Dr. Tinnesz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition**
On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Eagan recognized OPMS student Jamis Caselli who was selected to be a part of the New York State Band Directors Association Symposium recently held in Liverpool, NY. Jamis played tuba with the Middle School Honor Band at the symposium. Each spring, students are invited to participate in a solo festival sponsored by NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association). Student musicians prepare a solo and Students are evaluated on a myriad of criteria, including not only rhythmic and pitch accuracy, but also use of air, musical nuance, vibrato and numerous other factors. During the following September teachers from NYS submit recommendations along with the NYSSMA solo evaluation sheets. From this large pool of candidates, students are selected to rehearse and perform with an Honors Ensemble at the NYSBDA Symposium.

**Announcements**
- Mr. McGarrity made the following announcements:
  - He updated the Board on the communication with local and state health officials regarding COVID-19 and will continue to share those updates with parents and staff.
  - The Parent Information Series presentation on vaping has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the OPMS auditorium.
  - Friday, March 13th is an elementary and middle school half day and a high school early dismissal. Monday, March 16th is a Superintendent’s Conference Day.
• Congratulated the 27 DECA students who recently traveled to Rochester to compete at the state level. Jack Heraty placed 5th in Accounting Applications, Brian Murphy and Ryan Werdein placed 4th place in Marketing Management Team, Ashley Denysschen and Hannah Miterko placed in the top 10 overall in Travel & Tourism Team and Jake Miller placed in the top 10 overall in Marketing. In total our DECA students brought home an additional 17 medals. He congratulated and thanked Ms. Kristen Casto, DECA advisor.

• On March 3rd the Middle School hosted its first STEAM Expo. Students, alumni, teachers, and community members actively engaged attendees in science, technology, engineering, art, and math activities. Hands-on STEAM activities were available - such as a green screen photo booth, custom-made kaleidoscopes, balsa wood bridge testing, and a catapult challenge. Area businesses attended to share insight into how STEAM relates to their industry, along with interactive displays. The event culminated with cardboard boat races in the pool.

• March 12 Educational Outreach will be hosting an Olive Garden Spaghetti Dinner prior to the opening of the High School Musical Sister Act. Sister Act performances are March 12, 13 & 14 at 7:00pm and March 15, 2:00 p.m.

Presentation

 Universal Pre-K (UPK) – Dr. Krueger, Mr. Pietrantone, UPK coordinator and Ms. Matesic, UPK teacher, presented information on Universal Pre-K (UPK). They reviewed the application process. Orchard Park first implemented UPK in 2007-08. The funding in 2007 was $270,000 and it is the same amount in 2020. They reviewed the academic benefits of UPK which include early intervention, building independence in students and kindergarten readiness. They thanked the Board for their support of bringing a class into the district beginning in 2019 and they also thanked their community partners who deliver UPK to our students.

CONSENSUS ACTION
Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the following consensus items:

Consensus Minutes Approval

➢ February 11, 2020

Consensus Financials Approval (attachment #1)

➢ Treasurers Report – January 2020
➢ Revenue Budget Detail – January 2020
➢ Appropriations Status Report – February 2020
➢ Warrant Report – February 2020
➢ Health & Welfare Rates

Consensus Personnel Actions

Personnel Considerations – Administrators and Teachers

Appointments – Probationary and Regular Substitute

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Contractual and Other (Teachers and Administrators) (attachment #2)

- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign an MOA with OPTA regarding contractual items.
- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign an MOA with OPTA regarding Teacher Assistants.
- RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District upon recommendation of the Superintendent, Mr. Matthew McGarrity, hereby ratifies the collective bargaining agreement and hereby approves the funding of the Agreement between the District and the Orchard Park Central Office Administrators Association (OPCOAA). This contract is for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.

Consensus Personnel Considerations – Support Staff

Appointments (Support Staff)

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Consensus Special Education (attachment #3)

- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for Annual Reviews of Seventy-Four (74) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the Program Review of Five (5) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for Re-Evaluation of Two (2) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the Initial Educational Placement of Ten (10) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for Amendments of Three (3) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for Declassification of Three (3) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Special Education for the Preschool Annual Review of Five (5) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Program Review of Two (2) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Initial Educational Placement of Eight (8) Resident Children
- Recommendation by the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the Preschool Declassification of Two (2) Resident Children

Textbook Adoptions (attachment #4)

- *American Born Chinese*, by Gene Luen Yang, published by Square Fish, copyright 2008, Orchard Park High School- Graphic Novels, grades 9-12

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Committee Reports

- Mr. Petrus reported that the Facilities Committee met on February 12 and their next meeting is 6 pm on March 11. The committee is still working on administrative priorities for the next capital project.
- Dr. Krueger stated the Policy Committee met earlier this evening and reviewed the policy regarding changes to Ed. Law 2d. They will be bringing a policy forward to the Board for consideration in the near future.
- A member of STAP-Comm reported on their staff recognition plans and their scholarship and application process.

Discussion

- **Donations from Quaker Athletic Booster Club** – Mr. Petrus stated that the Quaker Athletic Booster Club would like to donate the payment for scrimmage officials for varsity girls basketball ($188) and boys ice hockey ($80) and two velocity belt training aids for the baseball program (valued at $500).
- **Donation from the Niagara County Community College for the High School** – Mr. Petrus stated the Niagara Community College would like to donate $322.61 toward the cost of transporting students from the high school to the Tech Wars competition.
- **Donation from the NY State Parks & Recreation for the High School** – Mr. Petrus stated that the NYS Parks and Historic Preservation Department would like to donate up to $375 toward the cost of transporting students from the high school varsity club to Niagara Falls.
- **Be Your Own Hero, Inc.** – Mr. Petrus stated that Be Your Own Hero, Inc. would like to donate $210.91 toward the transportation cost for the Construction Job Fair for high school technology students.
- **Surplus Athletic Equipment** – Mr. Petrus stated that they athletic department has a request to surplus one portable batting cage that is over 10 years old and in need of repair. The cage was replaced last year with a donation from the booster club.
- **2020-21 School Calendar** – Mr. Lilleck stated a meeting was held with representatives from all of the district’s bargaining units to discuss and plan the 2020-21 school calendar. The first day for teachers will be September 2 and the first day for students will be September 8, 2020. The last scheduled elementary student day in June is contingent upon the number of snow closing days used in the calendar year. For each snow day used, elementary student attendance will be required for an additional day beginning on June 18, 2021 and moving forward into the week of June 21, 2021 in order to meet the 180-day compliance.
- **Capital Outlay Project Bid Award** – Mr. Petrus reviewed the 2019-20 Capital Outlay Project bids which are part of the 2019-20 operating budget (up to $100,000) and will receive state building aid. The work will complete a handicapped ramp at Ellicott Elementary for a classroom wing door in the back of the building. The lowest bid is from JDM Construction Services, Inc. with a total cost of $90,295.
- **Rules for Use of Voting Machines** – Mrs. Connors reviewed the Rules for the Use of Voting Machines for the upcoming annual vote on May 19, 2020.
- **May 19, 2020 Legal Notice** – Mr. Petrus reviewed the required legal notice of meeting and vote for May 19, 2020.
- **Nomination of Ms. Christine Schnars as a Candidate for Membership on the Erie 2 BOCES Board of Education** – Mrs. Connors reviewed with the Board a request from Ms. Christine Schnars to support her as a candidate for membership on the Erie 2 BOCES Board.
Graduation Requirements – Dr. Krueger reviewed the current 0.5 computer requirement credit for graduation from the high school. The change being recommended is to replace the 0.5 required computer credit with a 0.5 required financial literacy requirement (i.e. personal finance). The information on the change and suggested implementation was previously presented to the Board during their February 11, 2020 meeting.

Draft 2020-21 Operating Budget – Mr. McGarrity and Mr. Petrus presented information on the updated draft of the 2020-21 budget. The revenue budget is still estimated but will likely remain relatively the same. The governor’s proposal is an increase of $623,000 in state aid. The District will appropriate $3.4 million from fund balance and $500,00 from reserves to help bridge the budget gap. Changes in the budget include staffing adjustments for special education classes and changes to keep class sizes within the Board guidelines. The budget includes a staff reduction of 4 teacher aides, funding for k-12 field trips and the addition of one School Resource Officer at the middle school. The estimated 2020-21 budget is $108,453,198 which is an increase of 2.68% and within the tax levy cap. The Board is expected to hear the final recommended budget on March 31 or April 7, depending on the state budget, for consideration of adoption.

ACTION
Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donations valued at $768 from the Quaker Athletic Booster Club as follows:
- Payment for two scrimmage officials for varsity girls basketball ($188)
- Payment for scrimmage official for boys ice hockey ($80)
- Two velocity belt training aids for baseball programs (valued at $500)

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation of $322.61 from Niagara County Community College toward the transportation cost for Tech Wars for the high school technology department students.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation of up to $375 from the NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation for the high school varsity club trip to Niagara Falls State Park.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the donation of $210.91 from Be Your Own Hero., Inc. toward the transportation cost for the Construction Job Fair at the Buffalo Bills Field House for high school technology department students.

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Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby declares one portable batting cage as surplus.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hereby adopts the 2020-21 school calendar as written.

- September 2, 2020 – Superintendent’s Conference Day – No Students
- September 3, 2020 – Superintendent’s Conference Day – No Students
- September 7, 2020 - Labor Day – No School
- September 8, 2020 – First Student Attendance Day
- October 2, 2020 – Early Dismissal Drill – All Students Dismissed 15 Minutes Early
- October 9, 2020 – Superintendent’s Conference Day – No Students
- October 12, 2020 – Columbus Day Holiday – No Schools
- November 1, 2020– Veterans Day Holiday – No School
- November 16, 2020 – Elementary Half Day Dismissal at 11:30 am
- November 16, 2020 – Middle School Half Day Dismissal at 10:30 am
- November 16, 2020 – High School Early Dismissal at 12:45 pm
- November 25-27, 2020– Thanksgiving Holiday – No School
- December 3, 2020 – Elementary Half Day Dismissal at 11:30 am
- December 3, 2020 – Middle School Half Day Dismissal at 10:30 am
- December 4, 2020 – Elementary Half Day Dismissal at 11:30 am
- December 4, 2020 – Middle School Half Day Dismissal at 10:30 am
- December 4, 2020 – High School Early Dismissal at 12:45 pm
- December 24-31, 2020 – Winter Break – No School
- January 1, 2021 – Winter Break – No School
- January 18, 2021 – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday – No School
- January 26-29, 2021 – High School Regents Exams
- February 12, 2021 – Elementary Half Day Dismissal at 11:30 am
- February 12, 2021 – Middle School Half Day Dismissal at 10:30 am
- February 12, 2021 – High School Early Dismissal at 12:45 pm
- February 15-19, 2021 – Mid-Winter Break – No School
- March 19, 2021 – Elementary Half Day Dismissal at 11:30 am
- March 19, 2021 – Middle School Half Day Dismissal at 10:30 am
- March 19, 2021 – High School Early Dismissal at 12:45 pm
- March 22, 2021 – Superintendent’s Conference Day – No Students
- April 2-9, 2021 – Spring Break - No School
- April 30, 2021 – High School Early Dismissal at 12:45 pm
- May 31, 2021 – Memorial Day Holiday – No School
- June 16-25, 2021 – High School Regents Exams
- June 17-23, 2021 – Middle School Exams
- June 17, 2021 - (Last elementary day - contingent upon the number of snow closing days used - for each snow day used, elementary student attendance will be required for an additional day beginning on 6/18 and moving forward into the week of 6/21)
Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby awards the capital outlay project bid for site work to JDM Construction Services, Inc. for $90,295.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the Rules for the Use of Voting Machines as follows: NOTICE ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Rules For Use of Optical Scan Voting Machines and the Submission of Questions or Proposition to be Placed Thereon

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting of the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District the following rules were adopted:

Rules for use of Optical Scan Voting Machines and the Submission of Questions or Propositions to be Placed Thereon:

1. The form of ballot and the voting procedure shall conform substantially with the operational requirements of the optical scan voting machines to be used by the District, and with any requirements prescribed by the Election Law of the State of New York for use of optical scan voting machines applicable to school districts.
2. The optical scan voting machines shall be those owned by the District, but if the District’s machines are not available, optical scan voting machines may be obtained from some other source satisfactory to the Board of Education.
3. For each optical scan voting machine used, two (2) qualified voters of the District shall be appointed by the Board of Education to act as Election Inspectors.
4. The Board of Education shall pay all expenses necessary or incidental to the use or rental, as the case may be, of optical scan voting machines, including but not limited to the operation, calibration, maintenance and securing thereof and the training of the Election Inspectors in the use thereof.
5. Immediately before any optical scan voting machine is used at meetings, elections or votes, annual, special or however otherwise denominated or designated, the Election Inspectors shall examine and calibrate it and see that the machine is, in all respects, in proper condition for use. The Election Inspectors shall also ensure that the configuration of the voting area provides for voter privacy.
6. Each optical scan voting machine shall remain locked against voting, and the paper ballots cast through the optical scan voting machine shall be secured and retained, for the period of thirty days following the meeting, election or vote at which same has been used and as much longer as may be necessary or advisable because of existing or threatened contest over the result of the meeting, election or vote, except as otherwise provided by the Education Law of the State of New York.
7. Any proposition to be voted upon, when presented other than by the Board of Education, must be set forth in such manner as to conform to the requirements of the Education Law of the State of New York, and must be presented in a petition bearing the signatures of twenty-five (25) qualified voters, or 5% of the number of qualified voters voting in the previous annual vote - whichever is greater, of the School District (except where the number of signatures is specified in said Education Law in which case the provisions of the Education Law shall apply) and filed with the Board of Education not less than sixty (60) days before the meeting, election or vote, unless otherwise prescribed by law.

