

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

**MINUTES**

January 11, 2010

Regular Session

William Street School, 5201 William Street, Lancaster, New York

Marie MacKay, President

Joseph Maciejewski, Vice President

Wendy Buchert, Trustee

Joseph Casimino, EdD, Trustee

David Ehrle, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Trustee

David Zalenski, Trustee

Edward J. Myszka, Superintendent of Schools

Michael Vallely, PhD, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction &  
Pupil Services

Alan Getter, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Support Services

John Armstrong, Director of Special Education

Marie Perini, EdD, Director of Secondary Education

Sarah Weidler, PhD, 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 President MacKay. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mrs. MacKay asked for a moment of silence for individual reflection.

Mrs. Jacqueline Bull, principal of William Street School, welcomed everyone and said the evening's presentations would highlight William Street's efforts to move from 'good to great'. Mr. Gregory Heer, assistant principal, introduced Mrs. Alison Camp, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, who spoke about the Odyssey of the Mind, which teaches students to use creative problem-solving methods while having fun in the process. Mrs. Camp showed a video and several Odyssey of the Mind participants spoke about the different activities. Mrs. Bull then introduced Mrs. Jacqueline Clinard, assistant principal, who spoke about writing initiatives at William Street. Mrs. Clinard introduced Mrs. Beth Richter and Mrs. Patty George, literacy coaches, who described the different writing techniques being used at William Street. Mrs. Bull introduced art teachers, Mrs. Donna Wieand, Mrs. Amy Chambers, Mrs. Diana Leiker, and Miss Melanie Uhteg, who spoke about the work they will be doing with the 6th graders and the Essex Studio that will culminate in a student-designed 8 foot metal sculpture being placed in the school's foyer.

**MEETING DATE**

**KIND**

**PLACE**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

- 4.0 **PRESENTATION**
- 4.1 **ENRICHMENT AT  
WILLIAM STREET  
SCHOOL**

- 4.2 **RECOGNITION FOR  
BOCES 2009 LEARNING**

Dr. Marie Perini called upon Mrs. Heidi Chaves, the district's technology curriculum mentor, who introduced two high school students, Eric Van Pyrz and Robert Bennett, who participated with Mrs. Chaves in the Enhancing Education Through Technology grant. Mrs. Chaves showed part of a video the students created that features the many uses of technology in the classroom. Mrs. MacKay and Mr. Maciejewski presented the students and Mrs. Chaves with certificates of achievement.

4.3 PRESENTATION OF THE  
MINI GRANT AWARDS

Dr. Sarah Weidler began with a brief overview of the board's mini grant program. Mrs. MacKay and Mr. Maciejewski presented 2009-10 mini grant awards to the following recipients: Mr. Scott Dixon, Mr. Brett Miller, Mr. Edward Walsh, Mrs. Jill Santoro, Mrs. Ann Marie Wik, Mrs. MaryDonna Beck, Ms. Annette Kruszka, Mrs. Kristen Lynch, Mrs. Jeannine Sutor, Mrs. Shelley Stoffel, Ms. Erica Kuras, Ms. Catherine Hanners, Mrs. Mary Kay Falk, Mrs. Gwen Rightmyer, Mrs. Kelly Gilray, Mrs. Amy Chambers, Mrs. Donna Leiker, Miss Melanie Uhteg, Mrs. Donna Wieand, and Ms. Kelly Ambrose.

4.4 NEW YORK STATE  
SCHOOL BOARDS  
ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP

Mrs. MacKay discussed the letter and plaque received from the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA), dated December 21, 2009, thanking the board for their membership renewal.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

No one addressed the board at this time.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from the Lancaster Administrative & Supervisory Association dated January 7, 2010 was shared with the board members.

7.0 MEETING MINUTES  
APPROVED  
7.1 MEETING MINUTES –  
DECEMBER 14, 2009  
APPROVED

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Zalenski to accept the minutes from the regular session held on December 14, 2009, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

7.2 MEETING MINUTES –  
DECEMBER 21, 2009  
APPROVED

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Buchert to accept the minutes from the special session held on December 21, 2009, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

8.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

Mr. Gregory Heer, assistant principal of William Street School, wished everyone a happy new year.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

Mr. Eric Przykuta, president, said the LCTA is looking forward to more success in 2010.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

Mrs. Cheryl Peck, president, wished everyone happy, healthy new year.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

Mr. Graber talked about the annual holiday program for families in need that was held at the Youth Bureau on December 17. Mr. Zalenski said he attended the Erie County Association of School Boards (ECASB) meeting on December 17, where they discussed plans for the annual legislative breakfast scheduled for February 6, 2010. Mr. Maciejewski said the audit committee met today to review the preliminary draft report from the annual risk assessment and internal audit.

