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**Lansingburgh Central School District
Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Monday, October 25, 2021
Turnpike Elementary School - Cafeteria**

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Michael Cusack **CALL TO ORDER** at 6:00 p.m.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Board of Education Members, Michael Cusack, Andrea Fairhurst, Jillian Manupella, Talia Pallozzi, Daniella Richards, Tina Rysedorph, Jason Shover, James Spear, and Jeffrey White were present.

ROLL CALL

Others present include Lindsey Gibson (on behalf of the LTA), Bob Schongar, Matthew Van Dervoort, Carrie Phelan, Katie Stalker, Meredith Rivet, Linda Klime, Lisa Kyer, Rebecca McGrouty, Dr. Antonio Abitabile and Christina Williams. There were 6 others present.

Mr. Cusack 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.

Cathy Curtis and Rachel Rooney addressed the Board with their concerns about transportation. There are still issues with buses not showing up at consistent times and sometimes not at all. Text messages are not coming through with updates about buses. There are still no seating charts and some of the drivers are not wearing masks.

**VISITORS ADDRESS
THE BOARD**

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #1-10/25/2021
Approve Agenda**

The Board of Education hereby approves the meeting agenda for October 25, 2021.

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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The Bonadio Group conducted the independent audit of the financial records of the school district for the year ending June 30, 2021. Alan Walther was present to report on their findings. The opinion issued was the highest level. They did not identify anything in the internal controls. They did find that the District was over the 4% fund balance which has been a coming finding due to the pandemic and closing of schools. The draft was sent to Linda Klime to share with the Board. The final should be issued at the end of the week.

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the Independent Auditor's Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 as discussed and reviewed at the Audit Committee Meeting held on October 25, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

AUDIT REPORT

**RESO #2-10/25/2021
Approve Financial
Reports**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 27, 2021 with a corrected salary calculation to resolution #14.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

PERSONNEL – INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Angela-Jo Barnett, Special Education Teacher at Lansingsburgh High School, for the purpose of retirement effective June 30, 2022, in accordance with the terms of the LTA Contract.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

**RESO #4-10/25/2021
Accept Retirement –
Angela-Jo Barnett**

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Janice Germain, Teaching Assistant at Turnpike Elementary School, for the purpose of

**RESO #5-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
Janice Germain**

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retirement effective November 30, 2021, in accordance with the terms of the CSEA Contract for Teaching Assistants.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of William Behrle, Assistant Principal at Lansingburgh High School, effective November 19, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**RESO #6-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
William Behrle**

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Allison Anglim, English Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School, effective November 19, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**RESO #7-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
Allison Anglim**

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Sean Gunderman, Science Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School, effective November 17, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**RESO #8-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
Sean Gunderman**

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Jessica Foley, Science Teacher at Knickerbacker Middle School, effective November 16, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

**RESO #9-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
Jessica Foley**

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Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Arianna DeNault, Teaching Assistant at Rensselaer Park Elementary School, effective November 6, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #10-10/25/2021
Accept Resignation –
Arianna DeNault

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Katherine Rice to a probationary teaching position at Lansingburgh High School in the tenure area of Mathematics, 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 – October 21, 2021

Expiration of Probationary Appointment – October 20, 2025

Certification Status – Mathematics 7-12, Initial (pending)

Salary - Step 1 / \$44,227

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #11-10/25/2021
Appoint Mathematics
Teacher – Katherine
Rice

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Caitlin Zautner 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 – October 25, 2021

Expiration of Probationary Appointment – October 24, 2025

Certification Status – Teaching Assistant, Level III

Salary – Step 9 - \$22.67 per hour

36 Graduate Credits = \$600

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #12-10/25/2021
Appoint Teaching
Assistant – Caitlin
Zautner

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Abigail Belter to a probationary position at Turnpike Elementary 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 – October 25, 2021

Expiration of Probationary Appointment – October 24, 2025

Certification Status – Childhood Education Grades 1-6, Initial

Salary – Step 12 - \$25.50 per hour

30 Graduate Credits = \$500

RESO #13-10/25/2021
Appoint Teaching
Assistant – Abigail
Belter

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESO #14-10/25/2021
Approve Additional
Assignments

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the following teachers for a sixth period assignment for the 2021-2022 school year:

Alaina Lange – effective September 1, 2021

Lucia Gutierrez – effective October 18, 2021

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESO #15-10/25/2021
Appoint Advisor

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Nicole Usher as Odyssey of the Mind Advisor for Rensselaer Park Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year with compensation in accordance with the LTA Contract.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESO #16-10/25/2021
Appoint Long-Term
Substitute Teacher –
Maureen Sullivan

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Maureen Sullivan as a long-term substitute teacher to fill the position formerly held by Maureen Ottati, with terms as set forth below:

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Commencement of Service: September 16, 2021

End of Service: October 1, 2021

Certification Status – Special Education, Permanent

Daily Rate – 1/200th of Step 1

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #17-10/25/2021
Appoint Long-Term
Substitute Teacher –
Maureen Sullivan**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Maureen Sullivan as a long-term substitute teacher to fill the position currently held by Lisa Langois, with terms as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: November 4, 2021

End of Service: TBD

Certification Status – Special Education, Permanent

Daily Rate – 1/200th of Step 1

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #18-10/25/2021
Appoint Tutors**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following staff members to tutoring assignments as set forth below:

Staff Member	Purpose	Effective Date	End Date
David Merrill	Awaiting CSE Placement	10/21/2021	TBD
Christina Huttner	Medical Purposes	09/07/2021	TBD
Timothy Hepp	Awaiting CSE Placement	10/04/2021	TBD

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #19-10/25/2021
Appoint Winter
Coaching Staff**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the 2021-2022 winter coaching staff:

Coaching Reappointments

Boys Varsity Basketball – Eric Loudis

Boys Junior Varsity Basketball – Pete Juste

Boys Modified Basketball – Anthony Emaanuel

Boys Varsity Bowling – Roland Blanchet

Girls Varsity Bowling – Anthony Faraci

Varsity Wrestling – Matthew Poodiack

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Girls Varsity Basketball – Darnell Sutton

New Appointments

Girls Junior Varsity Basketball – Ariana DeNault

Girls Modified Basketball – Mike Oliver

Modified Wrestling – John Verra

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #20-10/25/2021
Appoint STEP Staff**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints the following RPI STEP Program Tutors and Liaisons for the 2021-2022 school year:

STEP Program Liaison \$2500 stipend for the school year paid through RPI:

- Leesa Crawford-Young
- Amie Maguire

STEP Program Tutors \$40/hour for up to 40 one-hour tutoring sessions paid through RPI:

- Pam Baldassari
- Nicole Collard
- Catherine Eldred
- Cathleen Peter
- Jenna Tyler

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #21-10/25/2021
Approve October 2021
Graduate In-service
Salary Increment
Report and Additional
Compensation**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the October 2021 Graduate In-service Salary Increment Report and authorize additional compensation in accordance with the LTA salary schedule effective September 1, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

**RESO #22-10/25/2021
Approve Graduate
Credits – Alaina Lange**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves Alaina Lange be credited with 24 graduate

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credits totaling \$1,000.00 that will be added to her salary effective September 1, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the hourly rate change for Laurie Ryan to \$17.92 per hour, effective September 1, 2021 in accordance with the terms of the newly negotiated agreement with the CSEA Teaching Assistants Unit.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #23-10/25/2021
Approve Hourly Rate
Change – Laurie Ryan

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Carrie Rath for an unpaid leave of absence beginning October 25, 2021 through October 31, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #24-10/25/2021
Approve Unpaid Leave
– Carrie Rath

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Colleen Marro for an unpaid leave of absence beginning October 11, 2021 through November 16, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #25-10/25/2021
Approve Unpaid Leave
– Colleen Marro

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves the request of Rebecca Schumaker for an unpaid leave of absence beginning September 2, 2021 through October 1, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #26-10/25/2021
Approve Unpaid Leave
– Rebecca Schumaker

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PERSONNEL – NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board accepts the resignation of Ellen Gordon, Typist at Lansingburgh High School, for the purpose of retirement effective December 23, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #27-10/25/2021
Accept Retirement –
Ellen Gordon

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Sabrina Devine to a probationary 10-month typist position at Turnpike Elementary School, with terms in accordance with the CSEA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: September 30, 2021
Step 1- \$19.56 per hour / 7.5 hour workday / 10-months

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #28-10/25/2021
Appoint 10-Month
Typist – Sabrina
Devine

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Tracey Zautner to a 12-month typist position at Lansingburgh High School, with terms in accordance with the CSEA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: October 4, 2021
Step 1- \$19.56 per hour / 7.5 hour workday / 12-months

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #29-10/25/2021
Appoint 12-Month
Typist – Tracey
Zautner

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Amy Gamache to a 12-month secretary position at Lansingburgh High School, with terms in accordance with the CSEA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service: November 1, 2021
Step 1- \$20.94 per hour / 7.5 hour workday / 12-months

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #30-10/25/2021
Appoint 12-Month
Secretary – Amy
Gamache

Motion Carried
Unanimously

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Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Danielle Germain as a district-wide Teacher Aide with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – September 28, 2021
Salary – Step 2 / \$17.91 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Daneyia Thompson as a district-wide Teacher Aide with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – November 1, 2021
Salary – Step 2 / \$17.91 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Meghan Murray as a district-wide Teacher Aide with compensation and benefits as per the CSEA Contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Service – October 26, 2021
Salary – Step 3 / \$18.78 per hour

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Ellen Godlewski as a part-time Assistant to the Transportation Department at the hourly rate of \$43.75 effective September 14, 2021.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9

Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

RESO #31-10/25/2021
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Danielle Germain

RESO #32-10/25/2021
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Daneyia Thompson

RESO #33-10/25/2021
Appoint Teacher Aide
– Meghan Murray

RESO #34-10/25/2021
Appoint Part-Time
Assistant to
Transportation Dept. –
Ellen Godlewski

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Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board appoints Hayden Teta as a noon aide at Rensselaer Park Elementary School at the hourly rate of \$12.50 effective October 8, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #35-10/25/2021
Appoint Noon Aide

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board approves Stephen Alexopoulos as a substitute custodian effective October 14, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #36-10/25/2021
Appoint Non-Instructional Substitute

Motion Carried
Unanimously

ACTION ITEMS

Motion by Mr. Shover:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and based upon the results of the bid opening held on September 30, 2021, the Board hereby awards the 2021 Emergency Transportation Contract to Star and Strand with a composite score of 76.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

RESO #37-10/25/2021
Award Emergency Transportation Contract

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Motion by Ms. Richards:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board authorizes the Purchasing Agent to surplus 60 sports uniforms which are of no further use to the District.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes- 9 Nays - 0

RESO #38-10/25/2021
Authorize Surplus

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Turnpike Elementary School – see page 14.
Rensselaer Park Elementary School – see page 15
Knickerbacker Middle School – see page 16
Lansingburgh High School – see page 17

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

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By Mrs. McGrouty:

Principal Appreciation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Thanks extended to our Principal
Sage Literacy Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Partnership with Sage - grad students 2:1 tutoring from October - May. Students in grades 1-520 studentsTargeted literacy skillsOff and running
Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Trauma Sensitive Teams PD with Rebekah MaginLiz Mirra is working with both RPES and KMS, LHSNovember - ELA work continues with TES RPES New staff<ul style="list-style-type: none">Erik Lepis -Michelle Stone -Kirstan WidmerFundations virtual training for Grade 3November 1 and 2<ul style="list-style-type: none">PTHVTIGTSSIDEALLearning targets across the district are posted
Integration of Technology as an Instructional Tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none">We will begin to practice “virtual” days at Turnpike and teachers are using Google Classroom for Writing, Math and Reading at least one day per week.The Instructional Technology team pushed into 15 classrooms (remote and in-person) to facilitate Digital Citizenship lessons last week.
Student Teachers	Building a partnership with colleges/universities to “grow our teachers”

By Dr. Abitabile:

- It is disappointing to hear of the burglary in the concession stand over the weekend. Mr. Allan found it that way. They tried to start a small fire. Gatorade and candy were stolen. No money was taken.
- Birnie informed us that a new Operations Manager will be starting in a few weeks. They are still looking for a new location.
- I was told today that seating charts are not being used and that some of the drivers were not wearing masks. This will be discussed with Birnie.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

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- There was a minor bus accident today. The bus driver was not at fault. The other driver was driving the wrong way on a one way street. No students or adults were injured. The School Nurse checked everyone out and all parents were contacted.
- The Board of Education Handbook has been updated.
- Meeting regarding the Rensselaer Park Capital Project are being held starting with the faculty and PTA. Public Hearing is scheduled for November 23.
- Negotiations with the LTA begin again next week. The teachers are working with a new Labor Relations Specialist.
- The Assistant Principal position has been posted and applications are coming in. Best wishes to Mr. Behrle in his new position.
- We are still waiting on the Covid testing machines. Columbia County Schools have received their machines. Hopefully ours will come soon.
- Pondview Pediatrics has Covid vaccines available for 5-11 year olds.
- I met with TSL to share our concerns about quarantines and the absence of masks on the afterschool students. We requested a new site supervisor be put in place. Many of the issues going on are avoidable.

Motion by Mr. White:

RESO #39-10/25/2021
Adjourn

Be it resolved this meeting of the Board of Education hereby adjourns at 7:22 p.m.

Second: Mrs. Fairhurst

Ayes – 9 Nays – 0

Motion Carried
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Williams
Clerk to the Board of Education

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Meredith Rivet
Principal's Report
Board Meeting
10/25/2021

Attendance:

1. UPK: 84.97%
2. K: 83.80%
3. 1: 86.49%
4. 2: 89.51%
5. Overall: 86.23%

The attendance committee has been meeting regularly they have been working on rolling out being an attendance H-E-R-O ... being here, every day, ready to learn, on-time)

Curriculum and Instruction

1. Teacher observations in fill swing
2. Shifting to more data driven approach to instructional practices
3. Continued work on building a data “warehouse” for teachers

Social and Emotional Learning

1. Ally program- planning for our first team day on 11/10/20201
2. Fine-tuning tier 1 behavior Management Strategies/trauma Sensitive Practices to work for individuals
3. Our TSS committee is working on developing goals
4. NCSCL3 grant
5. Calming corner walkthrough document

Parent and Family Engagement

1. Hosted the first Family Advisory Committee meeting about 35 in attendance, there were some concerns but overall very positive.
2. Trunk or Treat this Thursday finalizing details
3. Teachers are getting ready to have our first parent-teacher conference on November 22.

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Katie Stalker
Principal's Report
Board Meeting
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Attendance

1. 3: 90.31%
2. 4: 93.49%
3. 5: 89.86%
4. Overall: 91.15%

- The attendance committee will continue to meet to review attendance data this year.
- We developed a list of tiered interventions for attendance.
- Coding absences for quarantined students.

Curriculum and Instruction

1. Learning Target Refresher
2. Using Data to Inform Instruction
3. Karen Kohler-Science of Reading
4. Erik Lepis-Reading and Writing Instruction Overview
 - a. Year 1 Teachers - October
 - b. All teachers-December

Social and Emotional Learning

1. 2nd Step - October focus was bullying prevention
2. Extra SEL Support for a Specific
3. Character Trait of the Month - Friendship
4. Hispanic Heritage Month - ELL Student "Spanish Word of the Day" on The Morning Show

Events

1. FAC on 10/7
2. Picture Day on 10/15
3. ARC Community Partner Breakfast on 10/21
4. PTA sponsored Book Fair on 10/21 and 10/22
5. Pumpkin Fest on 10/22
6. STEAM and Chorus have started after school

School Leadership

1. Observations
2. CASDA Coach
3. Bus Supervision Schedule

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Knickerbacker Middle School BOE Report October 25, 2021

Area of Focus	ELA	Math	SEL- Respect/Climate/Culture	Attendance	Parent Communication
Commitments Actions Initiatives	Balanced literacy PD continued in Oct. with a focus on the upcoming writing units Teachers are looking at formative data to determine deficit skills and to target instruction	Inquiry PD Continues. Dr. Marchese is pushing into math classes to model inquiry based instruction. She is also meeting with math teachers to develop future lessons and stations to incorporate more inquiry on a regular basis.	Counselors covered the following topics in classrooms this month: Role of the School Counselor, Attendance, and Digital Citizenship Team Building Day will be next Monday. Every student creates a shield KMS Spirit Week	Attendance for October: 6th Gr.-89.4% 7th Gr.-87.6% 8th Gr.-87.7% Overall-88% Attendance -This month we targeted our students who were at risk (5%-9%) and encouraged them to join our before school PE Club Attendance Incentive 95%	KMS FAC meeting Discussed-SCEP Plan, Attendance, State Testing and Afterschool Programs Both virtual and in person attendance

Other Information

- Open House was a success!
- Afterschool Program continues to grow
- Before school PE begins today

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Lansingburgh High School Report **Matt Van Dervoort**

- Homecoming Dance was a major success. Kids had a great time.
- Chris Rowlands and the Drama Club will be putting on the play “The Addam’s Family”
- Liz Mirra is working with our Science teachers. All teachers will have 1½ days of professional development next week.
- Attendance daily averages between 85-89%. Committee will work on improving attendance at the 9th grade level. Coach Carr is doing a great job of getting students off our roster that have moved out of the District.
- Acknowledged Paul Brown for starting the Boxing Club.
- Acknowledged Dr. Eldred for starting the Science Club. She will be bringing in people from Regeneron to talk with our students.