

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

**MINUTES**

October 6, 2008

Regular Session

Lancaster Central High School, One Forton Drive, Lancaster

David Ehrle, Vice President  
Joseph Casimino EdD, Trustee  
Richard Foley, Trustee

Mary Kless, Trustee  
Marie MacKay, Trustee  
Joseph Maciejewski, Trustee

Kenneth Graber, President

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

John Armstrong, Director of Special Education

Richard D'Arcy, Director of Finance & Support Services

Marie Perini, EdD, Director of Secondary Education

Sarah Weidler, PhD, Director of Elementary Education

Michele Ziegler, Director of Instructional Technology & Accountability

Edward J. Myszka, Superintendent

District residents, staff members, students, and media representatives.

The regular meeting of the board of education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Ehrle. The pledge to the flag was recited and Mr. Ehrle asked for a moment of silence for individual reflection.

Mr. Tom Malecki of Drescher & Malecki LLP gave an overview of the annual audit report for the year ending June 30, 2008. Mr. Malecki reported the financial statements indicate the district is in a healthy position. Mr. Malecki explained that revenues exceeded expenditures by 4 to 5% and he also noted the fund balance is slightly over the state-allowed 4% limit.

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the audit report for the year ending June 30, 2008 from Drescher and Malecki LLP, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:                   6 Ayes                   0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

No one addressed the board at this time.

Dr. Casimino discussed a meeting of the Erie County Association of School Boards (ECASB) he attended this past week.

**MEETING DATE**

**KIND**

**PLACE**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS**

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS  
EXCUSED**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

- 4.0 **PRESENTATIONS/  
RECOGNITION**
- 4.1 **2007-08 AUDIT REPORT**

**5.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

**6.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**7.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

7.1 MEETING MINUTES  
APPROVED

MOVED by Kless SECONDED by Foley to accept the minutes from the regular session held on September 22, 2008, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           6 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

8.0 STAFF ORGANIZATIONS

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

No items to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

Mr. Eric Przykuta, president, 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 items to report.

9.0 BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Maciejewski discussed the Family Day event that occurred on September 28. Mr. Maciejewski said approximately 200 people attended the event and commended Mrs. Pat Burgio, Director of Communications, for her help in planning. Mrs. Burgio spoke about the volunteers and staff from the youth bureau, the district PTO Council representatives, and district staff who also contributed to this event. Mrs. Kless announced the ECASB annual legislative breakfast is scheduled for February 7, 2009 at the Millennium Hotel.

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
REPORT

On behalf of Mr. Myszka, Dr. Valley began the superintendent's report by discussing the Family Day event that took place on September 28 in the field house. Dr. Valley noted that Mrs. Donna Wieand, art teacher at William Street School, was recognized by Artsonia, the world's largest on-line art museum, for outstanding leadership in the area of art education. Dr. Valley also noted that Mrs. Melanie Baehre, art teacher at the middle school, was awarded with a super teacher award by Office Max on October 1. Dr. Valley said he and Mr. Myszka attended a faculty meeting at Hillview Elementary where Ms. Rose Monterosso, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Como Park, presented information on the Responsive Classroom and the Power of Our Words. Dr. Valley and Mr. Myszka also went to John A. Sciole to meet the new prekindergarten students and visited some classrooms at the high school on October 1.

11.0 OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

12.0 NEW BUSINESS  
12.1 PERSONNEL ITEMS  
12.11 PERSONNEL CHANGES

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Maciejewski to approve the personnel changes for the period ending October 6, 2008, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           6 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.12 TENURE APPOINTMENT

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Kless to approve the tenure appointment on the effective date, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION:           6 Ayes           0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.2 EDUCATION ITEMS  
12.21 COMMITTEE ON  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
APPROVED

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.22 COMMITTEE ON  
PRESCHOOL SPECIAL  
EDUCATION APPROVED

Information was presented to the board by Mr. Armstrong regarding the annual notification of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) status.

12.23 INDIVIDUALS WITH  
DISABILITIES  
EDUCATION ACT (IDEA)  
- INFORMATION

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Foley to approve the recommendation of the Class Size Task Force for an addition of one teacher assistant at John A. Sciole Elementary School, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.24 CLASS SIZE TASK  
FORCE  
RECOMMENDATION  
APPROVED

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Casimino to approve the personnel changes addendum, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

12.25 PERSONNEL CHANGES -  
ADDENDUM

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

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.0 BUSINESS & FINANCIAL  
ITEMS

13.11 FINANCIAL REPORTS  
APPROVED

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Foley to approve the contract between the Lancaster Central School District and the Management Advisory Group of N.Y., Inc. which grants consultant(s) on-site or at MAGNY's offices to confer with district personnel on state aid and/or related activities for a fee of \$1,250 per day plus travel expenses for a maximum of two (2) days per year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

13.12 CONTRACT APPROVAL -  
MANAGEMENT  
ADVISORY GROUP OF  
N.Y., INC.

MOTION APPROVED.

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Kless to approve the recommended bid award for the roof replacement at Central Avenue Elementary School to Neth & Son, Inc. for \$427,000, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.13 BID AWARD – ROOF REPLACEMENT AT CENTRAL AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Casimino to approve the agreement between Erie 1 BOCES and the Lancaster Central School District, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.14 RENTAL AGREEMENT APPROVAL – ERIE 1 BOCES

MOVED by Casimino SECONDED by Kless to approve the contract between the Lancaster Central School District and Ms. Ellen Cool, MT-BC, LCAT, to provide music therapy services for a district student during the 2008-2009 school year, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.15 CONTRACT APPROVAL – ELLEN COOL, MT-BC, LCAT

A copy of policy #7121 Diagnostic Screening of Students was submitted to the board for a first reading. This policy will be added to the October 20 agenda for additional review, discussion, and revision, if necessary.

13.16 POLICY 1<sup>ST</sup> READING - #7121 DIAGNOSTIC SCREENING OF STUDENTS

MOVED by MacKay SECONDED by Foley to adopt the policy #1335 Appointment and Duties of the Claims Auditor, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.17 POLICY ADOPTION - #1335 APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF THE CLAIMS AUDITOR

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Casimino to adopt the policy #6180 Determination of Employment Status: Employee or Independent Contractor, as submitted.

VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

MOTION APPROVED.

13.18 POLICY ADOPTION - #6180 DETERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT STATUS: EMPLOYEE OR INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

13.19 POLICY ADOPTION - #8320 SELECTION OF LIBRARY AND MULTIMEDIA MATERIALS

MOVED by Foley SECONDED by MacKay to adopt the policy #8320 Selection of Library and Multimedia Materials, as submitted.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

13.20 POLICY ADOPTION - #6540 FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

MOVED by Maciejewski SECONDED by Casimino to adopt the policy #6540 Family and Medical Leave Act, 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 EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m. MOVED by Foley SECONDED by MacKay to move into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

16.0 REGULAR SESSION

At 7:54 p.m. MOVED by Foley SECONDED by Maciejewski to reconvene the regular session.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.

17.0 ADJOURNMENT

At 7:55 p.m. MOVED by Foley SECONDED by MacKay to adjourn the regular session.  
VOTE ON THE MOTION: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
MOTION APPROVED.