

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT AT TROY, HELD AT THE
LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER ON TUESDAY,
JULY 31, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. McHugh at 7:30 P.M.

- I. ROLL CALL: S. Farrell, K. Gamble, P. J. Higgitt, B. Lance, A. Macey,
H. McGrath, N. McHugh, J. O'Malley, M. Sweeney

Absent:

Others Present: A. Bergin, T. Broderick, D. Carroll, F. Erickson, M. Harkin, L. Kyer, L. McNeil
K, Oboyski-Butler, R. Schongar

Visitors: 2

- III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING held on June 19, 2007 and the MINUTES of the REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING held on July 10, 2007 be APPROVED.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

- IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS: A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the Board APPROVE the following FINANCIAL REPORTS as well as make payments to the vendors listed on the Schedule of Bills:

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

9 Ayes Motion Carried

- V. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Mrs. McHugh asked if any visitors would like to speak to the agenda.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

VII. PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Lance that the RESIGNATION of Mr. Zachary Zeppieri, Summer School Teacher at Turnpike Elementary School, be accepted, with regret, effective July 17, 2007.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Lance that the RESIGNATION of Ms. Emily Goldstien, Math Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School, be accepted, effective July 23, 2007.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the RESIGNATION of Mrs. Sara McIsaac, Special Education Teacher at Rensselaer Park Elementary School be accepted, with regret, effective July 27, 2007.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded Mrs. Farrell that Ms. Janelle Murray-Lions be APPOINTED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal SAVE Law, as a School Guidance Counselor at Knickerbacker Middle School as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2007	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2010	
Certification Status – School Counselor - Provisional	
Salary – Step 2	\$35,838
Differential	500
Masters	450
Graduate Credits - 48	<u>1,776</u>
	\$38,564

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded Mrs. Sweeney that Ms. Janelle Murray-Lions be APPROVED Ten Days during the month of July and August, as a School Guidance Counselor at Knickerbacker Middle School with compensation per the L.T.A. contract.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded Mrs. Farrell that Ms. Nicole Hunt be APPOINTED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal SAVE Law, as a Reading Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2007	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2010	
Certification Status – School Counselor - Provisional	
Salary – Step 1	\$35,100
Masters	450
Graduate Credits - 40	<u>1,443</u>
	\$36,993

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded Mrs. O’Malley that Ms. Danielle Rinaldi be APPOINTED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal SAVE Law, as a Home and Careers Teacher (Permanent Substitute) at Knickerbacker Middle School as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – September 1, 2007	
Expiration of Service – June 30, 2008	
Certification Status – English Language Arts 7-12 Initial	
Salary – Step 1	\$35,100
Masters	450
Graduate Credits - 30	<u>1,110</u>
	\$36,660

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O’Malley and seconded Mrs. Sweeney that Ms. Victoria Hargis be APPOINTED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal SAVE Law, as a Teacher Assistant at Turnpike Elementary School as per the C.S.E.A. Teacher Assistant Contract.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded Mr. Macey that Mr. Vincent Barber be APPOINTED as Assistant – Processing Student Referrals at Lansingburgh High School with a stipend of \$5,500.00 for the September 2007 through June 2008 school year.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded Mrs. Farrell that Mrs. Erinne Flanigan be APPOINTED as Assistant – Processing Student Referrals at Knickerbacker Middle School with a stipend of \$3,510.00 for the September 2007 through June 2008 school year.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded Mrs. O'Malley that Mr. Pete Porcelli be APPOINTED as Summer Weight Room Attendant with compensation of \$12.00 an hour.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded Mrs. Gamble that Mr. Lou Vega be APPOINTED as Assistant Football Coach for the 2007-2008 Football Session with compensation per the L.T.A. Contract.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following Substitute (Retired) Teachers be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with compensation according to the L.T.A. Contract:

Bernadine Bochette
David Bochette
Rosemary Masterson

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following Substitute Teachers be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with compensation according to the L.T.A. Contract:

Victoria Loatman
Daniel Hepp

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following summer School Substitute Teachers be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007 summer School Session:

Elizabeth Monks
Mary Danahy
Randi Behrens
Catherine Dunn

9 Ayes Motion Carried

VIII. PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that Mr. Gerard Buchanan be APPOINTED as a Senior School Monitor at Lansingburgh high School starting September 4, 2007 with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. Contract.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the RESIGNATION of MS. DOREEN L. GERIGHTY, CUSTODIAL WORKER at Knickerbacker Middle School, be accepted effective September 1, 2006.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that Mr. Joseph Lutz, be APPOINTED as Attendance Teacher/Consultant, two days per week, for a total of 80 days for the period September 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 with compensation per agreement.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Gamble and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that Mrs. Theresa Broderick be appointed As Assistant with Computer Management Services for school year 2007-2008 with a stipend of \$2,000.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following Non-Instructional Substitutes be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. Contract/Board Policy:

Ryan Ashe	Sub – Custodian
Arnaud Bolivar	Sub – Custodian
Kashon Holmes	Sub – Custodian
Brian Joy	Sub – Custodian
Jean O'Connell	Mailing
Allen McNall	Sub – Security
Jean Rebhun	Sub – Typist, Sub – Custodian
John Ryan	Sub – Custodian
Ed Young	Sub – Security

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the following Non-Instructional Substitutes be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with Compensation as approved by the Board of Education on July 10, 2007.

Daniel Carey
Daniel Pfitz

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the following Noon-Aides be REAPPOINTED and/or APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with Compensation as approved by the Board of Education at the June 19, 2007 Board of Education Meeting:

Catherine Alexopoulos	Lansingburgh High School
Carol Fedorchak	Knickerbacker Middle School
Beth Brandt	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Jennifer LeBrecht	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Stacy Weeks	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Barbara Gibbs	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Katherine Jordan	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Sara Hines	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Faith Swanson	Turnpike Elementary School

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the following Breakfast-Aides be REAPPOINTED and/or APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with Compensation as approved by the Board of Education at the June 19, 2007 Board of Education Meeting:

Catherine Alexopoulos	Lansingburgh High School
Carol Fedorchak	Knickerbacker Middle School
Stacy Weeks	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Barbara Gibbs	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Katherine Jordan	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Faith Swanson	Turnpike Elementary School

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Gamble and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the following Photocopy Aide be REAPPOINTED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 school year, with Compensation according to Board Policy:

Mary Jones	Rensselaer Park Elementary School (2 Hrs. per Day)
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9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the following Summer School Substitute Nurse be APPROVED on an emergency conditional basis pending Clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2007-08 summer school session:

Jacqueline Tremont

9 Ayes Motion Carried

IX. ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Macey that the following Admission Fees be ESTABLISHED for Football games and Boys and Girls Basketball games for the 2007-08 school year as follows:

Adult	\$2.00
Student	\$1.00
Senior Citizen	No Charge (62 and Older with Golden Pass)
Family	\$5.00
Varsity Club	No Charge with Membership Card
Board/Staff	No Charge

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the Board of Education APPROVE Payment of Capital Area School Development Association Dues for the 2007-08 school year at a 2% increase in the amount of \$1,485.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Contract with NY BEST for student accident insurance be EXTENDED for the 2007-08 school year, at an 6.8% increase for a premium of \$12,876.72.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that Jay M. Geiger, A.T.C. be APPOINTED to provide Medical/Athletic Training coverage for all home Modified, J.V., and Varsity Football games for the 2007-2008 school year as per attached.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the Lansingburgh Board of Education ACCEPT the donation of \$405.90 from the Lansingburgh C.S.D. Football Booster Club for the purchase of a Farmers Walk Apparatus.

8 Ayes Motion Carried
1 Abstention (Macey)

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Lansingburgh Board of Education ACCEPT the donation from the Turnpike Elementary School PTA in the amount of \$1,750.00 for the purchase of a new sound system for Turnpike Elementary School.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Macey that the attached list of Students with Disabilities be APPROVED.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Board President or Superintendent be authorized to extend the contract with the Rensselaer County Chapter, NYSARC for the 2007-2008 school year at the rate of \$46,350.00 to be paid in ten equal monthly installments.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the Superintendent and the Board of Education President be authorized to APPROVE the following Change Orders for the ongoing 2005 construction project:

GC-025	Sam Greco	\$ 1,603.00
GC-027	Sam Greco	\$ 5,520.00
GC-028	Sam Greco	\$35,283.00
GC-029	Sam Greco	\$ 1,141.00
GC-030	Sam Greco	\$ 1,357.00
GC-032	Sam Greco	\$ 748.00
GC-033	Sam Greco	\$ 564.00
GC-034	Sam Greco	\$ 682.00
GC-035	Sam Greco	\$ 5,352.00
GC-036	Sam Greco	\$ 9,693.00
GC-037	Sam Greco	\$10,323.00
GC-039	Sam Greco	<u>\$12,445.00</u>
Total Change Order		\$84,711.00

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the Board AMEND the Tru-Green Lawn Care Contract (Approved at the April 2007 Board Meeting) for services in the amount of \$4,441.70.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

X. OLD BUSINESS:

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. August Board Schedule:

There will be no Workshop August 7th. The next scheduled workshop is August 14, August 21 Board Retreat, August 28 Board Meeting.

B. Staffing – Update

We have a few positions to be filled: 1 special education teacher at RPES two teacher assistants at Rensselaer Park, one is a probationary appointment and one is a one year leave; math teacher and reading teacher at KMS, Library Media Specialist at LHS/KMS; 2 instructional coordinators at LHS/KMS; a custodial worker position; and two clerical positions at LHS.

C. Capital Improvement Project – Update

1. On August 3rd, lockers should be shipped. Bleachers are scheduled to be shipped August 20th. The gym floor – there is a humidity factor where the gym needs to be maintained at 60% before the floor can be installed. The gym is currently at a 70% humidity level. I will keep you informed. The KMS offices are progressing. Abatement is complete. Renovations on the girls' locker room may need to be delayed. The renovation of the girls' locker room need to be bid. This isn't a quick process and would cause much disruption to the girls' locker room. I would recommend that we wait for the summer of 2008 to begin with the renovation of the girls' locker room.

Mrs. McHugh asked for a straw vote on the recommendation to wait until the summer 2008 for the renovation to begin for the girls' locker room. A straw vote was taken and all were in favor of postponing the renovation of the girls' locker room until the summer 2008.

The additional air conditioning may have to be delayed because of the bid process.

The boys' locker room and weight room may be ready by August 13th. However they probably cannot be used due to it is still in an active construction area site and also due to fire code and certificate of occupancy.

Mr. Harkin is looking at alternate locations if this should be the case scenario.

Mrs. McHugh mentioned that the weight room at the Knickerbacker Ice Arena was used before. Mr. Harkin said that they would probably move the bench presses outside and would use a room to store equipment and to view videos.

August 28th at 6:15 P.M. there will be a reception for the 2005 Key Communicators.

The first home game is August 31st.

2. Key Communicator Letter

A letter will be mailed to the 2005 Key Communicators inviting them to a reception and an advanced showing of the new gymnasium and classrooms.

3. General Public/Ribbon Cutting –

The ribbon cutting ceremony for the general public is scheduled for September 4 at 6:00 P.M.

- D. Policy – FYI Man/Con Benefits Policy. Everyone received their copy of the proposed policy for your review. It will be placed on the August 28th agenda for adoption.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. McHugh asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Mr. Higgitt and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

