

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

MINUTES

March 8, 2010

Regular Session

Court Street Elementary School, 91 Court Street Lancaster, New York

Marie MacKay, President

Joseph Maciejewski, Vice President

Wendy Buchert, Trustee

David Ehrle, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Trustee

David Zalenski, Trustee

Joseph Casimino, EdD, Trustee

Edward J. Myszka, Superintendent of Schools

Michael Vallely, PhD, Assistant 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. Deborah Bojanowski, principal of Court Street Elementary, welcomed everyone and introduced Ms. Leslie Day, professional development school consortium director, and Ms. Gloria Horn, Buffalo State College elementary reading department teacher candidate supervisor and a retired Lancaster teacher. Mrs. Horn spoke about the partnership the district has with Buffalo State College and explained that it has been a Professional Development Schools model since 1991. Ms. Day and Ms. Horn spoke about promoting professional development and the entire process of student teachers and their mentors.

Mr. Myszka and Mr. Getter introduced Phase 2 of the proposed 2010-2011 budget and spoke about the anticipated \$4 million reduction in state aid and the property revaluation in Lancaster. Mr. Myszka discussed preliminary

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**
- 4.1 **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – COURT STREET’S ONGOING COMMITMENT TO OUR STUDENTS**

- 4.2 **2010-2011 BUDGET – MR. EDWARD J. MYSKA AND MR. ALAN GETTER**

budget cuts of approximately \$2 million and spoke about declining enrollment in the district.

Mrs. Sharon Doherty, 172 Seneca Place, said parents are willing to raise funds needed for girls hockey and donate it to the board of education. Mrs. Doherty asked for the board’s support.

Mr. Mark Norton, 71 Newberry Lane, questioned the board’s consideration of girls hockey.

Mr. Joseph Marinelli, 24 Home Road, Bowmansville, a social studies teacher in the district, spoke about communication of the 2010-2011 budget. A lengthy discussion took place about teacher wages and student achievement.

A letter was distributed to the board from Mr. Wayne Schlifke, incumbent on the Erie 1 BOCES school board, seeking nomination for re-election this April.

A letter was distributed to the board from Mr. Raymond Carr, incumbent on the Erie 1 BOCES school board, seeking nomination for re-election this April.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Zalenski to accept the minutes from the regular session held on February 8, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Buchert to accept the minutes from the budget work session held on February 22, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

Mr. Peter Kruszynski, principal of the Lancaster Middle School, had no items to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

Mr. Eric Przykuta, president, said the LCTA is looking forward to the fact-finding process.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

Mrs. Cheryl Peck, president, spoke about creating a scholarship in honor of Marcia Hucul, a 25-year employee who recently passed away, and requested donations.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE
6.1 LETTER RECEIVED FROM MR. WAYNE SCHLIFKE ON FEBRUARY 17, 2010

6.2 LETTER RECEIVED FROM MR. RAYMOND CARR ON FEBRUARY 23, 2010

7.0 MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL
7.1 MEETING MINUTES APPROVED – FEBRUARY 8, 2010

7.2 MEETING MINUTES APPROVED – FEBRUARY 22, 2010

8.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

9.0 BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Zalenski said he attended a program sponsored by the Erie County Association of School Boards on February 27 titled Building a High Performance District.

Mr. Maciejewski commended Mr. Zalenski for his service on the board and noted that Mr. Zalenski will present at a workshop for prospective board candidates.

Mrs. MacKay spoke about the food service department losses to date and said the food service committee is brainstorming ideas to make it profitable.

Mrs. MacKay announced that petitions for prospective school board candidates are now available and she explained the qualifications necessary to become a board member.

Mr. Myszka said the district is looking forward to fact-finding and settling a contract with the Lancaster Central Teachers Association.

No old business was discussed.

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Zalenski to approve the personnel changes, for the period ending March 8, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Buchert to approve the tenure of Laurie Naab effective April 16, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

9.1 PETITIONS AVAILABLE

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

12.0 NEW BUSINESS

12.1 PERSONNEL ITEMS

12.11 PERSONNEL CHANGES

12.12 TENURE APPOINTMENT

12.2 EDUCATION ITEMS

12.21 COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION APPROVED

12.22 COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION APPROVED

13.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL ITEMS

13.11 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

13.12 2010-2011 CLASSIFIED
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE-
APPROVED

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Zalenski to approve the 2010-2011 classified staff holiday schedule, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.13 APPOINTMENT OF
RECORDS
MANAGEMENT
OFFICER

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Maciejewski to appoint Mr. Alan Getter, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Support Services, as records management officer for the district effective September 21, 2009, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.14 CONTRACT – ASPIRE OF
WESTERN NEW YORK

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Aspire of Western New York to provide a reading diagnosis for a specific student, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.15 CONTRACT: ELLEN
COOL, MT-BC, LCAT

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the agreement between the district and Ellen Cool, MT-BC, LCTA dated January 25, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.16 CONTRACT: ELLEN
COOL, MT-BC, LCAT

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Zalenski to approve the agreement between the district and Ellen Cool, MT-BC, LCTA dated February 22, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.17 HEALTH AND WELFARE
SERVICES CONTRACT –
AMHERST CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.18 CONTRACTS FOR
VARIOUS PROVIDERS
OF SPECIAL ED
SERVICES - APPROVED

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the agreements between the district and the various approved Special Providers for the 2009-2010 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.19 2009-2010 BOARD OF
EDUCATION MEETING –
SCHEDULE

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Maciejewski to adopt the amended 2009-2010 board of education meeting schedule, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.20 GREAT AMERICAN
RIVALRY SERIES

Information was presented to the board from iHigh Marketing, Inc., a firm that would like to feature the Lancaster Depew varsity football game nationally as part of the 2010 Great American Rivalry Series.

13.21 FOOD SERVICE
OPERATING REPORT –
APPROVED

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the food service department operating report for January, 2010, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.22 CREATION OF A
LANCASTER CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOUNDATION -
APPROVAL

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Ehrle to approve the creation of a Lancaster Central School District Foundation which will be a separate legal entity from the Lancaster Central School District, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

14.0 PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Lee Chowanec, 93 Northwood Drive, addressed the board regarding teacher wages, the property revaluation, and spoke about the community and a reasonable budget.

15.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:15pm MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Zalenski to move into executive session to discuss negotiations.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

REGULAR SESSION

At 10:29pm MOVED by Ehrle SECONDED by Graber to move into regular session.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

At 10:30pm MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Zalenski to adjourn the regular session.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.