

**Board of Education  
LANCASTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Lancaster, New York**

**MINUTES**

August 7, 2017

Regular Session

Central Avenue School, 149 Central Avenue, Lancaster, New York

Bill Gallagher, Vice President  
Brenda Christopher, Trustee

Kelly Depczynski, Trustee  
Sue Metz, Trustee

Mike Sage, Trustee arrived at 7:14pm

Patrick Uhteg, President  
Glenn Jackson, Trustee

Michael Vallely, PhD, Superintendent of Schools  
Marie Perini, EdD, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction &  
Pupil Services  
John Armstrong, Director of Special Education  
Andrew Kufel, PhD, Director of Secondary Education  
Karen Marchioli, Director of Elementary Education  
Michele Ziegler, Director of Instructional Technology & Accountability

District residents, staff members, students, and media representatives.

The regular meeting of the board of education was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice President Gallagher. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mr. Gallagher asked for a moment of silence for Evelyn Badding, a bus driver from 1981 through 1994, who passed away on July 28, 2017.

There were no presentations.

A letter from Wendy Dobbins was received July 11, 2017.

A letter from Janice Ryan was received July 19, 2017.

Several notices of petition pursuant to the Real Property Tax Law were received.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to accept the minutes from the organizational meeting held on July 13, 2017, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           4 Ayes    0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

    Mr. Marchioli had no items to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

    No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

MEETING DATE

KIND

PLACE

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS EXCUSED

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

OTHERS PRESENT

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 PLEDGE TO FLAG

3.0 MOMENT OF SILENCE

4.0 PRESENTATIONS

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 ORGANIZATIONAL  
MEETING – JULY 13, 2017

7.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

No one present to report.  
Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:  
No one present to report.

There were no board reports.

Dr. Vallely presented his administrative report.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski to move old business to item 12.20 on the agenda, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to approve the personnel changes for the period ending August 7, 2017, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Depczynski SECONDED by Metz to approve recommendations of the committee on special education, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski to approve recommendations of the committee on preschool special education, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Metz SECONDED by Christopher to approve the textbook, *World History, 2017 Edition* an AMSCO publication, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Metz SECONDED by Christopher to approve the textbook, *History Alive! The U.S. Through Modern Times* by the Teacher's Curriculum Institute, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

8.0 BOARD REPORTS BOARD  
8.1 BOARD REPORTS

9.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

10.0 OLD BUSINESS

11.0 NEW BUSINESS  
11.1 PERSONNEL ITEMS  
11.1.1 PERSONNEL CHANGES

11.2 EDUCATION ITEMS  
11.2.1 COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION

11.2.2 COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

11.2.3 TEXTBOOK APPROVAL – WORLD HISTORY, 2017 EDITION

11.2.4 TEXTBOOK APPROVAL – HISTORY ALIVE! THE U.S. THROUGH MODERN TIMES

12.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL ITEMS  
12.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to approve the financial reports, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.2 FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT OPERATING SYSTEM REPORTS – JUNE 2017

MOVED by Depczynski SECONDED by Metz to approve the food service department operating system reports for June 2017, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.3 POLICY STATEMENT FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to accept the attached policy which authorizes the district to enter into an agreement to participate in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and/or Special Milk Program and accepts responsibility for providing free and reduced price meals and/or free milk to eligible children in the schools under its jurisdiction, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.4 2017-2018 FOOD SERVICE DEPT. OPERATING BUDGET

MOVED by Depczynski SECONDED by Christopher to approve the 2017-2018 food service department operating budget, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.5 FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT WAGE INCREASE

MOVED by Depczynski SECONDED by Christopher to approve the food service department employees wage increase of 3.4% per hour, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.6 SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

MOVED by Metz SECONDED by Christopher to declare the attached listings of equipment as surplus and prepare for disposal according to board policy #5250, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.7 DECLARE SURPLUS TEXTBOOKS

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to declare the attached listings of textbooks as surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance with board policy #5250, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Mr. Sage arrived at 7:14pm.

