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**Lansingburgh Central School District
Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, December 19, 2022
Turnpike Elementary School - Cafeteria**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Jason Shover at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board of Education Members, Andrea Fairhurst, Jillian Manupella, Daniella Richards, Jason Shover, James Spear and Thomas Zakrzewski were present. Michael Cusack, Talia Pallozzi and Jessica Vartigian were absent from the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Others present include Lindsey Gibson (on behalf of the LTA), Matthew Van Dervoort, Carrie Phelan, Katie Stalker, Kelly Cataldo, Linda Klime, Rebecca McGrouty, Dr. Antonio Abitabile and Christina Williams. There were no others present.

Mr. Shover read the District's Mission Statement:

MISSION

Our mission at the Lansingburgh Central School District is to create for all students a productive, challenging and safe educational environment. Our students will acquire civic values and learning skills and strategies through a dynamic partnership between the schools and community. These experiences will inspire a lifetime of learning and self-sufficiency.

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

**RESO #1-12/19/2022
Approve Meeting
Agenda**

RESOLVED, the Board hereby approves the corrected meeting agenda for December 19, 2022.

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Ms. Fairhurst reported for the Curriculum Committee:

- Tonight we reviewed the Grades 7 & 8 Science curriculum.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Ms. Richards reported for the Policy Committee:

- Tonight we reviewed the sexual harassment policies.

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Mr. Shover reported for the Audit Committee:

- The 22-23 budget is on track with about 10% unencumbered.
- All bargaining unit contracts have been settled.
- The budget was adjusted for busing for field trips.
- Tonight, the Board will be approving a third PILOT for Solar Energy. Dusenbery and Belaire have already been approved. Oakwood will be approved tonight.
- The external audit of Federal Funds will be completed in January.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by Mrs. Manupella:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the Treasurer’s Report, Budget Transfers and Monthly Financial Report submitted by the Audit Committee.

RESO #2-12/19/2022 Approve Financial Reports

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board create an additional School Nurse position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School effective December 12, 2022.

RESO #3-12/19/2022 Create School Nurse Position

Second: Ms. Fairhurst

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 21, 2022 and minutes of the Special Meetings held on November 7, 2022 and December 5, 2022.

RESO #4-12/19/2022 Approve Minutes

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESO #5-12/19/2022

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RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Laurin Thorud, School Psychologist at Turnpike Elementary School, effective January 6, 2022.

**Accept Resignation –
Laurin Thorud**

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Lauren Bullock, Special Education Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School, effective December 31, 2022.

**RESO #6-12/19/2022
Accept Resignation –
Lauren Bullock**

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Emily Woofenden to a probationary teaching position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School in the tenure area of Special Education, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

**RESO #7-12/19/2022
Appoint Special
Education Teacher –
Emily Woofenden**

Commencement of Service – January 3, 2023

Expiration of Probationary Appointment – January 2, 2027

Certification Status – SWD 1-6, Professional (pending)

Salary: Step G \$55,386

Masters 450

Grad Credits 150 6,250

Doctoral Stipend 5,000

\$67,086

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints John Perugino to a probationary position at Lansingburgh High School in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

**RESO #8-12/19/2022
Appoint Teaching
Assistant – John
Perugino**

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Commencement of Service – December 12, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – December 11, 2026
Certification Status – Physical Education, Initial (pending)
Salary: Step 9 - \$23.13

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Rhianna Franchini to a probationary position at Knickerbacker Middle School in the tenure area of Teaching Assistant, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – December 12, 2022
Expiration of Probationary Appointment – December 11, 2026
Certification Status – Teaching Assistant Level I (pending)
Salary: Step 6 - \$20.57

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Maureen Sullivan as long-term substitute to fill the position of John Bergmann, Art Teacher at Lansingburgh High School, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: November 28, 2022
Expiration of Service: On or about February 17, 2023
Salary – 1/200th of Step 1

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following coaches for the 2022-2023 school year, with stipends in accordance with the LTA contract:

Devan Miller - Varsity Baseball Coach

RESO #9-12/19/2022
Appoint Teaching
Assistant – Rhianna
Franchini

RESO #10-12/19/2022
Appoint Long-Term
Substitute Teacher –
Maureen Sullivan

RESO #11-12/19/2022
Appoint Coaches

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Kayla Rooney – Volunteer Basketball Coach

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves a 2-hour per school day tutoring assignment shared by Audra Colliton and Rachel Walkuski, for the period of November 30, 2022 through December 23, 2022 for a KMS student with a medical condition.

RESO #12-12/19/2022
Approve Tutoring
Assignment

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following substitute paid through the 21st Century Grant:

Catherine Eldred – Substitute Program Director - \$30 per hour

RESO #13-12/19/2022
Approve Substitute
Program Director –
Catherine Eldred

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following substitute teachers for the 2022-2023 school year:

Phelisha Napples – uncertified
Samantha Pasinella - uncertified

RESO #14-12/19/2022
Approve Substitute
Teachers

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

PERSONNEL –
NON-
INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Jenna Sherman as Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, pending

RESO #15-12/19/2022
Appoint LPN – Jenna
Sherman

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clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – December 12, 2022
6-month Probationary Period
NYS Licensure Status – Licensed Professional Nurse
Salary – Step 3 - \$23.38 per hour

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESO #16-12/19/2022
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Samantha Filkins

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Samantha Filkins to a teacher aide position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – December 19, 2022
6-month Probationary Period
Salary: Step 3 - \$19.53 per hour

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESO #17-12/19/2022
Appoint Noon Aide

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following breakfast / noon aide for the 2022-2023 school year pending clearance by the New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law:

Emmanuel Rivera-Soto (effective November 28, 2022)

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Fairhurst:

RESO #18-12/19/2022
Appoint Non-
Instructional Sub

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following non-instructional substitute for the 2022-2023 school year:

Joseph Fogarty – substitute custodian

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #19-12/19/2022 Accept Donations

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the following donations:

| <u>From</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Purpose</u> |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Cornerstone Church | \$80.00 | Dress a Knight |
| Warren Fane | \$550.00 | Dress a Knight |
| Callanan Industries | \$2,000.00 | KMS Backpack Program |

Second: Ms. Fairhurst

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #20-12/19/2022 Approve Oakwood PILOT

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement for Solar Energy Systems between the Town of Brunswick and Lansingburgh Central School District and The County of Rensselaer, and North Troy Solar, LLC relating to the premises located at 289 Oakwood Avenue, Troy (Tax Map 80.-2-2.1) in the Town of Brunswick, Rensselaer County, New York; and

Be it further resolved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to execute the PILOT Agreement.

Second: Ms. Fairhurst

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #21-12/19/2022 Adopt Policies

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the second reading and adopts the following policies:

- 1405 – Complaints about Certain Federally-Funded Programs
- 1420 – Complaints about Curricula or Instructional Materials
- 1420-R – Complaints about Curricula or Instructional Materials Regulation
- 4772 – Graduation Ceremonies
- 4772-R – Graduation Ceremonies Regulation
- 4810 – Teaching about Controversial Issues

Second: Mr. Zakrzewski

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the first reading of the following revised policies:

- 5153 – Student Assignment to Schools and Classes
- 5420-R – Student Health Services Regulation
- 8121.1 – Opioid Overdose Prevention
- 8121.1-R – Opioid Overdose Prevention Regulation
- 9240 – Recruiting and Hiring
- 9700 – Professional Learning and Staff Development

Second: Ms. Richards

Ayes – 6 Nays – 0

RESO #22-12/19/2022
Approve First
Reading of Revised
Policies

Motion Carried
Unanimously

TES Report by Ms. Cataldo – See page 10.

RPES Report by Mrs. Stalker – See page 11.

KMS Report by Ms. Phelan – See page 12-13.

LHS Report by Mr. Van Dervoort – See page 14.

Principal's Reports

By Mrs. McGrouty:

- The November 1 Professional Development Day for faculty and staff was very successful. A survey conducted at completion shows a 95% approval rating. Rebecca, Gina and Lindsey continue to receive positive feedback.

Assistant
Superintendent
Report

By Dr. Abitabile:

- We continue receiving COVID Test Kits. With the abundance we have in storage, we will give them out to families and staff before the holiday break.
- There was a recent Capital Project meeting that focused on playground design.
- I am trying to set up a few group meetings with Mayor Madden, Carmella Mantello and Jim Gulli to increase communication between the city and school district.
- The next board workshop is scheduled for January 9. Mark Snyder of NYSSBA will meet with the Board to go over Self-Evaluation tool.
- I was invited to the Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Science. I was extremely impressed with the campus and the academic programs and pathways. They have much to offer our students.

Superintendent
Report

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Motion by Mr. Spear:

RESO #23-12/19/2022
Adjourn

Be it resolved this meeting of the Board of Education hereby
adjourns at 7:29 p.m.

Second: Mrs. Manupella

Ayes – 6

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Williams
Clerk to the Board of Education

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Kelly Cataldo
Principal's Report
Board Meeting
12/19/22

Attendance: Year to Date

1. UPK: 84%
2. K: 86%
3. 1st: 87%
4. 2nd: 88%
5. Overall: 86%

Curriculum and Instruction: Professional Development in December

1. **Michelle Stone- Literacy**- Kindergarten teachers worked on developing shared reading units to implement for the 2023 SY with her; Michelle modeled phonemic awareness lessons for reading teachers
2. **Jessica Decker- Math**- modeled Accountable Talk lessons for 1st grade teachers; led K-2 PLC's on the importance of using the modules, consistent math vocabulary, and increase the rigor
3. **Melissa Macaluso- SPED co teach PD**- Continuing to work with new co teach teams to enhance their pedagogy
4. **TOSA's/ Rebecca McGrouty**- continuing coaching session with new teachers; rolling out Revised Reading Units of Study with 2nd grade teachers as we are now adding iReady standard based lessons

Social and Emotional Learning:

1. Silver Spoon Luncheon - 12/22/22
 1. Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Your Best
2. Second Step starting in 2nd grade classrooms after the break

Events:

1. Holiday Shoppe
2. Winterfest
3. Toy Drive - 900 toys!!
4. Gift Giving Drive - in full swing!
 1. 10 families sponsored by the community
 2. 30+ families were invited to the Holiday Shop to shop for children's presents from the toy drive.

