

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE LANSINGBURGH CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT AT TROY, HELD
AT LHS/KMS MEDIA CENTER
SCHOOL ON MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016.

(AMENDED 6/1/16)

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Sweeney at 6:30 P.M.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

II. ROLL CALL: K. Bristol, M. Cusack, S. Farrell, R. Morris, J. Shover,
M. Speanburg, M. Sweeney, C. Walp, J. White

Absent: 0

Others Present: T. Broderick, S. Colfer, C. DeDominick, M. Harkin, L. Kyer,
A. Luciano, F. Macri, R. McGrouty, T. O'Brien, D. Owens,
S. Paolino, K. Smith, M. Sullivan,

Visitors: 0

Mrs. Sweeney asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Mrs. Rebecca Shepherd.

III. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. White to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on March 21, 2016.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS: A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. Morris that the Board approve the following FINANCIAL REPORTS:

- A. Budget Transfers
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Monthly Financials

9 Ayes Motion Carried

V. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: none

VI. COMMUNICATIONS:

Audit Report – S. Farrell – We received items from the Ark Round Robin today. We will be updating computer software which is State aidable. Transportation contract will be a 5 year contract. The RFP process outlined by the State Education Department was followed. Three RFP's were submitted from Birnie Bus, Brown Bus and Durham Bus. They were each scored. Birnie Bus scored the highest overall.

Mr. Macri and Mrs. Luciano presented to the Board on the topic of: LHS Transition Back to an 8 Period Day. They reviewed a handout outlining the details of why it is needed, what it would allow, what the day would look like and what it would take and the possible issues caused by it.

VII. PERSONNEL INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. White that Mrs. Angela Barnett be granted 1.5 un-paid days on April 1 and April 5, 2016.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

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

Name – Laura Fiato
Tenure Area – Reading
Commencement of Tenure Appointment – 4/12/2016
Certification Status – Professional

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that Ms. Jeanette Botts be appointed to a Probationary teaching position at Turnpike Elementary School in the tenure area of Special Education, according to the LTA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2016	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2019 (Jarema Credit 1 year)	
Certification Status – Students w/Disabilities (Gr. 1-6) – (Initial)	
	Childhood Education (Gr. 1-6) – (Initial)
Salary – Step 2	\$39,205
Graduate Credits – 65	\$ 2,625
Master's Degree	<u>\$ 450</u>
	\$42,280

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Morris that Mrs. Molly Fryer be appointed to a Probationary teaching position on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, in the tenure area of Special Education at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, according to the LTA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2016	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2020	
Certification Status – Students w/Disabilities (Gr. 1-6) – (Initial)	
Literacy Education (B-Gr. 6)	
Salary – Step 5	\$41,630
Graduate Credits – 36	\$ 1,500
Masters	<u>\$ 450</u>
	\$43,580

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that Mr. Timothy Hepp be appointed to a Probationary teaching position at Lansingburgh High School in the tenure area of Special Education, according to the LTA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2016	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2020	
Certification Status – Students w/Disabilities (Gr. 7-12) – (Initial)	
Salary – Step 2	\$39,205
Graduate Credits – 36	\$ 1,500
Master's Degree	<u>\$ 450</u>
	\$41,155

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. White that Michael Treffiletti be appointed to a Probationary Teaching Position in the tenure area of Special Education Rensselaer Park Elementary School according to the LTA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2016	
Expiration of Probationary Service – August 31, 2019 (1 year Jarema Credit received	
	Tenure from previous district)
Certification Status – Students w/Disabilities (Gr. 1-6) Professional	
	Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Salary – Step 8	\$44,482
Masters –	\$ 450
Graduate Credits – 60	<u>\$ 2,500</u>
	\$47,432

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. White that the following Substitute Teachers be appointed for the 2015-16 school year with compensation according to the L.T.A. Contract:

Kayla Smith – Associates Degree Early Childhood Education - uncertified
Steven Constable – Criminal Science – uncertified

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Cusack and seconded by Mr. White that Mrs. Cathy Wright-Wilson be paid 3 additional In-service and Graduate Credit hours, bringing her total number to 150 paid credits, and that reimbursement of credit for her be authorized in accordance with the Lansingburgh Teachers' Association contract, effective February 1, 2016.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

VIII. PERSONNEL NON-INSTRUCTIONAL:

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Walp that Mr. Luca Sainato be appointed to a probationary Teaching Assistant Position on an emergency conditional basis pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, at Lansingburgh High School per the C.S.E.A Teaching Assistant Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service: May 2, 2016
 Expiration of Probationary Service: May 1, 2020
 Certification: Social Studies 7-12
 Salary – Step 9 of Teaching Assistant Contract: \$19.55 per hour

9 Ayes Motion Carried

IX. ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Walp that Mr. Jaime Thomas be approved as Permanent Chairman of the Annual District Voting Meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. White that the Board of Education approve the following to serve on the Board of Registration on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 with compensation at \$60.00 for the day:

Laurel Sheehy

And It is Further Resolved that the Chief Inspector for each location will be paid an additional \$25.00 for their additional responsibilities and services on Tuesday, May 17, 2016; and It Is Further Resolved that the Board of Education Approve the following to serve on the Board of Elections on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 with compensation of \$125 per person:

LHS Gymnasium Foyer Area

CI Laurel Sheehy
 ACI Carol Rielly
 I Janet Walsh

Speigletown

CI Joseph Cunningham
 I Joan Fitzpatrick
 I Judy Cunningham

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Morris that the Board authorizes the Purchasing Agent to surplus 25 district-owned cell phones and submit them to a cellular buyback program for recycling and/or purchase.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Walp that the following amended donation made on April 19, 2016, be accepted by the Board of Education from Mr. James Sullivan and placed in the established Allen and Maria Lockrow Scholarship to be awarded to one graduating male and one female planning to attend college.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. White that the following Donations from Donor's Choose be accepted:

