

**ONAWAY AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
October 10, 2023**

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Call to order.

A regular meeting of the Onaway Area Community School District Board of Education was held in the Media Center. Called to Order by President, James Rieger at 7:00 p.m. on October 10, 2023.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call.

Present: Kowalski, Veal, Chaskey, Palmer, Porter, Hart, and Rieger.

Absent:

Approval of minutes.

Palmer moved to approve September 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes, supported by Chaskey. All in favor. Motion carried.

Veal moved to approve the October 3, 2023 special meeting minutes, supported by Palmer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of agenda.

Chaskey moved to approve the agenda as presented, supported by Hart. All in favor. Motion carried.

Information items.

Superintendent – If you haven't seen on Facebook, it is also on our website; we are currently accepting bids on two of our old buses, bus six and bus seven. We will be accepting those bids through the end of this month and unsealing them at next month's board meeting. April is using; we have one bus, that is, it has actually been stripped of parts even, and April came up with a great plan. She is working with local law enforcement and emergency services. One of these days, when there is no school, they are going to stage a bus accident, go ahead and tip it on its side, its wrecked, before they go ahead and haul it off to Croads. Let all the local EMS crews have practice with that before it heads off to Croads. A couple other things: the Robotics preseason opener is coming up at the end of this month in Midland, the last weekend in October. We do have MSU extension coming in the week of November 6th –10th. They will be doing a babysitting course here students will be certified as a babysitter with first aid and CPR certification. It is for students aged 11- 19. That will be going home with them soon, so they can sign up for that. We also did sign up for a program to get the free air purifiers for each classroom. We signed up this summer, and I did reach out to the state to ask where they were. I

was told they were ordered in bulk, and they are waiting for that order to process. So, they are continuing to collect from other schools. When that goes through, we will have a new one in each classroom, and I think they provide five filters for them, too, so it's quite a long time. The other thing I just want to take a minute and recognize October is National Principals Month. I know I've been in those shoes. The things that Mrs. Benson and Mr. Mix do in a day and a week that, things you see pale in comparison to the things you don't see, so if you see them, take a minute to thank them for everything that they do for our school.

Elementary Report- Robin Benson- Attached.

Secondary/Athletic Report – Marty Mix-Attached.

Staff Report – Technology-Attached.

Health Center Update – Julie Gilbert- We did a flu clinic on October 6th. We will be doing another one October 27th. Our Youth Advisor Council had their first meeting. They want to continue meeting weekly, the youth do. They also want to do a project that they did last year, which is approximately in December; they want to go to visit the senior citizens, bake cookies with them, play games. They see the biggest needs amongst their peers as kindness, that people need to be kind. Also, vaping, just so you know what the students are telling us. We had our first Community Advisory Council meeting tonight. We need to have two a year for our grant. I would like to invite people to come. If anybody wants to, the next one is scheduled right now for April 9th at 5:30. So it will be right before a school board meeting.

Yearly Goal Update – Attached.

Financial Reports.

Approval of bills.

Hart moved to approve the bills for September as presented, support by Veal. All in favor.
Motion carried.

Approval of financial report.

Chaskey moved to approve the financial report for September as written, supported by Palmer.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Regular Business.

Hart moved to acknowledge that Annette Porter is now the Treasurer for the School (Board), supported by Chaskey. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hart moved to authorize the purchase of a new truck and plow system, purchase price not to exceed \$50,000.00, supported by Palmer. All in favor. Motion carried.

Palmer moved to hire Monte Johnson as our new custodian, supported by Veal. All in favor. Motion carried.

Hart moved to hire Justin Hyde as the Girls' JV Basketball Coach, supported by Porter. All in favor. Motion carried.

Policy Committee meeting originally scheduled for Thursday October 12 at 6p.m. rescheduled for Tuesday October 17 at 6 p.m.

Discussion held on employee grievance.

Palmer moved to deny the grievance from Madison McLean because there wasn't a preponderance of evidence to prove willful intent. No support. Motion failed.

Board Correspondence: None

Citizens Present/Time:

Wayne Vermilya presented to the Board. No action taken.

Stacey Porter presented to the Board. No action taken.

Veronica Norman presented to the Board. No action taken.

Monica Dziesinski presented to the Board. No action taken.

Sheri LaFave presented to the Board. No action taken.

Wayne Vermilya- Mr. Chair my name was invoked; I request an opportunity to respond.

President Rieger- Nope, you already had your three minutes, sit down.

Wayne Vermilya- I repeal your decision.

Wayne Vermilya- Sit down or I will have you taken out right now. You had your chance to talk, your three minutes are up.

Wayne Vermilya- My name was invoked. Let the record show.

President Rieger- Let the record show that I told you to sit down, you had your public comment time. You're done.

Taed Price presented to the Board. No action taken.

Lyle Dickinson presented to the Board. No action taken.

Max Boettger presented to the Board. No action taken.

Barb Hoffmeyer presented to the Board. No action taken.

LaNisha Boughner presented to the Board. No action taken.

Adjournment

Hart moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m., supported by Palmer.


Secretary, Board of Education

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