

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT AT TROY, HELD
AT KNICKERBACKER MIDDLE SCHOOL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sweeney at 7:40 P.M.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. ROLL CALL: K. Bristol, S. Farrell, P. J. Higgitt, E. McDonough,
J. Shover, M. Sweeney, C. Walp, J. Ward

Absent: none

Others Present: T. Broderick, J. Brown, M. Fushs, G. Goodwin, M. Harkin,
D. Hopkins, L. Kyer, F. Macri, J. McMahon, L. McNeil, K. Messler,
S. Paolino, D. Steenrod, J. Wager

Visitors: 3 student visitors

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: A motion was made by Mr. Higgitt and seconded by Mr. McDonough that the MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING held on January 31, 2011 and the MINUTES of the SPECIAL BOARD MEETING held on February 14, 2011, be APPROVED.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS: A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Bristol that the Board APPROVE the following FINANCIAL REPORTS :

- A. Budget Transfers
- B. Treasurer's Report

8 Ayes Motion Carried

V. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Three students from Ms. Henges' Participation in Government class

VI. COMMUNICATIONS: none

VII. PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the attached Home Tutoring assignment be Approved.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mrs. Ward that the following Substitute Teacher be appointed, on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2010-11 school year:

Shana Brady Certified

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. McDonough and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following Coaching Appointments be approved for the 2010-11 school year, pending completion of NY State coaching certification requirements with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract:

Coaching Reappointments

Varsity Softball Coach	John Cipperly
Junior Varsity Softball Coach	Timothy Fontaine
Modified Softball Coach	Catherine Stockton
Varsity Baseball Coach	Joseph Henkel
Junior Varsity Baseball Coach	Ryan Debrosky
Varsity Lacrosse Coach	Eric Jasuta
Assistant Varsity Girls Track Coach	Dale Broomhead
Varsity Boys Track Coach	Christian Brophy
Varsity Girls Track Coach	Erik Smith
Head Modified Track Coach	Edward Young
Assistant Modified Track Coach	Allen McNall

New Appointments

Modified Baseball Coach	Melinda McDonough
Girls Assistant Varsity Track Coach	Brandi Falcone

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Ms. Ward that the following Substitute Coaching Appointment be approved for the 2010-11 school year, pending completion of NY State coaching certification requirements with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract:

Substitute Announcer/Scorekeeper – Christopher Jura

8 Ayes Motion Carried

VIII. PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mr. McDonough and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the following Non-Instructional Substitute be approved, on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2010-2011 school Year:

Keith Bleau – Substitute Custodian and Substitute Noon Aide

8 Ayes Motion Carried

IX. ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. McDonough that the following non-resident tuition rates be approved by the Board of Education:

<u>Grade Level</u>	<u>2009-2010 Rate</u>	<u>2010-2011 Rate</u>
Handicapped K-6	\$13,845	\$17,117
Handicapped 7-12	\$14,915	\$18,364
Full Day K-6	\$ 2,674	\$ 2,693
Secondary 7-12	\$ 3,744	\$ 3,940

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the Board of Education Approve The Pike Company to be the Construction Management Services for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project and that the Board President or Superintendent of Schools be authorized to negotiate a contract with The Pike Company for services with this firm in an amount not to exceed \$700,500. A copy of the contract will be filed with the District Clerk.

Mr. Goodwin asked the President of the Board for a motion to TABLE this item until further information becomes available on the status of funding from the State Education Department.

Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to TABLE the approval of the Pike Company as the Construction Management Services for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Higgitt to TABLE the approval of the Pike Company as the Construction Management Services for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project.

8 Ayes Motion Tabled

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Bristol that the Board of Education Approve SEI Design Group to be the Architectural Firm for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project and that the Board President or Superintendent of Schools be authorized to negotiate a contract with SEI Design Group for services with this firm in an amount not to exceed \$1,207,500. A copy of the contract will be filed with the District Clerk.

Mr. Goodwin asked the President of the Board for a motion to TABLE this item until further information becomes available on the status of funding from the State Education Department.

Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to TABLE the approval of SEI Design Group to be the Architectural Firm for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project.

A motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. Walp to TABLE the approval of SEI Design Group as the Architectural Firm for the \$18.5 million EXCEL Capital Improvement project.

8 Ayes Motion Tabled

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. Walp that the Superintendent and the President be authorized to Approve the following Change Orders for the ongoing 2.9M construction project:

E-012	DLC	\$2,508.59	at LHS
E-013	DLC	\$1,353.67	at TES
E-014	DLC	\$ 386.42	at RPES
E-015	DLC	<u>\$5,227.52</u>	at KMS
	Total	\$9,476.20	

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. McDonough that the Board of Education approves authorization to refund taxes to William Pompa whose property is located in the City of Troy, 463 Second Avenue, in the amount of \$708.39 for the 2009-2010 school year and a refund in the amount of \$715.12 for the 2010-2011 school year.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

X. OLD BUSINESS: none

XI. NEW BUSINESS: yes

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Board of Education Approve the lowest qualified bidder from the bid opening on February 8, 2011 for General Construction Work at the above referenced project to Shaker Flats Landscaping, Inc, in the amount not to exceed \$356,290, and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to negotiate a contract with this firm. A copy of this contract will be filed with the District Clerk.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

XII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

We will begin with Mr. Harkin’s report.

Mr. Harkin said that Boys Varsity Basketball team has advanced to the semi-finals and will play Wednesday night in Glens Falls against Mohonasen and if they win they will play Sunday.

Lansingburgh High

Mr. Macri - The Senior Dance will be March 18. The scheduling process has begun. They are currently meeting with seniors who are at risk of not graduating to assist them through the remainder of the school year. Students of the quarter are being recognized by their teachers. Music in our Schools concert is scheduled for March 16. It will consist of both middle school and high school choral and band students.

Rensselaer Park

Mrs. Fushs – Rensselaer Park and Turnpike faculty are working with two former teachers in ELA. Their PARP program ended with an ice cream social. The Dance Crazy program held a dance tussle. Mr. Williams volunteered to be the DJ along with a graduate from Rensselaer Park. Mr. Williams taught both students and parents the jitterbug, the waltz and the meringue. I was a fun evening for all.

Turnpike Elementary

Mrs. Steenrod – Their PARP program begins on March 1. They will be having several events throughout the month for the students such as a parp-corn day, calendar day and an ice cream social. Both elementary schools are working with third to fifth grade students for their state ELA test. The teachers are starting to notice a difference with the students receiving extra help.

Knickerbacker Middle School

Mr. Paolino – KMS sponsored a Harlem Globe Trotter essay contest. Mr. Paolino was given 12 tickets to the game on Sunday so they sponsored the essay contest. They had approximately 60 participants and three students were selected, one from each grade to attend. It was a fun day for all participants. The ELA and math teachers are bench marking the high level 2 and low level 3 students to boost their abilities to achieve on the state testing. They are calling this tutoring boost camp. Mr. Paolino, Mr. Hopkins, and the

counselors are reviewing and working with students who are in jeopardy of failing two or more subjects and the school year.

XIII. USE OF FACILITIES:

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss two matters leading to the appointment, or employment of a particular person and one matter related to the employment history of a particular person.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Ms. Ward that the Board go into EXECUTIVE SESSION.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:05 P.M.

A motion was made by Mr. McDonough and seconded by Ms. Ward that the Board end their EXECUTIVE SESSION.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

Executive session ended at 8:38 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Ms. Ward and seconded by Mr. McDonough that the meeting be adjourned.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 P.M.

Clerk to the Board of Education