PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
October 18, 2017
5:30 p.m.
Minutes No. 8

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Present: Vice President Schrader, Secretary Sandell and Board Members Craig, Fiegl, Hare, Obot, Pratt, and Young – 8.

Absent: Board President Linderman – 1 (excused).

Board Vice President Schrader called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

No. 289 On motion by Board Member Obot, seconded by Board Member Fiegl, the Board moved into executive session at 5:37 p.m. to discuss and receive updates on items concerning two specific employees, one pending SRO contract, and one proposed vendor settlement offer. Student issues protected under FERPA were discussed. – Ayes 8.

No. 290 On motion by Board Member Fiegl, seconded by Board Member Craig, the Board moved out of executive session at 7:09 p.m. – Ayes 8.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member Pratt.

PUBLIC FORUM – AGENDA ITEMS

There were no speakers.

MISSION STATEMENT

Celebrating Lockport City School District: Vivian Bush, Charles Upson ES; Griffin Adams and Sienna Raczka, Emmet Belknap IS; Alex Groff, North Park JHS; and Ben Flaherty, Lockport High School.

PRESENTATIONS

- Donation from Barge Canal Optimist Club Warm-a-Kid Project – Trustee Sandell
- June 30, 2016 External Audit – John Schiavone, Lumsden & McCormick, LLP Managing Partner
- Student Achievement Report – Marianne Currie-Hall, Executive Director of Educational Services and Dr. Robert LiPuma, Director of Assessment and Technology and Chief Information officer

RECOGNITION

- Lockport Board of Education Members – School Board Recognition Week

No. 291 On motion by Board Member Hare, seconded by Board Member Obot, the proposed agenda was approved – Ayes 8.

No. 292 On motion by Board Member Fiegl, seconded by Board Member Obot, the minutes for the Work Session Meeting of September 6, 2017 and the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2017 were approved – Ayes 8.

BUSINESS MATTERS

No. 293 On Motion by Board Member Craig
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education does hereby authorize the following budget transfers in the 2017-18 budget:

A2020-150-02-0003	A2020-150-04-0000	$106,545.00	Acting North Park Principal budgeted at LHS (location at time of budget prep).
A1430-160-23-0000	A1240-160-25-0000	$16,073.00	Supt. Secretary contract salary budgeted in Personnel.
A1430-160-23-0000	A1430-150-23-0000	$4,000.00	Contract salary revised after budget was adopted.
A9901-950-26-0000	A2250-150-04-0000	$1,419.00	611 grant providing less funding than last year.
A9901-950-26-0000	A2250-150-12-0000	$47,541.00	611 Grant covering one less 12:1:1 teacher.
A2250-150-11-0000	A2250-150-12-0000	$36,825.00	611 Grant covering one less 12:1:1 teacher (same as above).
A9901-950-26-0000	A2250-150-12-0000	$9,514.00	619 Grant providing less funding than last year.
A2110-120-06-0009	A2110-130-06-0009	$27,780.00	A FTE was budgeted in elementary plus 1 FTE now certified.
A2610-150-06-0009	A2110-130-06-0009	$26,072.00	1 TBA FTE budgeted in library assistant code.
A2110-130-23-0000	A2610-150-06-0000	$3,692.00	Librarian moved from Level C+M to Level D+M.
A2110-130-04-0000	A2630-150-27-2630	$62,385.00	North Park teacher is now Technology Teacher on Special Assignment.
A2020-160-02-0000	A2810-160-02-0000	$5,359.00	Staff movement between main office and guidance at LHS.
A2110-120-03-0000	A2820-150-06-0000	$5,703.00	611 & 619 Grants providing less funding than last year.

Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 294 On Motion by Board Member Craig
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education receive and file the treasurers' reports for August 2017 and for the Lockport Public Library for August 2017 as attached.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 295 On Motion by Board Member Craig
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education receive the Certification of Warrant Reports from the Claims Auditor for the period ended September 30, 2017 as listed below:

	Accounts Payable Cash Disbursements **9/1/17-9/15/17**	Accounts Payable Cash Disbursements **9/16/17-9/30/17**
General Fund	$973,492.13	$857,610.44
School Lunch Fund	$590.53	
Federal Fund	$469,333.05	
Capital Fund	$1,593,462.06	
Total	$3,036,877.77	$857,610.44

Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 296 On Motion by Board Member Craig
WHEREAS, an independent external audit of the records of the City School District of the City of Lockport for the school year 2016-2017 has been completed by the firm of Lumsden and McCormick, in accordance with Section 2116-a(3)(a) of the Education Law, and

WHEREAS, a report of this independent audit and management letter has been delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Education and copies of the audit report and management letter made available to the members of the Board of Education, such report includes the Annual Financial Report and Audit of Extraclassroom Activity Funds,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That receipt and acceptance of the audit report be and it hereby is noted in the proceedings of the Board of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the filing of these reports by the Clerk of the Board of Education with the Office of Audit Services of the State Education Department, the Office of the State Comptroller of the State of New York, and the Bureau of the Census of the Federal Audit Clearinghouse, in accordance with the pertinent regulations be and hereby is approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Clerk be and she hereby is directed to publish the required notice that such audit has been completed and that copies of the audit reports are on the district website and are on file with the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education at 130 Beattie Avenue, Lockport, New York, and are available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 297 On Motion by Board Member Craig
RESOLVED: That the revised 2018-2017 School Calendar be approved as attached.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 298 On Motion by Board Member Craig
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education does hereby approve the 2018-2019 Budget Development Calendar.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 299 On Motion by Board Member Craig
WHEREAS, Renee Knight, Chairperson of the Barge Canal Optimist Club of Lockport wishes to donate hats and mittens collected through "Project Warm a Kid" on behalf of the Barge Canal Optimist Club of Lockport, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the recommendation to accept this donation is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accept this donation with thanks and appreciation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Clerk be and she hereby is authorized and directed to convey the Board of Education's gratitude to the Barge Canal Optimist Club of Lockport for this donation.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 300 On Motion by Board Member Craig
WHEREAS, the Lockport Elks Lodge #41 wishes to again present a dictionary entitled *A Student's Dictionary* to all third grade students in the Lockport City School District,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the recommendation to accept the above donation is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accept this donation with thanks and appreciation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Clerk be and she hereby is authorized and directed to convey the Board of Education's gratitude to the Lockport Elk Lodge #41 for this donation.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 301 On Motion by Board Member Craig
WHEREAS, Michael Lieber, on behalf of the Emmet Belknap Robot Rockers First Lego League Robotics Club, has presented a check in the amount of $8,429.19 as a donation to Emmet Belknap Intermediate School,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the recommendation to accept the above donation is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Education accept this donation with thanks and appreciation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Clerk be and she hereby is authorized and directed to convey the Board of Education's gratitude to the Emmet Belknap Robot Rockers First Lego League Robotics Club for this donation.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 302 On Motion by Board Member Craig
WHEREAS, BlueCross BlueShield of WNY recommended the district add coverages which include: Gender Dysphoria Provision, Expansion of Screening Mammograms, Substance Abuse Disorder and New Preventive Benefit - Aspirin services, and

WHEREAS, the Employee Benefit Plan document will be amended and will be retroactive from July 1, 2017,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Education does hereby approve Amendment #5 to the Employee Pan Document, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Management Services is authorized to sign.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

No. 303 On Motion by Board Member Craig
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That upon the recommendation of Kevin Guay, Maintenance Supervisor, the contract for the painting project at Emmet Belknap Intermediate and Roy B. Kelley Elementary Schools be and hereby is awarded to the below listed contractor in the amount stated in accordance with specifications prepared by the attorney for the Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That examination of this bid indicates the sole bidder to be as follows:

All In Painting		
Base Bid	$	54,875
Total	**$**	**54,875**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the District Clerk for the Board be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to notify the above contractor of the award of said contract on the basis of their sole bid for the above project and to prepare the contract for the same and that counsel for the Board be and he hereby is authorized and directed to secure execution of the necessary contract, to approve the same, and to secure and approve the necessary Performance Bond, and insurance certificate, all in accordance with the above, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the President of this Board be and he hereby is authorized and directed in the name of the Board to execute contract with said company in accordance with the provisions hereof.
Seconded by Board Member Pratt – Ayes 8

PERSONNEL

No. 304 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport Education Association be approved, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. (Special Education Teacher Substitute Coverage)
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 305 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the resignation for retirement of Denise Black, COTA, be accepted, effective end of day November 29, 2017 after serving the district for eighteen years.
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 306 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the Extra duty appointment and stipend be approved for the following individual for the 2017/18 school year:

Name	Position	Building	Stipend
Pete D'Angelo	Drama Club Co-Advisor	LHS	$746.50
Kathy Heinemann	Drama Club Co-Advisor	LHS	$746.50

Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 307 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the appointment of Madonna Walker, home teacher at the rate of $20.00 per hour, be accepted, effective October 16, 2017.
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 308 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the appointment of Joanne Bull, home teacher at the rate of $20.00 per hour, be accepted, effective October 16, 2017.
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 309 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the unrepresented rate of pay of $37.50 per hour for accompanist concert rehearsals number 3 through 6, be accepted, effective October 20, 2017.
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 310 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the appointment of the following student teacher/pre-service college student in the Lockport City School District be approved for the 2017/18 school year. There shall be no compensation for this appointment.

NAME	BUILDING ASSIGNMENT	UNIV AFFILIATION/SUPERVISOR
Erin Lawniczak	Districtwide	Roberts Wesleyan/Deborah Tedone
Stephen Bewlay	Lockport High School	Buff. State/David Wilson
Patrick Weir	Lockport High School	Buff. State/Dr. Wynnie Fisher
Stacy Baughman	Lockport High School	Buff. State/Barb Converso

Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 311 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the appointment of Rolland Currie [redacted], temporary per diem building maintenance mechanic at a rate of $117.65 per 8-hour day and temporary per diem assistant custodian at a rate of $106.38 per 8-hour day, be approved, effective October 22, 2017 through January 22, 2018.
Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 312 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the resignation of the following part-time/substitute employees, be accepted, effective October 21, 2017.

Name	Position	Building
Christy Steward	**Substitute Teacher** **Substitute Teaching Assistant** **Substitute Teacher Aide**	**DW**
Destiny Linderman	**Noon Hour Monitor**	**EB**

Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

No. 313 On Motion by Board Member Obot
RESOLVED: That the appointment of the following part time/substitute employees, be accepted, effective October 22, 2017, unless otherwise noted.

Name	Position	Building	Rate
Tammy Parete	**Substitute Clerical** **Effective 8/10/17**	**AM**	**$10.25 per hour**
Shauna Ramos	**Stage Crew**	**LHS**	**$9.70 per hour**
Taylor Sukdolak	**Lifeguard** **Uncertified Substitute Teacher** **Substitute Teaching Asst.** **Substitute Teacher Aide**	**LHS** **DW** **DW** **DW**	**$9.70 per hour** **$84.98 per day** **$71.75 per day** **$70.00 per day**
Lillee Gollhardt	**Stage Crew**	**LHS**	**$9.70 per hour**
Cameron Bonanno	**Stage Crew**	**LHS**	**$9.70 per hour**
Destiny Linderman	**Substitute Noon Hour Monitor**	**DW**	**$10.00 per hour**

Seconded by Board Member Fiegl – Ayes 8

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

No. 314 On Motion by Board Member Hare
RESOLVED: That the following field trip be approved:

a. Lockport High School – Three students, members of the LHS Vocal Jazz Ensemble, to Rochester, NY from Thursday, November 30 through Sunday, December 3, 2017.

Seconded by Board Member Craig – Ayes 8.

SPECIAL NEEDS

No. 315 On Motion by Board Member Pratt

RESOLVED: That the minutes from the Committee on Special Education meetings and the Committee on Preschool Special Education meetings dated July 17; August 3, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 28, 30; September 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27; and October 2, 11, 2017 be approved as attached.
Seconded by Board Member Craig – Ayes 8.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Trustee Obot commented on the following topics: there was a brief overview of the Legislative handout that was given.

BOARD ACTING PRESIDENT COMMENTS

Acting President, Marietta Schrader, commented on the following topics: mission statement readers had great and interesting topics; thanked John Schiavone for great audit report; thanked Trustee Craig for leading audit committee; and thanked Superintendent Bradley for the recognition.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Board Members discussed/commented on the following topics: mission statement readers were very good; thanked the Barge Canal Optimist Club for the Warm-a-Kid Project; thanked John Schiavone for the audit; the District has a healthy budget and thanked Superintendent Bradley and her staff; education is primary in life and it is what keeps this country going; thanked other Board members for serving; the achievement report was well done; doesn't understand the opting out choice for testing and why it is an option for students/parents; the graduation rate is great; thanked teachers for all they do; had a safe and incident-free homecoming; condolences to Board President Linderman and wished his family the best; keep up the good work.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Superintendent Bradley commented on the following topics: read All County Music winners for band and chorus, they will travel to Akron on November 3 and 4, 2017; also read Area and All State winners; Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive will be starting soon. Tracy Williams is the Coordinator of the drive; the O/N BOCES National Technical Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be inducting three students from the Lockport City School District.

