



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Minutes**

Date of Meeting: July 2, 2014  
Type of Meeting: **REGULAR MEETING**  
Location: Troy Middle School

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Immediately following the Re-organization Meeting, Mr. Schofield called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mrs. Ann Apicella  
Ms. Elizabeth Denio  
Mrs. Carol Harvin  
Ms. Mary Marro-Giroux  
Mr. Tom Mayo  
Mr. Jason Schofield  
Mr. Bill Strang  
Mr. Michael Tuttman  
Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. John Carmello, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Donna Watson, Assistant Superintendent  
of Curriculum and Instruction  
Ms. Mary O'Neill, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Mrs. Kristen Miaski, Director of Human Resources  
Mrs. Erin O'Grady-Parent, School Attorney

III. PUBLIC SESSION

The public session was called to order by Mr. Schofield at 6:10 pm.

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Carmello stated he appreciates the Board's hard work this past year and commitment to children.

Unclassified Employees - Transfers (for notification purposes only)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Jennifer Burns	Elementary	CHS	2	CHS	3	(Grade Level Reduction)
Christine Burroughs	Elementary	18	5	CHS	4	(Grade Level Reduction)
Eileen Catlin	Elementary	16	3	16	K	(Grade Level Reduction)
Amy Fraser	Elementary	18	4	18	1	(Retire E.Hickey)
John Hickey	Elementary	2	5	14	5	(LOA AMJabour)
Christina Jacques	Elementary	2	1	16	1	(Resign K.Fairley)
Jennifer Prendergast	Elementary	2	1	16	2	(Retire T.Goyette)
Kari Testo	Elementary	2	2	18	4	(Transfer A.Fraser)
Ronald West	Elementary	CHS	5	14	4	(Resign S.Thompson)
Maitri Blednick	School Psychologist	16/18		16		
Nancy Chicoine	School Psychologist	PPS		18		
Andrea Murray	School Psychologist	14		TMS		
Laura Albright	Special Ed	16	12:1:1	TMS		Consultant
Rhonda Lyons	Special Ed	12	12:1:1	THS		12:1:1
Kathleen Marthy	Special Ed	2	Consultant	14		Consultant
Mark Osganian	Special Ed	18	Consultant	14		Consultant
Tara Piana	Special Ed	TMS	Consultant	18		8:1:1
Julie Safranko	Special Ed	14	Consultant	18		12:1:1
Aimee Todd	Special Ed	18	8:1:2	CHS		Consultant
Rosemarie Carelli	Teaching Asst	14	Pre-K	TMS		Consultant
Mary Joseph	Teaching Asst	2	Self-Cont	CHS		1:2
Sarah McCart	Teaching Asst	14	Self-Cont	16		12:1:2
Jenelle Morelli	Teaching Asst	14	1:1	18		1:1

Classified Employee - Transfers (for notification purposes only)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Nina Merola	Teacher Aide	18		16		

V. PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Staff Matters - Unclassified (Reviewed by D. Watson)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following unclassified personnel actions:

Mr. Schofield made a motion to amend Item 13 to \$31 per hour.

Second: Mr. Strang

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-13 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Strang

Carried: 9-0

1. Unclassified Employee - Resignation

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
a. Matthew Carlock	Teaching Assistant	100%	THS	6/30/14

2. Unclassified Employee - Leave of Absence (Unpaid)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
a. Maria Goodwill	Art	100%	PS-2 / PS-18	6/18/14 - 6/30/14

