

### Meeting #3

Lyndhurst, NJ  
February 11, 2013

The Lyndhurst Board of Education held a Regular meeting on February 11, 2013 at 8:07 p.m.

#### Call to Order

President Grillo called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. and requested all those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

The following Board members answered roll call: (9) James Cunniff, Ronald Grillo, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Thomas DiMascio, Sheri Jarvis, Josephine Malaniak. James Cunniff and Stephen Vendola.

Also present: Tracey Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools; David DiPisa, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

#### Open Public Meeting Act

President Grillo announced that adequate notice of this meeting was provided, in writing, to each Board member, The Herald and News, The Record, The Observer, The South Bergenite, the Township Clerk, and posted in the lobby of the Town Hall and the Board Office.

#### Approval of Minutes

Motion by Ronald Grillo second by Thomas DiMascio that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the minutes of Meeting #2, January 14, 2013.

Roll Call For:

The following Board members answered roll call: (7) Ronald Grillo, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio, Sheri Jarvis & Chris Musto.

Abstain: (2) James Cunniff & Stephen Vendola

#### Finance Committee

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Finance may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by Thomas DiMascio second by Chris Musto that the following Finance actions of the Board numbered 1 through 6 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, by the Lyndhurst Board of Education that it has received and accepts the financial reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the month ended January 31, 2013 and certifies that the reports indicate that no major account or fund is over expended in violation of NJAC 6A:23-2.11(a) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the school year. A copy of the certification shall be included in the minutes.

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the payroll for the month ended January 31, 2013 be and the same is hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll \$ 1,979,520.38

3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached list of supplies received and services rendered to the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the month ended February 11, 2013 be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Charter School (Fund 10)	\$ 12,184.00
Current Expense (Fund 11)	\$ 937,473.39
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$ 50,715.42
Total	\$1,000,372.81
General Ledger	\$ 77,250.55

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that cafeteria services rendered to the Board of Education of the township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, for the Month of January 2013, be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll/Payroll Taxes	\$ 27,280.93
Services	\$ 34,183.71

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached transfers for the month of January 2013.

6. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education contract with Educational Data Services, Inc. for the 2013-2014 school year for the following:

Licensing & Maintenance Fee \$8,045.00

### Education & Curriculum Committee

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Education & Curriculum Committee may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by Josephine Malaniak second by Christine Melleno that the following Education & Curriculum Committee actions of the Board numbered 1 through 5 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following additional school field trip:

Franklin School – State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education enter into an agreement with Northwest Evaluation Association for MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Assessment for 2013-2014 school year.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education enter into an agreement with Pearson Reading Streets for Grades Kindergarten and First for the 2013-2014 school year.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the modification of the high school daily schedule to 8:10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on the following dates to accommodate for HSPA testing:

March 5<sup>th</sup>, March 6<sup>th</sup> and March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approves the submission of the Lyndhurst School Improvement Panels and Proposed Evaluation Schedule for the 2013-2014 school year.

### Rules & Regulation Committee

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Rules & Regulations Committee may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by James Hooper second by Thomas DiMascio that the following Rules & Regulations Committee actions of the Board numbered 1 through 1exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following use of school facilities:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time, Date, Purpose</u>
Lyndhurst Music Association	High School Music Room	6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. 1/15/13 Meeting
Cap, Gown Committee 2013	High School Media Center	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 1/17/13 Meeting
Lyndhurst Parks Dept.	High School Gym	7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 1/26/13 Wrestling
Jefferson School PTA	Jefferson School Art Room	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. 1/29/13 & 2/27/13 PTA Meeting
LHS Project Graduation	High School Room #142	7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. 2/6/13 & 2/27/13 Meetings
Lyndhurst Little League	Jefferson School Gym	3/1/13 – 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 3/2/13 – 9:00 am-12:30 p.m. 3/3/13 – 5:00 pm-7:30 p.m. Indoor Little League Tryouts
Lyndhurst Fire Dept. Co. 3	Firehouse To bring 6 piece stand	3/8/13 & 3/9/13 Fund Raiser
Roosevelt School PTA	Roosevelt School Gym	7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 3/19/13 Cultural Arts Program

