

Board of Education
LANCASTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Lancaster, New York

MINUTES

May 12, 2014

Regular Session

Lancaster High School, One Forton Drive, Lancaster - Auditorium

Marie MacKay, President

Wendy Buchert, Vice President

William Gallagher, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Esq., Trustee

Kimberly Nowak, Trustee

Robert Szatkowski, Trustee

Patrick Uhteg, 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

Karen Marchioli, Director of Elementary Education

Andrew Kufel, PhD, Director of Secondary 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 7:34pm by President MacKay. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mrs. MacKay asked for a moment of silence for individual reflection.

Mrs. Jessica Sussina, president of the John A. Sciole Parent Teacher Organization, presented the board with information regarding playground equipment they raised funds for to be installed at John A. Sciole Elementary.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Buchert to accept the donation of new playground equipment to be installed at John A. Sciole Elementary School, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Miss Phillips introduced Michael Graber, who is doing graduate work at Niagara University and interning with her at the district, and thanked him for completing the Utica National Safety Award. Due to Mr. Graber's work the district received a titanium level award with honors for the first time along with \$500 for the district to use toward safety practices.

Dr. Kufel announced an event being held at Lancaster High School on May 19, 2014. An award winning documentary called "If You Build It" highlighting a community's transformation from the benefit of STEM (Science, Engineering, Technology, and Math) education will be shown as part of WNY STEM Hub STEAM Week. Lancaster technology instructors

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 PLAYGROUND DONATION
AT JOHN A. SCIOLE
ELEMENTARY

4.2 UTICA AWARD

4.3 WNY STEM

Dave Santoro and Matt Baehr will be part of an expert panel discussion that will accompany the movie screening.

No correspondence was received.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Nowak to accept the minutes from the regular session held on April 22, 2014, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

Mr. Kruszynski had no items to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

Mr. Kirsch had no items to report.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

Mrs. Glauser had no items to report.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

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

Dr. Vallely presented his administrative report.

No old business was discussed.

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Uhteg to approve the personnel changes for the period ending May 12, 2014, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Buchert to approve the textbook, *Foster Exceptional Conversational Skills (For the Rest of Us)*, by Ron Ruggiero with Patrick Kelley, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

6.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.1 REGULAR 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 PRE-
SCHOOL SPECIAL
EDUCATION**

**11.2.3 TEXTBOOK APPROVAL:
FOSTER EXCEPTIONAL
CONVERSATIONAL
SKILLS (FOR THE REST
OF US)**

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Policy #3411 Prohibition of Weapons on School Grounds was distributed to the board for a second reading. Consistent with past practice this policy will be submitted for adoption at the June 9, 2014 board meeting.

Policy #7360 Weapons in School and the Gun-Free School Act was distributed to the board for a second reading. Consistent with past practice this policy will be submitted for adoption at the June 9, 2014 board meeting.

MOVED by Gallagher SECONDED by Nowak to approve the food service department operating reports for March 2014, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Nowak SECONDED by Buchert to approve the results of the auction for transportation items that were previously surplus by the board of education in March, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Nowak SECONDED by Gallagher to approve the appointment of a chief election inspector, chairperson, and election inspectors for May 20, 2014, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Nowak to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Freihofers Bakery, as submitted. This settlement reduces the assessed value of the property by \$100,000.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Gallagher to declare the attached listing of equipment located at Hillview Elementary School as surplus and prepare for disposal according to board policy #5250, as submitted.

12.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL
ITEMS
12.1 FINANCIAL REPORTS
APPROVED

12.2 POLICY 2ND READING -
#3411 PROHIBITION OF
WEAPONS ON SCHOOL
GROUNDS

12.3 POLICY 2ND READING -
#7360 WEAPONS IN
SCHOOL AND THE GUN-
FREE SCHOOL ACT

12.4 FOOD SERVICE
OPERATING REPORTS

12.5 AUCTIONS
INTERNATIONAL
RESULTS

12.6 APPOINTMENT OF
CHIEF ELECTION
INSPECTOR,
CHAIRPERSON, AND
ELECTION INSPECTORS

12.7 TAX CERTIORARI -
FREIHOFERS BAKERY

12.8 SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

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

MOVED by Gallagher SECONDED by Szatkowski to declare the vehicles listed as surplus, dispose of them in accordance with the board of education policy #5250, and put the noted vehicle back into inventory, as submitted.

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

12.9 SURPLUS VEHICLES

MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Buchert that 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 2 action under SEQRA, as submitted.

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

12.10 STATE QUALITY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Mrs. Julie Kaska, 239 Banko Drive, addressed the board regarding her son, public hearing policy, test refusals, and read a statement from Mrs. Danielle Haen about public speaking.

13.0 PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Mike Schlicht, Upstate Coordinator for the New York Healthy Workplace Advocates, addressed the board regarding work place bullying.

Ms. Gina Scaglione, 148 Pavement Road, addressed the board regarding litigation expenses.

14.0 FUTURE PRESENTATIONS

Mrs. MacKay announced that the annual budget vote and school board election will take place on May 20, 2014 from 7am through 9pm in the Java Gym at the high school. Mrs. MacKay also announced that the technology mentors will present to the board on June 9.

15.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:24pm MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by Nowak to move to executive session to discuss a student discipline matter.

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

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

At 8:48pm MOVED by Szatkowski SECONDED by Buchert to reconvene the regular session.

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

At 8:49pm MOVED by Graber SECONDED by Gallagher to adjourn the regular session.

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

Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk