

LYNDHURST BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 29, 2016

Agenda
(Meeting #3)

WELCOME, to a public meeting of the Lyndhurst Board of Education. The Board is meeting this evening for the purpose of taking official, formal action on the business of the Board and school district.

The business the Board will act on this evening, as contained on the following pages, is broken down in sections in this order:

Finance/Facilities Committee
Education and Curriculum Committee
Policies and Rules/Regulations Committee
Athletics/Student Activities/Substance Abuse Committee

The FIRST segment – Public Hearing on Meeting Agenda is devoted to hearing from those persons who might have questions or statements regarding any of the matters listed on the following pages and which the Board will be acting on this evening.

The SECOND segment – Public Hearing on Other Than Meeting Agenda is devoted to hearing from those persons who might have questions or statements regarding Board or school district matters OTHER THAN matters, which appear on the following pages.

If you wish to address the Board, at either or both of these public hearing segments, you are asked to sign in on the speakers' sheet located on the podium. When your name is called, please wait until you are recognized by the Board president. When recognized, please stand up and clearly state your name and address. All questions or statements must be addressed to the Board president. You are asked to limit your remarks to three (3) minutes or less.

The Board, through the president, or upon permission of the president through individual Board members, may or may not respond to your comments.

Members of the public are asked to refrain from reading articles out loud at meetings. If there is an article(s) that you would like the Board to know about, please leave a copy with the Board Secretary/Business Administrator who will see to it that it gets distributed to the proper persons.

We hope your visit with us this evening will be an enjoyable and informative one.

AGENDA

2-29-16

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. SALUTE TO FLAG
3. ROLL CALL
4. PRESIDING OFFICER'S MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – # 21 January 7, 2016 - Sine Die Meeting
 # 1 January 7, 2016 - Reorganization Meeting
 # 2 January 7, 2016
6. PUBLIC HEARING ON MEETING AGENDA
7. BOARD DISCUSSION & FORMAL BUSINESS AGENDA
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
9. NEW BUSINESS
10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
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12. ADJOURNMENT

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Finance/Facilities and District Planning:

Ronald Szwec, Chairman
 Ronald Grillo
 Josephine Malaniak

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

Motion made by _____ second by _____ that the following Finance
 actions of the Board numbered _____ through _____ exception actions be
 adopted.

Roll Call For:

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 December 31, 2015 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, 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, 2016 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.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the payroll for the month ended January 31, 2016 be and the same is hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll	January 15, 2016	\$ 1,274,648.51
	January 30, 2016	\$ 1,138,363.26

4. 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 23, 2016 be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Charter School (Fund 10)	\$ 17,739.00
Current Expense (Fund 11)	\$ 1,980,308.86
Capital Outlay (Fund 12)	\$ 12,924.05
Special Revenue (Fund 20)	\$ 121,110.72
Grand Total	\$ 2,132,080.63
General Ledger	\$ 237,517.98

5. 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 31, 2016, be and the same are hereby approved and ordered paid:

Payroll/Payroll Taxes	\$ 27,531.55
Refunds	\$ 52.50
Supplies	\$ 2,941.00
Services	\$ 29,479.63

- 6 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached transfers for the month of December 2015.
7. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education accept the preventative maintenance and service contract for Command Radio.
8. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve an amended FY 2016 IDEA Grant application in the amount of \$665,250.00 for the 2015-2016 school year.
9. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding, issued by Hasbrouck Heights as the acting fiscal agent of the FY2015 Title III Grant Consortium, which allocates the Lyndhurst Public Schools funds in the amount of \$7742.00 for the 2015-2016 school year.
10. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the contract with Accu Scan Digital Archival Solutions.

11. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the contract with Trojan Mechanical.
12. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Township of Lyndhurst, County of Bergen, approve the services for Jarvis Plumbing and Heating through February 29, 2016 in the amount of \$1,016.00.

Education and Curriculum Committee:

Susan Alcuri, Chairwoman
 Joseph Abruscato
 Beverly Alberti
 Josephine Malaniak

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

Motion made by _____ second by _____ that the following Education and Curriculum Committee actions of the Board numbered _____ through _____ exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the district's *ESEA Accountability Action Plan* for the 2015 Participation Rate in the NJ state assessment (PARCC) for those schools, and the related subgroups, that did not meet the required 95% participation rate: Memorial, Jefferson, and Lyndhurst High School.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the proposed district calendar for the 2016-17 school year.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the presentation *NJ Scores!* on the evening of Monday, March 14th in Memorial Campus at 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of informing parents/caregivers about the PARCC assessment (funded by NJPTA and other groups).
4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the purchase and implementation of class sets of *The Nystrom Atlas of United States History* books for use in all seventh and eighth grade social studies classrooms beginning the 2016-17 school year.
5. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve that the Grade 9-12 Science course sequence for special education students be changed
From
Introduction to Geophysical Science, Introduction to Biology, and Introduction to Chemistry
To
Earth and Environmental Science, Introduction to Biology, and Introduction to Chemistry and Physics
 in order to align with the New Generation Science Standards, effective September 2016.

6. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the implementation of History "Selectives" at Lyndhurst High School for the 2017-18 school year, as described below:

In place of *U.S. History I*, students would choose either

- *American Revolution and Constitution* (half year course), followed by *Early American Politics: Washington - Jackson* (half year course)
- or**
- *America Divided: Sectionalism - Civil War* (half year course), followed by *Civil War & Reconstruction* (half year course)

In place of *U. S. History II*, students would choose either

- *American Expansion: Post-Civil War* (half-year), followed by *US in the World Wars: WWI & WWII*
- or**
- *US Domestic/Foreign Policy: 1945-1991* (half-year), followed by *US Domestic/Foreign Policy: 1991-Present Day* (half-year)

7. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the following dates for Kindergarten Registration for 2016-2017 school year:

March 15, 16, & 17, 2016
 Community School
 862 Valley Brook Avenue
 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Policies and Rules/Regulations Committee:

Joseph Abruscato, Chairman
 Susan Alcuri
 Christopher Musto

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 _____ second by _____ that the following Rules & Regulations Committee actions of the Board numbered _____ through _____ exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

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

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Date, Time, Purpose</u>
Franklin School PTA	Franklin School 2 Classrooms	February 22 & 29, 2016 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. Bricks 4 Kidz Program
	Franklin School 2 Classrooms	March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2016 April 5, 12, 2016 3:15 – 4:15 p.m. Mad Science After-school Program
	Memorial Campus Classroom/ Science Lab	March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2016 April 7, 14, 2016 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Mad Science After-school Program
Lyndhurst Emergency Squad	LHS Gymnasium	March 6, 2016 6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Flea Market
Lyndhurst Parks Dept.	Jefferson School Gymnasium	March 5, 2016 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. March 6, 2016 4:30 – 8:30 p.m. Baseball Try-outs
	LHS Gymnasium	March 11, 2016 6 p.m.- 9 p.m. Softball Try-outs

Lyndhurst Parks Dept. (cont.)	Jefferson School Gymnasium	March 12, 2016 After 2:00 p.m. March 13, 2016 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. March 18, 2016 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
	Jefferson School Gymnasium	March 19, 2016 After 2:00 p.m. March 20, 2016 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. Softball Try-outs
	Jefferson School Field	April 23 & 30, 2016 May 7, 14, 21, 2016 June 4, 2016 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Lacrosse practice
	Franklin School Gymnasium	January 17, 2016 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Walk through Cheer
	LHS	January 30, 2016 Set up aft. 5:00
	Gym, Aud., Locker Rm. Class Rms., Hallway Cafeteria	January 31, 2016 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Cheer Competition
	LHS Gymnasium	January 13, 2016 8:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Cheer Kick Off
Lynd. Park/Special Angels/ Police Department	LHS Gymnasium	April 9, 2016 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. Basketball Game with police
Sacred Heart School	LHS Field, Track, Restrooms	May 1, 2016 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Track Meet
LHS Project Graduation	Jefferson School Gymnasium	April 17, 2016 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Zumba

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the attached Doctrine of Necessity.
3. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education affirms the Superintendent's decision in HIB investigations for the reasons set forth in the Superintendent's decision to the students' parents, and directs the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to transmit a copy of the Board's decision to the affected students' parents.

Athletics/Student Activities/Substance Abuse Committee:

Sheri Jarvis, Chairwoman
 Ronald Grillo
 Joseph Abruscato

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

Motion made by _____ second by _____ that the following Student Activities & Recognition Committee actions of the Board numbered _____ through _____ exception actions be adopted.

Roll Call For:

1. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve bedside instruction for two (2) students, subject to state approval.
2. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lyndhurst Board of Education approve the transfer of one student from an out-of-district placement to BCSSD's Gateway program in Hackensack at the yearly tuition of \$56,880, prorated. Transportation has been arranged through SBJC.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

February 29, 2016

- We extend sincere appreciation to members of the 2016-2017 District Master Calendar Committee, namely:

Susan Alcuri	Rick Falcicchio	Michael Rizzo
Debra Altieri	Robert Giangeruso	Jennifer Scardino
Theresa Brennen	Sheri Jarvis	Blake Spence
Shauna DeMarco	Erin Keefe	Frank Venezia
David DiPisa		

This committee was representative of a cross-section of our school community and it successfully served as a forum for collaboration and consensus building in the development of the 2016-17 Master Calendar to be officially approved by the Lyndhurst Board of Education at the February 29, 2016 Public Meeting.

- We received a copy of a letter of recognition from the NJDOE confirming receipt of the Lyndhurst Public Schools Mid-Year Budget Review. The department commended the district's commitment to digital learning through the high school 1:1 initiative as well as our classroom computers and computer labs designed to assist students obtain college and career readiness skills. The department also noted that their review of our Efficiency Standards, in accordance with N.J.A.C.6A:23A-9.3, showed that Lyndhurst met the State Efficiency Standards but exceeded the Administrative and Legal per pupil costs plus Administrative ratios. Recognition is in order for Mr. David DiPisa, School Business Administrator and the central office staff for a job well done!
- We are proud to announce the following educators who have been nominated by a school committee of their peers for the 2015-16 Governor's Educator of the Year Award. This new program integrates the Teacher of the Year Program with the Governor's Teacher/Educational Services Professional Recognition Program to acknowledge the hard work of outstanding teachers and educational services professionals. The nominees for the Lyndhurst Public School District are:

Christina Bernardo	Kristin Marron
Theresa Brennen	Elaine Sica
Gillian Birnback	Dawn Spiro-Egbert
Genevieve Kairys	Stacy Tulloch

Congratulations to each of these truly exemplary educators who serve the best interests of our children, socially and academically, as well as their schools and our community. We admire the ethic of their professionalism.

*These teachers will be invited to the March 21, 2016 Board of Education Meeting to be recognized.

- The Central Office and District Leadership Team engaged in robust effort to educate the parents and all stakeholders in our school community regarding the critical importance of student participation in the 2016 PARCC test. A comprehensive communication plan was put into effect throughout the months of January and February highlighting the distinct academic advantages for students to engage in a computer based assessment, the style much like those they will encounter on an SAT, ACT, college placement, or a military entrance exam. Our educational community believes participation in PARCC is in the best interest of our students.
- We recently received a letter from the NJDOE recognizing the efforts of Ms. Luann Voza for her participation in New Jersey's Revision of Standards for Mathematics Committee. Ms. Voza participated in both on-site committee meetings and individual work, recommending revisions to the Common Core State Standards and New Jersey's current standards for mathematics. Her hard work as a sub-committee member ensures that students have the benefit of robust standards and effective teaching in every mathematics classroom.
- Ms. Andrea Moore, representative of the New Jersey Special Olympics, conducted the first of a series of training sessions at the Community Center in planning and preparation for the "Lyndhurst Special Olympics". Members of the Lyndhurst Committee are: Christine Caldwell, Maria Fagan, Melissa Hamilton, Karen Herman, Susan Savino, Robert Giangeruso, Jeff Radigan, and Sharon King-Dobson. Special Olympics of N.J. and the Lyndhurst Committee will create an inclusive program that ensures physical education, sports and fitness, and extra curricular activities accessible to all students. The first year is designed as a pilot program to meet gross motor skills learning standards for pre-school children. As the planning and training continues, more information will follow. Congratulations and encouragement is extended to educators, parents and children who will be involved in this Special Olympics of New Jersey / Lyndhurst Public School District Partnership.
- Ms. Donna Romeo, Director of the Lyndhurst Public Library announced that the science teachers at Memorial Campus engaged in a study of biomes and visited the Lyndhurst Public Library with their classes at the end of January. Children's Librarian Melissa Tyskewicz made texts available on biomes, habitats, and ecosystems for the third graders. She also used instruction sheets on how to retrieve peer-reviewed databases from home with their library cards. The Memorial Campus teachers encouraged the students to register for library cards before the scheduled field trips. The Lyndhurst Public Schools and Lyndhurst Public Library continue to provide creative learning opportunities for our children through this important partnership.

- The American Legion has nominated Maureen Colombo for their Educator of the Year Award. Ms. Colombo works closely with the American Legion in coordinating Boys and Girls State. Mr. Witt and Mr. Brechtbill noted that Ms. Colombo has always positively contributed to the program, is highly organized and thorough, and always has the best interest of the students in mind. Congratulations, Ms. Colombo!
- Sincere thanks and commendations are extended to all who made special accommodations as a result of the Boiler Repair at Columbus School. The collaboration of administrators, faculty, and support staff at Columbus School, Memorial Campus, and the Community School enabled an effective transition to alternate sites. Special recognition is given to the maintenance staff under the direction of Keith Matino. Thank you to the parents/care-givers for their cooperation. Everyone involved in the relocation effort contributed to the swift and smooth resolution of this situation.
- Congratulations to three Lyndhurst High School music students who have been accepted into prestigious New Jersey Regional Ensembles:

Northern New Jersey Region I Symphonic Band:

Andrew Mayewski	Trumpet	5
Betsaida Oliveira	Trumpet	8

Northern New Jersey Region I Wind Ensemble:

Dennis Alarcon	Piccolo	1
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Northern New Jersey Region I Orchestra

Dennis Alarcon	Piccolo	1
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*These students will be invited to the March 21, 2016 Board of Education Meeting to be recognized.

- We are please to announce that artwork from Roosevelt School students is currently on display at a mini-museum at Lyndhurst's Kearny Savings Bank. The following students are sharing their pieces:

Juliana Amato
Karam Daoud
Anglina DeLuca
Kevin Demochowski
Emma Ferschweiler
Gabriela Frey
Aidan Griffith

Mia Guzzo
Dimple Kavgriwala
Tyler Laski
Carley Martin
Allison McKerry
Kaelan Montesinos
Joelle Montillo

Bianca Palestis
Gianna Radzion
Abhishek Rameshkunar
Isabella Rivera
Jeline Rivera
Prires Sahiti
Hudert Skwara

- Congratulations to Maryann Mule', Student Assistance Counselor for facilitating two community seminars during the month of February.
 - "Anti Bullying Bill of Rights and You"
 - "A Workshop on Dating Abuse & Healthy Relationships"
- February was the month of THE ADDAMS FAMILY at Lyndhurst High School. Special recognition and CONGRATULATIONS to all those who contributed to this wonderful musical, including but not limited to:
 - Ms. Ruiz, Director/Choreographer
 - Ms. Wise, Assistant Director/Vocal Director
 - Mr. Dellosa, Musical Director
 - Ms. Silvalo, Publicity
 - Ms. Rodriguez, Costuming
 - Mr. Rodriguez, Scenery
 - Karina Crespo, Student Director
 - Cast Members
 - Female Ensemble
 - Male Ensemble
 - Pit Orchestra
 - Contributors/Boosters

The musical is another example of the joy, teamwork, talent and school spirit exemplified by our faculty, staff and student body working together in a unity of purpose.

- Principal of Lincoln School, Mr. Michael Rizzo announced the following:
 - On February 23, 2016, Lincoln School hosted a "Mobile Dentist" to provide dental services to students of Lincoln School that were in need of these services. Almost twenty students from our population received cleanings and other dental services free of charge
 - The NED Show visited Lincoln School on February 11, 2016 to perform a free show focused on an anti-bullying message for our fourth and fifth graders
 - The National Junior Honor Society, through its Penny Wars fundraiser, was able to raise over \$3,500, which was donated to Shriners Children's Hospital as part of their service project.

Commendations to Mr. Rizzo and the Lincoln School Community.

- The "Go Red" fundraiser for the American Heart Association was a huge success. The district raised \$975.00 to be donated to the American Heart Association. Congratulations and thank you to those who participated in this cause for "Women and Heart disease". Special recognition to Elaine Sica for her efforts and to the school nurses and Diane Mitchell for participating in the collection process.

Respectfully submitted,
James A. Corino, Ed. D.