

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

**MINUTES**

June 13, 2011

Regular Session

William Street School, 5201 William Street, Lancaster

Marie MacKay, President

Joseph Maciejewski, Vice President

Wendy Buchert, Trustee

Joseph Casimino, EdD, Trustee

Brenda Christopher, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Trustee

David Zalenski, Trustee

Edward J. Myszka, Superintendent of Schools

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

Jamie Phillips, Asst. 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

In honor of his last board meeting, Mrs. MacKay asked Dr. Casimino if he would open the meeting.

The regular meeting of the board of education was called to order at 7:00pm by Dr. Casimino. The pledge to the flag was recited and Dr. Casimino asked for a moment of silence for Mary Lucariello, a former elementary teacher, social worker, and a 20 year board member who passed away on June 1.

Dr. Weidler spoke about the English Language Arts (ELA) program in the district and then introduced ELA teachers, Mr. Nicholas Schmitt, Mrs. Ami Measer, Mr. John Efthemis, and Miss Kara Campbell who also spoke about Lancaster High School ELA program innovations.

Mrs. Mary Marcinelli, principal at Como Park Elementary School, Mrs. Nicole Fontana, a parent volunteer, and Mrs. Charlene Kina, a Como Park teacher, spoke about the garden project that received honorable mention from Project Earth Day 2011. Mrs. Buchert presented a video to the board of education showing the students and volunteers working in the garden.

**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 PRESENTATIONS**

**4.1 LHS ELA PROGRAM –  
INNOVATIONS**

**4.2 GARDEN PROJECT –  
COMO PARK  
ELEMENTARY**

**4.3 TENURE PRESENTATION**

Mr. Armstrong and Mrs. MacKay presented Mrs. Ashley Dolpp, a special education teacher at Hillview Elementary School, with a certificate for receiving tenure.

4.4 BUSINESS FIRST – ALL-WNY ACADEMIC TEAM

Mr. Cesar Marchioli, assistant principal at the high school, presented Jessica LaPiano, a high school student, a certificate for being elected to *Business First's* All-Western New York Academic Team.

4.5 BUSINESS FIRST – 2011 TEACHER OF MERIT

Mr. John Armstrong, director of special education, presented Mrs. Julie Buccieri, a special education teacher at the high school, a certificate for being named one of *Business First's* 2011 Teachers of Merit.

4.6 ZONTA CLUB SCHOLARSHIP AND ANTHONY PAPILIA AWARD

Dr. Marie Perini, director of secondary education, presented Miss Marie Ruth Dubuisson, a foreign language teacher at the high school, a certificate for winning a scholarship from Zonta International and the Anthony Papalia award.

4.7 MUSIC DEPARTMENT PARENT RECOGNITION

Mr. Dan DeAngelis and Mr. Richard Goss, music teachers at the high school, presented Mr. Alfred Runkel III and Mrs. Mary Jane Runkel certificates of appreciation for all of the volunteer service they perform.

4.9 UPDATE ON BOARD GOALS

Mr. Maciejewski spoke about the status of the board's goal on finance.

4.8 ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION

Mr. Walter Foltarz, superintendent of buildings and grounds, introduced Mr. Jeff Simme, the districts fire code inspector, who presented information to the board regarding the annual fire safety inspection. Mr. Simme noted there are no hazards or problems for students.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Zalenski to accept the fire reports, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                    7 Ayes                    0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

4.10 BOARD MEMBER RECOGNITION

Mrs. Marie MacKay thanked Dr. Casimino and Mr. Maciejewski for the years they devoted to serving on the Board of Education. Several members of the board expressed their appreciation and Mrs. MacKay, on behalf of the school district, presented Dr. Casimino and Mr. Maciejewski with tokens of appreciation.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Lee Chowanec, 93 Northwood Drive, spoke about the 2011-2012 budget vote and taxes.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

A memorandum from Pat Holland, manager of equalization and central services, NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services, was distributed to the board members.

7.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

7.1 ANNUAL BUDGET HEARING – MAY 9, 2011

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Buchert to accept the minutes from the annual budget hearing held on May 9, 2011, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

7.2 REGULAR SESSION – MAY 9, 2011

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Buchert to accept the minutes from the regular session held on May 9, 2011, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

7.3 ANNUAL BUDGET/PROPOSITION/ TRUSTEE VOTE – MAY 17, 2011

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Maciejewski to accept the minutes from the annual budget/proposition/trustee vote held on May 17, 2011, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

8.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:  
Mr. Peter Kruszynski, president, recognized Dr. Casimino and Mr. Maciejewski for their board service.  
Lancaster Central Teachers Association:  
Mrs. Lynn Fisher, secondary vice president, had no items to report.  
Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:  
Mrs. Cheryl Peck, president, announced winners in the annual rodeo competition, congratulated board members elected in May, and wished outgoing members well on behalf of the association.  
Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:  
No one was present to report.

9.0 BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Zalenski, Mr. Graber, and Mrs. Buchert reported on events they attended since the last board meeting.

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. Myszka presented his administrative report to the board.

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

12.0 NEW BUSINESS  
12.1 PERSONNEL ITEMS  
12.11 PERSONNEL CHANGES

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Zalenski to approve the personnel changes for the period ending June 13, 2011, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.12 TENURE APPOINTMENTS

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Casimino to approve teacher tenure appointments on the effective dates, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

12.2 EDUCATION ITEMS  
12.21 COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION APPROVED

MOVED by Casimino 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 Buchert SECONDED by Christopher to approve recommendations of the committee on preschool special education, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL ITEMS  
13.11 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Buchert to approve the financial reports, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.12 PAYMENT OF ALL BILLS RECEIVED TO JUNE 30, 2011

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve payment of all bills received and verified to June 30, 2011, and to authorize budget transfers as necessary to keep accounting records clear of deficits, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.13 FOOD SERVICE OPERATING REPORT

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Graber to approve the food service department operating reports for March and April, 2011, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.14 CONTRACT – TOWN OF TONAWANDA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Christopher to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Kenmore – Town of Tonawanda Union Free School District, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.15 TAX ASSESSMENT CHALLENGE – GARDEN PLACE HOTEL

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Maciejewski to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Garden Place Hotel of approximately \$14,802.92, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.16 USE OF PROPERTY AND/OR FACILITIES BY OUTSIDE GROUPS

Mr. Myszka spoke about building usage throughout the district and community.

13.17 2011-2012 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS SCHEDULE – DRAFT

A copy of the 2011-2012 board of education meeting schedule was submitted to the board for review and discussion.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Christopher to enter into a contract with the Erie 1 BOCES for a five-year period commencing on June 15, 2011 to authorize the Western New York Regional Information Center to furnish certain computer services to the District pursuant to Education Law 1950 (4) (JJ) for an amount not to exceed \$83,574.60 and authorizes 60 monthly payments to be made to Erie 1 BOCES in the amount not to exceed \$1,392.91. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education of Lancaster Central School District hereby authorizes the board president or district clerk to execute the contract on behalf of the District.

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

13.18 COPY MACHINE REPLACEMENTS

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Graber to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Independent Nursing Care, LLC, as submitted.

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

13.19 CONTRACT - INDEPENDENT NURSING CARE, LLC

A copy of policy #5511 Reserve Funds was submitted to the board for a first reading. This policy will be added to the June 27 agenda for review, discussion and adoption.

No one addressed the board at this time.

13.20 POLICY 1<sup>ST</sup> READING - #5511 RESERVE FUNDS

In honor of his last board meeting, Mrs. MacKay asked Dr. Casimino if he would make a motion for an executive session.

14.0 PUBLIC HEARING

At 8:55pm MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Buchert to move to executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

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

15.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:09pm MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Christopher to reconvene regular session.

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

REGULAR SESSION

At 10:10pm MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Casimino to dedicate this meeting to the memory of Miss Mary Lucariello and adjourn the regular session.

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



