Oil City Area School District Board Meeting Minutes Monday, October 23, 2023 7:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oil City Area School District was held on Monday, October 23, 2023, in the cafeteria of Hasson Heights Elementary school, 833 Grandview Road, Oil City, Pennsylvania. The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Joseph McFadden, Board President, at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. McFadden opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. McFadden announced that an executive session was held prior to the Board meeting to discuss personnel.

I.	ROLL CALL: Mr. Johnson	⊠ Mr. Kelley	⊠ Mr. Kerr
	⋈ Mr. McFadden		☑ Mr. Piercy
	⊠ Mrs. Pikna		⊠ Mr. Weaver

Administrators Present: Mrs. Fisher, Dr. Highfield, Mr. Kasunic, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Shuffstall, Dr. Weller

Solicitor Present: Mr. Merkel

Mr. McFadden announced the following changes to the agenda:

- A. Under Superintendent's Report, Section A, Personnel Items:
 - 1. Item 1, "APPROVAL OF RESIGNATIONS" strike item c
 - 2. Item 2, "APPROVAL TO HIRE STAFF" item b, add candidate name Melissa Cyphert, effective November 6, 2023. item c, add candidate name Tymber Brown, effective October 30, 2023.
 - 3. Item 6, "APPROVAL OF WINTER CHEER COACHES FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR" item b, amend to volunteer coach
 - 4. Add item 13, "APPROVAL OF SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT" item a, Theadore Bentley, crossing guard, effective October 18, 2023.

Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver Seconded by: Ms. Neely

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr \boxtimes Mr. McFadden \boxtimes Ms. Neely \boxtimes Mr. Piercy

⊠ Mrs. Pikna ⊠ Mr. Sterner ⊠ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

II. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/INVITED GUESTS

Head Golf Coach, Evan Basham, accompanied 6 members of the golf team, as well as volunteers Harry Liederbach and Mark Motter.

17 members of the public were in attendance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no registrants for public comment prior to the meeting. Mr. Sterner made a motion to allow for public comment from Devin Aaron (after inquiry from Mr. Merkel), seconded by Mr. Weaver. Discussion ensued with remarks from Mr. Kerr. Mr. McFadden called for a roll call vote.

The roll call vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \square Mr. Kerr

☐ Mr. McFadden ☐ Ms. Neely ☐ Mr. Piercy ☐ Mr. Pikha ☐ Mr. Starmar ☐ Mr. Waaya

 \square Mrs. Pikna \boxtimes Mr. Sterner \boxtimes Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: Mr. Kerr, Mr. McFadden, Mrs. Pikna

Devin Aaron was permitted to address the board, which was verbalized with regard to the "We Care Elementary" and SAFE-T" program vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. September 25, 2023 Board Meeting

B. October 16, 2023 Work Session

Motion to Approve: Mr. Kerr Seconded by: Ms. Neely

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr

⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Sterner⋈ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

V. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Payment of Bills

B. Treasurer's Report

C. Activity Report

Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver Seconded by: Mr. Kerr

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr

oxtimes Mr. McFadden oxtimes Ms. Neely oxtimes Mr. Piercy oxtimes Mrs. Pikna oxtimes Mr. Sterner oxtimes Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The following items were presented for approval by Mr. McFadden, Board President:

A. Personnel Items

1. APPROVAL OF RESIGNATIONS

- a. Jane Dlugos, Gifted Coordinator/STEM, effective October 31, 2023.
- b. Jaime Sherbine, Paraprofessional, Autism support, effective October 12, 2023.
- c. Theadore Bentley, crossing guard, effective October 18, 2023.

Motion to Approve: Mr. Kerr Seconded by: Ms. Neely

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr

⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Sterner⋈ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

2. APPROVAL TO HIRE STAFF

- a. Joseph Hulsizer, long-term substitute, STEM, effective October 2 through December 20, 2023, at the per diem rate of the 1st step of the bachelor's scale.
- b. **Melissa Cyphert**, 12-month Technology Administrative Assistant, effective **November 6**, **2023**.
- c. **Tymber Brown,** 7-hour Special Education Paraprofessional for the South Side Schools, effective **October 30, 2023**.

Motion to Approve: Mr. Kerr Seconded by: Ms. Neely

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr

☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Sterner☑ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

3. APPROVAL OF DAY-TO-DAY SUBSTITUTES

- a. William O'Brien, teacher
- b. Dylan Salsgiver, teacher
- c. Jessica Hudak, paraprofessional

Motion to Approve: Ms. Neely Seconded by: Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: \boxtimes Mr. Johnson \boxtimes Mr. Kelley \boxtimes Mr. Kerr

☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Sterner☑ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

4. APPROVAL OF BOYS' BASKETBALL COACHES FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

- a. Keith Fulmer, Head Coach
- b. Dylin Chapin, Assistant Coach
- c. Matt Miller, 9th grade Coach
- d. Cade Cochran, 8th grade Coach
- e. Harry Liederbach, 7th grade Coach (1st year)
- f. Trevor Johnson, volunteer
- g. Tim Kelly, volunteer
- h. Erin Liederbach, volunteer
- i. Cory Ruditis, volunteer
- j. Kevin Vogan, volunteer

Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Ms. N	Neely	
Mr. Johnson noted he w	vould be abstair	ning (A) from this vote a	lue to a familial connect	tion.
The voice vote recorded	d as Ayes:	☐ Mr. Johnson (A)☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Mr. Kelley☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver
The voice vote recorded	d as Nays:	None.		
5.	a. Jen Ne	OF GIRLS' BASKETB ewell, Interim Head Coa Hepler, Assistant Coach	ach	ΓHE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. H	Kerr	
The voice vote recorded	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Mr. Kelley☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver
The voice vote recorded	d as Nays:	None.		
6. Motion to Approve:	a. Kately b. Haley c. Krister d. Maddy e. Shari I	on Neely, Head Coach Bechtel, volunteer (1st Beers, Assistant Coact Neely, volunteer Neely, volunteer Seconded by: Mr. F	^t year) h K <i>err</i>	023-24 SCHOOL YEAR
Ms. Neely noted she wo	puld be abstainii	ng (A) from this vote du	e to personal and famili	al connections.
The voice vote recorded	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Mr. Kelley☐ Ms. Neely (A)☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver
The voice vote recorded	d as Nays:	None.		
7.	a. Eric Sb. Staciac. Oliviad. Mark I	mith, Boys' Head Coac Fennick, Girls' Head C		
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Ms. N	Neely	
The voice vote recorded	d as Ayes:	⊠ Mr. Johnson	⊠ Mr. Kelley	⊠ Mr. Kerr

		☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver	
The voice vote recorded	l as Nays:	None.			
8.	a. Craig Ib. Mike Cc. Ryan Id. Jon Pie	F WRESTLING COAC Casunic, Elementary Coa Crocker, volunteer Murray, volunteer rcy, volunteer Jembida, volunteer	HES FOR THE 2023-24 ich	SCHOOL YEAR	
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Ms. Neely			
Mr. Piercy noted he wor	uld be abstainin	g(A) from this vote due i	to a personal connection		
The voice vote recorded as Ayes:		☑ Mr. Johnson☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	⋈ Mr. Kerr□ Mr. Piercy (A)⋈ Mr. Weaver	
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.			
9.	APPROVAL O	OF WINTER GAME MANAGER FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR Heck			
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. Ke	rr		
The voice vote recorded	l as Ayes:	☑ Mr. Johnson☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Mr. Kelley☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver	
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.			
10. APPROVAL a. Dan S		OF BASEBALL HEAD COACH FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR taub			
Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver		Seconded by: Ms. Neely			
The voice vote recorded	l as Ayes:	☑ Mr. Johnson☑ Mr. McFadden☑ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	⋈ Mr. Kerr⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Weaver	
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.			
11. APPROVAL O YEAR		OF THE REVISED BUS AND VAN DRIVER LIST FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL			
Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver		Seconded by: Mr. Kerr			
The voice vote recorded as Ayes:		⊠ Mr. Johnson	⊠ Mr. Kelley	⊠ Mr. Kerr	

		⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver		
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.	None.			
12.		OF THE STIPEND FOR E CBA CONTRACTED		CTOR DUTIES PERFORMED		
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Ms. No	eely			
Mr. Weaver provided o	comment.					
The voice vote recorde	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☐ Mr. Weaver		
The voice vote recorde	d as Nays:	Mrs. Pikna, Mr. Weaver				
13. APPROVAL OF SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT a. Theadore Bentley, crossing guard, effective October 18, 2023.						
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. Ke	err			
The voice vote recorde	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver		
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.				
B. Additional Items Requiring Board Approval						
 APPROVAL OF FUNDRAISERS a. OCMS 8th grade requests permission to sell Popcornopolis Gourmet Popcorn from November 1- December 1, 2023, to raise funds for the Washington D.C. trip and shirts. b. OCHS Oil Can requests permission to sell pepperoni rolls until December 7, 2023, to raise funds for the yearbook and account balance. 						
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. Ke	err			
The voice vote recorde	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	⋈ Mr. Kerr⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Weaver		
The voice vote recorde	d as Nays:	None.				
2. APPROVAL OF THE STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS AND ADVISORS FOR THE 20 24 SCHOOL YEAR				ND ADVISORS FOR THE 2023-		
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. Ke	err			
The voice vote recorde	d as Ayes:	⊠ Mr. Johnson	⊠ Mr. Kelley	⊠ Mr. Kerr		

		⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	
The voice vote recorded as Nays:		None.		
		ND TRANSFER THE I		GUE STUDENT ACTIVITY ICE OF \$319.70 TO THE
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. K	Kelley	
The voice vote recorded as Ayes:		⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	☑ Mr. Kelley☑ Ms. Neely☑ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☑ Mr. Piercy☑ Mr. Weaver
The voice vote recorde	d as Nays:	None.		
4.	a. Policy	OF POLICY ATTACHN 105.2 attachment- Exert 202 attachment- Eligib	mption from Instruction	
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. K	Kelley	
The voice vote recorde	d as Ayes:	⋈ Mr. Johnson⋈ Mr. McFadden⋈ Mrs. Pikna	⋈ Mr. Kelley⋈ Ms. Neely⋈ Mr. Sterner	⋈ Mr. Kerr⋈ Mr. Piercy⋈ Mr. Weaver
The voice vote recorde	d as Nays:	None.		
5.	ENVIRONMI	OF "WE CARE ELEMI ENT FOR TEENS" PRO X CONCERNS		TUAL ABUSE FREE SS SEXUAL EXPLOITATION
Motion to Approve:	Mr. Weaver	Seconded by: Mr. K	Kerr	
_		terner, followed by Mr dden requested a roll ca		McFadden, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kelley
The roll call vote recor	ded as Ayes:	☐ Mr. Johnson☒ Mr. McFadden☒ Mrs. Pikna	☐ Mr. Kelley☑ Ms. Neely☐ Mr. Sterner	☑ Mr. Kerr☐ Mr. Piercy☐ Mr. Weaver
The roll call vote recor	ded as Nays:	Mr. Johnson, Mr. Kel	ley, Mr. Piercy, Mr. St	erner, Mr. Weaver
Motion failed.				

- 6. APPROVAL OF THE DISCIPLINE WAIVER AND STIPULATION AGREEMENTS FOR STUDENTS "A" AND "B"
 - a. RESOLVED, that the Oil City Area School Board of School Directors approves the Waiver Stipulation Agreement for Student "A" for the 2023-24 school year. The Oil City School Board of Directors authorizes the Superintendent to sign the Waiver and Stipulation on behalf of the District.

b. RESOLVED, that the Oil City Area School Board of School Directors approves the Waiver Stipulation Agreement for Student "B" for the 2023-24 school year. The Oil City School Board of Directors authorizes the Superintendent to sign the Waiver and Stipulation on behalf of the District.

Motion to Approve: Ms. Neely Seconded by: Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: ⊠ Mr. Johnson ⊠ Mr. Kelley ⊠ Mr. Kerr

> ⊠ Mr. McFadden ⊠ Ms. Neely

Mrs. Pikna Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

7. APPROVAL OF FIELD TRIP REQUEST

a. The OCMS Mathletes are requesting approval to travel to Youngstown State University in Ohio on November 9, 2023, for MegaMath Day.

Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver Seconded by: Ms. Neely

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: ⊠ Mr. Johnson ⊠ Mr. Kelley ⊠ Mr. Kerr

⊠ Ms. Neely ⊠ Mr. Piercy Mrs. Pikna ⊠ Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION AGREEMENT 8.

a. Joan Swartzfager

Motion to Approve: Mr. Weaver Seconded by: Mr. Kerr

The voice vote recorded as Ayes: ⊠ Mr. Johnson ⊠ Mr. Kelley ⊠ Mr. Kerr

⊠ Mr. McFadden ⊠ Ms. Neely ⊠ Mr. Piercy Mrs. Pikna Mr. Weaver

The voice vote recorded as Nays: None.

VII. INFORMATIONAL

- A. OMB participation in the Veteran's Day Parade
- B. Parent/Teacher Conferences

Dr. Weller provided an update regarding the District's planned participation in the annual Veteran's Day Parade. Also noted are the upcoming parent/teacher conferences.

VIII. FEDERAL PROGRAMS

None.

IX. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

X. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS

Mr. Kasunic provided an update regarding the High School. Dr. Highfield provided an update regarding Hasson. Mrs. Shuffstall provided an update of Pupil Interventions, followed by Mrs. Miller's update regarding the Middle School.

XI. <u>VENANGO TECHNOLOGY CENTER REPORT</u>

Ms. Neely noted the next scheduled meeting is November 6, 2023.

XII. RIVERVIEW IU 6 REPORT

None.

XIII. PSBA LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Kerr announced that School Director training should be completed, and to direct questions to him if needed.

XIV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

None.

XV. NEW BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Kelley. The motion carried. Mr. McFadden announced the Board would not meet in Executive Session following this Board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Lehnortt Board Secretary