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**Lansingburgh Central School District
Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, February 28, 2022
Turnpike Elementary School - Cafeteria**

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Michael Cusack at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Cusack read the District's Mission Statement:

MISSION

Our mission at the Lansingburgh Central School District is to create for all students a productive, challenging and safe educational environment. Our students will acquire civic values and learning skills and strategies through a dynamic partnership between the schools and community. These experiences will inspire a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency.

Board of Education Members, Michael Cusack, Jillian Manupella, Talia Pallozzi, Tina Rysedorph, Jason Shover, James Spear, and Jeffrey White were present. Andrea Fairhurst and Daniella Richards were absent from the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Visitors from Questar III are District Superintendent Dr. Gladys Cruz; Deputy Superintendent, Chief Innovation Officer Harry Hadjioannou; and Chief Academic Officer Anthony Taibi.

Others present include Lindsey Gibson (on behalf of the LTA), Bob Schongar, Matthew Van Dervoort, Carrie Phelan, Katie Stalker, Kelly Cataldo, Michelle Sidoti, Linda Klime, Rebecca McGrouty, Dr. Antonio Abitabile and Christina Williams. There was one member of the public present, Tom Zakrzewski.

Questar III District Superintendent Dr. Gladys Cruz; Deputy Superintendent, Chief Innovation Officer Harry Hadjioannou; and Chief Academic Officer Anthony Taibi provided a presentation on the following:

Questar III Presentation

- Questar III and HVCC STEM High School
- New Programs: New Visions Emergency Preparedness, Informatics, Cyber and Homeland Security (EPICH) and Gaming and Multimedia Design

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- Lansingburgh current programs purchased from Questar
- Rensselaer Education Center Modernization Project
- 2022-2023 Administrative Budget Review

Motion by Mr. White:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the (revised) agenda for the February 28, 2022 meeting.

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7 Nays - 0

RESO #1-02/28/2022
Approve Meeting
Agenda

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Mr. Shover gave an update on the Audit Committee.

- Larger than usual attorney’s fees due to recent negotiations.
- Overtime for maintenance was up due to the ice and snow storms.
- Insurance buy-out payments went out in January totaling \$440,000.
- The new treasurer is now on board.
- Preparations are beginning for the track repairs.

Audit Committee
Report

FINANCIAL **REPORTS**

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the Treasurer’s Report, Budget Transfers and Monthly Financial Report submitted by the Audit Committee.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

RESO #2-02/28/2022
Approve Financial
Reports

Motion Carried
Unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 24, 2022.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

RESO #3-02/28/2022
Approve Minutes

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Donna Kowalczyk, Reading Teacher at Turnpike Elementary School, for the purpose of retirement effective February 26, 2022, in accordance with the terms of the LTA Contract.

RESO #4-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Donna Kowalczyk

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Suzanne Anthony, School Nurse at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, for the purpose of retirement effective March 11, 2022, in accordance with the terms of the CSEA Contract for Teaching Assistants Unit.

RESO #5-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Suzanne Anthony

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Alexandra Thomson, School Social Worker at Knickerbacker Middle School, effective March 3, 2022.

RESO #6-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Alexandra Thompson

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Karen Vincent, School Nurse at Turnpike Elementary, effective February 4, 2022.

RESO #7-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Karen Vincent

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Julie-Ann Welch, School Nurse, effective March 4, 2022.

RESO #8-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Julie-Ann Welch

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Christine Zeigler, Elementary Teacher at Turnpike Elementary School, effective April 19, 2022.

RESO #9-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Christine Zeigler

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board confer tenure upon the following teacher, who has successfully completed the required probationary period:

RESO #10-02/28/2022
Grant Tenure –
Michelle Sidoti

Michelle Sidoti Effective 05/02/2022 TESOL, TES

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Susan Alberino to a probationary teaching position at Turnpike Elementary School in the tenure area of Reading, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

RESO #11-02/28/2022
Appoint Reading
Teacher – Susan
Alberino

Commencement of Service – February 14, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – February 13, 2025
Certification Status – Literacy Birth – Grade 6, Professional
Childhood Ed. Grades 1-6, Professional
Early Childhood Birth- Gr. 2, Professional

Salary - Step 8	\$46,402
Masters	450
Grad Credits – 36	<u>1,500</u>
	\$48,352

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #12-02/28/2022
Appoint Elementary
Teacher – Nicole
Ferraro

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Nicole Ferraro to a probationary teaching position at Turnpike Elementary School in the tenure area of Elementary Education, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – September 1, 2021
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – August 31, 2025
Certification Status – Early Childhood Birth- Gr. 2, Professional
Childhood Ed. Grades 1-6, Professional
Literacy Birth – Grade 6, Professional

Salary (effective February 28, 2022) - Step 4	\$45,749
Masters	450
Grad Credits – 31	<u>1,250</u>
	\$47,449

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #13-02/28/2022
Appoint Reading
Teacher – Samantha
Hunter

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Samantha Hunter to a probationary teaching position at Rensselaer Park School in the tenure area of Reading, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – February 28, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – February 27, 2026
Certification Status – Literacy Birth – Grade 6, Professional
SWD Grades 1-6, Professional
SWD Birth – Gr.2, Professional
Childhood Ed. Grades 1-6, Professional
Early Childhood Birth- Gr. 2, Professional

Salary - Step 4	\$45,749
Masters	450
Grad Credits – 72	<u>3,000</u>
	\$49,199

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Hannah Labrozzi to a probationary position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – February 14, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – February 13, 2026
Certification Status – Teaching Assistant Level I
Salary – Step 4 - \$18.64 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

RESO #14-02/28/2022
Appoint Teaching Assistant – Hannah Labrozzi

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Natalie Russo as a long-term substitute teacher to fill multiple leaves of absence at Turnpike Elementary School, with terms as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: February 28, 2022
End of Service: June 24, 2022
Certification Status – Childhood Education 1-6, Initial
Daily Rate – 1/200th of Step 1

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

RESO #15-02/28/2022
Appoint Long-Term Substitute Teacher – Natalie Russo

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Staci Fisher as a long-term substitute teacher to fill multiple leaves of absence at Turnpike Elementary School, with terms as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: January 28, 2022
End of Service: June 24, 2022
Certification Status – Early Childhood B-2, Emergency COVID-19
Childhood Education, Emergency COVID-19
Daily Rate – 1/200th of Step 1

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

RESO #16-02/28/2022
Appoint Long-Term Substitute Teacher – Staci Fisher

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #17-02/28/2022
Appoint School Nurse
– Debra Tietjen**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Debra Tietjen as School Nurse (RN) at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – March 7, 2022
NYS Licensure Status – Registered Professional Nurse
Salary – Step 9 - \$35.37 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #18-02/28/2022
Approve Tutoring
Assignment**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves Timothy Hepp as a tutor for an out-of-district placed student (2-hour per school day) beginning February 7, 2022 through April 25, 2022.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #19-02/28/2022
Appoint Clubs
Auditor/Treasurer**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Sabrina Devine as LHS/KMS Clubs Auditor/Treasurer effective February 14, 2022 through June 30, 2022 with a stipend in accordance with the LTA Contract.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #20-02/28/2022
Appoint Homework
Club Advisor**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Emma Closson as Homework Club Advisor at Rensselaer Park Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school at the hourly rate of \$25.00 (up to 4 hours per week) funded through ARP – Afterschool Enrichment Program.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Erin Blair, Elementary Teacher at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, for an unpaid leave of absence beginning March 15, 2022 and ending June 30, 2022.

**RESO #21-02/28/2022
Approve Unpaid Leave
– Erin Blair**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves an Employee Separation Agreement for Employee #1754, dated February 18, 2022.

**RESO #22-02/28/2022
Approve Employee
Separation Agreement**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**PERSONNEL – NON-
INSTRUCTIONAL**

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Ashley Simmons, 10-month Secretary at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, effective March 4, 2022.

**RESO #23-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Ashley Simmons**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Victoria Hermann, teacher aide at Turnpike Elementary School, effective February 18, 2022.

**RESO #24-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Victoria Hermann**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Melissa Dubuque, teacher aide at Turnpike Elementary School, effective March 3, 2022.

**RESO #25-02/28/2022
Accept Resignation –
Melissa Dubuque**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #26-02/28/2022
Appoint District
Treasurer – Brianna
Patrick**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Brianna Patrick to the 12-month position of District Treasurer effective February 14, 2022, with benefits in accordance with the Management Confidential Agreement, pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law. The 2021-2022 pro-rated salary is set forth below:

2021-2022 Salary (pro-rated): \$65,000

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #27-02/28/2022
Appoint Security
Monitor – Kemanni
Gang**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Kemanni Gang as a Security Monitor at Lansingburgh High School with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – January 31, 2022
Salary – Step 1 / \$22.39 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #28-02/28/2022
Appoint Teacher Aide
– James Swab**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints James Swab as a Teacher Aide at Lansingburgh High School with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – February 9, 2022
Salary – Step 3 / \$18.78 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #29-02/28/2022
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Duane Connally**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Duane Connally as a Teacher Aide at Knickerbacker Middle School with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

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Commencement of Service – February 14, 2022

Salary – Step 1 / \$17.07 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Mr. White:

RESO #30-02/28/2022
Accept Donations

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board accept the following donations:

<u>From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Warren Fane	\$550.00	TES Dress A Knight
Cornerstone Church	\$ 27.50	TES Dress A Knight

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. White:

RESO #31-02/28/2022
Authorize Scrap
Technology Devices

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board authorizes the Purchasing Agent to scrap technology devices that are no longer operational. These devices will be recycled and the hard drives will be destroyed per Board Policy. Listed below are the asset tags numbers.

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Asset</u>
HP	AIO	pro 3420	MXL2281PLL
HP	AIO	pro 3420	MXL2281PLY
HP	Desktop	6200	212033
HP	Desktop	6200	212182
HP	Desktop	6200	212092
HP	Desktop	6200	212171
HP	Desktop	6200	212114
HP	Desktop	6200	210544
HP	Desktop	6200	210404
HP	Desktop	6200	212177

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HP	Desktop	6200	212070
HP	Desktop	6200	212009
HP	Desktop	6200	212146
HP	Desktop	6200	211317
HP	Desktop	6200	212150
HP	Desktop	6200	612170
HP	Desktop	6200	212115
HP	Desktop	6200	212169
HP	Desktop	6200	212180
HP	Desktop	6200	212154
HP	Desktop	6200	212125
HP	Desktop	6200	212103
HP	Desktop	6200	212126
HP	Desktop	6200	212109
HP	Desktop	6200	212117
HP	Desktop	6200	212136
HP	Desktop	6200	2UA2032N5S
HP	Desktop	6200	212098
HP	Desktop	8300	212474
HP	Desktop	8300	212435
HP	Desktop	8300	212444
HP	Desktop	8300	212467
HP	Desktop	8300	212420
HP	Desktop	8300	212480
HP	Desktop	8300	212443
HP	Desktop	8300	212401
HP	Desktop	8300	212408

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HP	Desktop	8300	212470
HP	Desktop	8300	212463
Smart	Doc Cam	Doc Cam	201714
HP	Laptop	4540S	2CE3180RK3
HP	Laptop	4540S	2CE31902M5
HP	Laptop	4540S	CNU12618MY
HP	Laptop	4540S	212977
HP	Laptop	4540S	210498
HP	Laptop	4540S	CNV12618HD
HP	Laptop	4540S	CNU126194Q
HP	Laptop	4540S	CNV12618HD
HP	Laptop	probook 4540s	210509
Toshiba	Laptop	L-300D-EZ1002V	200670
Toshiba	Laptop	L-500EZ1520	202011
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	211270
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	211274
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	211277
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	211291
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	215790
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50A	212895
Toshiba	Laptop	L-50B	210266
Toshiba	Laptop	satellite I50-b	8E096020C
Toshiba	Laptop	satellite I50-b	210246

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. White:

RESO #32-02/28/2022
Authorize Bond

WHEREAS, the qualified voters of the Lansingburgh Central School District at Troy (the “District”), at a special meeting of

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such voters duly held on the 7th day of December, 2021, duly approved a proposition authorizing the issuance of serial general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,497,658, to finance the construction of additions to and the reconstruction and improvement of various District buildings, facilities and sites, including infrastructure and site work improvements, acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such buildings, facilities and sites are to be used and payment of incidental expenses related thereto, the expenditure of such sum for such purposes, and the levy of the necessary tax therefor, to be levied upon the taxable property of the District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law;

NOW THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The District shall construct additions to, reconstruct and improve various District buildings, facilities and sites, including infrastructure and site work improvements, acquire original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such buildings, facilities and sites are to be used and pay incidental expenses related thereto, at a maximum cost of \$15,497,658, as more particularly described in Section 3 hereof, and as generally outlined to and considered by the voters of the District at the special District meeting held on December 7, 2021.

Section 2. The District is hereby authorized to issue its serial general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$15,497,658 pursuant to the Local Finance Law of New York, in order to finance the class of objects or purposes described herein.

Section 3. The class of objects or purposes to be financed pursuant to this Resolution (the "Purpose") is the construction of additions to, and the reconstruction and improvement of various District buildings, facilities and sites, including infrastructure and site work improvements, acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such buildings, facilities and sites are to be used and the payment of incidental expenses related thereto.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and declared that (a) the maximum cost of the Purpose, as estimated by the Board of Education, is \$15,497,658, (b) no money has heretofore been

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authorized to be applied to the payment of the cost of the Purpose, and (c) the District plans to finance the cost of the Purpose from funds received from the State of New York as building aid, and funds raised by the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes hereinafter referred to.

Section 5. It is hereby determined that the Purpose is one of the class of objects or purposes described in Subdivision 97 of Paragraph A of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and that the period of probable usefulness of the Purpose is thirty (30) years.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer.

Section 7. The power to further authorize the issuance of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes and to prescribe the terms, form and contents of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, including the consolidation with other issues and the use of substantially level or declining debt service, subject to the provisions of this Resolution and the Local Finance Law, and to sell and deliver the Bonds and bond anticipation notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education. The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sign and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to attest any Bonds and bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this Resolution, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized to affix to such Bonds and bond anticipation notes the corporate seal of the District.

Section 8. The faith and credit of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such Bonds and bond anticipation notes as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. There shall be levied annually on all taxable real property of the District, a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 9. This Resolution shall constitute the declaration of the District's "official intent" to reimburse expenditures authorized by Section 1 with proceeds of the Bonds and notes,

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as required by United States Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 10. A summary of this Resolution shall be published by the District Clerk together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed by Section 81.00 of said Local Finance Law, and such publication shall be in each official newspaper of the District. The validity of the Bonds or of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of the Bonds may be contested only if such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money, or the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this Resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or if said obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. White:

RESO #33-02/28/2022
Adopt Revised Policies

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the second reading and hereby adopts the following revised policies:

- 1230 – Public Comment at Board Meetings
- 2342 – Agenda Preparation and Dissemination
- 4000 – Student Learning Standards and Instructional Guidelines
- 8110 – School Building Safety
- 8112 – Health and Safety Committee
- 8220 – Building and Grounds Maintenance and Inspection

Second: Mr. Spear

Mr. Cusack – Aye
Mr. Shover – Aye
Mrs. Manupella – Aye
Mrs. Pallozzi – Aye
Mrs. Rysedorph – Nay
Mr. Spear – Aye
Mr. White - Aye

Motion Carried 6-0-1

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Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESO #34-02/28/2022
Adopt New Policies

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the second reading and hereby adopts the following new policies:

- 1230-E – Public Comment at Board Meeting Exhibit
- 8505 – “Charging” School Meals and Prohibition Against Shaming

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Second: Mr. White Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Turnpike update by Ms. Cataldo – see page 19.

Building Principal Reports

Rensselaer Park update by Mrs. Stalker – see page 20.

Knickerbacker MS update by Ms. Phelan – see page 21.

Lansingburgh HS update by Mr. Van Dervoort – see page 22-23.

By Mrs. McGrouty:

Assistant Superintendent Report

<p>Professional Development</p>	<p>Planning our March 17 and 18 PD day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELA staff developers at TES, RPES, KMS • PE staff development collaborating with Troy • Support staff - effects of trauma with Rebekah Magin • Music therapist • ENL - preparing for NYSESLAT • TIG training - TIG is a model of prevention, early intervention, and crisis response designed specifically for school districts. <u>TIG Training</u> modules include: <i>Grief & Loss, Trauma, Suicide, Chronic Illness, Threat Assessment, Infrastructure & Crisis Support Network and Critical Incident Stress Management.</i>
<p>Assessments</p>	<p>Classrooms have been working with data from midterms, iReady and the most recent Fountas and Pinnell assessments in order to drive</p>

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	instruction in small groups and within their intervention blocks.
Grant	<i>Take a Look at Teaching/Grow Your Own</i> , and its focus is to highlight education as a future career path for high school students and to increase the diversity in the teacher pipeline. We received funding for a three-year period and are able to begin programming this school year.
Other	Planning with building principals for PD needs for 22-23 UPK Audit - March 25 NYS ELA assessment March 29 and 30

By Dr. Abitabile:

Superintendent Report

The Transportation RFP is out. We have been fielding questions by several companies.

There is one more day of the mask mandate. Information has been shared with parents, staff and students. Anyone uncomfortable with not wearing a mask, can do so.

The Board will receive Draft 1 of the 2022-2023 Budget. We are still \$500,000 shy of reaching the 2% Tax Cap. Until the State Budget is passed, we will continue using the preliminary numbers that have been sent to us. The 2% Tax Cap formula is equivalent to a 2.6% tax levy increase (\$419,213).

The workshop scheduled for March 14 will include an HR presentation and a budget workshop.

We continue to have problems hiring school nurses due to the shortage locally and nationally.

A Nurse Practitioner has been added to the 2022-2023 Budget in this first draft. This would be an 11-month position with school days/hours and a starting salary of \$80,000. This person would work throughout the four buildings where needed for diagnosing purposes. As our RN's retire, we can replace them with LPN's that can work under the Nurse Practitioner.

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #35-02/28/2022
Executive Session**

Be it resolved that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

**RESO #36-02/28/2022
Adjourn**

Be it resolved this meeting of the Board of Education hereby adjourns at 8:48 p.m.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Williams
Clerk to the Board of Education

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Kelly Cataldo
Principal's Report
Board Meeting
2/28/22

Attendance: February 2022:

1. UPK: 87%
2. K: 88%
3. 1: 90%
4. 2: 90%
5. Overall: 87%

Curriculum and Instruction:

1. Kim Inglee- Modeling and Coaching new teachers with guided reading instruction
2. Assessments- F&P, iReady, and Benchmarks are completed for the winter. Data was collected and analyzed at PLC's.
3. February PLC's- Data discussions and a grade level teacher survey was completed to address strengths and areas for improvement.

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Social and Emotional Learning:

1. Character Ed trait of February: Kindness
2. Personal Safety Presentations by Mike Fonda, from the Sexual Assault and Crimes Victims Assistance Program

Events:

1. 100th Day Celebrations
2. Kindness Spirit Week
3. Read Across America Spirit Week

School Leadership:

1. Teacher Observations
2. TA Observations

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Katie Stalker
RPES Principal's Report
Board Meeting
2.28.22

Attendance

1. 3: 88.68%
2. 4: 92.45%
3. 5: 90.08%
4. Overall: 90.26%

The attendance committee will continue to meet to review attendance data this year.

Curriculum and Instruction

1. ELA and Math Benchmarks completed, data used to inform next steps for small group instruction
2. Shifting the Balance Book Study - based on Science of reading
 - a. AIS Reading Teachers beginning to implement strategies
3. i-Ready - students are quickly approaching the building goal and at this rate will exceed the number of lessons on their Personalized Instructional Path
4. NYS ELA Assessments 3/28 & 3/29

Social and Emotional Learning

1. TSS "Ally Day" celebration, "Crack the Code: Olympics."
2. Character Education - January trait is "Kindness"
3. Cafeteria Stars

Events

1. World Read Aloud Day and Guest Readers on 2/2
2. Preparing to kick off PARP
3. Upcoming PTA events—bowling, dance

School Leadership

1. Observations
2. Beginning to plan for summer committee work

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Knickerbacker Middle School BOE Report February 28, 2022

Area of Focus	ELA	Math	SEL- Respect/Climate/Culture	Attendance	Parent Engagement
Commitments Actions/Initiatives	ELA teachers are focusing on adding teaching points to their maps and increasing the rigor of the teaching points.	Math teachers participated in a PD using Engage NY modules. Teachers are looking to add resources to their current curriculum that includes high level, inquiry based tasks	-Kindness grams (these were sold to help promote kindness from one student to another); 1 parent actually purchased 300 more kindness grams so that every student would receive one. Some individual students purchased ones for their entire group. SEL Lunch Groups will start soon	February- 6th-87% 7th-85% 8th-86% 86% For the Year 6th 88% 7th 87% 8th 87% 87.59%	2nd Marking period parent focus group is happening on Thursday March 3rd via Googlemeet

Ally Event: 2nd Ally Program event was completed last Friday(Mr. Otter was present and got to see the action) students played “Minute to win It” and had a chance to have some fun with classmates prior to break beginning. Very Positive and successful outcome.

6th Grade Beijing Winter Olympics: KMS 6th graders enjoyed a cross-curricular unit about the Winter Olympics. Each student completed a research project about one country competing in the Winter Olympics. On February 18th, they celebrated by attending a KMS closing ceremony in the auditorium with each student carrying a flag from the country they researched. Students were all presented with a one of a kind 3-D printed KMS gold medal. In addition, students had some fun taking Olympic themed photos using the green screen. A good time was had by all!

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Lansingburgh High School Board Report by Mr. Van Dervoort

Attendance

- 80% for February
- 81% for year
- Seeing improved attendance with club attendance
- Attendance committee working on incentives
- Prom Attendance contract will be going out
- Weekly meeting identifying new students to the list
- Names forwarded to Mr. Carr for possible moved from district

Curriculum

- Initial meetings for the Civic Seal
 - LHS and KMS Social studies departments met on Feb 11th during the conference day.
 - Mr. Dalton facilitating
 - NYS Seal of Civic Readiness,
 - Next steps will be to have a more in-depth conversation and breakdown of how the Seal of Civic Readiness can be implemented in our district. It will be beneficial to have members of administration and guidance present during that session. After that, a committee will be formed of volunteers willing to put in the time to create the curriculum according to the decisions made at that meeting.
Hopeful timeline:
 - 1. By Q4- Committee formed
 - 2. By the end of 2021-2022 school year- Committee meets 1-2 times to discuss curriculum and submit necessary information to NYSED to pilot the program.
 - 3. 2022-2023 school year- Committee meets regularly to discuss what is going well and what kinks need worked on.
 - 4. 2023-2024 school year- Full implementation of the Seal of Civic Readiness offered to students
- Met with HVCC exploring more College in the High School courses for LHS
- PLCs are reviewing mid-term data and adjusting curriculum maps for second semester
 - Exploring areas to re-teach material needed for regents/final exams
- 1st and 2nd year new teacher meetings are taking place in March

Social Emotional

- 10th grade M-Power program wrapping up
- M-Power will move on to the 11-12th grade students; college forum set up
 - College prep and life after high school
- TSS meeting today - TSS at LHS are currently focusing on collecting materials for calming corners/kits and reinvigorating our ally program. We will use newly acquired grant money to order materials to make new calming kits. Planning an ally day for spring is in the works.

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Family Community Engagement

- Parent square roll out and communications
- COVID Test distribution
- Staff made a big Feb push for family contact
- Senior meetings with guidance and administration took place

Extras

- Spring Sports Sign ups
- Spring play auditions
- Boys Bowling Section 2 champions
- Girls 2nd Section 2
- NHS Blood Drive 3/1
- **Pizza and Professionals with Ms. Nelson- 2/17 - Mission Accomplished Transition**
Services came to speak on 2/17 about starting your own business and what goes into it.
 - They also came in February to present on local and national scholarship opportunities and will return in March to for two more presentations: social entrepreneurship and on gap year.