School Leadership:

1. Meeting all 2nd & 3rd year teachers tomorrow for mid-year check-in
2. Untenured observations done, moving onto tenured teachers
3. UPK Audit - debrief today, went very well

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Katie Stalker
RPES Principal's Report
Board Meeting
12.19.22

Attendance Rates

1. 3: 88.84%
2. 4: 88.37%
3. 5: 91.41%
4. Overall: 89.36%

Attendance committee at RPES:

- The attendance committee continues to meet to review attendance data and plan interventions as a team biweekly.

Curriculum and Instruction

- New Report Card Committee
- Michelle Stone- Planning phonics lessons
- Math, ELA, and AIS PLCs, focusing on utilizing intervention compass to determine instructional groupings
- i-Ready Winter Diagnostics
- F&P Assessments

Social and Emotional Learning

- [TSS Tier 2/3 Ally Get Together](#)
- Faculty Meeting
 - SST
 - Attendance

Events

- Parent/Teacher Conferences - 12/2 and 12/7
- Holiday Photo Fundraiser for Clothe-A-Student - raised \$840
- PTA Winter Movie Event - 12/13
- Winter Concert - 12/15

School Leadership




- APPR Observations
- ILT Meetings
- Planning for ELA and Math “Boot Camp”

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Knickerbacker Middle School Board Report December 19, 2022

| Area of Focus | Action/Initiatives |
|-------------------|---|
| ELA | ELA teachers continued to work on standards that students need more time on task with. |
| Math | Charlene Marchese was in for three days last week. She worked with math teachers on engaging students in activities around math inquiry, looking at data from the benchmark and continuing to differentiate for all learners. Charlene also spent planning time with Math Seminar and AIS teachers. |
| SEL/School Climat | <p>School Counselors continue pushing into classrooms to conduct monthly SEL Lessons using the Second Step curriculum. This month, the focus was on emotions, emotions and our brains, and how to identify stress and anxiety and when to seek help from a trusted adult.</p> <p>KMS Student Council participated in Troy's Turkey trot by decorating a 60 gallon trash can that represented our school.</p> <p>Student council and the rest of the district collected enough food to assist 75 families this year. Food was packed up this past Friday and deliveries have started today (Monday). Student council is currently hosting spirit week this week.</p> <p>During lunches the student council sold hot chocolate gift packets for students to purchase for fellow students or family members.</p> |

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| | <p data-bbox="391 180 703 212">KMS School Turkey Trot</p> <p data-bbox="1081 180 1365 212">Student Council - Food</p>   <p data-bbox="391 747 461 779">Drive</p>  |
| <p data-bbox="203 1125 350 1157">Attendance</p> | <p data-bbox="391 1125 1373 1192">The SST continues to work closely with students and families with attendance concerns.</p> <p data-bbox="391 1199 561 1230">6th-90.17%%</p> <p data-bbox="391 1236 542 1268">7th-88.65%</p> <p data-bbox="391 1274 542 1306">8th-88.24%</p> <p data-bbox="391 1312 589 1344">Overall-88.93%</p> |
| <p data-bbox="203 1377 350 1444">Parent Engagement</p> | <p data-bbox="391 1377 1373 1444">Parent Focus Groups were a success, parent square is a huge hit. Parents reported they feel it has improved communication.</p> <p data-bbox="391 1478 732 1509">PTSA Meeting was on the 7th</p> <p data-bbox="391 1543 837 1575">Snowball Dance Planning is in motion</p> |

Other Information:

- We have collected enough for 68 families for the KMS Food Drive
- Thank you to the Bretons and everyone who donated to clothe 10 sixth grade students
- Positive Referrals closed out on Friday with a total of 180 for November and December

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LHS Report
December 19, 2022

Attendance: (since last meeting)

9-75

10-78

11-84

12-78

YTD-85

Curriculum:

LHS continues to implement Next Gen Standards in Math, Science and ELA.

Special focus on CER for writing:

Claim

Evidence

Reasoning

HVCC Courses - we have requested more course approvals for Spring and 23-24 school year.

ELA 9 teachers are working with Questar to begin changing maps and activities to reflect Next Gen.

Science continues to work with Liz Mirra (unit planning and embedded observations) to reflect Next Gen.

Math (Algebra I) is working with Questar to begin changing maps and activities to reflect Next Gen.

Social Emotional Learning with Rebekah Magin:

9th grade will commence this week for their 10th week.

10th grade begins in January

Well received by students.

Extracurricular Activities:

Book Club continues - next Read "one of Us is Lying" by Karen McManus

Door Decorating Contest sponsored by the Senior Class takes place this week - many students and teachers have been working hard to create fun winter scenes in their classrooms.

Holiday concert tomorrow night

Pizza and Professions next speaker is Wednesday, 12/21 - Chief McMahon of the Troy Fire Department.