

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*Ossining, NY*

**Work Session/Regular Meeting**  
**Roosevelt School Cafeteria**

**March 20, 2013**  
**Work Session/Regular Meeting: 7:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Mr. Bill Kress, *President*; Dr. Kimberly Case, Mr. Graig Galef, Mr. Frank Schneckner, Mr. Steve Wardwell, Ms. Cindy Winter

**Others**

**Present:** Angela White, *Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education and Administrative Services*, Ms. Alita Zuber, *Assistant Superintendent for Business*

**Absent:** Mr. Raymond Sanchez, *Superintendent of Schools*, Ms. Dana Levenberg, *Vice President*

**I. Call to Order – President**

Board President Bill Kress called the March 20, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:43 p.m.

Mr. Kress announced that Mr. Sanchez is not present tonight because he and his wife are awaiting the birth of their son.

Mr. Kress announced that Dr. Angela White would be sitting in for Mr. Sanchez.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Kimberly Case led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board President Bill Kress shared the following good news with everyone.

- The Ossining High School Girls Basketball Team have been named New York State Champions!
- Ossining High School senior and member of the OHS Girls Basketball Team, Saniya Chong, was named Gatorade's *Athlete of the Year*.
- Ossining has been named a "Best Community for Music Education" for a third year in a row! Ossining Has Been Named a Best Community For Music Education.
- Ossining Village Proclaims today as "Daniel McQuaid Day."
- There is an excellent video posted on LoHud's Web Site entitled, "Music Education Thrives in Ossining." A link can be found on the Ossining School District Facebook page.
- The Junior Science Humanities Symposium Poster Contest Winners are:
  - Daniel McQuaid - 1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall
  - Caleb Hersh - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place OverallBoth students will now travel to Dayton, Ohio for the National Junior Science Humanities Symposium.
- Claremont School *Future Leaders After School Program* hosts a dinner and dance on Tuesday evening.
- AMD's "Dancing with Staff" event took place last Friday and raised \$1,500 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.
- 16 Claremont, Roosevelt and AMD students participated in the Westchester All-County Chorus Concert this past Saturday.
- *Reading Week* takes place all this week at Brookside School.
- AMD "Career Day" will be held this Friday, March 22nd.
- OHS student Jaeseung Hahn was accepted into the Macaulay Honors College at City College. He also just won a \$126,000 award from the National Science Foundation and has enrolled in a joint, MIT-Harvard, Doctoral program in medical engineering and medical physics!
- Six students were accepted into the Macaulay Honors Program:

- Amanda and Max Bernstein
- Pam Brigleb
- Akiera Gilbert
- Emma Codman
- Sheida Takmi

### III. Comments from the Student Representative to the Board

Student representative to the Board, Caitlyn Piccirillo-Stosser, provided the following report to the Board:

