

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: May 18, 2022
Type of Meeting: **REGULAR MEETING**
Location: Troy Middle School
Time: 5:45 PM Executive Session
6:00 PM Regular Meeting

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

1. Members Present: Mrs. Ann Apicella Mr. Donald Miller
Mr. Matthew Flowers, Jr. Mrs. Elizabeth Poletto
Mrs. Diana Heckman Mrs. Ebony Pompey-Conway
Mr. Tom Mayo Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds
2. Members Absent Mrs. Rosemary Coles
3. Others Present: Mr. John Carmello, Superintendent
Mr. Adam Hotaling, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Mr. Imran Abbasi, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Ms. Erin O'Grady-Parent School, Attorney

B. Executive Session

At 5:47pm Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss an employee contract and employment history of a particular employee. This was seconded by Mr. Mayo and carried by a vote of 5-0. Invited in were Mr. Carmello, Mr. Hotaling, Dr. Watson, Mr. Abbasi and Ms. Erin O'Grady-Parent.

C. Public Session

At 6:00pm Mrs. Wager-Rounds called the regular meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There was no input.

II. Non-Action Items

A. School 12 Presentation - J. Canfield

Ms. VonEitzen begins the presentation by reading a statement from Mr. Canfield. In the statement, he expresses his gratitude with two partnerships and the ALP, as well as the appreciation of the Board's continued support. Mr. Cartwright recognizes the staff attending the meeting and the students who will be speaking tonight. Ms. VonEitzen explains the College and Career Liaison collaboration with Mr. Finegan, President of St. Peter's Healthcare. ALP students were able to attend 16 sessions with St. Peter's presenters for pre-employment training. Twelve students have gone on interviews and so far five students have accepted positions with St. Peter's. Mr. Finegan states that they feel privileged to have this partnership with the ALP and are hoping to grow this district-wide. ALP students also have been traveling to Higher Ground Farm, owner Jamie and retired teacher Michelene, speak about the social-emotional connection the students are able to gain from working with the horses and donkeys. ALP senior Rodney, explains how he is very appreciative of the opportunities School 12 has given him and that he is excited to graduate this June. Another ALP senior, Destiny, states that she's grateful

for the drivers education program that allowed her to earn her drivers license and the opportunity with St. Peter's has offered her a certified CNA position after graduation. Angel, a current senior, has been with the ALP since middle school and he is excited to be working with St. Peter's, earning his driver's license and being student of the month. A current 8th grader, Eric, spoke about how when he first came to School 12 he felt like it was a punishment, however, now realizes it was the best decision for him. He explains that School 12 cares about you as an individual, focusing not only on academic growth but also individual growth. He loves going to the horse farm and working with the horse, Snake, and has found a family at School 12. Next, a current THS senior Quinn, spoke about her experience at School 12. She attended as an 8th and 9th grader and explains that she would probably never be graduating and attending SUNY Fredonia in the fall if it wasn't for the positive experience at School 12. She has been able to manage schoolwork better, find solutions to problems, is the captain of the THS Robotics team, GSA captain, had artwork in the Regional Art Show and had an internship with Samaritan Hospital. All of these things were made possible from her experience at School 12. Mr. Cartwright ended the presentation by thanking the BOE, administrators, staff, students and the partnerships with the ALP.

III. Action Items

A. Canvass of Votes - Budget Vote and Election

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following is a tabulation of votes cast, determination and results of the voting in the Annual Election and Budget Vote held in the Enlarged City School District of Troy, New York, on May 17, 2022.

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the Election was duly called to be held on May 17, 2022, and was held on said date for the purpose of: (1) electing three board members for three-year terms ending June 30, 2025; and (2) to adopt the 2022-2023 Budget.

WHEREAS, statements of the canvass of the votes of the respective election districts were prepared and signed by the inspector of election for said respective districts and have this day been delivered to District Clerk, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, New York, in the County of Rensselaer, State of New York, as follows:

- (a) It is hereby determined that said election was held in all respect in the manner prescribed by the Education Law in the State of New York.
- (b) This Board has this day met at its usual place of meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the evening, and has received from the District Clerk the results of the budget and election which are tabulated on Schedule A.
- (c) The Board has this day canvassed the returns and hereby determining the number of votes cast for the budget and election herein.
- (d) The Board hereby declares the results of the canvass of the voting for the candidate for the office of the Board of Education to be:

Sharon Felock	295
Ebony Pompey-Conway	491
Ann Apicella	491
Anne Wager-Rounds	526

- (e) The Board hereby declares the results of the canvass of the voting for the 2022-2023 Budget to be:

Yes	575
No	99

(f) It is hereby determined that, **Anne Wager-Rounds** is re-elected to a three year term commencing July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

(g) It is hereby determined that, **Ebony Pompey-Conway** is re-elected to a three year term commencing on July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

(h) It is hereby determined that, **Ann Apicella** is re-elected to a three year term commencing on July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

In evidence of the several determinations hereinabove made pursuant to Section 2610 of the Education Law of the State of New York, two copies of this resolution shall be signed by the members of the Board of Education.