- 1 Chromebook to be used by Mackenzie White at Turnpike School equivalent \$203.99
- 2 Chromebooks to be used by Ms. Gibson at Knickerbacker M.S. equivalent \$431.98
- 4 Chromebooks to be used in classroom 223 at Rensselaer Park E.S. equivalent \$759.96
- 2 Chromebooks to be used in the classroom in Turnpike School equivalent \$379.98
- 2 Chromebooks to be used by Jodi Cataldo at Turnpike School equivalent \$498.00
- 2 Chromebooks to be used by Amanda Squires at TES equivalent \$430.88

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A Motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. White that the detailed Proposed Budget in the amount of \$ 45,239,433 be Adopted with an anticipated revenue exclusive of taxes in the amount of \$30,142,123 ; and the amount to be raised through taxes of \$15,097,310 and that this budget now referred to as the Basic Budget be submitted at the Public Hearing on Monday, May 9, 2016.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. Walp that the Board of Education Approve the Lansingburgh Property Tax Report Card as attached.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Morris that the Board Approve the 2016-17 School Calendar.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. White that the Board change Thursday, May 26 and Friday, May 27, 2016 from Instructional Days to Unused Snow Days with no school.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mr. Shover and seconded by Mr. White that the Board authorizes the Superintendent to develop a Retirement Incentive Proposal for the two CSEA units.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Morris to add a motion to the agenda to permit the Lansingburgh High School to Transition back to an eight (8) period day.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. Morris to Approve the Lansingburgh High School's Transition back to an eight (8) period day beginning September 2016.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

X. OLD BUSINESS: none

XI. NEW BUSINESS: yes

A Motion was made by Mrs. Farrell and seconded by Mr. White that the following Coaching Appointment be approved for the 2015-16 school year, pending completion of NY State coaching certification requirements with reimbursement according to the L.T.A. contract:

Assistant Varsity Girls Track – Joshua Key (retro-active to 1/25/2016 Board Meeting)

9 Ayes Motion Carried

XII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mrs. DeDominick reports that the budget is done. She will be making appointments to present to the North Troy Watch group, Rotary, Lansingburgh Historical Society, and others.

Earlier today we had the Round Robin Auction at ARK. We were very successful and received over 90% of the items we had expressed interest in.

Mr. Macri – LHS

Mr. Macri already reviewed the extension of the LHS school day. We are preparing for graduation.

Mr. Harkin – KMS

Mr. Harkin stated that testing is done and things are getting back to normal. The KMS Masquerade Ball is Thursday and the students are looking forward to it.

Mrs. McGrouty – RPES

Mrs. McGrouty – testing is completed as well. RPES upcoming events are as follows:

The Jitterbug Tussle – April 22 at 6 p.m.

Memorial Day Celebration Program – May 20th at 9:30 a.m. At this program students will be holding a canned food drive and hope to construct a giant flag with the canned goods.

Mrs. Owens/Mrs. O'Brien – TES

They took 20 students out for Dress-a-Knight. They do this twice a year and purchase clothing and sneakers for them. They have had a personal safety program at Turnpike from Rensselaer County. They reviewed good touch, bad touch with students and making good choices and safe choices. Kindergarten students made a book with their parents. Author Eric Peel visited the Kindergarten classes. AIS staff and special education staff helped the students and parents with their books.

Mr. Colfer - Athletics

Troy Fire department came into school to train 9-12th grade students on CPR and AID training, a new requirement for students before graduation.

On April 14 and 15, Mrs. D'Arcangelis and CVS did an Opioid Awareness training for students.

Mr. Colfer said that they are finally caught up with rescheduling games from the start of Spring.

Mrs. Smith – Curriculum

Focus was on State testing – 20.4% of students opted out of the English Language Art 3-8th grade test and 22% of students opted out of the Mathematics 3-8th grade test.

Preliminary feedback from State Education Department indicates that the elementary schools will be identified for the 16-17 school year with a LAP plan. On a positive note this will give the District \$20,000 to bring the schools in compliance. The need for the plan is for a sub-group of a cohort not meeting adequate growth. It appears to be our special education cohort sub-groups of emotionally disturbed and multi-racial.

Mrs. Luciano – Director of Guidance

High school students have gone on the C.T.E. visits and applications have been submitted. One New Visions student is on the waiting list. There is a lot of competition in the medical field with 15 slots for Troy.

We have attended CSE meetings in both the schools on students for their program services. We have processed the Regents orders for June. Transcripts are being reviewed. Tenth and eleventh grade programming is completed. We have distributed a senior survey to students regarding colleges and scholarships. Eleventh grade summer Naviance information will be starting in May. Third marking period report cards went out on Friday. Junior Scholarships will be announced on May 17.

At the middle school, counselors are currently programming fifth to sixth grade students. Seventh grade students are being seen on an individual basis. At the sixth and eighth grade level, students are seen at group meetings.

Letters have been sent home to parents who have students failing for the third marking period.

Mrs. Sweeney asked if there was a need for Executive Session. Mrs. DeDominick said yes, for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Mrs. DeDominick also stated that they would need to invite Mr. Macri into Executive session.

Mrs. Sweeney asked for a motion to go into Executive Session and invite Mr. Macri to join Executive Session.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mr. White that the Board go into Executive Session.

Mr. Macri joined the Board in EXECUTIVE SESSION.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board went into EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:32 P.M.

A motion was made by Mrs. Bristol and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the Board end their EXECUTIVE SESSION.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

The Board came out of EXECUTIVE SESSION at 8:10 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. Bristol and seconded by Mrs. Farrell that the meeting be adjourned.

9 Ayes Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