PUBLIC FORUM – GENERAL INTEREST

There were fourteen speakers:

1. Spencer Dick – a senior at LHS; has found a major he loves—theater design, after not knowing what his major would be; the drama department gives everyone the opportunity to achieve excellence; fine arts instructors deserve compensation for their efforts.
2. Jody Chesko – parent—daughter has been involved with drama department and is in awe of the quality of the program; daughter has chosen musical theater at Fredonia next fall; instructors—we "expect" it, but they need to be compensated and should be paid equal to colleagues in other districts.
3. Leah Chesko – senior at LHS; amazing production of Phantom convinced her to choose Lockport, not St. Mary's. Mr. D'Angelo has brought out the light in her. Mr. Pacillo has inspired it. Drama, Fine Arts, and Music educators deserve compensation.

4. Caitlyn Pettit – senior at LHS; entire life felt neglected; Freshman friends dragged her into the auditorium; she found a family and now feels hopeful; it has changed her life for the better; the teachers are hardworking and dedicated people; they are more her family than her actual family.
5. William Briggs – Senior at LHS – VP Chorus; the packet that was given to the Board of Education proves that the drama and arts students outscore any other student outside of the music programs; started with string instrument at Roy B. Kelly, then joined band, chorus, and the musicals; very active in music, band, and drama club; the instructors deserve compensation.
6. Kyle Lockett – senior at LHS; concert choir and drama has been a welcome addition to a socially awkward teen; it has saved me.
7. Andrea Porth – parent – Little Mermaid was her first experience with the musicals; it was more than she could have imagined and was entertaining to all ages; the programs foster communication, writing, etc.; the drama department welcomes adversity; performances always get a hug turnout; how sad it would be if it were to be gone; hopes the Board sees where it is wrong and grant the staff what they are asking for.
8. Jeri Rohde – parent- two graduates and one Freshman; this program is transforming the students; they always do a cast party after the last show; students have told you how music has changed their life; instructors deserve to be compensated.
9. Grace Richards – Occupational Therapist and mom – daughter is in 8th grade; has physical challenges and was never picked on; a light went off in her at Roy B. Kelley; gave examples of her students and how music has impacted them and reaches kids of all ages; instructors should be compensated.
10. Cassidy Faddis – involved in music and band; was going to quit band but instructor convinced her to stay; stated statistics on how hard the instructors work; students are also very dedicated; they work 6-7 months on the musical and sometimes they work into the night; the teachers are role models and should be compensated.
11. Caityln Faddis – Fiddler on the Roof was her first performance and was exhilarated when she was performing; she found a close family; Fiddler had 90-100 people that attended—Seussical had 270 people in attendance—Little Mermaid has 315 people that attended; wants the musicals to continue each year; Mr. Pacillo, Mr. D'Angelo, and Mrs. Heinemann make it all worthwhile and push to make our efforts realized; the instructors deserve to be compensated.
12. Bevin Lambert – parent and grandparent – is touched by all that has been said already; was in the Marine Corps, ESL teacher, and sign language teacher, and is now a substitute in the Lockport schools; the Board of Education not supporting Fine Arts; need professional encouragement; the plays have opened up a whole new world for these students; the Arts programs inspire and encourage our students; we have the best of the best; daughter wants to become a chorus teacher; please open your eyes, ears, and hearts and encourage and compensate our instructors; keep ahold of our amazing instructors.
13. Donna Hildebrant – parent-her twins spoke previously; they are pursuing musical careers; programs are exceptional alternatives to our students; they are rarely involved in negative behavior; tireless effort from teachers; overheard a family moved into the district for the drama department; asking the Board to consider an increase in the compensation for the instructors; quoted words from a song.
14. Charlotte Lasher – grandmother – wants to support the music and arts program; grandson is going to all-state and plays four instruments; he has also become part of the

music program and wants to be a music teacher; our district has a wonderful program; enjoyed listening to the students who spoke; member of the Chromatic Club in Buffalo; not everyone can be involved in sports; music/arts teaches students how to work together; students do better in school when they like going to school; was a teacher for twenty years; says a lot about the community when they support these programs; the musicals are wonderful.

No. 316 On motion by Board Member Fiegl, seconded by Board Member Obot, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m. – Ayes 8.

Deborah A. Coder
Clerk of the Board