

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT AT TROY, HELD AT
LANSINGBURGH HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA
CENTER ON TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2009.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sweeney at 7:45 P.M.

I. ROLL CALL: S. Farrell, K. Gamble, P.J. Higgitt, H. McGrath, J. O'Malley,
M. Sweeney

Absent: B. Lance

Others Present: A. Bergin, T. Broderick, D. Carroll, F. Erickson, M. Fushs,
G. Goodwin, M. Harkin, M. Jarem, L. Kyer, F. Macri, L. McNeil,
K. Messler, K. Oboyski-Butler, S. Paolino, R. Schongar, B. Sperling,
D. Steenrod, J. Wager

Visitors: 1

II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: A motion was made by Mr. Higgitt and seconded by
Mrs. O'Malley that the MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING held on April 28, 2009, the MINUTES
of the ANNUAL MEETING held on May 19, 2009 be APPROVED.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

III. FINANCIAL REPORTS: A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Farrell 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

6 Ayes Motion Carried

IV. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Mrs. Sweeney asked if any visitors would like to speak to the agenda.

none

V. COMMUNICATIONS: none

VI. PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the resignation of Ms. Heather
McGovern, Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School for school year 2009-
2010, be accepted, with regret effective April 29, 2009.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that pursuant to the recommendation of
the Superintendent of Schools, the following teacher be appointed to tenure to the position to which they have
served the required probationary period as specified below:

Name – Jeffrey Nadeau
Tenure Area – Mathematics 7-12
Commencement of Tenure Appointment – 9/26/09
Certification Status - Initial

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that Ms. Erinne Flanigan be reappointed as C.S.E. Chairperson from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as per the L.T.A. Contract.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Gamble and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that Ms. Jessica Nikodem be reappointed as Director of Guidance from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 as per the L.T.A. Contract.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that Ms. Barbara Mancuso be appointed as a Physics Teacher (Part-Time) at Lansingburgh High School, according to the L.T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – September 1, 2009	
Expiration of Service – June 30, 2010	
Certification Status – Physics – (Initial)	
Salary – Step 10	\$42,645
Graduate Credits – 51	\$1,887
Master's Degree	<u>450</u>
	\$44,972 (Prorated)

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following coaching reappointments be approved for the 2009-2010 school year, pending completion of NY State coaching certification requirements with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract:

Announcer/Scorer Football & Basketball	-	Richard Sheffer
Shot Clock Operator	-	Cristina Young

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the attached home tutoring assignments be approved.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following Summer School Teachers be approved depending on the number of students that enroll, and be appointed on an emergency conditional basis where applicable, pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, for the 2009 Summer School Session, with compensation according to the L.T.A. Contract:

R. Jason Blackmur	Grade 6 Math, ELA/Soc. Studies
Lisa Puckey	Grade 7, 8 ELA
Jennifer Gula	Special Education Teacher
Trinisa Leary	Special Education Teacher
Lisa Pingelski	Global 9, Global 10, US History, P.I.G.
Sarah Vickery	Librarian
Edward Young	Summer School Monitor
Barbara Ashe	Summer School Secretary

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that Mr. Michael Harkin be appointed as Summer School Principal for the 2009 Summer School session, with reimbursement of \$4,590.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath 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 2008-09 school year:

Jarred Collins	uncertified
Robert Gregware	uncertified
Stephanie Langlais	uncertified

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that the following Substitute Teachers be reappointed for the 2009-10 school year:

Matthew Baer	Douglas Kimbler	Michael Schongar
Ruth Bauchiero	Letitia Kelly	Michelle Schrader
Sandra Bauchiero	Warren Lansing	Linda Segreto
Catina Bianchi	Brian Larson	Mary Ann Simard
Jesse Biscelgia	Sarah LaRose	Mark Strube
Tracy Buck	Kristie Laviolette	Susan Struss
Ralph Carotenuto	Nicole LeDuc	Mary Beth Surprenant
Susan Carbonneau	Andrew Leece	Maxine Terpening
Nancy Cecot	Howard Lustig	Joseph Terry
Jacquelyn Colligan	Allen J. Macey III	Paula Thibault
Lynne Connally	Elizabeth Madigan	Katherine Town
Kathleen Danielli	Kathleen Mahoney	Concetta Vagliardo
Nicole DeJulio	Mary Mahoney	Robert Vuignier
Julie Demers	Lori Malone	Karen Walp
Alyssa DiCocco	Christina Manning	Kathleen Westerholt
Daniel Donovan	Rosemary Masterson	Linda Zych
Joseph Erdman	Shannon McCauley	
Robin Evers	Misty McKeller	
Connor Farrell	Katelyn McKenna	
Liam Farrell	Molly McLaughlin	
Cara Fernet	Matthew McMahan	
Ryan Finn	Timothy McNutt	
Kathleen Firlet	Evan Melanson	
Kevin Fitzpatrick	Linda Miller	
Kathleen Flaherty	Byron Moak	
Michael Flynn	Samantha Nazarian	
Robert Foggo	Sheryl Nelligan	
Leslie Foster	Catherine Neudecker	
Mark Fruscio	Patrick O'Malley	
John Gallagher	Mark Palozzi	
Adam Gregoire	Jennifer Patricelli	
Lauro Gregware	Erika Pfitz	
Dorothy Hathaway	Susan Perry	
Victoria Hargis	Joy Purcell	
Kenneth Hoffman	Kathleen Real	
Joan Holman	Marisa Rivituso	
Ruth Horton	Victoria Rotondi	
Brendan Hughes	Mark Schaudt	
Sharon Jackson	Kari Schongar	

6 Ayes Motion Carried

VII. PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the resignation of Ms. Michelle Gordon, noon aide at Lansingburgh High School be accepted with regret effective June 19, 2009.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the resignation of Ms. Kelley Bristol as substitute noon aide, attendance clerk, and teaching assistant be accepted, with regret, effective May 20, 2009.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following Non-Instructional Nurse Substitutes be approved for the 2009-10 school year, with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. Contract:

Donna Baldwin, R.N.
Tiffany Bechand, R.N.
Linda Delaney, R.N.
Janet Fowler, R.N.
Dawn Hamel, R.N.
Maureen Slattery, R.N.
Denise Willetts, R.N.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following Non-Instructional Substitutes be approved for the 2008-09 school year, with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. contract:

Kathleen Danaher – Substitute Noon Aide
Michael Martin – Substitute Custodian

6 Ayes Motion Carried

VIII. ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that Ms. Erinne Flanigan, CSE Chairperson, be granted 10 days of summer work, with compensation of 1/200th of her annual salary per day.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A Motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. O'Malley that Mr. James Wager, Secondary Instructional Coordinator at Lansingburgh High School, be granted 3 days summer employment with compensation of 1/200th of his annual salary per day.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A Motion was made by Mr. Higgitt and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that Ms. Kerri Messler, Secondary Instructional Coordinator at Knickerbacker Middle School, be granted 3 days summer employment with compensation of 1/200th of her annual salary per day.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following School Nurses be approved for summer work for the number of days indicated, with compensation per the C.S.E.A. Teaching Assistant Contract:

Suzanne Anthony	2 Days
Carrie Ortiz	2 Days
Jacqueline Tremont	5 Days
Cristina Young	2 Days
Penny Tobias	5 Days (compensated for days in excess of 181 during 2008-2009 school year)

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that Mr. Mark Smith, Attendance Officer, be approved for 15 days of summer work, with compensation per the C.S.E.A. Teaching Assistant Contract.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. McGrath that the following School Psychologists be approved for summer work, not to exceed two days each, with compensation of 1/200th of their annual salary per day:

Kim Guiffre	Michele McGivern
Michelle Foster	

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following Non-Instructional Employees be approved for summer work for the number of days indicated, with compensation per the C.S.E.A. Contract:

Attendance

Linda Welch, TES Attendance Clerk	8 Days
Barbara Smollin, RPES Attendance Clerk	8 Days
Carol Rielly, LHS Attendance Clerk	3 Days
Christine Wilcox, KMS Attendance Clerk	10 Days

Middle School Guidance

Ellen Gordon	15 Days
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6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Superintendent be authorized to enter into a contract(s) for Universal Pre-K services for the 2009-2010 school year with the following facilities and that the Superintendent file a copy of the contract(s) with the District Clerk:

C.E.O.
St. Augustine's School
Little Tot Nursery School

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the Superintendent and Board of Education President be authorized to approve the following Change Order for the 9.9M construction Project:

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6 Ayes Motion Carried

IX. OLD BUSINESS: none

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the Board of Education President or Superintendent of Schools be authorized to enter into a contract with Prestige Services, Inc., low bidder, to provide the school district's breakfast/lunch program, per specifications, for the 2009-2010 school year, as per the attached memo(s) and that the Board of Education President or Superintendent file a copy of the signed contract with the district clerk.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the Board of Education President or Superintendent of Schools be authorized to enter into a contract with Copeland Coating Company, Inc., low and only bidder, to resurface the Lansingburgh High School track per specifications and the attached letter, and that the Board of Education President or Superintendent file a copy of the signed contract with the district clerk.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the following be appointed as advisors of extracurricular activities at Lansingburgh High School for the 2008-2009 school year, with compensation according to the L.T.A. Contract:

Jessica Clermont – OVA Team Advisor
John Bergmann – OVA Team Advisor

6 Ayes Motion Carried

XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. Policies For Your Information

Policy 1225 – Relationship with Local Education Foundation
Policy 5152 – Admission of Non-Resident Students
Policy 5152-R - Admission of Non-Resident Students Regulation
Policy 5500 – Student Records
Policy 5500-R - Student Records Regulation
Policy 5500-E.1 - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
Notice Regarding Access to Student Records and Student Information
Policy 6645 – Capital Assets Accounting
Policy 8414.6 – Idling Prohibition for Buses and other School Vehicles
Policy 9520.2 – Family and Medical Leave
Policy 9520.2-R - Family and Medical Leave Regulation

B. School Activities

Lansingburgh High School

Mrs. Bergin said that the prom was excellent. Students and faculty are preparing for final exams and graduation.