Student Activities & Recognition Committee

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Student Activities Committee may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by Sheri Jarvis second by Christine Melleno that the following Student Activities & Recognition Committee actions of the Board numbered 1 through 2 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve placement of (1) Communication Impaired student to attend South Bergen Jointure Commission's Wood-Ridge Campus, effective January 30, 2013, at a tuition rate of \$49,170.00, pro-rated. This student has transferred from Moonachie to our district due to the flooding in that town. Transportation will be arranged through South Bergen Jointure Commission.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve placement of (2) Emotionally Disturbed students to attend Benway School in Wayne, effective February 4, 2013 and February 11, 2013 at a tuition rate of \$52,317.87 each, pro-rated. Transportation will be arranged through South Bergen Jointure Commission.

#### New Business

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of New Business may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by Thomas DiMascio second by Chris Musto that the following New Business actions of the Board numbered 1 through 1 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following monthly Board of Education meeting dates. Work session will begin at 7:00 p.m. and public meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m.

March 4, 2013

March 11, 2013

March 25, 2013

April 15, 2013

May 6, 2013

June 10, 2013

June 27, 2013

**JULY – NO MEETING**

August 12, 2013

September 9, 2013

October 14, 2013

-----SEPARATE VOTE-----

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of New Business may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.

Motion made by James Hooper second by Thomas DiMascio that the following New Business actions of the Board numbered 2 through 2 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

2. WHEREAS, the Lyndhurst Board of Education, as a result of re-districting and significant increases in elementary school enrollment; and

WHEREAS, since the early 1980's, the district's Table of Organization lists one building administrator, who serves as principal for both Columbus and Lincoln Schools; and

WHEREAS, this shared principal was the result of Lincoln School having only one (1) Grade 7 and one (1) Grade 8 class; and Columbus School having Kindergarten thru Grade 6; and

WHEREAS, the increased enrollment at Lincoln School now houses additional classes at Lincoln School (2) sections of grades 4-8 and Columbus School (2) sections of grades 1-3; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these enrollment increases, and in light of recent events relative to school safety and security; now

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education, approves the addition of one building principal to its Table of Organization , for the 2013-2014 school year, effective July 1, 2013; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Table of Organization reflect one (1) building principal at Lincoln School and one (1) building principal at Columbus School; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding for this position be included in the 2013-2014 school budget.

-----SEPARATE VOTE-----

Ronald Grillo asked for the following committee reports:

Special Needs Committee

Christine Melleno discussed a meeting to be held 2/28/12 at Washington School.

School Safety & Substance Abuse Committee

Chris Musto discussed a meeting to be held on Wednesday, 2/13/12 at 10:00 a.m.

#### Committee for Performing Arts

Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent discussed the High School Auditorium Renovation Project at no cost to the district.

There will be a performance by Jimmy Smagula on May 17, 18 & 19, 2013. Tickets will be sold.

She also spoke about Adopt a Chair Program. Anthony Guzzo, architect will look into three choices for the renovation.

A committee will be formed for this initiative.

Ronald Grillo mentioned there will be an Art Sale the same weekend of the performance, May 17-19, 2013.

James Hooper acknowledged the great performance of all who participated in High School Musical, "The Wedding Singer".

#### Community Relations Committee

Chris Musto discussed the Health Fair to be held on May 10 & 11, 2013. This will be in conjunction with the District Walk-a-Thon.

#### James Hooper

Discussed Battle of the Bands

#### Tom DiMascio

#### Lame Duck Session

Board of Education meeting dates for November & December needs to be discussed.

#### New Business

Calendar of Board of Education meetings was adjusted to change May 13, 2013 meeting to May 6, 2013 and to discuss November & December meetings.

Discussion regarding new principal.

#### Superintendent's Report

1. District Band & Choir Schedule
2. Academic Awards – May 7, 2013
3. Realtime to do Reverse 911
4. Clara Maass Program was cancelled due to low enrollment of students.
5. Dr. Seuss Day to be March 1, 2013.