3. Unclassified Employee - Temporary Appointment

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA / POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>	<u>EFFEC DATE</u>	<u>CERT STATUS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Diane Allen	Remedial Reading / (TSA) Literacy Coach	100%	District	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Reading, Permanent	\$67,900 (S-17, Col E)
b. Amy Heinze	Remedial Reading / (TSA) Literacy Coach	100%	District	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Reading, Permanent	\$60,300 (S-14, Col E)
c. Linda McHenry	Remedial Reading / (TSA) Literacy Coach	100%	District	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	Reading, Permanent	\$65,300 (S-16, Col E)
d. Judi Gawinski	Teacher Mentor Facilitator		District	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	SBL, Initial	\$9,500 (stipend)
e. Milton Architzel	Science	20%	THS	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Science, Permanent	\$9,550 (S-3, Col K-\$47,750)
f. Linda Seymour	CEIP Teacher	30%	THS	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	CWBP, Professional	\$15,750 (S-8, Col K-\$52,500)
g. Cynthia Doran	HS Business	40%	THS	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Business, Permanent	\$35,800 (S-30, Col E-\$89,500)
h. Rose Gorman	HS Sociology	40%	THS	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Social Studies, Initial	\$18,200 (S-2, Col E-\$45,500)
i. Eduardo Gutierrez	HS Statistics & Calculus	40%	THS	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Mathematics, Permanent	\$19,600 (S-4, Col K-\$49,000)
j. F. LoGuidice (LOA S.Dinarido)	Elementary Grade 5	100%	PS-14	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Elem N-6, Permanent	\$55,775 (S-12, Col E)
k. Renee Patti (LOA J.Gawinski)	Elementary Grade 5	100%	PS-14	9/1/14 - 6/30/15	Child Ed 1-6, Professional	\$45,500 (S-2, Col E)

4. Unclassified Employee - 2013-14 Regents Prep

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>MAX HOURS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. James Hoffman	Science	3 hrs / week	\$31.00 / hour
b. Taylor Jenkins	Mathematics	3 hrs / week	\$31.00 / hour

5. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Secondary Summer School Registration

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MAX HOURS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Norris Benbow	3 hours	\$31.71 / hour
b. Charles Walker	3 hours	\$27.75 / hour

6. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Secondary Summer School (7/1/14 - 8/14/14)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Emma Heritage	Mathematics	Geometry 1	\$4,177
b. Carrie Dwyer	Elementary	Grade 6 2	\$4,586
(resign from position BOE Agenda 6/18/14, page 2)			
c. Charles Pemburn	Elementary	Grade 6 1	####
d. Vicki Crall	Special Education	1	\$4,177
(resign from position BOE Agenda 6/4/14, page 4)			
e. MaryJo Heenehan	Special Education	1	\$4,177

7. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Elementary Summer School (7/7/14 - 8/1/14)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Nicole Fleitz	Substitute Teacher	\$67.00 / day
b. Deanna Hutter	Substitute Teacher	\$67.00 / day
c. Deborah St. Onge	Substitute Teacher	\$67.00 / day

8. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Elementary Special Education Support Services (7/1/14 - 8/15/14)

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a.	Igdaliah Israel	Teaching Assistant	\$26.00 / hour
b.	Pamela Colozza	Speech Therapist	\$55.94 / hour @ 2.5 hours / week
c.	Nicole Fleitz	Substitute Teacher	\$67.00 / day
d.	Deanna Hutter	Substitute Teacher	\$67.00 / day

9. Unclassified Employee - 2014 School Social Worker Summer Work

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>MAX DAYS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a.	Kileen Vayo	District	up to 7 days	\$255.00 / day

10. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Summer Elementary Professional Development

a.	<u>PS-2: School Leadership Team (6/18/14-N)</u> MaryFrances Jaromin		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
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11. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Summer Secondary Professional Development

a.	<u>Special Education: Curriculum Mapping / Align Maps - Grades 6-12 (6/18/14-M)</u> Candace Bousman	(remove)	\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (General Fund)
	Tanya Delamater	(add to list)	\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (General Fund)

12. Unclassified Employee - 2014 Summer District Professional Development

a.	<u>CASDA Training (6/18/14-B)</u> Diane Allen		\$31.00 / hour for up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Amy Heinze		\$31.00 / hour for up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Linda McHenry		\$31.00 / hour for up to 12 hours each (Title I)
b.	<u>Special Education: Align Instruction &amp; Behavior Management (6/18/14-F)</u> Tara Polmateer		\$31.00 / hour up to 8 hours each (General Fund)
c.	<u>Special Education: Scaffold Instruction (6/18/14-G)</u> Tara Polmateer		\$31.00 / hour up to 8 hours each (General Fund)
d.	<u>ESL: Curriculum Work</u> Donna Anderson		\$31.00 / hour up to 30 hours each (Title I & Gen Fund)
	Gary Bloomingdale		\$31.00 / hour up to 40 hours each (Title I & Gen Fund)
	Jamie Bowen		\$31.00 / hour up to 40 hours each (Title I & Gen Fund)
	Diane Hull		\$31.00 / hour up to 30 hours each (Title I & Gen Fund)
e.	<u>Science: Technology &amp; Curriculum Development</u> Kim Bruton		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
	Jeffrey Carminati		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
	Caroline Lee		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
	Brian Poland		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
	Rebecca Sparacin		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
	Benjamin VonEitzen		\$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours each (General Fund)
f.	<u>Special Education: Classroom Behavior Management</u> Kathleen Balint		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Michele Dorsey		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Nicole Fleitz		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Daniella Gonzalez		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Patricia Loughman		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Tara Piana		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Kristen Philpotts		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
	Julie Safranko		\$31.00 / hour up to 12 hours each (Title I)
g.	<u>TCI Training &amp; Prep</u> Tara Piana		\$31.00 / hour up to 17 hours each
	Colleen Syrett		\$31.00 / hour up to 17 hours each