County Executive, Kathy Jimino was in on Friday for Prom Promise and breakfast with the students. She spoke with students. The district attorney as well. A sheriff from Albany County spoke to students and showed the students a full size picture of a student who went to prom and a full size picture of the student's vehicle after crashing because of drinking and driving. The compelling message that touched home with the students was the fact that the student that died in that accident was that sheriff's son.

Knickerbacker Middle School

Mr. Paolino said that approximately 40 students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on May 7th. Mrs. Lyons, guidance counselor, presented a check for \$600 to the Albany Medical Center Children's Hospital Network Telethon. The students raised one of the highest amounts. Ann Marie Collins, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, is meeting with faculty on the topic of engaging reluctant learners. The Social Studies State Exam for grade 8 will be administered on June 2 & 3.

Rensselaer Park Elementary School

Mrs. Fushs said that their school hosted a school fair on May 19th. It was very successful. There were science projects, activities, book fair and a small concert. Mrs. Foster is hosting the end of the year mentor activity. Mrs. Fushs wanted to thank Mr. Erickson and Mr. Paolino for implementing a new program for the 5th graders moving up to sixth grade. The students will visit the middle school, have a small program, lunch in the cafeteria and learn how to open their lockers. The Mondo materials were delivered last week. Thank you to Ms. Crucetti for organizing it. The teachers are eager to learn more on the orientation training on June 4 & 5.

Turnpike Elementary School

Mrs. Steenrod said that their school hosted Bingo night on May 19th. It was well attended and a nice family night. She also wanted to extend her thanks to Mr. Erickson and Mr. Paolino for introducing the new 5th to 6th grade orientation program. It gives the students a chance to come while school is still in session instead of waiting until find your way day. Not all students were able to attend on that day and this gave them an opportunity to see their new school. The school will be having their mentoring party soon. There were approximately 45 students and staff that participated this year. Mrs. Steenrod said that they just piloted a new program which they will institute for next year. This program will incorporate K through fifth grade. Eight to ten students were broken up into groups "families". They focused on getting to know you activities. The school celebrated Memorial Day with a ceremony. Mrs. Ashe and Mr. Hamilton coordinated everything. Mr. Hamilton showed the students how to fold the flag and what each fold meant. The students were dressed in red, white and blue, respectively.

Athletics

Mr. Harkin said that spring sports are winding down. Lacrosse plays Friday. Everyone was enthusiastic about the "Night at the Races" Invitational. Softball is seated #2 for sectionals and will be playing in Clifton Park. The track team will run on Thursday at Broadalbin.

Superintendent's Report continued

Mr. Goodwin asked the Board if they had a preference to the date of the Reorganizational meeting in July. It needs to occur on either the 7th of July or the 14th of July. After discussion, the Board chose the 7th of July and it will be on the agenda for the June Board meeting. Mr. Goodwin will communicate this to the new Board members as well.

Mr. Goodwin asked Mrs. Oboyski-Butler to speak about Rachel's Challenge.

Mrs. Oboyski-Butler said that Rachel's Challenge is about Rachel Scott a student who was killed in the Columbine Massacre. There will be a one hour presentation for KMS students, faculty and two sessions at the high school as well. Funding was provided through Arts in Education, and the sponsors for Rachel's Challenge donated the third session at no cost to the district. We have arranged for press coverage through Arlene Sampson at Questar III. The sessions will be on Friday, June 5 – KMS 8 to 9 a.m., LHS 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. We hope to have further programs for the students in the future.

Mr. Goodwin spoke to the Board regarding the bids for the 2.9M project. The bids were open on Thursday, and they were very disappointed that the bids came in \$600,000 over the bond amount. We have to look at our options. One option is to put off the auditorium project. Once we accept bids, we could also individually negotiate with contractors. Mr. Goodwin will communicate to the Board with options and recommendations. There are time constraints.

XII. USE OF FACILITIES:

Mr. Goodwin said that he had one executive session item, regarding the employment history of particular persons. Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to go into Executive Session.

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Board go into EXECUTIVE SESSION.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:25 P.M.

A motion was made by Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the Board end their EXECUTIVE SESSION.

6 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:50 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 Mrs. O'Malley and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 P.M.

Clerk to the Board of Education