

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Date of Meeting: November 2, 2022
Type of Meeting: **REGULAR MEETING**
Location: Troy Middle School
Time: 5:30 PM Executive Session
6:00 PM Regular Meeting

I. Call to Order

A. Roll Call

- Members Present: Mrs. Ann Apicella Mr. Donald Miller
Mrs. Rosemary Coles Mrs. Elizabeth Poletto
Mr. Matthew Flowers, Jr. Mrs. Ebony Pompey-Conway
Mr. Tom Mayo Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds
Mrs. Diana Heckman
- Others Present: Mr. John Carmello, Superintendent
Dr. Donna Watson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Adam Hotaling, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Ms. Kristin Barnhill, Treasurer
Mr. Anthony Fasano, School Attorney

B. Executive Session

At 5:30pm Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to enter executive session to discuss a particular employee's employment history. This was seconded by Ms. Pompey-Conway and the motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

C. Public Session

At 6:06pm 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:

- Chris Sohn, parent of a middle schooler and high schooler, expressed concerns over his high school student not being allowed to participate in NYSSMA because she is not currently enrolled in band.
- Mary Wootten, parent of a middle school student, spoke about bullying at Troy Middle School.

II. Non-Action Items

A. Superintendent Update - J. Carmello

Mr. Carmello presented on the district's assessment data since the pandemic began. He reminded everyone there were no "official" assessment results in 2019-2020 or 2020-2021. Results from last school year, 2021-2022, will serve as our new assessment baseline. However, last year's results remained consistent, showing a sustained improvement in our state assessment results over the previous seven year period prior to the pandemic.

Dr. Watson then presented on the programs and initiatives that are currently being implemented throughout the district. The district will prioritize meeting the social-emotional developmental health needs of students and families. We will also prioritize instruction, intervention and support to meet the demonstrated needs of students, as well as prioritizing improving equity in opportunities and outcomes for all students.

III. Action Items

A. Approval of Minutes

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

Second: Ms. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

1. [October 19, 2022](#)

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

(Reviewed by D. Watson and I. Abbasi)

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:

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Unclassified Items 1-11 as a consent agenda.

Second: Ms. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

Unclassified Items 1-10 (within linked document)

11. Unclassified Employees Student Teacher/Observation Hours (Unpaid)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>AREA OF STUDY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATES</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>ASSIGN.</u>
Jessica Tuckruskya	Russell Sage	Physical Therapy	11/14/22-2/3/23	Michelle Behrens	District
Victoreya Chenette	Russell Sage	Physical Therapy	11/14/22-2/3/23	Michelle Gladd	District
Luca Monroe Croft	Siena College	ELL	10/24/22-12/9/22	Gary Bloomingdale	PS18
Kylie Welcome	Utica College	Occ. Therapy	1/3/23-3/31/23	Jessica Maloney	PS2/PS18
Ailish Callahan	Siena College	SPED	10/21/22-12/22/22	Julie Safranko	PS18
Laura Borrelli	St. Rose	SPED	3/13/23-5/10/23	Laura Albright	TMS

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Classified Items 1-5 as a consent agenda.

Second: Ms. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

Classified Items 1-4 (within linked document)

5. Unclassified Employees Volunteers

Rensselaer County Literacy Volunteers (Power Lunch - PS14)

Adrienne Larys	Nancy Wells	Kristen Lynch
Anita Murray	Patricia Simon	Mary Burgess Brandt
Barbara Bosworth	Stephanie Houser	Ed Martenis
Connie Gatt	Valarie Jeffers	Judy Smith
Debby Coan	Ellen Dunn	Becky O'Donnell
Judi Jaques	Colleen Marro	Kim Lampkin
Linda Jones	Craig Relyea	Maria Sandova
Anthony Hill	Diana Pane	Claudia Kavenagh
Cathy Watrobski	Kayla Wittmann	Lisa Kadio
		Susan Naughton

Junior Achievement (CHS)

John Strang

Staff Matters (Unclassified and Classified)

C. Superintendent Recommendations - Programs

(Reviewed by D. Watson)

Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to approve Items 1-5 as a consent agenda.

Second: Ms. Pompey-Conway

Discussion: None

Carried: 9-0

1. Special Education Placements

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Special Education has submitted to the Board of Education students having the registration numbers as listed in 2022-2023 classes for students with special needs.

2022-2023 Special Education Placements

2. Out of State Field Trip / Conference

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves an out of state field trip and conference:

Location:	Attendees:	Date:	Paid By:
Music in the Parks Competition Agawam, MA	Music Club and Band Students	April 2023	Music Club and Student Funds
BruMan Fall Forum 2022 Clark County, NV	Summer Logripo	November 30 - December 2, 2022	\$1145 per person Paid by Title I Grant Funds

3. Bell's Auto Driving School (2023 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 Bell's Auto Driving School for drivers education services for Troy Community School students from November 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 at a rate of \$750.00 per student (12 students) to be paid from Troy Community School funds.

Bell's Auto Driving School (2023 Contract)

4. Kevin Ryan (2022-2023 Afterschool 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 Kevin Ryan for agility, strength and coordination training activities during the elementary afterschool program from November 2022 through June 2023 at a cost not to exceed \$6375.00 to be paid from CRSSA grant funds.

Kevin Ryan (2022-2023 Afterschool Contract)

5. Center for Disability Services, Inc (The Langan School 2022-2023) Addendum

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 an addendum with Center for Disability Services, Inc (The Langan School) to provide a student with a 1:1 special education aide for the 2022-2023 school year at a rate of \$1,751.82 per student for a 10 month period to be paid from Special Education grant funds.

Center for Disability Services, Inc (The Langan School 2022-2023) Addendum

D. District Announcements

1. Future Meetings - All meetings take place at 6:00pm
 - a. November 16, 2022 at School 16
 - b. December 7, 2022 at TMS

2. Good News
 - a. On Thursday October 27, School 14 hosted a Fall Family Fest in partnership with CDPHP. Families were able to trick or treat around 36 tables. Many community service providers, offering a variety of services and information, had tables at the event giving families the opportunity to learn more about resources available in the Troy community. Families were also able to get health screenings and flu shots. There was food, music, a photo booth, raffles, giveaways, and bubbles! It was a beautiful evening for the School 14 community to get together. Thank you to CDPHP, all the vendors and community organizations, and the School 14 staff that made this event a great success. Also, many thanks to all of the families that were able to come out for this event. We had nearly 600 people who supported School 14. We're already looking forward to next year!

 - b. Troy's visual arts program was represented at the NYSSBA Convention last week- 23 artists in grades 1-12 were featured in the NYS Art Teachers Association exhibit at the conference. A slideshow of this work is on our website. We certainly have some very talented artists!

 - c. As the fall sports season is ending, the girls volleyball and soccer teams had big 1st round Sectional wins vs. Scotia and South Glens Falls respectively.

 - d. Football player Michael DiNardo was the Times Union Athlete of the Week for his performance in Troy's 30-28 win over Amsterdam on October 21.

E. Adjourn

At 6:59pm, Mrs. Wager-Rounds made a motion to adjourn the public session. This was seconded by Mr. Mayo and carried 9-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Theresa Kaniff
District Clerk

We Can.
We Will. 
End of Story