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8. Any question or proposition to be presented by the Board of Education must be set forth in a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting, election or vote, except as to a question or proposition required by law to be stated in the published notice of the meeting, election or vote, in which event such resolution must be adopted at a meeting of the Board not less than fifty (50) days before the meeting, election or vote, except that the fifty (50) day time limitation shall not apply to a special meetings called under the provisions of Section 2007 subdivision 3, paragraph a. of the Education Law of the State of New York.

9. In the event that any question or proposition to be voted upon is too lengthy to be placed upon the ballot to be used in conjunction with the optical scan voting machines, an abstract of such question or proposition shall be placed thereon in such form as may be prescribed by the Board of Education of the District, concisely stating the purpose and effect and setting forth and indicating generally and briefly the subject matter of the question or proposition. Wherever the question is excessively lengthy as above described, a sufficient number of copies thereof shall be available at the voting place in order that each voter may be furnished with a copy thereof before voting.

10. Where circumstances require that the form of ballot, type or ballot label be different from that prescribed by the Election Law of the State of New York, the form of ballot, type or ballot label shall conform to that required by such circumstances.

11. Except as may otherwise be required by law, the Erie County Board of Elections shall have no jurisdiction with regard to the use of optical scan voting machines in connection with any school district meeting, election or vote.

12. Except as may otherwise be required by law, the District Clerk shall have sole discretion in determining when optical scan voting machines shall be used. Paper ballots may be used if so determined by the District Clerk, including under circumstances where optical scan voting machines are unavailable or not operational, in which case the use of paper ballots shall be consistent with applicable legal requirements, as well as consistent with these Rules to the extent practicable as determined by the District Clerk.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby adopts the Notice of Annual School District Public Hearing and Vote for May 19, 2020 Legal as follows:

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Annual School District Vote (the “Annual Vote”) of the Orchard Park Central School District, Erie County, New York (the “District”) will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 from 7:00 o’clock a.m. prevailing time to 9:00 o’clock p.m. prevailing time in the Orchard Park High School, 4040 Baker Road, Orchard Park, New York, for the purposes of electing three (3) members of the Board of Education of the District (the “Board”), voting on the budget of the District for the 2020-21 fiscal year, voting on one other proposition, and transacting such other business as is authorized by law.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the election of members of the Board shall be held to fill three (3) at-large positions on the Board. The candidates receiving the three highest vote totals shall each be elected to three-year terms (commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023) to fill the vacancies created by the expiration, on June 30, 2020, of the terms of Mrs. Christine Gray-Tinnesz, Mr. Dwight Mateer, and Mr. David Nielsen.

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that all candidates for the office of members of the Board shall be nominated by petition. Each petition shall be directed to the District Clerk, shall be signed by at least twenty-seven (27) qualified voters of the District, shall state the name and residence of the candidate, shall state the residence of each signer, and shall be filed in the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 o’clock a.m. prevailing time and 5:00 o’clock p.m. prevailing time not later than April 20, 2020.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that voting at the Annual Vote shall consist of the Board election, voting on the following propositions, and voting on any other propositions authorized by law and the rules of the Board to be voted on at such time:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 (2020-21 BUDGET)
Shall the following resolution be adopted?
RESOLVED, that the basic budget for the Orchard Park Central School District (the “District”) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted, and the required funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 (PURCHASE AND FINANCING OF BUSES, RELATED EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES)
Shall the following resolutions be adopted?
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Orchard Park Central School District (the “District”) is hereby authorized to purchase school buses (and related equipment and supplies) for use in the transportation program of the District, including: two (2) seventy-seven (77)-passenger school buses at an estimated maximum cost of $132,000 each; two (2) sixty-six (66)-passenger school buses at an estimated maximum cost of $127,000 each; and four (4) thirty-four (34)-passenger school buses at an estimated maximum cost of $69,000 each; and be it further RESOLVED, that the sum of $794,000 (which includes certain up-front financing costs and is the total of the aforesaid estimated maximum costs), plus an amount for interest thereon, shall be funded by the imposition of a tax which is hereby authorized to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board and, in anticipation of such tax, (i) bonds or other obligations of the District are hereby authorized to be issued and (ii) the District shall be authorized to enter into lease or lease/purchase arrangements (having a term of up to five years) if approved by the Board in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations; and be it further RESOLVED, that New York State Transportation Aid funds expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of the cost of the buses hereby authorized, and such funds shall, to the extent received, be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that a public hearing for the voters of the District on the District’s 2020-21 budget and expenditure of funds will be held on May 5, 2020 commencing at 7:00 o’clock p.m. prevailing time at the District Office Conference Center, 2240 Southwestern Blvd., West Seneca, New York.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that optical scan voting machines will be used to record the votes on the Board election, the budget, and the other propositions presented, pursuant to the District’s Rules for the Use of Voting Machines and the Submission of Questions or Propositions to be Placed Thereon. Printed copies of the Rules are available at the office of the District Clerk located in the District Office, 2240 Southwestern Blvd., West Seneca, New York.

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that applications for absentee ballots for the Annual Vote may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) business days prior to the Annual Vote. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or no later than the day before the vote if the ballot is to be issued personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. prevailing time on May 19, 2020.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Board will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money that will be required during the District’s 2020-21 fiscal year for school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount for each. The amount of each purpose estimated as being necessary for payments to boards of cooperative educational services shall be set forth in full with no deduction of estimated State aid. Such statement will be available, upon request, to taxpayers within the District from the hours of 9:00 o’clock a.m. prevailing time to 4:30 o’clock p.m. prevailing time between April 28, 2020 and May 18, 2020, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, at each of the public schoolhouses of the District.

By Order of the Board of Education
Orchard Park Central School District
Dated: March 10, 2020
Cheryl A. Connors, District Clerk

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, hereby casts there vote for Christine Schnars, 20 Fairfield Ave., Jamestown, NY 14701 as a candidate(s) for the BOCES election on April 21, 2020 to the Erie 2-Chautaugua-Cattaraugus Board of Cooperative Educational Services

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to approve the following:
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Orchard Park Central School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent hereby adopts the following resolution:
Whereas the Board of Education received the recommendation of Orchard Park High School Principal, Jonathan Wolf and Superintendent of Schools, Matthew McGarrity to update the current 0.5 credit computer requirement to a 0.5 credit financial literacy requirement, with exceptions for unique situations made by the High School Principal; Therefore, let it be resolved that the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education endorses the recommendation to update the 0.5 credit local graduation requirement commencing with 9th grade students entering high school in the fall of 2021.

Correspondence (attachment #5)
- Letter from E2CC BOCES re: Nominations
- Letter from E2CC BOCES re: Annual Meeting
- Letter from C. Schnars re: E2CC BOCES Board Nomination

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Closed Session
Convene in closed session for a quasi-judicial proceeding to consider and review the student disciplinary appeal
Dr. Tinnesz stated the Board has been asked to review several appeals relating to student discipline she requested a motion that the Board convene in closed session to consider matters made confidential by state or federal law, and/or to engage in a quasi-judicial proceeding. Motion moved by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to convene in closed session to consider matters made confidential by state or federal law, and/or to engage in a quasi-judicial proceeding at 8:12 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (6-0) to return to public session at 9:33 p.m.

Dr. Tinnesz called the meeting back to order at 9:34 p.m.

Action
Dr. Tinnesz stated that the Board, having fully considered all of the relevant information presented, is prepared to vote on the student disciplinary appeals before it. Dr. Tinnesz motioned that the decision of the Principal on the appeal of student now before the Board be affirmed, seconded by Mr. Nielsen:
Yes – Tinnesz, Eagan, Nielsen, Kane & Cimo
No – Mateer
Abstained - Mahaney
Motion Carried 5-1 (and 1 abstention)

Adjournment
Motion by Mr. Eagan, seconded by Mr. Nielsen, and unanimously carried (7-0) to adjourn at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Connors, District Clerk

Minute Attachments
1. Financials
2. MOA’s
3. Special Ed. Detail
4. Textbook Adoptions
5. Correspondence

Other Meeting Attachments
1. Official Meeting Announcement
2. Meeting Agenda

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