13. Unclassified Employee - 2014-15 THS Evening School 'Sunset Program' **(amended to \$31 per hour)**

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a.	Ronald Sousa	Special Education	Director	<b>\$30.00 / hr up to 16 hrs / week</b>
b.	Charles Riccio	School Counselor	School Counselor	<b>\$30.00 / hr up to 12 hrs / week</b>

B. Staff Matters - Classified (Reviewed by K. Miaski)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the following classified personnel actions:

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-7 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Strang

Carried: 9-0

1. Classified Employee - Retirements

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
a. Tina Howansky	Typist	100%	PS-12	6/28/14
(amend effective date BOE agenda 3/5/14, page 4)				

2. Classified Employee - Permanent Serving Probationary Appointment

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>	<u>PROB APPT START DATE</u>	<u>PROB APPT END DATE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Talia Valenti	Secretary	100%	THS	7/3/14	1/2/15	\$32,172 (S-1, Gr 9)

3. Classified Employee - Temporary Appointment

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Nicole Davin	Typist	50%	PPS / SpecEd	7/1/14 - 6/30/15	\$19,480 (S-4, Gr 11A - \$38,960)

4. Classified Employee - 2014 Elementary Summer School (7/7/14 - 8/1/14)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Stacey Sadowski	Teacher Aide	\$18.56 / hour

5. Classified Employee - 2014 Elementary Special Education Support Services (7/1/14 - 8/15/14)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Michelle Gladd	Physical Therapist	\$38.20 / hour @ 30 minutes / day for 6 weeks

6. Classified Employee - 2013-14 Substitutes

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLERK (\$11 / hr)</u>	<u>NURSE (\$14 / hr)</u>	<u>MONITOR (\$10 / hr)</u>	<u>TEACHER AIDE (\$10 / hr)</u>	<u>MAINTENANCE (\$11 / hr)</u>
Arianna Braden				X	X

7. Classified Employee - 2014-15 Substitutes

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLERK (\$11 / hr)</u>	<u>NURSE (\$14 / hr)</u>	<u>MONITOR (\$10 / hr)</u>	<u>TEACHER AIDE (\$10 / hr)</u>	<u>MAINTENANCE (\$11 / hr)</u>
James Bell					X
Cheryl Birdsall	X				
Janice Cellucci	X		X	X	
Reginald Dorsey					X
Meghan Driscoll	X				
Ibn Garner			X		X
Sarah Hansen	X				
William Hayes					X
Nicole Heckelman		X			
Tina Howansky	X				

Joshua LaBarge				X
John Laviolette		X	X	X
Daniel Maloney				X
Elizabeth Manigault	X	X	X	
Michael Marro		X		
Michael Maynard				X
Anne Millington	X	X	X	
Jillian Morris			X	
MaryLee Nichols	X			
Paul O'Brien				X
Kim Peppin				X
John Piscitella		X		X
Kanika Pompey	X			
Debra Price	X	X	X	
Julie Pucci	X	X	X	
Leslie Safford				X
Adrienne Sansone			X	
Francis Smith				X
Patricia Smith	X	X	X	
Stephen Sontheimer		X		X
John Sorriento				X
Kathleen Stallmer	X			
Michael Stallmer		X		
Kirsty Stanton	X	X	X	
Akyiaa Terry		X	X	
Olivia Van Epps	X			
Michele Vogt				X

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - PROGRAMS (reviewed by D. Watson)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-8 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Strang

Carried: 9-0

1. Approval to Purchase Textbooks

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the recommendation to purchase the following textbooks in the total amount of \$75,951.78 to be paid from the General Fund:

<u>Textbook</u>	<u>Publisher</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Qty.</u>
a. Secondary Applied Math: Geometry, Geometry H, Geometry GR	Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt	\$8,719.69	200
b. Secondary Math - HMH Algebra, Algebra IE, Algebra 2E	Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt	\$41,173.36	425
c. Secondary Science: Science Explorer - Earth Science	Prentice Hall	\$9,662.92	101
d. Secondary Science: Earth Science The Physical Setting	Amsco School Publications	\$8,985.00	300
e. Secondary Music: Music! It's Role and Importance to our Lives	McGraw-Hill	\$7,410.81	105

2. Contract - Bank Street College of Education (summer) (Addendum I)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with the Bank Street College of Education for professional development workshops at School 2 from July 2, 2014 through August 31, 2014 in the amount of \$4,820 to be paid from School Improvement Grant.

3. Contract - Bank Street College of Education (2014-15) (Addendum II)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with the Bank Street College of Education for professional development workshops at School 2 from September 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$9,640 to be paid from School Improvement Grant.

4. Contract - Bell's Auto Driving School (Adult & Continuing Ed) (Addendum III)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Bell's Driving School for 24 hours of student instruction in Driver Education with a minimum of 16 students at \$351 per student for September 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. This contract shall be paid from Adult & Continuing Education funds.

5. Contract - Rensselaer County Dept. of Mental Health (THS) (Addendum IV)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health for Substance Abuse Prevention and Educational Services at Troy High School in the amount of \$36,300 for 2014-15 school year. This contract shall be paid from THS General Funds.

6. Contract - Z Score (21st Century) (Addendum V)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Z-Score for the 21st Century Program in the amount of \$15,000 for the period of July 3, 2014 through June 30, 2015. This contract shall be paid from 21st Century Learner Grant funds.

7. Out of State Conference

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the following out of state field trip or conference:

<u>Conference</u>	<u>Class/Teacher</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Paid By</u>
Bio-Manufacturing Texas A&M University College Station, TX	Meghan Kuhn	August 4-8, 2014	no cost

8. Special Education Placements

(Addendum VI)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Special Education has submitted to the Board of Education students having the registration numbers as listed in the attached addendum in classes for students with special needs.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - BUSINESS FINANCE (reviewed by M. O'Neill)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-10 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Strang

Discussion: Mr. Tuttmann asked about paving bid. Callahan has begun paving THS lots.  
Ms. O'Neill said that Hudson River Construction will do other building lots.

Carried: 9-0

1. Shared Services Contract - Lansingburgh (Purchasing Agent)

(Addendum VII)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Lansingburgh Central School District for shared services of Purchasing Agent from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 school year in the amount of \$90,465 for salary and benefits to be shared with 60 percent of the cost to Troy; 40 percent to Lansingburgh.

2. Shared Services Contract - Lansingburgh (Coordinator of Transportation)

(Addendum VIII)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Lansingburgh Central School District for shared services of Coordinator of Transportation for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 in the sum of \$99,398 for salary and benefits to be shared with 60 percent of the cost to Troy; 40 percent of cost to Lansingburgh.

3. Shared Services Contract - Lansingburgh (Deputy Treasurer)

(Addendum IX)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Lansingburgh Central School District for shared services of Deputy Treasurer for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 in the amount of \$98,532.00 for salary and benefits to be shared with 60 percent of the cost to Troy; 40 percent of cost to Lansingburgh.

4. Contract Extension - Durham School Services (summer)

(Addendum X)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Durham School Services for transportation services for July 1, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for an estimated cost of \$15,277.20 to be paid from the general fund.



5. Contract Extension - Star & Strand School Services (summer) (Addendum XI)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve a contract with Star & Strand for transportation services for July 1, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for an estimated cost of \$80,625.60 to be paid from the general fund.

7. Financial Report (Addendum XII)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves the following financial report:

May 2014

8. Bid Award for Paving

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the bid for Paving opened on June 10, 2014 has been awarded to the lowest

Hudson River Construction Co. Port of Albany, Albany, NY 12202		Base bid in the amount of \$225,000		
Option to deduct:	School 2	\$34,615	School 16	\$26,665
	School 12	\$46,429	School 18	\$18,955
	School 14	\$56,851	Carroll Hill	\$48,584

Additional work per ton: \$120/ton

9. Surplus - School 2 Uniforms (2013-14)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following 2013-14 School 2 uniforms have been inspected and determined to be no longer suitable for use; and shall therefore be declared surplus:

Shirts	146	Sweatshirts	67	T-Shirts	18
Pants	118	Sweatpants	26		

10. Donations

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the following donations:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
CHS PTO	CHS field trip	\$63.00
Deb LaMontagne	spinet piano for THS	\$500.00 (estimate)
Kiwanis Club of Troy, NY	CHS field trip	\$70.00
Rensselaer Cty. Sheriff	School 18 Art Program	\$500.00

IX. BOARD RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-4 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mr. Strang

Discussion: Mr. Tuttman said he serves on the School Safety Team. The safety plans have been revised under Mr. Carmello's supervision and they are excellent. He would like to commend Mr. Carmello for his work.

Carried: 9-0

1. Call to End Gap Elimination Adjustments (GEA)

**Whereas:** The NY State Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) was implemented in 2010 as a one-time reduction in education aid to help NY State balance its budget and the GEA has continued in every budget since then:

**Whereas:** The GEA since its inception has reduced state aid to the Enlarged City School District of Troy by \$19,529,791;

**Whereas:** The reduction in aid associated with the GEA has resulted in a cost shift to the local property tax payer in the Enlarged City School District of Troy School District; and

**Whereas:** This cost shift has resulted in unsustainable measures being implemented to balance the Enlarged City School District of Troy's budget, including the reduction and elimination of school programs, personnel, and services, and the reductions of school district reserve funds;

**Whereas:** Efforts by the Enlarged City School District of Troy to sustain programs and services and contain budgets are simultaneously constrained by Property Tax Cap Legislation, unfunded and underfunded mandates, state mandated increases in pension costs, and mandated implementation of Common Core Learning Standards and teacher/principal performance reviews; and

**Whereas:** State Funding is constitutionally mandates and essential to meet all mandates and obligations to maintain the quality of education in the Enlarged City School District of Troy; and

**Whereas:** New York State touts recent aid increases as generous support to schools, although overall, school districts are receiving very little additional aid when compared to 2008-09; and

**Whereas:** Some school districts have even experienced state aid decreases from 2008-09 to 2014-15;

**Resolved,** That the Enlarged City School District of Troy Board of Education calls upon the New York State Legislature to end Gap Elimination Adjustments when they adopt New York State's 2015-16 Annual Budget.

2. Approval of Safety Plans

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY, hereby accepts the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the confidential district and building Safety Plans for the 2014-15 school year.

3. Approval of Policies

(Addendum XIII)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY hereby approves revisions to the following policies:

0150 HIV/AIDS  
1530 Smoking and Other Tobacco Use on School Premises  
4327 Homebound Instruction  
4750 Promotion and Retention of Students  
5300.45 Alternative Instruction  
5420 Student Health Services  
5420R Student Health Services Reg

4. Abolish Policies

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY hereby approves abolishing the following policies which are duplicative in substance to current policies:

4750R Promotion and Retention of Students	(included in 4750)
5191 Students with HIV-Related Illness	(included in 0150)
8130R School Safety Plans and Teams	(included in 8130)

X. FUTURE MEETINGS/DISCUSSION

Discussion: Mr. Tuttmann said he read in the paper that the Court struck down a proposed law on cyberbullying. Mr. Carmello said the law addresses criminal charges but does not impact our policy. Mrs. Wager-Rounds thanked Mr. Carmello for a great year. The Board is the most cohesive it has ever been.

1. July 23, 2014 at 6 pm (TMS)
2. August 6, 2014 at 6 pm (TMS)
3. August 27, 2014 at 6 pm (TMS)

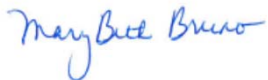
XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:10 pm Mr. Schofield made a motion to move to Executive Session for a contractual matter. This was seconded by Mr. Strang and carried 9-0. Invited in were Mr. Carmello, Dr. Watson, Ms. O'Neill, Mrs. Miaski and Mrs. O'Grady-Parent.

XII. ADJOURN

The Executive Session adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,



Mary Beth Bruno  
Board Clerk