- Daniel McQuaid, Ossining's first Intel finalist, traveled to Washington, D.C. on March 7th along with the other 39 finalists to compete for additional prizes. While in Washington, Daniel had the amazing opportunity to meet President Obama. Daniel was also featured in a front page article of the *Science Times* last week.
- The Ossining Science Research program did amazingly well at the Westchester Science and Engineering Fair on March 9, 2013.
  - Ossining High School has three students going to the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF): Caleb Hersh, Claudia Mimoso, and Sheida Takmil, and one team, Sania Khalid and Amrita Ramesh. They will be attending the fair in Phoenix from May 12-17 this year.
  - Ossining High School has two students going to I-SWEEEP, the International Sustainable World (Engineering, Energy & Environment) Project Olympiad: Edward Aryee and Daniel Scanteianu. These students qualified from WESEF, and in addition, Jessica Fleischman qualified to compete at the fair by submitting her paper. This fair will be held in Houston from May 8-13 this year.
  - In the categories, we had a number of winners.
    - Our first place winners were: Elana Sitnik in Animal Science, Caleb Hersh in Behavioral Science, Sheida Takmil in Biochemistry, Maria Walsh-Regotti in Earth Science, Daniel Scanteianu in Engineering Science, Edward Aryee in Environmental Science, Claudia Mimoso in Medicine & Health, and me in Plant Science.
    - Our second place winners were: Jessica Fleischman in Animal Science, Catie Conte in Behavioral Science, Sania Khalid and Amrita Ramesh in Biochemistry, Matthew Redzeposki in Environmental Science, and Mitchell Radhuber in Physics & Astronomy.
    - Our third place winners were: Sarah Permut in Behavioral Science, Eitan Rude in Biochemistry, Matthew D'Emic in Cell & Molecular Biology, Henry Tareque in Earth Science, Andrew Leibert and Sam Rude in Environmental Science, and Adam Illowsky in Medicine & Health.
    - Our fourth place winners were: Lucia Tonelli and Max Bernstein in Animal Science, Abby DeCrenza, Haley Gorycki, Claudia Guinansaca-Aguilar, and Kara Milstein in Behavior Science, Laj Mehta in Biochemistry, and Luke Vutera in Physics & Astronomy.
  - Ossining also won many special awards:
    - Maria Walsh-Regotti and Luke Vutera both won the ACM International Foundation Award.
    - Daniel Scanteianu and Catie Conte won the National Society of Professional Engineers Award.
    - Emma Honcharski won the RICOH Sustainable Development Award.
    - Catie Conte and Luke Vutera won the US Navy/ US Marine Corps Award.
    - Pamela Brigleb and Amanda Bernstein won the M&T Bank Award.
    - Abigail Kamen and Alyson Winter won the Walter Kass Memorial Award.
    - George Staudter won the Visual Impact Award.
    - Claudia Mimoso won the Future Scientista Award.
- Students from the Science Research program also traveled to Albany last Wednesday and Thursday, where they competed at the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS). Six students, Daniel McQuaid, Sam Rude, Henry Tareque, Matt D'Emic, Sania Khalid, and Caleb Hersh, competed as "speakers" where they presented a Powerpoint presentation. Another five students, Sarah Permut, Amrita Ramesh, Claudia Mimoso, Pam Brigleb, and Edward Aryee, competed in the poster category.
  - Amrita Ramesh, Claudia Mimoso, and Pam Brigleb all won first in their own poster sub-categories.
  - Daniel McQuaid and Caleb Hersh were two of five students to win their speaker rooms on Wednesday and they had the opportunity to present again for the entire fair on Thursday. Daniel won first and Caleb won third overall. They will both be traveling to Dayton, Ohio from May 1<sup>st</sup>- May 5<sup>th</sup> to the National JSHS. Daniel will be competing and Caleb has the chance to present as a non-competitive poster.

- On March 9th, the Ossining High School Robotics Team competed in the local regional FIRST Robotics Competition at the Javits Center in New York. They won the Engineering Inspiration Award and are an NYC regional finalist! They will move on to the regional championships held in St. Louis from April 24-27.
- The Ossining Girls Varsity Basketball Team are State Champs! On Saturday, the girls played in Troy against Section 5's Gates Chili and had an 86-69 victory. This was Ossining High School's first athletic team to win a State championship since the boys' cross-country team in 1967! The team heads to the Federation Tournament final on Saturday at Albany's Times Union Center to face the winner of the game between PSAL champion Murry Bergtraum and CHSAA champion Bishop Ford.
- Alex Delacruz is the First Place State Wrestling Champion in the 120 lb. weight class in Section One.
- On March 14th, Ossining High School hosted its Drive Safe/Drive Smart Night. Our guest speaker was Mark Sterner, who presented *A Powerful Lesson*. The night had a very strong turnout.
- The Fed Challenge Club will compete at the Fed Challenge high school competition on Thursday at the Federal Reserve in New York.
- On Thursday, the Youth to Youth Club will be hosting their annual Blood Drive from 8:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m. in the OHS gym.
- The National Honor Society will be hosting their annual Senior Citizens' Prom on Friday, April 12th in the high school gym. This is a great event and it is wonderful to see the turnout of senior citizens who always have a great time. The theme for the prom this year will be the city, matching the school drama, *Rent*.
- The Drama Club will put on their spring production of *Rent* from April 11<sup>th</sup> - April 13th. While admission is free, donations are welcome!
- The Junior Semi-Formal will be held on Friday, April 19th from 6:00 -10:00 p.m. at Ceola Manor in Jefferson Valley. All of those in attendance will have to complete the Alcohol Edu online before buying tickets.
- The following teams received the NYS Scholar Athlete Team Award for maintaining a 90 or above GPA during the Winter Season: girls' gymnastics, boys' swimming, girls' indoor track, boys' indoor track, girls' basketball, and ice hockey.
- Spring sports began last week: baseball, softball, golf, boys' and girls' lacrosse, boys' tennis, and track.

#### IV. **Comments from the Ossining Cultural Arts Advocates (OCAA)**

Ms. Maria Levine provided a report to the Board regarding happenings in Cultural Arts.

We are very pleased to announce that for the third year in a row, Ossining has been named a Best Community for Music Education by the NAMM Foundation. Several OHS students will pursue music and art careers in college:

- Noah Weisbart has been accepted to three of the most prestigious Theater Arts programs at Michigan, College Conservatory of Music in Cincinnati, and The Royal Conservatoire in Scotland.
- Gloria Ibanez will study Art History at Marist College where she will spend her first year in Florence, Italy.
- Tori Fried will study art at the Chicago Art Institute
- Kat Polleta will be an Art major at Hartwick and Alfred
- Eric Tapia will study graphic design at the College of Westchester
- Daniel Aviles has been accepted to Parsons and The California Institute of the Arts.
- Robert Levine will attend either the Eastman School of Music, the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University or Penn State as a horn performance Art major.

These are but a few of the seniors who will be majoring in some area of Cultural Arts. We are also very proud that they have garnered a good deal of merit scholarship money. Robert Levine will again be attending the Interlochen Center for the Arts and Nate Holtzberg has been accepted as an alternate for the NYSSSA program in Saratoga Springs this summer.

There have been many elementary and middle school concerts that were held from January through March. These have been very well attended. The the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade concert at OHS was standing room only as were both of the middle school concerts which were split between the cafetorium and the gym. Second grade Arts Night was held at AMD and was a huge success. Mr. Vargas once again led the OHS Marching Band in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York City. This is a nationally televised event and this is the 17<sup>th</sup> year OHS has participated in the parade.

On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, over 60 student musicians participated in the River Towns Honor Band and Orchestra performances at Sleepy Hollow High School. Our congratulations go out to these outstanding musicians. Also, the AMD Theater Arts Group had a very successful production of *The Wizard of Oz* on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Students from various grade levels performed for our annual Senior Citizens Valentine's Day Breakfast.

Since we last addressed this group, the New York State Band Directors Association has recognized more music students.

- Caleb Hersh was selected to perform with the NYSBDA all state band
- Layla Yuro and Elizabeth Keeley were chosen as alternates
- Cultural Arts Director Bradley Morrison has been appointed to the Board of Directors for this organization.

Ossining High School was selected as the site for this year's Westchester County All County Jazz Festival which was held on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Caleb Hersh was selected as lead trumpet for the A band, Marcus Roman was selected for trumpet and Nathan Holtzberg for vibes.

Three Art students were announced as winners of the Lions Club poster contest. The winners were Ruby Rodgers (1<sup>st</sup> place), Mediah Zia (1<sup>st</sup> runner up) and Rebecca Scholl (honorable mention). Additionally, 12 AMD students were recognized for contributions to the Stash the Trash poster contest. Natasha Victoria took first place, received a savings bond and her poster will be used for publicity and community awareness for the event. Mariah Ramos took 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Dylan Wood 3<sup>rd</sup>. AMD student Kayla Harris took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Woman's Resource Center poster contest. She received a \$100 gift card. The theme was "Without Stereotypes, My World Would Look Like ...".

Cultural Arts also has a new presence on the VIMEO channel on the District web site. VIMEO replaces Ossining's YouTube presence. There are many videos that can be viewed by clicking the link on the Cultural Arts web site.

The Drama Club's production of "Rent" will take place on April 11 through the 13<sup>th</sup>. We are sure it will be as successful as last year's production of "Aida."

This spring, on April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, Ossining will host the NYSSMA Solo Festival at AMD Middle School. Our musicians work all year to prepare for this very prestigious solo competition. It is through this event that students are selected for All State Band and Orchestra, Area All State Band and Orchestra, All State Jazz Ensemble and other prestigious ensembles. In addition to this festival, Mr. Jenkins will again take the AMD 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade bands to the NYSSMA Majors competition.

OHS Piano Night is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup>. The annual Ossining Art Show will take place at the Ossining Public Library on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. OHS's Gimme the Mic has already had a number of terrific engagements and another concert is planned for May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our district wide community event, *Ossining Live*, is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup>. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Cultural Awards Night will take place on June 4<sup>th</sup> to honor all of our gifted high school performers and artists.

Finally, all will bid farewell to the old OHS auditorium with a final OHS concert on April 30<sup>th</sup>. This will be a memorable event, posters and flyers will be displayed throughout the district. OCAA is working with Ossining High School Principal Josh Mandelto distribute these posters and flyers to help make the entire Ossining community aware of this free event.

OCAA is actively seeking individuals for leadership positions within the organization for academic year 2013 – 2014. Please contact Gloria McQuaid, our President anyone is interested.

Ms. Levine thanked the Board for giving her the opportunity to share the wonderful events and news in Cultural Arts.

## V. Special Recognitions

- **1,000 Book Project**

Ms. Vanessa Santos, Coordinator of the 1,000 Book Project, presented the following four students for special recognition in achieving the goal of having read 1,000 books or more. Each student was presented with a certificate, t-shirt and a book.

- Brianna Torres
- Sarah Gardner
- Idalio Yan
- Jenessa Yan

The Board congratulated each student and parents had an opportunity to take photos. The 1,000 Book Project is inspires children to develop a love of reading.

- **Patricia Ortiz**

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Angela White presented Ms. Patricia Ortiz, a Teaching Assistant at Park School, with a certificate in recognition of her achievement as recipient of the New York State Association Award for Bilingual Education.

The Board of Education congratulated Ms. Ortiz on her achievement and wished her continued success. Ms. Ortiz thanked Mr. Sanchez, administrators and the Board of Education.

- **Claudia Mimoso**

Ossining High School Principal Mr. Joshua Mandel presented Ossining High School Senior Ms. Claudia Mimoso with a certificate in recognition of her outstanding academic achievements:

- A full scholarship to New York University for a special research program
- A trip to ISEF
- First recipient ever of the Scientista Award, an award “for women scientists who demonstrate the greatest STEM potential.”

Ms. Mimoso is a member of various clubs and associations. Mr. Mandel stated that Ms. Mimoso is one of the most outstanding students he has ever known at Ossining High School. Mr. Mandel is very proud of Ms. Mimoso.

The Board congratulated Ms. Mimoso for her many achievements and wished her continued success.

## VI. Work Session

- ***Facilities Update***

Assistant Superintendent for Business Ms. Alita Zuber presented M. Paul Tozzi, Construction Manager at Arris Construction. Mr. Tozzi provided an update (via a PowerPoint presentation) pertaining to the status of facilities improvements at the schools.

The Anne M. Dorner Middle School roof has been severely damaged by Hurricane Sandy and other storms and will need to be repaired as soon as possible.

Plans have been submitted to the New York State Education Department and approval has been received. The project is on target and most of the work will take place during the summer. The number one priority is the safety and well-being of students and staff during the duration of the project and steps have been taken to ensure that everyone is safe.

Board discussion took place. The Board thanked Mr. Tozzi.

- ***Common Core State Standards, Curriculum and Instruction***

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Angela White provided an update, via a PowerPoint presentation, pertaining to the Common Core State Standards as well as information received from the New York State Education Department.

The District is working with teachers on the changes to the Common Core State Standards with guidance from the New York State Education Department. There will be ongoing professional training through BOCES and administrators have participated in trainings. Instruction must be aligned with the new state standards. Districts can pilot with other districts through “Engage NY” – a program designed to share information and ideas. There are many resources available for staff.

Board discussion took place.

Audience Recognition:

Beth Sniffen

The Board thanked Dr. White for presenting such an important update to the Board.

- ***Proposed 2013-2014 Ossining Union Free School District Budget***

Superintendent of Schools Mr. Raymond Sanchez and Assistant Superintendent for Business Ms. Alita Zuber provided update, via a PowerPoint presentation, regarding the proposed 2013-2014 Ossining School District budget. The District will hold a Transportation Referendum on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at Ossining High School. The proposition, if passed, will increase the mileage limits for student transportation. If the vote is defeated, the Board will need to consider other options in developing a budget it could present to the voters on Tuesday, May 21, 2013.

Board discussion took place. The Board requested that the administration present its recommendations to the Board at the next meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **VII. Audience Recognition**

Jennifer Liebert

## **VIII. Regular Meeting**

### **Section A – Business of the Board**

Kimberly Case moved and Cindy Winter seconded the motion to move resolutions A-1 through A-11.

#### **A-1 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session/Work Session/Special Meeting of February 6, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session/Work Session/Special Meeting of February 6, 2013.

#### **A-2 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 11, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 11, 2013.

**A-3 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 12, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 12, 2013.

**A-4 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 13, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 12, 2013.

**A-5 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 20, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 20, 2013.

**A-6 Motion to Accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 21, 2013**

I move that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of February 21, 2013.

**A-7 Resolution of the Ossining Union Free School District, New York, Adopted March 20, 2013, Declaring the Findings of the School District with Respect to the Proposals for the Refunding of Bonds**

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE OSSINING UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES** (by a majority vote of all the members of said Board) **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The Ossining Union Free School District, in the County of Westchester, New York (the "District") has received three (3) proposals for the refunding of certain outstanding Bonds of the District issued on December 22, 1998, and May 16, 2005, and based upon the advice received from the District's Financial Advisor, New York Municipal Advisors Corporation, it is hereby determined that the proposal of Roosevelt & Cross, Inc. is hereby accepted and such firm is appointed to serve as underwriter.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**A-8 Resolution Appointing An Additional Consultant for the 2012-2013 School Year**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to engage the services of the following consultant for the 2012-2013 school year at fees not to exceed the amount noted below.

<i>Name of Consultant</i>	<i>Brief Description of Expertise</i>	<i>Descriptive Need for Consultant</i>	<i>Consultation Fee Not to Exceed</i>
Sara Raab My Sister's Place	Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Education specialist.	To conduct Relationships, Empowerment, and Leadership (REAL) program during the STAR afterschool program.	\$0. (Westchester County grant funded)

- A-9 Resolution Appointing Additional Consultants for the 2012-2013 School Year**  
**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to engage the services of the following consultants for the 2012-2013 school year at fees not to exceed the amount noted below.

<i>Name of Consultant</i>	<i>Brief Description of Expertise</i>	<i>Descriptive Need for Consultant</i>	<i>Consultation Fee Not to Exceed</i>
Kristen Lauren Productions	Video, audio, film and live streaming	Live stream and videotaping of Board of Education meeting	Not to exceed \$500
David Shaw, Esq.	Legal Services	Review documents	Not to exceed \$400

**A-10 Resolution Calling for the Annual Budget Hearing and Annual District Election – REVISED**

**RESOLVED**, that the revised Notice calling for the Annual Budget Hearing and the Annual District Election of the Ossining Union Free School District found on the following pages be adopted.

**A-11 Resolution Regarding Compensation for Per Diem Assistant Principal**

**RESOLVED**, that the base rate for compensation for per diem substitute principal shall be \$600 per day effective March 21, 2013.

*Motion carried: 6-0*

**Section B – Curriculum and Instruction**

Cindy Winter moved and Kimberly Case seconded the motion to move resolution B-1.

**B-1 Motion to Accept Recommended Placements of Special Education Students**

I move that the Board of Education accept the recommended classifications, placements and related services recommended in the IEP for students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education and Sub-Committees on Special Education in meetings held on February 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, March 1, 4, 6, 7, 12 and direct the administration to arrange for the appropriate placement as set forth.

*Motion carried: 6-0*

**Section C – Business Matters**

Mr. Kress announced that the following resolution C-26 would be removed from the agenda.

**C-26 Resolution Regarding Award of Roofing Contract for Anne M. Dorner Middle School**

Resolution Regarding Award Of Roofing Contract for Anne M. Dorner Middle School.

Kimberly Case moved and Frank Schneckler seconded the motion to move resolutions C-1 through C-25.

**C-1 Motion to Approve Treasurer’s Report for the Month of December 2012 and Student Fund Treasurer’s Report for October – December 2012**

I move that the Treasurer’s Report for the month of December 2012 and the Student Fund Treasurer’s Report for October – December 2012 be approved and placed on file with the District Clerk.



**C-2 Motion to Approve Budget Report and Revenue Report for the Month of December 2012**

I move that the Board of Education approve the Budget Report and Revenue Report for December 2012 as presented.

**C-3 Resolution Regarding Knights of Columbus Donation**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the gift of \$100 from the Ossining Knights of Columbus, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the School Lunch Fund budget as detailed below. The offsetting revenue shall be C-2705.000, "Gifts and Donations".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount of \$100 be appropriated to the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
C-2605-505	\$100	Nutrition Supplies

**C-4 Resolution Regarding PTA Donation for Roosevelt Laminator**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby acknowledges with thanks the gift of \$2,040 from the Ossining Upper Elementary PTA, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General Fund budget as detailed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A-2705-000, "Gifts and Donations".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount of \$2,040 be appropriated to the following budget code:

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-2110-550-16-0000	\$2,040	Start-Up Material Goods, Roosevelt

**C-5 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of Fifth Grade Field Trip Grant - Transportation**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby thanks the Margaret May-Smith Bus Fund for their donation to cover the cost of transportation for fifth-grade visit to the John Jay Homestead, and upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the General Fund budget for actual expenses incurred. The offsetting revenue shall be A-2705.000, "Gifts and Donations".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the total amount be appropriated as identified below.

<u>Budget Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>
A-5543-401-16-0000	\$3,718	Transportation - Roosevelt

**C-6 Resolution Regarding Increase in Budget – NYSIR Payment**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education, upon recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, hereby increases the 2012-13 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$17,489.18 as listed below. The offsetting revenue shall be A-2690.000, "Compensation for Loss".

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A-1620-161-00-0000	B&G Other Services	\$17,489.18

**C-7 Resolution Regarding Interfund Transfers Within the 2012-13 Budget**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the following interfund transfers within the 2012-13 budget:

From: A-1240-150-00-0000 Supt Salary  
To: A-1310-160-00-0000 Bus. Adm. Off. Personnel  
Amount: \$6,717  
Reason: Transfer to cover the contractual salary increase for business office personnel.

From: A-2110-140-00-0000 Teacher Sal. Subs  
To: A-2110-145-00-0000 Sub. Salaries Long Term  
Amount: \$50,000  
Reason: Transfer to cover the salaries for long-term substitutes.

From: A-1680-490-00-0000 Data Processing BOCES Svc  
To: A-2630-490-00-0000 C.A.I. - BOCES  
Amount: \$36,200  
Reason: Transfer to purchase equipment.

From: A-1430-160-00-0000 Personnel Clerical  
To: A-2110-110-00-5020 Teacher Salaries K-12 PE  
Amount: \$5,386  
Reason: To cover a lane change for an employee who earned a Master's degree.

**C-8 Resolution Regarding Award of Bids: BOCES Cooperative Bidding Program for Musical Instruments & Supplies**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Ossining School District to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County Cooperative Bidding Program for Commodity Musical Instruments and Supplies.

**C-9 Resolution Regarding Agreement with Village of Ossining**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Ossining School District to enter into the Agreement with the Village of Ossining regarding the display of sculptures on the Ossining High School property.

**C-10 Resolution Regarding Health Services - Other Districts**

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education authorizes and directs the President to execute contracts for health and welfare services with the above-mentioned school districts.

**C-11 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for GRC Realty Corporation**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 178 Croton Avenue and owned by GRC Realty Corporation in the amount of \$11,666.88.

**C-12 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for 537 Commons, LLC**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 537 – 539 North State Road and owned by 537 Commons, LLC in the amount of \$12,418.56.

**C-13 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for 510 Commons, LLC**

RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 510 North State Road and owned by 510 Commons, LLC in the amount of \$5,729.84.

- C-14 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for Christopher L. Trotta**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 139 North Highland Avenue and owned by Christopher L. Trotta in the amount of \$2,989.38.
- C-15 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for Borek & Company, LLC**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 105 – 107 Croton Avenue and owned by Borek & Company LLC in the amount of \$6,393.95.
- C-16 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for William J. Vescio**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 11 Donald Lane and owned by William J. Vescio in the amount of \$539.75.
- C-17 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for 199 Keenan, LLC**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 199 Main Street and owned by 199 Keenan, LLC in the amount of \$2,906.34.
- C-18 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for 40 & 56 South Highland**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 40 and 56 South Highland in the amount of \$1,884.97.
- C-19 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for Agora Gourmet Foods Inc.**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 512 North State Road and owned by Agora Gourmet Foods Inc. in the amount of \$5,729.64.
- C-20 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for CWBP LLC**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 100 Executive Boulevard and 200 Executive Boulevard and owned by CWBP LLC in the amount of \$8,366.11.
- C-21 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for Ossining Land, LLC**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at State, James and Hunter Streets and owned by Ossining Land, LLC in the amount of \$102,083.99.
- C-22 Resolution Regarding Payment of Tax Certiorari for Aurelio Pogyo**  
 RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ossining Board of Education hereby authorizes the payment of the tax certiorari for the property located at 62 Yale Avenue and owned by Aurelio Pogyo in the amount of \$1,706.44.

**C-23 Resolution Regarding Acceptance of C4E Audit Report**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, based on the recommendation of the Board Audit Committee, accept the Contract for Excellence Audit Report as prepared by O’Connor, LLP.

**C-24 Resolution Regarding AMD Moving Up Ceremony and OHS Graduation**

RESOLVED: That the Ossining Board of Education approves the Facilities Use Agreement with Pace University to use Pace University’s Goldstein Health, Fitness and Recreation Center Gymnasium in Pleasantville for the June 19, 2013 Anne M. Dorner Middle School Moving Up ceremony and the June 21, 2013 Ossining High School graduation ceremony.

**C-25 Resolution Regarding Appointment of External Auditor for the 2012-13 School Year**

RESOLVED: That O’Connor Davies, LLP be appointed External Auditor for the Ossining Union Free School District for school year ending June 30, 2013 and renewed annually for an additional four years with the approval of the Board of Education.

*Motion carried: 6-0*

**C-27 Claims Audited and Paid – For Information Only**

The following funds have been duly audited and paid and are presented for Board of Education members’ information. No action is requested.

1. General Fund - Fund A
2. School Lunch - Fund C
3. Special Aid Fund - Fund F
4. Capital Fund – Fund H
5. Trust Expendable - TE

**Section D – Personnel Matters**

Kimberly Case moved and Cindy Winter seconded the motion to move resolutions D-1 through D-11 and D-14.

**D-1 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Resignation**

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education accept the resignation of the Professional Staff member so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Current Hire Date</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Current Appt. Status</i>	<i>Reason</i>
Kristin Schmid	Park	School Psychologist	9/1/06	7/1/13	Tenured	Resignation

**D-2 Resolution Regarding Civil Service Staff Resignations**

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education accept the resignations of the Civil Service staff members so noted.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Category or Tenure Area</b>	<b>Current Hire Date</b>	<b>Effect. Date of Resign.</b>	<b>Current Appt. Status</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Monica Orozco	N/A	Bus Attendant	12/3/12	3/1/13	Probationary	Resignation
Diane Engstrom	AMD	Data Analyst (Part-time)	9/15/03	5/30/13 (Revised)	Permanent	Retirement

**D-3 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Appointment**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Professional Staff appointment so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Title or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Certif. Status</i>	<i>Degree Status</i>	<i>Step</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Appt. Type</i>	<i>% Time</i>	<i>Effect. Date</i>	<i>Expir. Date</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Fund Source</i>	<i>Staff Relation or Note</i>
Katherine Liguori	N/A	Perm. Bio. 7-12, Rdg. Tchr.	MA	D-1	63,469	Regular Sub	100%	3/21/13	6/30/13	Claremont	General	Previously served as a Per Diem Sub
Ashley Linda	N/A	Init. ELA 7-12	MA	D-1	63,469	Regular Sub	100%	3/21/13	6/30/13	OHS	General	Previously served as a Per Diem Sub

**D-4 Resolution Regarding a Confidential Staff Appointment**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Confidential Staff appointment so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Appointment Type</i>	<i>Job Title</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>% Time</i>	<i>Effect. Date</i>	<i>Expir. Date</i>	<i>Fund Source</i>	<i>Staff Relation</i>
Regina Grasso	Probationary	Junior Administrative Assistant	Central Office	61,000	100%	3/6/13	9/6/13	General	Ms. Grasso has served in this title "provisionally" since May 2012

**D-5 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Appointment – Before /After School Programs**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Before/After School program Professional Staff appointment so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Cert. Status</i>	<i>Step</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Appt Type</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>% Time</i>	<i>Effect. Date</i>	<i>Expir. Date</i>	<i>Staff Relation</i>
Kara Burns	Prof. Social Studies 7-12, Stud. w/Dis. 7-12	4	62.90/hr.	Annual	Alternative Education	District	1-3 hrs./wk.	3/12/13	6/21/13	OHS Teacher

**D-6 Resolution Regarding a Support Staff Appointment – Before/After School Programs**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Support Staff appointment for the person so noted.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Expir. Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Job Title</i>	<i>Cert. Status</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Step</i>	<i>Hourly Rate</i>	<i>Staff Relations</i>
Amanda DiBari	4/9/13	6/6/13	1 hr./wk.	Teacher	Pending Tchr. Cert. - Educ. Technology	STAR - Makey Makey	AMD	1	16.86/hr	Technology Intern

**D-7 Resolution Regarding a Per Diem Substitute Removal**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the removal of the Per Diem Substitute so noted.

