

Board of Education  
Lancaster Central School District  
Lancaster, New York

Minutes

Meeting Date

August 7, 2023

Kind

Regular Session

Place

William Street School, 5201 William Street, Lancaster

Members Present

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

Members Excused

Jill Fecher, 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  
Karen Marchioli, EdD, Director of Elementary Education

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 Edward J. Myszka, who worked in the Lancaster Central School District for 46 years beginning in 1967. Mr. Myszka was a business teacher for 12 years; the assistant superintendent for business and support services for 28 years; and superintendent of schools for 6 years. Mr. Myszka retired in 2013 and passed away on July 14, 2023.

- 4.0 Presentation  
Comprehensive District  
Educational Plan (CDEP)

John Armstrong, Erin Gannon, Andrew Kufel, Andrew Krazmien, and Karen Marchioli presented information to the board regarding the Comprehensive District Educational Plan which included goals and plans of action in literacy, 3-8 English Language Arts, writing, science,

Algebra I, college credit math, college credit, and multi-tiered systems of support.

5.0 Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

6.0 Approval of Minutes  
6.1 Organizational Meeting  
July 10, 2023

Moved by Talarico seconded by Cohen to accept the minutes from the organizational meeting held on July 10, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 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

There were 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 Davenport seconded by Jackson to approve the personnel changes for the period ending August 7, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.1.2 Tenure Recommendations

Moved by Cohen seconded by Talarico to approve the teachers listed for tenure status, effective on the date as indicated. Such grant of tenure is subject to and conditioned upon the teacher receiving an APPR rating of (D) Developing or higher at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year. In the event that they do not obtain the required rating as described above, the tenure appointment shall be null and void.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.1.3 Appointment of Senior  
Microcomputer Technical  
Support Specialist

Moved by Jackson seconded by Talbot to approve the appointment of Eric Miller as Senior Microcomputer Technical Support Specialist commencing July 28, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

11.2 Education Items

11.2.1 Committee on Special Education

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to approve the recommendations of the committee on special education, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

11.2.2 Committee on Preschool  
Special Education

Moved by Cohen seconded by Talbot to approve the recommendations of the committee on preschool special education, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

12.0 Business & Financial Items

12.1 Financial Reports

Moved by Cohen seconded by Jackson to approve the financial reports, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

12.2 Policy Adoption #7420  
Sports and the Athletic Program

Moved by Davenport seconded by Cohen to adopt Policy #7420 Sports and the Athletic Program for inclusion in the district's policy manual, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

12.3 Policy Adoption #8240  
Instruction In Certain Subjects

Moved by Talbot seconded by Talarico to adopt Policy #8240 Instruction In Certain Subjects for inclusion in the district's policy manual, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

12.4 Policy 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
#3410 Code of Conduct

Policy #3410 Code of Conduct 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 Policy 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
#8110 Curriculum Development,  
Resources, and Evaluation

Policy #8110 Curriculum Development, Resources, and Evaluation was presented to the board for a first reading. This policy will be placed on the board's next agenda for a second reading.

12.6 Child Nutrition Annual Renewal

Moved by Davenport seconded by Cohen to approve Arlene Denver as the reviewing official, Jamie Phillips as the hearing official and Arlene Denver as the verification official for participation in the Federal Child Nutrition Program for the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.  
Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays  
Motion approved.

12.7 Food Service Department  
Operating Systems Reports  
June 2023

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

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.8 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 Food Service Department Wages

Moved by Cohen seconded by Talbot to approve the food service department employees retroactive wage increase for 2022-2023 and for the wages to remain for 2023-2024 at an increase of 6% per hour, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.9 Contract – WNY Dyslexia Specialists, LLC

Moved by Talarico seconded by Cohen to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and WNY Dyslexia Specialists, LLC to provide reading instruction services for the 2023-2024 school year, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.10 Contract – Dr. Erik Wiedemann

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Dr. Erik Wiedemann, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.11 Contract – Pediatric Home Nursing Services, Inc., d/b/a Aveanna Healthcare

Moved by Cohen seconded by Talarico to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Pediatric Home Nursing Services, Inc., d/b/a Aveanna Healthcare, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.12 Contract – OG Instruction Laurie D. Leason

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and OG Instruction – Laurie D. Leason, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.13 Contract – Young + Wright Architectural

Moved by Davenport seconded by Cohen to approve the agreement between the Lancaster Central School District and Young + Wright Architectural, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.14 Declare Surplus Buses

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to declare the attached listing of seven school buses as surplus and authorize them to be auctioned or scrapped, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.15 Declare Surplus Equipment

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

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.16 Declare Surplus Textbooks

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talbot to declare the attached listing of textbooks surplus and authorize their disposal in accordance with board policy #5250, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.17 Construction Change Orders

Moved by Cohen seconded by Jackson to approve change orders 77P3 CO-303-005, 77P3 CO-309-004, 77P3 CO-323-008, 77P4 CO-403-003, 77P4 CO-423-001 and 77P4 CO-431-003, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.18 Request for Proposal  
Self-Funded Health Insurance  
Plan Consultant Services

Moved by Davenport seconded by Talarico to accept the proposal from Lawley Benefits Consulting, with service effective August 1, 2023, as submitted.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

12.19 Tax Certiorari Settlements –  
Goetz Energy Corporation  
BMNG, Inc., Frank Venditti,  
6500 Transit Road, LLC

Tax certiorari information was presented to the board for information regarding the following: Goetz Energy Corporation, BMNG, Inc., Frank Venditti, and 6500 Transit Road, LLC.

12.20 2023-2024 Tax Levy

Moved by Davenport seconded by Cohen to approve the 2023-2024 tax rate, based on a total tax levy of \$61,232,869, for Lancaster at \$14.678492, Cheektowaga at \$12.127295 and Elma at \$398.039781, as submitted.

Vote on the Motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

13.0 Public Hearing

Nobody addressed the board at this time.

14.0 Adjournment

At 7:51pm moved by Jackson seconded by Talarico to adjourn the regular session.

Vote on the motion: 6 Ayes 0 Nays

Motion approved.

Sandra A. Janik, District Clerk