[Schedule A](#)

B. Approval of Minutes

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

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 8-0

1. [May 4, 2022](#)

C. Superintendent's Recommendations - Human Resources - Staff Matters - Unclassified and Classified *(Reviewed by D. Watson and I. Abbasi)*

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Unclassified Items 1-7 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 8-0

Unclassified Items 1-7 (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: 8-0

Classified Items 1-2 (within linked document)

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

D. Superintendent Recommendations - Business Finance *(Reviewed by A. Hotaling)*

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Items 1-5 as a Consent Agenda.

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 8-0

1. [Bid Award - Security Alterations at School 12, School 14 and TCS](#)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby award the following bid opened April 26, 2022 for security alterations at School 12, School 14 and the Troy Community School to be awarded to the following sole bidder:

Stanley Convergent Security Systems
 Albany Office
 600 Mile Crossing, Suite 1A
 Rochester, NY 14624

School 12: \$52,444.58
 School 14: \$51,236.57
 Troy Community School: \$90,225.82

Total of all Contract Awards:
 \$193,906.97

2. 2021-2022 Health Services Contracts (Payable)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following Health Services contracts to be payable for reimbursement of health services for District students who attend private and parochial schools outside the Troy City School District.

School District	Cost per Pupil	Students Verified	Total Billed
Averill Park Central School District	\$607.91	11	\$6,687.01
Bethlehem Central School District	\$995.00	2	\$1,990.00
East Greenbush Central Schools	\$880.75	15	\$13,211.25
Lansingburgh Central School District	\$758.18	30	\$22,745.40
Niskayuna Central School District	\$769.70	2	\$1,539.40
North Greenbush Common School District	\$274.77	40	\$10,990.80
Rensselaer City School District	\$756.40	4	\$3,025.60
South Colonie Central Schools	\$820.29	11	\$9,023.19
Wynantskill Union Free School District	\$689.05	19	\$13,091.95

3. School 18 Temporary Address Change

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 temporary address change of PS 18 for the 2022-23 school year to PS 12, 475 1st Street.

4. Alternative Learning Program (ALP) Address Change

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 program site address change for the Alternative Learning Program (ALP) from PS 12, 475 1st St. to the Troy Community School, 1010 5th Ave.

5. SEQRA - THS Tech Wing Roof

WHEREAS, the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Enlarged City School District of Troy (the "District") is proposing to undertake a capital project consisting of roof structural mitigation, at a maximum cost of \$500,000 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project entails the construction, maintenance, repair, replacement, reconstruction and/or rehabilitation involving no substantial changes or expansion beyond 10,000 square feet of existing structures and/or facilities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Project is a routine activity of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered information and documentation which describes the design and intent of the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, based upon the record before it, including the general, specific and detailed knowledge of the Board of the proposed Project, and under the applicable standards of New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and 6 NYCRR Part 617.5, hereby determines that the Project is a Type II Action, and that no further action is required to satisfy the requirements of SEQRA.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution takes effect immediately.

E. Board Resolution

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

Second: Mrs. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 8-0

1. Stipulation of Settlement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy hereby approves a Stipulation of Settlement with respect to the Grievance and Demand for Arbitration filed by the Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO (AAA Case No. 01-21-0004-3578), and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the written Stipulation of Settlement.

F. Future Meetings

1. Future Meetings:

- a. June 1, 2022 at 6:00pm at TMS - Troy's Retiree Presentation
- b. June 15, 2022 at 6:00pm at TMS - Troy's Honor Graduates Presentation

2. Good News:

- a. The Annual District Art Exhibit is on display at the Arts Center of the Capital Region in Troy now through May 24. Featuring dozens of student pieces from across the district, the exhibit is a spectacular showcase of our student's talent. I'd also like to congratulate our six curator's award recipients: 2nd Grader Martina Haney, 5th Grader Amiyah Mayweather, 7th grader Nyaire Castellanos, 10th Grader Satya Groff, and 11th graders Ruby Greco and Jonah Flanagan. Each student received a family membership to the Arts Center. Thank you to Mrs. Walther's construction class who designed and built the four movable walls used to display the exhibit in the Black Box Theater, and also to our facilities and buildings and grounds staff for helping to transport supplies.
- b. The Troy Varsity Softball and Baseball teams begin Sectional play this week. The #2 seeded softball team will face #7 seed Mohonasen tomorrow night at home, and the #6 seeded baseball team is playing #11 seed Gloversville this afternoon at home.
- c. Today, author Ty Allen Jackson visited with students at Troy Middle School and Troy High School. The visit was an incentive for the Troy READS campaign at both schools back in March. The classes that read the most books throughout the challenge got to spend a class period with Ty and ask questions about his work and career.
- d. On May 11, School 16 held a schoolwide career fair, where students got to learn from a variety of professionals about their work, education and training. Representatives from Curtis Lumber built toolboxes with Fourth graders, and bakers from Price Chopper/Market 32 brought cupcakes for students to decorate. However, some of the best interactions came from the gym - where fifth graders presented their research about a chosen career that interested them. Students in grades K through 4 used their Paws in Jobland interest inventory responses to select stations to visit to learn from their older classmates about jobs they might be interested in. Another wonderful example of how college and career readiness is not just for high schoolers, but can, and does, begin even in Kindergarten.

G. Adjourn

At 6:58pm, Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to adjourn the public session. This was seconded by Mrs. Pompey-Conway and carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Theresa Kaniff

District Clerk

