Phenomenal winter sports season. Looking forward to Spring sports getting going. We will be doing a first review of Superintendent candidates when we come back from spring break. There will be a special meeting on April 2nd for this review and to decide which candidates to interview.

Board Member Comments:

Heather - Loved seeing what the teachers are doing.

Keith - Engagement is key to get the students excited about learning.

Alex - Great meeting. Love and Gratitude for Paul Jensen and Brenda Hubbard who are retiring.

Ray - Thanks to everyone for coming and for the awesome reports. We need more in engineering. Echoed the thanks to the retirees.

Jason - Impressed by the Lenawee United Hockey team. Thank you to everyone that presented.

David - Thank you and so glad to see the excitement from the teachers and presentations tonight.

Ryan - Great presentations tonight. Thank you for all of the great work

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

David VanBrunt, Secretary  
Board of Education  
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