MOVED by Metz SECONDED by Depczynski to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Aspire of WNY to provide educational/therapy services for specific students for the summer of 2017, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.8 CONTRACT: ASPIRE OF WNY (SUMMER)

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Aspire of WNY to provide educational services for specific student, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.9 CONTRACT: ASPIRE OF WNY (2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR)

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to approve the budget increase as listed in the expenses for the school bus purchase, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.10 2017-2018 BUDGET AMENDMENT

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Metz to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Young + Wright Architectural for the 2017-2018 capital outlay project, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.11 AGREEMENT – YOUNG + WRIGHT ARCHITECTURAL

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Depczynski to approve change orders CO-00001, CO-00002, CO-00003 (2 of them), CO-00004, CO-00005, CO-00006, CO-00012 for Phase 5, 7A, 6D, and 6B, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.12 BOND ISSUE CHANGE ORDERS

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Metz to approve the following:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the Lancaster Central School District (the "District") has considered whether the alterations, renovations and improvements to the District’s buildings and facilities, as described in the Scope of Work attached to this resolution as Exhibit A\_(collectively referred to as the “Proposed Action”), individually and collectively constitute a Type II action within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, constituting Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law, and the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated thereunder (6 N.Y.C.R.R. 617.1 et seq., including, in particular, 6

12.13 STATE QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (SEQR) FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJECT

N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5) and any applicable regulations of the New York State Commissioner of Education (collectively, "SEQRA"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the advice of its architect and counsel concerning the Proposed Action and its status under SEQRA, given the nature and extent of the work to be performed; and

WHEREAS, because the Board finds the Proposed Action involves the replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction of structures and improvements in kind and does not involve any substantial changes in existing structures, such actions individually and collectively qualify as a Type II Action under SEQRA and are therefore exempt from any further action under SEQRA;

NOW THEREFORE; BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Lancaster Central School District as follows:

1. It is hereby determined that the alterations, renovations and improvements and other actions included within the Proposed Action, individually and cumulatively, do not exceed the thresholds established under 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Section 617.5 and as such the Proposed Action constitutes a Type II action under SEQRA.
2. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
3. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                    5 Ayes                    0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.14 TAX CERTIORARI –  
BENDERSON PROPERTIES  
INC. AND BENDERSON-  
LANCASTER ASSOCIATES,  
LLC

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Benderson Properties, Inc., as submitted. This settlement requires the district to reimburse for the 2014 tax year only plus interest, which is approximately \$5,120.00. With respect to 4201 Walden Avenue, the Town’s final assessment roll for 2017 will be set at \$4 million for each of the properties, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                    5 Ayes                    0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.15 TAX CERTIORARI –  
HOLLAND MOTOR  
EXPRESS

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Metz to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Holland Motor Express, as submitted. This settlement requires the district to reimburse for the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, and the 2016-2017 tax years without interest, which is approximately \$14,889.00.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                    5 Ayes                    0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.16 2017-2018 DISTRICT  
GOALS

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Christopher to accept and adopt the 2017-2018 district goals, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                    5 Ayes                    0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.17 CONTRACT – FAMILY  
SUPPORT CENTER

MOVED by Depczynski SECONDED by Metz to approve the agreement for joint funding between the Lancaster Central School District and the Town of Lancaster for the district to provide a program coordinator for the Family Support Center at a cost to the town of \$30,729.06, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           5 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.18 2017-2018 TAX RATE

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Metz to approve the 2017-2018 tax rate, based on a total tax levy of \$50,544,983, for Lancaster at \$16.99, Cheektowaga at \$15.70, and Elma at \$372.07, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           5 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.19 WORK SESSION DATE

A conversation took place to discuss dates of availability for a work session regarding the District's reserve fund accounts.

12.20 OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Christopher has old business to discuss but requested to wait until the next board meeting.

Mr. Jeffrey Cappella, 214 Argus Drive, addressed the board regarding funding and sustainable economic growth.

13.0 PUBLIC HEARING

There were no presentations planned at this time. Mr. Gallagher noted the next board meeting.

14.0 FUTURE PRESENTATIONS

At 7:31pm MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski to adjourn the regular session.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           5 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

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Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk