

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

MINUTES

October 11, 2011

Regular Session

J. Norman Hayes Administration Building, 177 Central Avenue, Lancaster

David Zalenski, President

Brenda Christopher, Vice President

Wendy Buchert, Trustee

Marie MacKay, Trustee

Robert Szatkowski, Trustee

Patrick Uhteg, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, Trustee

Edward J. Myszka, Superintendent of Schools

Michael Vallely, PhD, 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

Marie Perini, EdD, 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 7:00pm by President Zalenski. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mr. Zalenski asked for a moment of silence for individual reflection.

Mr. Rudy Tichy of the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation presented Mr. Dan DeAngelis and Mr. Goss, music teachers at the high school, with an award naming Lancaster as one of the best communities for music education. Students Ruth Williams and Amanda Scranton, accompanied by Dr. Sarah Meredith, performed a song.

Mr. Tom Malecki, of Drescher & Malecki LLP, gave an overview of the annual audit report for the year ending June 30, 2011.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to accept the audit report for the year ending June 30, 2011 from Drescher and Malecki LLP, as submitted.
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays
MOTION APPROVED.

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Zalenski had a certificate for recently tenured teacher, Miss Heather Piazza, who was not present at the meeting.

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 **PRESENTATION**
- 4.1 **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MUSIC MERCHANTS**

- 4.2 **2010-2011 AUDIT PRESENTATION**

- 4.3 **TENURE PRESENTATION**

- 4.4 **NUTRITIONAL GUIDE FOR CAFETERIA ITEMS**

Mr. Kevin Kornowicz, food service director, presented information about the Nutrikids program and how it is being used to calculate nutritional value of the foods served in the cafeterias, for inventory control, and to help students with allergies and food related restrictions purchase lunch without any uncertainties.

Ms. Pat Rogers, 29 Impala Parkway, inquired about the college background of a teacher and spoke about the district’s music program.

No correspondence was received.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by MacKay to accept the minutes from the board’s retreat held on September 24, 2011, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by MacKay to accept the minutes from the regular session held on September 26, 2011, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

 No one present to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

 Mrs. Robin Zahm, chief negotiator, had no items to report.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

 Mrs. Cheryl Peck, president, had no items to report.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

 No one present to report.

Mr. Zalenski spoke about events he attended since the last board meeting.

Mr. Myszka presented his administrative report.

MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by MacKay to accept and adopt the 2011-2012 board goals as discussed at the September 24, 2011 meeting, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to approve the appointment of Harris Beach PLLC as counsel for the district and as chief legal officer of the Lancaster Central School District for all Taylor Law purposes, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

7.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**7.1 BOARD RETREAT
MINUTES**

**7.2 REGULAR SESSION
MINUTES**

8.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

9.0 BOARD REPORTS

**10.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S
ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

11.1 2011-2012 BOARD GOALS

**11.2 APPOINTMENT OF
HARRIS BEACH PLLC**

**11.3 APPOINTMENT OF
HODGSON RUSS LLP**

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Christopher to approve the appointment of Hodgson Russ LLP for ongoing tax certioraris and to provide continued bond counsel as needed for the district, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

Mr. Zalenski scheduled a work session before the next board meeting on October 24, at 6:15pm, to discuss the New York State School Board Association's 2011-2012 proposed resolutions for the upcoming annual meeting.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Christopher to approve the personnel changes for the period ending October 11, 2011 with the addendum, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and the Olmsted Center for Sight, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Ray Laks, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 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

12.22 COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

13.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL ITEMS

13.11 FINANCIAL REPORTS APPROVED

13.12 CONTRACT – OLMSTED CENTER FOR SIGHT

13.13 TAX ASSESSMENT CHALLENGE SETTLEMENT – RAY LAKS

13.14 TAX ASSESSMENT CHALLENGE

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Christopher to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Bro-Pen Associates, LLC, as submitted.

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

13.15 TAX ASSESSMENT
CHALLENGE
SETTLEMENT – MADER
CONSTRUCTION
GROUP, INC.

MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by MacKay to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Mader Construction Group, Inc., as submitted.

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

13.16 TAX ASSESSMENT
CHALLENGE
SETTLEMENT –
BUFFALO REALTY
CORPORATION

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to authorize the proposed tax assessment challenge settlement to Buffalo Realty Corporation, as submitted.

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

13.17 CONTRACT – TOWN OF
LANCASTER SOCIAL
WORK COUNSELOR
PROGRAM

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and the Town of Lancaster which grants permission to operate a social work counselor program at a cost to the district of \$42,485.50, as submitted.

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

13.18 CONTRACT –
MANAGEMENT
ADVISORY GROUP
SPECIAL SERVICES, INC.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Uhteg to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Management Advisory Group Special Services, Inc. to provide assistance with compiling, completing, filing, and verifying all student STACs for maximization of state aid for students with disabilities at an annual cost of \$6,900, prorated October 2011 through June 2012, as submitted.

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

13.19 POLICY 1ST READING -
#1511 AGENDA FORMAT

A copy of policy #1511 Agenda Format was submitted to the board for a first reading. This policy will be added to the October 24 agenda for review, discussion and adoption.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to declare the attached listing of ten (10) school buses as surplus and trade them to Leonard Bus Sales, Inc., at a value of \$1,200 per vehicle, from which proceeds will be

13.20 SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

used toward the purchase of the ten new buses approved by the voters in a proposition in May 2011, as submitted.

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

13.21 BUDGET AMENDMENT

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to approve the budget increase as listed in the expenses for the school bus purchase, as submitted.

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

14.0 PUBLIC HEARING

No one addressed the board at this time.

15.0 FUTURE PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Zalenski noted future presentations including the Lancaster – Depew Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition will present information about a student survey; board of education appreciation will be celebrated; and the board members will present their goals on October 24. On November 14, an update on the Mandatory Parent Program will be given and information about the Bryant & Stratton partnership will be shared. Scheduled for November 28 is a new design for faculty meetings and a presentation on the high school social studies and English – Common Core Learning Standards in Action.

Mr. Zalenski announced the next board meeting will be held on Monday, October 24, 2011 at 7pm, at Court Street Elementary School.

16.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:02pm MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Buchert to move to executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

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

REGULAR SESSION

At 8:29pm MOVED by Buchert SECONDED by MacKay to reconvene regular session.

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

At 8:30pm MOVED by Christopher SECONDED by Szatkowski to adjourn the regular session.

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