6. Potential School Calendar for 2013-2014.

Non-Agenda

Tara Castellitto

Reverse 911

i-Pads – Repair

Debbie Peloso

Dr. Seuss Committee and Guest Speakers

When will the time schedule committee meet again?

James Hooper

Questioned why there are 12 single session days?

Chris Musto

Suggested no school on Election Day – November 5, 2013

Board Members are to give comments on 2013-2014 School Calendar to James Hooper.

Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent did a presentation on NJASK test scores.

Motion to Go Into Executive Caucus

Motion by Josephine Malaniak second by Thomas DiMascio and unanimously carried, the Board went into Executive Caucus at 9:50 p.m. for the purpose of: a matter involving staff members, other Board Member social media issues, pending or anticipated litigation and personnel.

Motion To Open Meeting to Public

Motion by Christine Melleno second by Christopher Musto and unanimously carried, the Board opened the meeting to the public at 10:50 p.m.

Roll Call For:

The following Board members answered roll call: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Josephine Malaniak, Christopher Musto, Thomas DiMascio, Sheri Jarvis, James Cunniff & Stephen Vendola.

Personnel Committee

Any Board member who takes exception to any of the following listed actions under the category of Personnel Committee may so indicate now and a separate motion for each of the excepted actions will be entertained.



Motion made by Christine Melleno second by Thomas DiMascio that the following Personnel Committee actions of the Board numbered 1 through 10 and 12 through 17 exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For: (9) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak, Thomas DiMascio & Sheri Jarvis.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education appoint the following 2012-2013 Spring Athletic Positions, subject to negotiations:

Track

Thomas Shoebridge	Head Boys Track Coach	\$9,318.00
Kimberly Hykey	Head Girls Track Coach	\$7,279.00
James Day	Assistant Girls Track Coach	\$7,064.00
Darius Hughes	Assistant Boys Track Coach	\$7,064.00
Edward Tessalone	Assistant Boys Track Coach	\$7,064.00
David Rasczyk	Assistant Boys Track Coach	\$5,488.00

2. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Kelly Chua, Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant, a Maternity Leave of Absence under the Family Leave Act with the use of accumulated sick days from April 15, 2013 through May 31, 2013. Family Leave Act from June 1, 2013 to June 21, 2013. Return to work date September 3, 2013.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Shannon Ross, Roosevelt School Teacher, grade 8, a Maternity Leave of Absence under the Family Leave Act with the use of accumulated sick days from April 22, 2013 to May 30, 2013. Family Leave Act from May 31, 2013 to June 21, 2013. Return to work date September 3, 2013.
4. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education appoint Ann DeForge as a permanent substitute teacher for the 2012-2013 school year, effective immediately, at a salary of \$22,000.00 pro-rated.
5. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following for the 2012-2013 school year. Employment will be provisional, subject to authorization approval pending completion of criminal history background check, and subject to submission of all required application documents:

Monica Burgos – Substitute Custodian @ \$14.00 per hour

Kristina Caporino – Lunch Aide at Washington School @ \$10.00 per hour

6. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve Lauren Gash as SEMI Coordinator for the 2012-2013 school year as per contract, subject to negotiations.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education place the following employees on the proper step of the salary guide, effective February 1, 2013, subject to negotiations:

Kelly Chua      From: MA + 30 @ \$62,715    To: MA + 45 @ \$66,715

Tanya Pastor    From: MA @ \$58,715                      To: MA + 30 @ \$62,715

8. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education, approve Philip Sgroi to assist a classified student from the house to the bus between 7:30 and 7:45 a.m. and between 3:15 and 3:30 pm. from the school to the bus on a daily basis at a rate of pay of \$10.00 per hour.
9. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2012-2013 school year, pending completion of criminal history background check:

Boys Track

Alfredo Diaz

Anthony Immediate

Mehmet Guevner

Girls Track

Jennifer Scardelli

Baseball

Jim Walker

Perrin Mosca

Robert Fagan

Richard Tuero

Nick Edwards

Softball

Emily Ringen

10. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following Professional Development Opportunities:

Joseph Castagnetti  
High School

1/31/13 & 2/1/13 – Coaching Clinic  
Northeast Clinic  
Approx. \$75.00

Lisa Stellato High School	2/6/13 – Truancy and the Law Approx. \$8.06	
Melissa Hamilton High School	2/8/13 – Practical Therapy Techniques of Persistent Articulation Errors Approx. \$225.00	
Tanya Pastor High School	2/11/13 – Cullman Center Institute for Teachers: The Writer and the Editor Approx. \$20.00	
Joseph Kropa & Emily Ringen High School	2/15 – 2/18/13 – Project Adventure Advancing Active Learning Approx. \$600.00 each	
Richard Tuero & Joseph Kropa High School	2/25/13 – NJAHPERD 2013 Annual Convention Approx. \$165.00 each	
Tom Thomas High School	3/6/13 – Coaching Clinic Current Updates on the Treatment of Low Back Pain Approx. \$189.00	
Maryann Mule High School	3/8/13 – Getting In Tune: Harmonizing the Field of Addiction Approx. \$178.20	
Kristen Webb High School	3/8 & 3/9 – The Many Facets of School Nursing Approx. \$320.50	
Diane Jankowski High School	3/13/13 – Section 504 Approx. \$189.99	
Erik Franklin, Ruth Stern & Sara Lampmann High School	3/22/13 – 27 <sup>th</sup> Annual Pre-Calculus Conference Approx. \$177.09 each	
Margaret Weckstein & Jankowski High School	4/12/13 – Transforming Learning/Transforming Approx. \$65.00 each	Diane Live
Tanya Pastor	5/3/13 – Garden State Scholastic Press Assoc. Meeting 2-11-13	

High School                                 Approx. \$86.32

Laura Vuono                                 5/6/13 – Advanced iPad Training for School  
High School                                 Leaders  
Approx. \$178.14

- 12. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached list of substitute teachers for the 2012-2013 school year. Employment will be provisional, subject to authorization approval pending completion of criminal history background check, and subject to submission of all required application documents.
  
- 13. BE IT RESOLVED by the Lyndhurst Board of Education as follows:
  - 1. The request of Anna Gianatiempo to irrevocably resign her employment by the Board, effective the close of business February 28, 2013, is hereby granted and accepted.
  
  - 2. The terms, stipulations and conditions as established in a Separation of Employment Agreement, annexed to this Resolution, dated January 15, 2013, are hereby adopted and approved by the Board of Education. The President and Secretary of the Board of Education are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Separation of Employment Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate this Separation of Employment Agreement.
  
- 14. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Anthony Sorrentino an extended leave of absence at no monetary compensation in accordance with the LEA agreement Article XVI through June 2014, unless mutually shortened by the parties.
  
- 15. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Laura Napolitano a non-paid Leave of Absence under the Family Leave Act with an estimated return to work of April 2013.
  
- 16. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Jennifer Paterno a non-paid Leave of Absence under the Family Leave Act from January 25, 2013 to February 25, 2013.
  
- 17. BE IT RESOLVED, at the recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant Perrin Mosca a Leave of Absence with the use of accumulated sick days from March 11, 2013 to April 30, 2013 and a non-paid Family Leave under the Family Leave Act from May 1, 2013 to May 17, 2013.

-----SEPARATE VOTE-----

Motion by Christine Melleno second by James Hooper.

11. BE IT RESOLVED, at recommendation of Tracey L. Marinelli, Superintendent of Schools, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education grant the following college student permission to complete a practicum in the Lyndhurst Public Schools in order to fulfill her course requirements:

Lauren Jarvis	Practicum, 12 hours
Caldwell College	February 25 – May 24, 2013

Roll Call For: (8) Ronald Grillo, James Cunniff, James Hooper, Christine Melleno, Chris Musto, Stephen Vendola, Josephine Malaniak & Thomas DiMascio.

Abstain: (1) Sheri Jarvis

-----SEPARATE VOTE -----

#### Adjournment

Motion by Thomas DiMascio second by Chris Musto and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David DiPisa  
School Business Administrator  
Board Secretary