

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

MINUTES

March 14, 2016

Regular Session

Court Street Elementary School, 91 Court St., Lancaster

Patrick Uhteg, President
William Gallagher, V. President
Brenda Christopher, Trustee
Kelly Depczynski, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Trustee
Marie MacKay, Trustee
Michael Sage, Trustee

Michael Vallely, PhD, Superintendent of Schools
Marie Perini, EdD, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction &
Pupil Services

Jamie Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Support 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 7pm by President Uhteg. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mr. Uhteg asked for a moment of silent reflection for Mrs. Shirley Massino, a senior clerk typist at Hillview Elementary from 1967 through 1995, who passed away on February 20, 2016; Mr. Frank Boffa, a math teacher at the middle school from 1953 through 1978, who passed away on February 25, 2016; Mr. Robert Heffern, Molly Marcinelli's father, who passed away on March 2, 2016; and former First Lady, Nancy Reagan, who passed away on March 6, 2016.

Mrs. Jackie Clinard, principal, welcomed everyone to the board meeting and spoke about events happening at Court Street Elementary School. Court Street's Character Kids Crew presented to the board about respect, honesty, courtesy, and team work.

Mr. Cesar Marchioli, high school principal, Mr. Mark Skowron, student union advisor, and student leaders from Students Working to Improve the School Setting (S.W.I.S.S.) and Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC), spoke to the board about student activities at the high school. Both groups were featured in a national publication for secondary principals and subsequently invited to present at a national conference on the unique student-centered environment at Lancaster High School.

MEETING DATE

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PLACE

MEMBERS PRESENT

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

OTHERS PRESENT

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**
- 2.0 **PLEDGE TO FLAG**
- 3.0 **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

- 4.0 **PRESENTATIONS**
- 4.1 **CHARACTER COUNTS AT COURT STREET**

- 4.2 **STUDENT UNION, SWISS, SSAC**

Library Media Specialists, Mrs. Renee Harris and Mrs. Stephanie Devaney, spoke about the programs offered at the William Street School library.

Correspondence was received from the following:

- Deacon, Sharon & Bill – email received January 8, 2016
- Chaves, Gloria – email received February 26, 2016

MOVED by Gallagher SECONDED by Sage to accept the minutes from the regular session held on February 8, 2016, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Gallagher to accept the minutes from the budget work session held on February 22, 2016, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

Mr. Cesar Marchioli had no items to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

Mr. Graber, Mrs. MacKay, Mr. Sage, and Mrs. Christopher spoke about events they attended since the last board meeting.

Dr. Vallely presented his administrative report.

No old business was discussed.

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by MacKay to approve the personnel changes for the period ending March 14, 2016, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Depczynski to approve recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Graber to approve recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education, as submitted.

4.3 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WILLIAM STREET LIBRARY

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 REGULAR SESSION

6.2 BUDGET WORK SESSION

7.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

8.0 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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Gallagher to approve the appointment to the Committee and Subcommittee on Special Education, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

11.2.3 APPOINTMENT OF CSE MEMBER

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Depczynski for the district to organize a parent update to discuss state testing and the Common Core.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

12.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL ITEMS

PARENT UPDATE

Mrs. Christopher addressed the board regarding the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) annual convention, the NYSSBA Be the Change for Kids innovative award, an anti-bullying program, and designated parking at our buildings to honor veterans.

A conversation took place regarding parking spaces at the buildings reserved for veterans.

MOVED by Uhteg SECONDED by Sage to discuss veteran parking spots at each of our buildings at the next board retreat and consider adding it to the board's goals.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 5 Ayes 2 Nays (Christopher/ Depczynski)

MOTION APPROVED.

12.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to approve the financial reports, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

12.2 POLICY 2ND READING #8211 PREVENTION INSTRUCTION

Policy #8211 Prevention Instruction was presented to the board for a second reading. This policy will be placed on the next board agenda for adoption.

A conversation took place about the distribution of the board's packet.

12.3 POLICY 1ST READING #6170 SAFETY OF STUDENTS (FINGERPRINTING CLEARANCE OF NEW HIRES)

Policy #6170 Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires) was presented to the board for a first reading. This policy will be placed on the next board agenda for a second reading.

12.4 2016-2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Gallagher to approve the 2016-2017 school calendar, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Depczynski to approve the 2016-2017 classified staff holiday schedule, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.5 2016-2017 CLASSIFIED STAFF HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and West Seneca Central School District, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.6 CONTRACT – WEST SENECA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Gallagher to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Amherst Central School District, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.7 CONTRACT – AMHERST CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Gallagher SECONDED by Graber to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Orchard Park Central School District, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.8 CONTRACT – ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to declare the attached listing of textbooks surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance with board of education policy #5250, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.9 SURPLUS TEXTBOOKS

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.10 SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Gallagher to accept the proposal from Empire Geo Services, Inc. for geotechnical investigations at the site of the future bus garage on Walden Avenue and the Lancaster High School, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.11 PROPOSAL – EMPIRE GEO SERVICES, INC.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Gallagher to accept the proposal from Empire Geo Services, Inc. for geotechnical investigations at the site of the future bus garage on Walden Avenue and the Lancaster High School, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.12 RFP AWARD – UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by MacKay to approve Carousel Nursery School to provide services for the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program for the 2016-2017 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.13 INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to accept the internal audit risk assessment report and the community education cash receipts testing report from Freed Maxick & Battaglia, PC, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.14 TAX CERTIORI – RMF PRINTING TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to RMF Printing Technologies, Inc., as submitted. The settlement reduces the assessed value of the property by \$43,000 which reduces the petitioner’s taxes by \$3,701.06.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.15 TAX CERTIORARI – J&L PERFORMANCE

Information was given to the board regarding the status of the tax assessment challenge by J & L Performance.

12.16 LEGAL NOTICE, ANNUAL BUDGET/PROPOSITION VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTION

MOVED by Sage SECONDED by Christopher to approve the resolution to publish the legal notice for the annual budget vote and trustee election, and institute all other procedures required to conduct the vote and election, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.17 FOOD SERVICE DEPT. OPERATING SYSTEM REPORTS

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Depczynski to approve the food service department operating system reports for January 2016, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.18 CONTRACT: DR. MARK GORDON, OF, FCOVD DEVELOPMENTAL OPTOMETRIST, PC

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Graber to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Dr. Mark Gordon, OD, FCOVD Developmental Optometrist, PC, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.0 PUBLIC HEARING

Ed Kilgore, 5 Hillside Parkway, addressed the board regarding the Lancaster Educational and Alumni Foundation’s paver campaign.

Nelson McCall, 104 Hanwell, addressed the board regarding the gender identity policy.

Mr. Uhteg announced the next board meetings.

At 9:13pm MOVED by Graber SECONDED by MacKay to adjourn the regular session.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

14.0 FUTURE PRESENTATIONS

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk