

Board of Education
Lancaster Central School District
Lancaster, New York

Minutes

Meeting Date

December 11, 2023

Kind

Regular Session

Place

Lancaster High School, One Forton Drive, Lancaster

Members Present

Michael Sage, President
Shannon Cohen, Vice President
Kevin Davenport, Trustee
Jill Fecher, Trustee
Glenn Jackson, Trustee
John Talarico, Trustee
Timothy Talbot, Trustee

District Administrators Present

Michael Valley, PhD, Superintendent of Schools
Daniel D'Amico, Asst. Superintendent for Human Resources
Andrew Kufel, PhD, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction & Pupil Services
Jamie Phillips, Asst. Superintendent for Business & Support Services
John Armstrong, Director of Special Education
Andrew Krazmien, Director of Secondary Education
Michele Ziegler, Director of Instructional Technology & Accountability

Others Present

District administrators and faculty members

- 1.0 Call to Order
- 2.0 Pledge to Flag
- 3.0 Moment of Silence

The regular meeting of the board of education was called to order at 7:00pm by President Sage. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mr. Sage asked for a moment of silent reflection.

- 4.0 Presentations
- 4.1 Tenure Certificate Presentation

Mr. Krazmien and Mr. Armstrong presented recently tenured teachers with certificates.

- 4.2 Academy of Finance

The Academy of Finance Board of Directors Christopher Guck, Michael Carroll, Cheryl Prout and students Christopher Fox and Sarah Witnauer presented an overview of the academy to the board of education and discussed the academy's achievements. Mr. Guck spoke about the academy receiving the Sanford Weill Award of Excellence and presented the award to the board of education.

- 5.0 Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

- 6.0 Approval of Minutes

6.1 Regular Session
November 6, 2023

Moved by Cohen seconded by Jackson to accept the minutes from the regular session held on November 6, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

7.0 Staff Organizations

Lancaster Administrative and Supervisory Association:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Central Teachers Association:

John Abraham congratulated the newly tenured teachers, spoke about the donations made by the LCTA and wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

8.0 Board Reports

No board reports.

9.0 Superintendent's
Administrative Report

Dr. Vallely presented his administrative report.

10.0 Old Business

No old business was discussed.

11.0 New Business

11.1 Personnel Items

11.1.1 Personnel Changes

Moved by Cohen seconded by Talbot to approve the personnel changes for the period ending December 11, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.2 Education Items

11.2.1 Committee on Special Education

Moved by Talarico seconded by Cohen to approve the recommendations of the committee on special education, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.2.2 Committee on Preschool
Special Education

Moved by Talarico seconded by Jackson to approve the recommendations of the committee on preschool special education, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.0 Business & Financial Items

12.1 Financial Reports

November 6, 2023

Moved by Talbot seconded by Cohen to approve the financial reports from November 6, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.2 Financial Reports

December 11, 2023

Moved by Davenport seconded by Fecher to approve the financial reports from December 11, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

- 12.3 Policy 2nd Reading
#7521 Students with Life
Threatening Health
Conditions

Policy #7521 Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions was presented to the board for a second reading. This policy will be placed on the board's next agenda for adoption.

- 12.4 Policy 1st Reading
#3271 Solicitation of
Charitable Donations

Policy #3271 Solicitation of Charitable Donations was presented to the board for a first reading. This policy will be placed on the board's next agenda for a second reading.

- 12.5 Board Policy Deletions

Moved by Talarico seconded by Cohen to remove policy #2310 Membership in Associations; #3250 Parent-Teacher Organizations; #3273 Public Sales on School Property; #4211 Organization Chart; #4410 Professional Development Opportunities; #6440 Negotiations; #6460 Jury Duty; #6510 Health Insurance; #6520 Workers' Compensation; and #6530 Employee Assistance Program (EAP) from the district's policy manual, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

- 12.6 Support Staff Substitute Rates
Effective December 31, 2023

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to approve the listing of support staff substitute rates effective December 31, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

- 12.7 Declare Equipment Surplus

Moved by Cohen seconded by Jackson to declare the attached listing of equipment surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance with Board of Education policy #5250, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

- 12.8 Declare Surplus Books

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to declare the attached listing of books surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance with Board of Education policy #5250, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

- 12.9 Contract - Rachael
Schneider – Licensed
Behavior Analyst, PLLC

Moved by Talbot seconded by Fecher to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Rachael Schneider Licensed Behavior Analyst, PLLC, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.10 AIA Contract
Watts Architectural &
Engineering

Moved by Cohen seconded by Fecher to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Watts Architectural & Engineering in an estimated total cost of \$20,000 to perform hazardous materials testing in various areas for Phase 5 of the 2018 capital project, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.11 Approve Shared Services
Agreement – Girls Varsity
Ice Hockey

Moved by Jackson seconded by Davenport to approve the shared services agreement between the Lancaster, Iroquois, Depew, and Alden school districts for the 2023-2024 combined Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.12 Construction Change Orders

Moved by Fecher seconded by Talbot to approve change orders 77P4 CO-403-005, 77P4 CO-403-006, 77P4 CO-409-006, 77P4 CO-422-003, 77P4 CO-423-005, 77P4 CO-431-008 and 77P4 CO-431-009, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.13 Food Service Department
Operating Systems Reports
October 2023

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to approve the food service department operating system reports for October 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.14 Scholastic Achievement
Recognition Dinner

Moved by Fecher seconded by Talbot to approve an expenditure of \$500 to support the Erie-Niagara School Superintendents Association's Annual Scholastic Achievement Recognition ceremony, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.15 Contract – Joe Isgar

Moved by Cohen seconded by Davenport to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Joe Isgar, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.16 Contract – Andrew Haefner

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to table the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Andrew Haefner, as submitted. The contract will be amended and placed on the next board agenda.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.17 Contract – Jesse Bauer

Moved by Fecher seconded by Talbot to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Jesse Bauer, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.18 Contract – Wesley Krantz

Moved by Cohen seconded by Fecher to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Wesley Krantz, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

13.0 Public Hearing

Tara Romig, 76 Livingston Street – Lower, addressed the board regarding communication from the district.

Kelly Hartwig, 21 Americo Court – addressed the board regarding a personnel matter and spoke about a presentation at the high school.

14.0 Executive Session

At 7:51pm moved by Davenport seconded by Fecher to move to executive session to discuss the employment of a particular individual and the superintendent's mid-year evaluation.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

Mrs. Fecher left at 8:50pm.

15.0 Adjournment

At 10:07pm moved by Davenport seconded by Cohen to reconvene regular session.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

At 10:08pm moved by Talarico seconded by Talbot to adjourn the regular session.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk