

Board of Education
Lancaster Central School District
Lancaster, New York

Minutes

Meeting Date

November 4, 2024

Kind

Regular Session

Place

William Street School, 5201 William Street, Lancaster

Members Present

Michael Sage, President
John Talarico, Vice President
Kevin Davenport, Trustee
Glenn Jackson, Trustee
David Lyman, Trustee
Anita Schiavone, Trustee
Timothy Talbot, Trustee

District Administrators Present

Michael Vallely, 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
Karen Marchioli, Director of Elementary Education
Cheryl Randall, 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 for Joseph Adamec, a physical education teacher from 1964 through 1998 and a long-time soccer coach, who passed away on October 18, 2024.

- 4.0 Presentations
- 4.1 Tenure Certificate Presentation

Mr. Krazmien presented a recently tenured teacher with a certificate.

- 5.0 Correspondence
- 5.1 Email Received

An email was received from Heather Arcand on October 4, 2024.

- 6.0 Approval of Minutes
- 6.1 Regular Session
October 7, 2024

Moved by Talarico seconded by Talbot to accept the minutes from the regular session held on October 7, 2024, 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:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Service Personnel:

No one present to report.

Lancaster Association of Substitute Teachers:

No one present to report.

8.0 Board Reports

Members of the board commended Dr. Valley on his service to the District.

9.0 Superintendent's
Administrative Report

Dr. Valley thanked the board members and 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 Talbot seconded by Lyman to approve the personnel changes for the period ending November 4, 2024, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.1.2 Appoint Acting Superintendent
of Schools

Moved by Talbot seconded by Jackson to approve the appointment of Andrew P. Kufel, Ph.D. as acting Superintendent of Schools effective for November 30, 2024 only, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.1.3 Appointment of Assistant
Superintendent for Curriculum,
Instruction & Pupil Personnel
Services

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to approve the appointment of Mr. Andrew Krazmien as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction & Pupil Personnel Services at an annual salary of \$156,500 effective December 2, 2024, 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 Talbot 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 Davenport seconded by Schiavone to approve the recommendations of the committee on preschool special education, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.2.3 Appointment of CSE and CPSE Parent Member

Moved by Talbot seconded by Talarico to approve the appointment of Jennifer Strait to the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Preschool Special Education, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.2.4 Textbook 1st Reading: Temas AP Spanish Language and Culture

Information on the textbook Temas AP Spanish language and Culture, by Parthena Draggett, was distributed to the board members for review. Consistent with past practice, the approval of this textbook will be placed on the board's next agenda.

12.0 Business & Financial Items

12.1 Financial Reports

Moved by Talarico seconded by Talbot to approve the financial reports from November 4, 2024, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.2 AIA Contract – Massive Testing & Balancing, LLC

Motion to approve the AIA contract between the Lancaster Central School District and Massive Testing & Balancing, LLC for testing and balancing services for Phase 1 of the 2024 capital project, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.3 AIA Contract – McIntosh & McIntosh P.C.

Motion to approve the AIA contract between the Lancaster Central School District and McIntosh & McIntosh P.C. for site/topographic surveys for Phase 2-5 of the 2024 capital project, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.4 Declare Surplus Books

Moved by Talarico seconded by Talbot to declare the attached listing of books as surplus and prepare for disposal according to board policy #5250, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.5 Declare Surplus Equipment

Moved by Davenport seconded by Jackson to declare the attached listing of equipment as surplus and prepare for disposal according to board policy #5250, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.6 Contract: Buffalo Public

Schools

Moved by Schiavone seconded by Talbot to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Buffalo Public Schools for academic tutoring instruction services for students admitted to medial facilities, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.7 Contract: Jonathan Rizzo

Moved by Jackson seconded by Talarico to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Jonathan Rizzo, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.8 Contract: James Welch

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and James Welch, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.9 Club Creation – Environmental Action Club and Name Change – Legends Locker (Formerly LHS Bookstore)

Moved by Schiavone seconded by Talarico to approve the creation of an Environmental Action Club at the middle school and change the name of the LHS Bookstore club to Legends Locker, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.10 Food Service Department Operating System Reports

Moved by Talbot seconded by Schiavone to approve the food service department operating system reports for September 2024, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.11 Construction Change Orders

Moved by Talbot seconded by Talarico to approve change order 77P4 CO-408-008, 77P4 CO-426-005, 77P4 CO-426-006 and 77P5 CO-523A-002, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.12 New York Liquid Asset Fund (NYLAF) Municipal Cooperation Agreement

Moved by Talbot seconded by Talarico to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and NYLAF for investment of district funds, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

13.0 Public Hearing

No one addressed the board at this time.

14.0 Executive Session

At 7:35pm moved by Talbot seconded by Jackson to move to executive session to discuss student discipline matters with the District's attorney.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

Following review of information with consideration and deliberation on three appeals from the superintendent's decision in some student discipline matters, the board has determined that the decisions of the superintendent should be affirmed. Out of respect for the privacy of the individuals involved and the requirements of the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), there will be no further statement made with respect to this matter.

15.0 Adjournment

At 8:45pm moved by Talbot seconded by Talarico to reconvene regular session.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

At 8:46pm moved by Lyman seconded by Jackson to adjourn the regular session.

Vote on the motion: 7 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk