

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT AT TROY, HELD AT THE  
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER ON  
TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2008

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, M. Sweeney

ABSENT: J. O'Malley

Others Present: A. Bergin, D. Carroll, G. Goodwin, L. Kyer, M. Lynick, L. McNeil  
K. Messler, K. Oboyski-Butler, J. Wager

Guests: 1

II. PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the resignation of Ms. Cara Talmadge, Biology Teacher at Lansingburgh High School, be accepted, with regret, effective September 1, 2008.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. McHugh that Ms. Zaira Guerrero be appointed on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, as Spanish Teacher at Lansingburgh High School with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2008	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2011	
Certification Status – Spanish 7-12 (Initial)	
Salary – Step 1	\$35,802
Graduate Credits – 44	1,554
Masters	<u>450</u>
	\$37,806

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Lance that Mr. Brian Huba be appointed on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, as English Teacher at Lansingburgh High School with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2008	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2011	
Certification Status – English 7-12 (Initial)	
Salary – Step 3	\$37,146
Graduate Credits – 40	1,443
Masters	<u>450</u>
	\$39,039

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath 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 2008-09 school year, with compensation according to the L.T.A. contract:

Kathleen Danieli  
Concetta Vagliardo

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the following Substitute Teacher 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, with compensation according to the L.T.A. contract:

Victoria Hargis

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the individuals listed below be approved for Summer Curriculum Writing work with compensation according to the L.T.A. contract:

Curriculum Mapping

- Patrick Amyot – 15 hrs.
- Pamela Baldassari – 15 hrs.
- Eileen Culliton – 15 hrs.
- Marilyn Erano – 15 hrs.
- Kerri Messler – 15 hrs.
- Elizabeth Monks – 15 hrs.
- Catherine Pratico – 15 hrs.
- James Wager – 15 hrs.

Integrated Algebra

- Randi Behrens - 35 hrs.
- John Cipperly – 35 hrs.
- Elizabeth Monks – 35 hrs.
- Hilary Powell – 35 hrs.
- Sarah Smith – 35 hrs.
- Christine Strube – 35 hrs.

KMS Summer School Curriculum Planning

- Ralph Carotenuto – 2 hrs.
- Mariellen Hensgen – 2 hrs.
- Janelle Lyons – 2 hrs.
- Jeffrey Nadeau – 2 hrs.
- Michelle McGivern – 2 hrs.
- Lisa Puckey – 2 hrs.
- Katie Saccucci – 2 hrs.
- Sarah Vickery – 2 hrs.

Elementary Technology Curriculum

- Patricia Decker – 15 hrs.
- Elaine Dodson – 15 hrs.
- Leigh McNeil – 15 hrs.
- Susan Shea – 15 hrs.
- Linda Townsend – 15 hrs.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the Lansingburgh Board of Education rescind Ms. Brandi Falcone’s Coaching assignment as Girls Modified Soccer Coach for the 2008-2009 school year.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that the attached list of Home Tutoring assignments be approved.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

III. PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that Mrs. Carol Rielly, be appointed as Permanent Typist (attendance clerk), at Lansingburgh High School, effective September 2, 2008, with compensation according to Step 1 of the C.S.E.A. contract.

7 Ayes Motion Carried  
1 Abstention

A motion was made by Mrs. Lance and seconded by Mrs. Farrell 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 2008-09 school year, with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. Contract/Board Policy:

- Paul Russell - Sub Custodian
- Daniel Carey - Sub Custodian

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Macey that the following Non-Instructional Student STEP Worker be approved for the 2008-09 school year, with compensation as approved by the Board of Education on July 15, 2008.

Eric Telesky

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the following Non-Instructional Nurse 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 2008-09 school year with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. contract.

Tiffany Bechand  
Penny Tobias  
Sharon Wolcott

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell 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 2008-09 school year with compensation as approved by the Board of Education on July 15, 2008 Board of Education Re-organizational Meeting:

Catherine Alexopoulos	Lansingburgh High School
Michelle Gordon	Lansingburgh High School
Kathleen Johnson	Lansingburgh High School – (Substitute)
Carol Fedorchak	Knickerbacker Middle School
Margaret Bell	Knickerbacker Middle School
Beth Brant	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Barbara Gibbs	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Mary Jones	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Kathryn Jordan	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Jennifer LaBrecht	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Stacy Weeks	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Patricia Bishop	Turnpike Elementary School
Jennifer Pratt	Turnpike Elementary School
Faith Swanson	Turnpike Elementary School
Jessica Vandenberg	Turnpike Elementary School
Karen Walp	Turnpike Elementary School
Marcey Zabawczuk	Turnpike Elementary School

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell 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 2008-09 school year with compensation as approved by the Board of Education on July 15, 2008 Board of Education Re-organizational Meeting:

Catherine Alexopoulos	Lansingburgh High School
Carol Fedorchak	Knickerbacker Middle School
Barbara Gibbs	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Kathryn Jordan	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Stacy Weeks	Rensselaer Park Elementary School
Patricia Bishop	Turnpike Elementary School
Faith Swanson	Turnpike Elementary School
Marcey Zabawczuk	Turnpike Elementary School

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and Mr. Higgitt that the following Photocopy Aide be reappointed for the 2008-09 school year with compensation as approved by the Board of Education on July 15, 2008 Board of Education

Re-organizational Meeting:

Mary Jones	Rensselaer Park Elementary (2 Hrs. Per Day)
Patricia Bishop	Turnpike Elementary School (2 Hrs. Per Day)

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Lance that the following Elementary Summer School Nurse be approved for the 2008 Summer School Session:

Suzanne Anthony

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Lance that the following Substitute Summer School Senior School Monitor be approved for the 2008 Summer School Session:

Jeffrey Pasinella

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the following Teacher Aides be reappointed for the 2008-2009 school year with compensation according to the C.S.E.A. contract:

Barbara Ashe	Turnpike Elementary School
Joanne Bensi	Knickerbacker Middle School
Rita Maloney	Lansingburgh High School
JoAnn McMahon	Rensselaer Park Elementary School

8 Ayes Motion Carried

IV. ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Macey that the following admission fees be established for Home Football games and Boys and Girls Basketball games for the 2008-09 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

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mr. Higgitt that the following policies, as recommended by the Policy Committee, and presented for information at the Regular Board Meeting on June 17, 2008, be approved:

Policy 6741 – Contracting for Professional Services

Policy 6800 – Payroll Procedures

Policy 9500 – Compensation and Benefits

Policy 9500 R – Compensation and Benefits Regulation  
Employment Status Determination

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Gamble and seconded by Mrs. Farrell 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 2008-2009 school year at the rate of \$30.00 per hour (the same rate since 2006).

8 Ayes Motion Carried

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

8 Ayes Motion Carried

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

GC-084	Sam Greco	\$ 2,983.00
GC-085	Sam Greco	\$ 4,830.00
GC-086	Sam Greco	\$ 3,623.00
GC-087	Sam Greco	\$ 1,408.00
GC-088	Sam Greco	\$ 1,408.00
GC-089	Sam Greco	\$ <u>3,492.00</u>
	Total Change Order	\$17,744.00

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Gamble and seconded by Mrs. Lance that the Superintendent and the Board of Education President be authorized to approve the following Change Orders for the ongoing 2006 construction project:

G-002	Bunkoff	\$3,530.00
G-005	Bunkoff	\$3,029.00
G-006	Bunkoff	\$ <u>3,029.00</u>
	Total Change Order	\$9,558.00

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Superintendent be authorized to enter into a contract with Leonard J. Bernstein, Child Safety Zone Consultant to conduct a Child Safety Zone analysis evaluation at the rate of \$50.00 per hour as discussed at the July 22<sup>nd</sup> Board Workshop.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Macey and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney that the contract with NY BEST for student accident insurance be extended for the 2008-09 school year, at an 17.33% increase for a premium not to exceed \$15,107.76.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

## V. NEW BUSINESS

### APPOINTMENTS:

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that Ms. Carla Natale be appointed on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, as School Social Worker at Knickerbacker Middle School, with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service– September 1, 2008	
Expiration of Probationary Service – June 30, 2011	
Certification Status - School Social Worker (Pending)	
Salary Step 1	- \$35,802
Graduate Credits – 60	1,665
Masters	450
Differential	<u>500</u>
	\$38,417

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mrs. Gamble that Ms. Holly Zelenkewich be appointed on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, as Biology Teacher at Lansingburgh High School, with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2008	
Expiration of Probationary Service – June 30, 2011	
Certification Status - Biology 7-12 (Initial)	
Salary Step 2 -	\$36,392
Graduate Credits – 24	<u>888</u>
	\$37,280

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. Macey that Mr. Christopher (Rian) Colbert be appointed as a Teaching Assistant at Lansingburgh High School, with reimbursement according to the C.S.E.A. T.A. contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Period – September 1, 2008	
Expiration of Probationary Service – June 30, 2011	
Certification Status – Social Studies 7-12 (Initial)	
Salary Step 9 -	\$23,985

8 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Sweeney and seconded by Mr. Macey that the following be appointed to the 2008-2009 Instructional Materials Review Committee:

Barbara Youngs	Parent Representative
Melissa Velez	Parent Representative

8 Ayes Motion Carried

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:

Mr. Goodwin reported that at TES and RPES roofing work is being done. It will not affect summer school at TES. The girls’ locker room is being renovated, and we are hoping that the lockers will be installed before school begins. We will use the old lockers, if necessary.

Mrs. McHugh asked for a motion to go into Executive Session.

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mrs. Sweeney to go into Executive Session.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:02 P.M

A motion was made by Mrs. McGrath and seconded Mrs. Farrell that the Board end their Executive Session.

8 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:47 P.M.

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

8 Ayes Motion Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 P.M.

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Deputy District Clerk to the Board of Education

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