**Name**  
DeTomaso, Ilona

**Certified**  
RN

**D-8 Resolution Regarding Per Diem Substitute Appointments**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Per Diem Substitute appointments for the persons so noted.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Certified</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Megley-Evans, Jane	C	Special Education (AMD Only)
Indig, Stanley	C	Music (All Schools)

**D-9 Resolution Regarding Approval of School Volunteers**

I move that the persons listed on the following page be appointed by the Board of Education as school volunteers for the 2012-2013 school year.

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Volunteer Title</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>
David Meyerson	Non-Parent/OHS	Travel with Robotic Team
Luis Garcia	Non-Parent/AMD Employee	Assist Spring Track Coach
Ann DeMartin	Non-Parent/OHS	Chaperone Field Trip
Antionette Kish	Non-Parent/OHS	Chaperone Field Trip
Ludy Morales Rivera	Non-Parent/OHS	Chaperone Field Trip

**D-10 Resolution Regarding a Professional Staff Request for Personal Leave of Absence**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the request for a personal leave of absence for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year for the employee so noted.

<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Building</i></b>	<b><i>Category or Tenure Area</i></b>	<b><i>Leave Start</i></b>	<b><i>Leave End</i></b>	<b><i>Reason</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
Giovanna Abbate	Claremont	K-6	3/4/13	6/30/13	Personal Leave	None

**D-11 Resolution Regarding a Support Staff Request for Leave of Absence**

I move upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that the Board of Education approve the leave of absence for the Teaching Assistant so noted.

<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Building</i></b>	<b><i>Category or Tenure Area</i></b>	<b><i>Leave Start</i></b>	<b><i>Leave End</i></b>	<b><i>Reason</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
Karoll Del Monte	Brookside	Teaching Assistant	3/13/13	6/30/13	Child Care Leave	None

**D-12 Resolution Regarding Professional Staff Requests for Leave of Absence  
(For Information Only)**

<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Building</i></b>	<b><i>Category or Tenure Area</i></b>	<b><i>Leave Start</i></b>	<b><i>Leave End</i></b>	<b><i>Reason</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
Tara Davis	OHS	Spec. Educ.	Anticipated 5/1/13	10/1/13	FMLA	None
Sherri Zysman	Claremont	Special Educ.	9/1/13	6/30/14	Child Rearing Leave	None
Joanna Anemodouras	Brookside	ESL	9/1/13	6/30/14	Child Rearing Leave	None
Anita Olujich-Dempsey	Claremont	K-6	9/1/13	6/30/14	Child Rearing Leave	None
Stephanie Esposito-Plotkin	Park	K-6	Anticipated 4/8/13	9/9/13	FMLA	None

**D-13 Resolution Regarding a Civil Service Staff Request for Military Leave of Absence**  
(For Information Only)

<i>Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Category or Tenure Area</i>	<i>Leave Start</i>	<i>Leave End</i>	<i>Reason</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Javier Vidal	District	Bus Driver Maintenance Laborer	3/17/13	3/30/13	Military Leave	National Guard Directive

**D-14 Resolution Regarding APPR Accountability**

I move that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Board of Education approve the Substitute appointments, for the purpose of APPR accountability, so noted.

<i>Per Diem Sub Name</i>	<i>Building</i>	<i>Teacher Name</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Per Diem Sub Certification</i>
Lori Panaro	Claremont	Patrick Horan	12/18/12	Init. Child. Ed. 1-6
Brett Boylan	OHS	Christopher Straub	1/22/13	Init. Bio. 7-12
Brett Boylan	OHS	Christopher Straub	1/22/13	Init. Bio. 7-12
Ashley Linda	OHS	Irene Unger	1/24/13	Init. ELA 7-12

**Motion carried: 6-0**

**Section F – For Information Only**

**IX. Audience Recognition**

No one wished to be recognized.

**X. Board Committee/Liaison Reports and Board Dialogue**

- Ossining MATTERS gala event tickets are available. More information is available on our website.
- Ossining High School play, “Rent” will be on from April 11<sup>th</sup> – April 13<sup>th</sup>. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted.

**XI. Adjournment**

At 10:43 p.m. Steve Wardwell moved and Frank Schneckler seconded the motion to adjourn the Board of Education meeting of March 20, 2013.

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Ileana Ortiz  
District Clerk