

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: July 21, 2021
Type of Meeting: **REGULAR MEETING**
Location: Troy Middle School
Time: 5:45 PM Executive Session
6:00 PM Public Session

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

1. Members Present: Mrs. Ann Apicella Mrs. Rosemary Coles
Mr. Matthew Flowers, Jr. Mrs. Diana Heckman
Mr. Tom Mayo Mrs. Elizabeth Poletto
Mr. Donald Miller Mrs. Ebony Pompey-Conway
Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds

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

B. Executive Session

At 5:45pm, Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employment history of a particular employee. This was seconded by Mrs. Pompey-Conway and carried 9-0.

C. District Announcement

1. Phases I and II of the Building Modernization Capital Project are underway. Renovations are currently in process at Carroll Hill School where new windows, bookshelves and HVAC systems are being installed; at School 14 where classroom walls are being built; and at the Troy Community School where extensive renovations are taking place. Work to repurpose the pool areas at School 14 and School 12 will begin soon. Visit our facebook page and website for photos and updates.

D. Public Input on agenda and non-agenda items non-action items

There was no public input.

II. Action Items

A. Superintendent's Recommendations - Human Resources - Staff Matters - Unclassified and Classified

(Reviewed by D. Watson and 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 unclassified and classified personnel actions:

Employee Transfer 2021-2022 School Year (For notification purposes only)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM TENURE AREA/POSITION</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO TENURE AREA/POSITION</u>	<u>TO</u>
David Fendrich	PE Teacher	PS2	PE Teacher	TMS
James Nash	Monitor-Secondary	TMS	Monitor-Elementary	CHS

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Unclassified Items 1-12 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: Mr. Mayo abstained from voting for Items 10bb and 11ca.

Carried: 8-0

Unclassified Items 1-12 (within linked document)

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Classified Items 1-2 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

Classified Items 1-2 (within linked document)

[Staff Matters \(Unclassified and Classified\)](#)

B. Superintendent Recommendations - Programs

(Reviewed by D. Watson)

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Items 1-22 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

1. St. Colman's Home, Inc (2021-2022 1:1 Aide)

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 St. Colman's Home Inc. for 1:1 Aide from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$114.87 per day per student (3 students) for 10 months to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Colman's Home, Inc. \(2021-2022 1:1 Aide\)](#)

2. St. Colman's Home, Inc (2021-2022)

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 St. Colman's Home Inc. for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$35,230.00 per student (3 students) for 10 months for a total of \$105,690.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Colman's Home, Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

3. Wildwood School (2021-2022)

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 Wildwood School for special education

services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$35,230.00 per student (13 students) for 10 months for a total of \$729,144.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Wildwood School \(2021-2022\)](#)

4. [Vanderheyden Hall Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Vanderheyden Hall Inc. for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$46,429.00 per student (9 students) for 10 months for a total of \$417,861.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Vanderheyden Hall Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

5. [Rensselaer County Chapter ARC, Inc \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Chapter ARC, Inc. for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$151,386.00 per student for 12 months to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Rensselaer County Chapter ARC, Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

6. [Eileen Pasquini - Assistive Tech Consultant \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Eileen Pasquini for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$12,000.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Eileen Pasquini \(2021-2022\)](#)

7. [LaSalle School for Boys \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 LaSalle School for Boys for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$36,778.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[LaSalle School for Boys \(2021-2022\)](#)

8. [Expressive Journeys \(SPED 2021-2022\)](#)

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 Expressive Journeys, LLC for group music therapy for the self-contained at a cost not to exceed \$22,000; self-contained classes during summer program at a cost not to exceed \$1,320; evaluations at a cost of \$175; and team meeting attendance at a rate of \$45 per hour, from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Expressive Journeys, LLC \(2021-2022\)](#)

9. [Dr. Karen A. Peper, EdD/CI Education Consultant \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Dr. Karen A. Peper, EdD/CI Education

Consultant for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$34,000.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Dr. Karen A. Peper, EdD/CI Education Consultant \(2021-2022\)](#)

10. [Accu Care Home Health Services, Inc \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Accu Care Home Health Services, Inc. for nursing services provided during bus transportation from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$37.00 per hour (1 student), \$55.50 per hour (2 students), and \$75 per hour (3 students) to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Accu Care Home Health Services, Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

11. [Center for Disability Services, Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Center for Disability Services, Inc. for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$50,231.00 per student (12 students) for 10 months at a total cost of \$602,772.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Center for Disability Services, Inc. \(2021-2022\)](#)

12. [Crossroads Center for Children \(2021-2022\)](#)

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 Crossroads Center for Children for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$36,293.00 per student (2 students) for 10 months for a total cost of \$72,586.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Crossroads Center for Children \(2021-2022\)](#)

13. [Crossroads Center for Children \(2021-2022 1:1 Aide\)](#)

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 Crossroads Center for Children for an 1:1 Aide from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$114.87 per day per student (1 student) for 10 months to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Crossroads Center for Children \(2021-2022 1:1 Aide\)](#)

14. [Upstate Cerebral Palsy \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

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 Upstate Cerebral Palsy for special education services from September 8, 2021 to March 31, 2022 at a cost of \$336.37 per day per student (1 student) to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Upstate Cerebral Palsy \(2021-2022\)](#)

15. [Upstate Cerebral Palsy \(Summer 2021 Contract\)](#)

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 Upstate Cerebral Palsy for special

education services from July 12, 2021 to August 20, 2022 at a cost of \$336.37 per day per student (1 student) to be paid from Special Education funds.

[Upstate Cerebral Palsy \(Summer 2021\)](#)

16. [St. Catherine's Center for Children \(Summer 2021 Contract\)](#)

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 St. Catherine's Center for Children for special education services from July 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022 at a cost of \$2,936.00 per student (2 students) for a total cost of \$5,872.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Catherine's Center for Children \(Summer 2021\)](#)

17. [St. Catherine's Center for Children \(Summer 2021 1:1 Aide Contract\)](#)

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 St. Catherine's Center for Children 1:1 Aide from July 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022 at a cost of \$114.87 per day per student (2 students) for 2 months to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Catherine's Center for Children \(Summer 2021 1:1 Aide\)](#)

18. [St. Catherine's Center for Children \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

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 St. Catherine's Center for Children for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$35,230.00 per student (2 students) for a total cost of \$70,460.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Catherine's Center for Children \(2021-2022\)](#)

19. [St. Catherine's Center for Children \(2021-2022 1:1 Aide Contract\)](#)

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 St. Catherine's Center for Children for special education services from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$114.87 per day per student (2 students) for 10 months (1-2022) to be paid from Special Education funds.

[St. Catherine's Center for Children \(2021-22 1:1 Aide\)](#)

20. [Restorative Justice Education NY, LLC \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

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 Restorative Justice Education NY, LLC for professional development services from August 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$6,000.00 to be paid from the Supportive Schools grant and Title I grant funds.

[Restorative Justice Education NY, LLC \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

21. [Teaching Strategies, LLC \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

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 Teaching Strategies, LLC for professional development services for the PreK program from August 2021 through June 2022 at a cost of \$2,400.00 to be paid from the PreK grant funds.

[Teaching Strategies, LLC \(2021-2022 Contract\)](#)

22. Community Care Physicians, P.C. (Summer 2021 Contract)

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 Community Care Physicians, P.C. for pediatric consulting services from July 2021 through August 31, 2022 at a cost of \$8,000.00 to be paid from the SIG 1003a grant funds.

[Community Care Physicians, P.C. \(Summer 2021 Contract\)](#)

C. Superintendent Recommendations - Business Finance

(Reviewed by A. Hotaling)

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Items 1-2 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

1. Authorization of Tax Levy and Confirmation of Tax Rolls

WHEREAS, that the Board of Education has been authorized by the voters at the Annual School Meeting to raise for the current budget of the 2021-2022 school year a sum not to exceed \$115,293,164;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board fix the equalized tax rates by towns and confirm the extension of the taxes as they appear on the following described tax roll:

<u>REAL PROPERTY TAX LEVY 2021-2022</u>	\$37,941,094
<u>ASSESSED VALUES</u>	
Troy	\$1,371,779,485
Brunswick	\$86,436,504
<u>EQUALIZATION RATES</u>	
Troy	0.8450
Brunswick	0.2350
<u>TRUE VALUES</u>	
Troy	\$1,623,407,675
Brunswick	\$367,814,911
<u>PROPORTIONS</u>	
Troy Proportion	0.81528
Brunswick Proportion	0.18472
<u>TAX LEVY BY TOWN</u>	
Troy Proportion	\$30,932,686.10
Brunswick Proportion	\$7,008,408
<u>TAX RATES PER \$1000</u>	
Troy	22.549
Brunswick	81.082

AND BE IT HEREBY DIRECTED THAT the tax warrant of this Board, duly signed shall be affixed to the above-described tax rolls authorizing the collection of said taxes to begin August 1, 2021 and end March 31, 2022 giving the tax warrant an effective period of 243 days at the expiration of which time the tax collector shall make an accounting in writing to the Board;

AND BE IT FURTHER DIRECTED; that the tax warrants shall provide for payment of taxes in installments, at the option of the taxpayers, as follows:

(a) Installment 1 - 50% of total taxes shall be due on or before August 31, 2021. Taxes penalties will be as follows:

August 1 - August 31	0.00%	December 1 - December 31	4.00%
September 1 - September 30	1.00%	January 1 - January 31	5.00%
October 1 - November 1	2.00%	February 1 - February 28	6.00%
November 2 - November 30	3.00%	March 1 - March 31	7.00%

(b) Installment 2 - 50% of total taxes shall be due on or before February 28, 2022. Taxes penalties will be as follows:

February 1 - February 28	0.00%	March 1 - March 31	1.00%
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2. Change Orders

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

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>C/O #</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Duncan & Cahill, Inc.	GC-01	\$308,500.00	\$22,960.00

D. Board Resolutions

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Item 1 as listed.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

1. Appointment of Medical Inspector

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints Dr. Steven Kronick as School Medical Inspector pursuant to Section 913 of the New York State Education Law to evaluate the fitness of the employee named in the attached confidential Schedule "A" ("Employee") to perform his/her duties;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 913 of the New York State Education Law, the Board of Education directs the Employee to appear for an examination in the offices of Dr. Steven Kronick at a date and time to be scheduled and noticed by the Superintendent of Schools;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education also appoints LabCorp as School Medical Inspector pursuant to Section 913 of the New York State Education Law to evaluate the fitness of the Employee to perform his/her duties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 913 of the New York State Education Law, the Board of Education directs the Employee to appear for a drug/alcohol test/exam at LabCorp at a date and time to be scheduled and noticed by the Superintendent of Schools as part of said evaluation.

E. Future Meetings

*All meetings will take place at TMS at 6:00pm.

1. August 4, 2021
2. August 18, 2021
3. September 1, 2021

F. Adjourn

At 6:07pm, Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Mrs. Pompey-Conway and carried 9-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Theresa Kaniff
District Clerk

We Can.
We Will. 
End of Story