**9.0 BOARD REPORTS**

Mr. Myszka began his report by discussing a superintendent’s meeting he attended on January 10 and 11 in Albany. Mr. Myszka said Governor Patterson will release his proposed budget on January 19 that could include \$150 million in cuts to education. Mr. Myszka said the district submitted an application to participate in the New York State Race to the Top grant that has a potential of \$700 million to New York schools. Mr. Myszka said the H1N1 flu shot clinic took place on December 30 at the high school. Mr. Myszka announced that the location of the next board meeting, January 25, is changed to the William Street School because the district’s transportation department will host the Western New York Joint Transportation Safety Meeting with eight other districts at the high school that evening. Mr. Myszka said a negotiation session was held on January 7 with the Lancaster Central Teachers Association. Mr. Myszka said he was contacted by a property owner at Forton and Pleasantview because they are putting the property up for sale and asked if the board is interested in acquiring it. Mr. Myszka said Mr. Doug Schaefer of Mach Architecture + Engineering, PC, and Mr. Mark Lawniczak, clerk of the works, will attend the board meeting on January 25 to give an update on the bond issue. Mr. Myszka shared the enrollment projections for 2010-2011 with the board and said preliminary findings show declining enrollment of approximately 108 students.

**10.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the location changes for the following board meetings: January 25, 2010 at William Street School, March 8, 2010 at Court Street Elementary School, and April 12, 2010 at Central Avenue Elementary School, as submitted.

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

**11.0 OLD BUSINESS**

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the personnel changes, for the period ending January 11, 2010 with the addendum, as submitted.

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

**12.0 NEW BUSINESS**  
**12.1 PERSONNEL ITEMS**  
**12.11 PERSONNEL CHANGES**

**12.2 EDUCATION ITEMS**

12.21 COMMITTEE ON  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
APPROVED

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.22 COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCHOOL SPECIAL  
EDUCATION APPROVED

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.23 TEXT BOOK  
INFORMATION:  
CULINARY ESSENTIALS

Information on the *Culinary Essentials* textbook was distributed to the board of education for review. Consistent with past practice, the approval of this textbook will be placed on the board's next agenda.

12.24 TEXT BOOK  
INFORMATION: ASI SE  
DICE

Information on the *Asi se dice* textbook was distributed to the board of education for review. Consistent with past practice, the approval of this textbook will be placed on the board's next agenda.

12.25 DISTRICT SHARED  
DECISION MAKING  
PLAN – 2010 BIENNIAL  
REVIEW

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Graber to approve the Shared Decision-Making Plan and file it with the State Education Department, as submitted.

Mrs. Buchert suggested that PTA should be changed to PTO on the last page.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL  
ITEMS

13.11 FINANCIAL REPORTS  
APPROVED

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the financial reports, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.12 APPOINTMENT OF TITLE  
IX OFFICERS

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Graber to approve the appointment Dr. Marie Perini and Mr. Alan Getter as Title IX officers for the district, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.13 CONTRACT  
MANAGEMENT

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the agreement between the district and the Management Advisory Group of N.Y., Inc., as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.14 HEALTH AND WELFARE  
SERVICES CONTRACT –  
ALDEN CENTRAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Ehrle SECONDED by Graber to approve the contract between the district and the Alden Central School District for health and welfare services provided during the 2008-2009 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.15 HEALTH AND WELFARE  
SERVICES CONTRACT –  
ALDEN CENTRAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the contract between the district and the Alden Central School District for health and welfare services provided during the 2009-2010 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.16 HEALTH AND WELFARE  
SERVICES CONTRACT –  
EAST AURORA UNION  
FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Ehrle SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the contract between the district and the East Aurora Union Free School District for health and welfare services provided during the 2009-2010 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.17 HEALTH AND WELFARE  
SERVICES CONTRACT –  
ORCHARD PARK  
CENTRAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Zalenski to approve the contract between the district and the Orchard Park Central School District for health and welfare services provided during the 2009-2010 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           7 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.18 POLICY 1<sup>ST</sup> READING -  
#5574 MEDICAID  
COMPLIANCE  
PROGRAM POLICY

A copy of policy #5574 Medicaid Compliance Program Policy was submitted to the board for a first reading. This policy will be added to the January 25 agenda for additional review, discussion and revision, if necessary.

13.19 BID AWARD – MUSIC  
EQUIPMENT

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the recommended bid award for music equipment in the amount of \$1,094 as noted below, as submitted.

Item#	Description	Vendor	Unit/Cost	Total Cost	Quantity Ordered
12	Bass Drum	Washington Music	\$615	\$615	1
13	Bass Drum Stand	Washington Music	\$479	\$479	1
Total Cost				\$1,094	

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

No one addressed the board at this time.

At 8:11pm MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Ehrle to move into executive session to discuss negotiations and a personnel issue.

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

14.0 PUBLIC HEARING

15.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:58pm MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Casimino to reconvene regular session.

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

REGULAR SESSION

At 9:59pm MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Ehrle to adjourn the regular session.

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

ADJOURNMENT

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Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk