

**OXFORD HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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<b>DATE:</b> <u>Monday, March 2, 2020</u>
<b>TIME:</b> 7:00 p.m.
<b>LOCATION:</b> Central Office, 232 Main Street, South Paris, Community Room #201

**A G E N D A**

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Board Chair Diana Olsen will preside.
2. **FLAG SALUTE.**
3. **WELCOME TO VISITORS.**
4. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.**
5. **REPORTS.**

Student Representative  
Operations Committee

Ms. Catrina Wilson  
Mr. Williams

**Scheduled Committee Meetings:**

Operations Committee	March 02, 2020	6:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 209
Curriculum Committee	March 09, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 201
Operations Committee	March 10, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 209
Budget Committee	March 11, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 201
Policy Committee	March 16, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 209
Budget Committee	March 18, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 201
Budget Committee	March 25, 2020	5:00 p.m.	Central Office Room 201

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.**
7. **ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA.**
8. **CONSENT AGENDA.**

A. To see if the Board will vote to approve the following spring coaching candidates:

OHCHS Volunteer Baseball Coach      Lance Bean

**OHMS A Team Softball Coach  
OHMS B Team Softball Coach**

**Janice Taylor  
Kayleigh Knox**

- B. To see if the board will vote to approve a field trip for OHCHS Team 3 Freshmen students to Boston Massachusetts on May 8, 2020?**

**NOTE: See enclosed letter of request and Field Trip Request Form.**

- C. To see if the Board will vote to approve a field trip for OHCHS Interact Club students to the District Interact Conference in Dover New Hampshire on March 21, 2020?**

**NOTE: See enclosed letter of request and Field Trip Request Form.**

- D. To see if the Board will vote to accept a donation from Mary DeLano and Tom Tomczyk in the amount of \$1,000 to Guy E. Rowe Elementary School to help meet student needs?**

**NOTE: See enclosed donation letter and thank you letter from Superintendent Colpitts.**

- E. To see if the Board will vote to approve the Superintendent's nomination of Alexis Miranda as District Elementary Art Teacher?**

**NOTE: Ms. Miranda holds Bachelors Degree of Fine Arts with a Concentration in Studio Art and a minor in Art History from Plymouth State University. She comes to us from Fryeburg Academy where she has been working as an administrative assistant.**

- F. To see if the Board will vote to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of Debra Cote as Part Time Custodian at Central Office and the Streaked Mountain School.**

**NOTE: Ms. Cote has spent many years working in banks and as a care giver. She has been a substitute custodian at Central Office and Streaked Mountain since February 3, 2020.**

**9. ACTION ON MINUTES:**

- A. To see if the Board will vote to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 regular Board Meeting?**

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**11. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. To see if the Board will vote to approve the Wood Chip Bid?**

**NOTE: Operations Committee will have a recommendation.**

- B. To see if the Board will vote to opt out of the CACFP After School Feeding Program?**

**NOTE: See enclosed Request to Opt Out of CACFP.**

- C. To see if the Board will vote to approve the second and final reading of the following policy:**

**JICA          Student Dress**

**NOTE: Policy Committee will have a recommendation.**

- D. To see if the Board will vote to enter executive session (pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(B) to conduct a hearing to determine if a student should be expelled from the Oxford Hills School District?**

**NOTE: This hearing is scheduled for approximately 7:15 p.m. By way of explanation, expulsion is an action to remove a student from school which can only be voted by the Board of Directors. Title 20-A, Chapter 101, Section 1001, § 9: Students Expelled or Suspended:**

**"Following a proper investigation of a student's behavior and due process proceedings, if found necessary for the peace and usefulness of the school, they shall expel any student:**

- a. who is deliberately disobedient or deliberately disorderly;**
- b. for infractions of violence;**
- c. who possesses on school property a firearm as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 120A, without permission of a school official; or**
- d. who, with use of any other dangerous weapon as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, paragraph A, intentionally or knowingly causes injury or accompanies use of a weapon with a threat to cause injury; or**
- e. who possesses, furnishes or trafficks in any scheduled drug as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 45."**

- E. To see if the Board will vote to expel a student?**

- F. To see if the Board will vote to enter executive session (pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(B) to conduct a hearing to determine if a student should be expelled from the Oxford Hills School District?**

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**explanation, expulsion is an action to remove a student from school which can only be voted by the Board of Directors. Title 20-A, Chapter 101, Section 1001, § 9: Students Expelled or Suspended:**

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- a. who is deliberately disobedient or deliberately disorderly;**
- b. for infractions of violence;**
- c. who possesses on school property a firearm as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 120A, without permission of a school official; or**
- d. who, with use of any other dangerous weapon as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, paragraph A, intentionally or knowingly causes injury or accompanies use of a weapon with a threat to cause injury; or**
- e. who possesses, furnishes or trafficks in any scheduled drug as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 45."**

**G. To see if the Board will vote to expel a student?**

**H. To see if the Board will vote to enter executive session (pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(B) to conduct a hearing to determine if a student should be expelled from the Oxford Hills School District?**

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- a. who is deliberately disobedient or deliberately disorderly;**
- b. for infractions of violence;**
- c. who possesses on school property a firearm as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 120A, without permission of a school official; or**
- d. who, with use of any other dangerous weapon as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, paragraph A, intentionally or knowingly causes injury or accompanies use of a weapon with a threat to cause injury; or**
- e. who possesses, furnishes or trafficks in any scheduled drug as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 45."**

**I. To see if the Board will vote to expel a student?**

- J. To see if the Board will vote to enter executive session (pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6)(B) to conduct a hearing to determine if a student should be expelled from the Oxford Hills School District?

**NOTE: This hearing is scheduled for approximately 8:20 p.m. By way of explanation, expulsion is an action to remove a student from school which can only be voted by the Board of Directors. Title 20-A, Chapter 101, Section 1001, § 9: Students Expelled or Suspended:**

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- a. who is deliberately disobedient or deliberately disorderly;
- b. for infractions of violence;
- c. who possesses on school property a firearm as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 120A, without permission of a school official; or
- d. who, with use of any other dangerous weapon as defined in Title 17-A, section 2, paragraph A, intentionally or knowingly causes injury or accompanies use of a weapon with a threat to cause injury; or
- e. who possesses, furnishes or trafficks in any scheduled drug as defined in Title 17-A, chapter 45."

- K. To see if the Board will vote to expel a student?

- L. To see if the Board will enter into Executive Session (pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. §405(6)(F)) to discuss confidential matters related to students' records?

**12. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD.**

**13. ADJOURNMENT.**

**TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**FROM: Rick Colpitts, Superintendent of Schools**  
**DATE: Monday, March 2, 2020**

**RE: SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

**1. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES:**

**2. TRANSFERS:**

- **Kelly Ames, 52 Week, 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift Custodian at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School to 38 Week Custodian.**

**RESIGNATIONS:**

- **Daria Melbye, Grade 3 Teacher at Harrison Elementary School, 36 years, retiring effective June 30, 2020.**
- **Hayley Huntress, Educational Technician III, Waterford Memorial School, 2.5 years, effective March 4, 2020.**
- **Frank Britton, District Bus Driver, 1 year, effective February 28, 2020.**

**3. ENCLOSURES:**

- 3.1 Minutes from Curriculum Committee and Budget Committee**
- 3.2 February 1, 2020 Oxford Hills School District Enrollment Report**
- 3.3 Draft Policy Regulation JICA-R Student Dress**
- 3.4 Budget Development Schedule**
- 3.5 Request to Opt Out of CACFP**
- 3.6 Donation letter from Mary DeLano and Tom Tomczyk**
- 3.7 Thank you letter from Superintendent Colpitts for Rowe School donation**
- 3.8 Letter of request and field trip form for OHCHS Boston trip**
- 3.9 Letter of request and field trip form for OHCHS Dover N.H. trip**

- 4. There are four expulsion hearings scheduled for our March 2 Board meeting. A fifth executive session following the expulsions has been requested by Mr. Moccia to discuss student specific expulsion trends.**
- 5. The Board Chair has moved the Board evaluation to the March 16 Board meeting so that the Board will have ample opportunity to engage in a conversation.**
- 6. I have elected to defer the request to rename four secretarial positions to administrative assistant positions until after negotiations are completed. This will allow me to provide accurate wage data to the Board before it is asked to approve any changes.**
- 7. The legislative session is very active and there are several bills that could have significant impact on the schools. There is a revised education policy bill (LD 1879) that could make some policy subject to "meet and consult" requirements and permissive bargaining. Another bill (LD 2016) would prohibit the expulsion of students below grade 5. The Governor's amended budget is expected to be voted on shortly and it includes an additional \$63 million of additional funding for schools.**

- 8. There is an item on the agenda requesting the Board vote to opt out of participating in the federal child and adult care food program. This program requires districts with one or more schools with at least 50% of students qualified to receive free or reduced lunch in the preceding year with any after school programming to participate. We would be required to provide supper at all of our schools to feed students and adults since we host afterschool programming in all of our schools and several of our schools are above 50% for free/reduced meals. This additional service would significantly increase labor costs of our food service program. The district currently provides after school snacks and fresh fruit and vegetables in addition to full breakfast and lunch programs in all schools. The only way to avoid this mandate is for the board to vote to opt out of the program.**