

APPROVED SEP 15 2022

Lackawanna City School District
Board of Education
245 South Shore Boulevard
Tuesday, August 16 2022 at 6:00 PM

Minutes of the SPECIAL MEETING of the Lackawanna City School District’s Board of Education held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 in the Superintendent’s Conference Room, 245 South Shore Blvd, Lackawanna, NY 14218.

A) OPENING:

Meeting called to order by Board President Azaldeen Mohamed at 6:04 PM, in the Superintendents Conference Room, 245 South Shore Blvd, Lackawanna, NY 14218.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Shokey Albaneh, Mohamed Munassar, Kimberly Bukaty, Leonard Kowalski and Azaldeen Mohamed.

Michael Algawani and Antony Catuzza were excused.

Azaldeen Mohamed thanked everyone for coming and asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

Keith Lewis	Superintendent of Schools
Louis Violanti	School Attorney
Nadia Nashir	Asst. Superintendent

C) ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS:

C-1 Announcement of upcoming Meeting Dates:

Monday, September 12, 2022 - Worksession @McKinley Admin Building, 6PM

Thursday, September 15, 2022 – Regular Meeting @McKinley Admin Building, 7PM

C-2 - Presentations: NONE

C-3 - Public Comment: NONE

D) MINUTES: NONE

E) PERSONNEL-TEACHING

E-1 Approve Resolution – Library Media Specialist, K. Rinow

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Leonard Kowalski, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve for Kimberly Rinow to be appointed as a 1.0 Probationary Library Media Specialist in accordance with the Resolution at Item#E1.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR / NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

The Board congratulated Kimberly Rinow

E-2 Approve Preferred Substitute

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Leonard Kowalski, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve to appoint Jennifer Unger as a Preferred Substitute Teacher.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR / NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

E-3 Approve Retirement of Special Ed Teacher

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the attached retirement request of Victoria Paradise, Special Education Teacher and post for her position. The Board would like to thank Mrs. Paradise for 28 years of service to the District.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR / NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

Azaldeen Mohamed, Board President thanked Victoria for her service.

E-4 Approve Leave of Absence – ENL Teacher

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve a Leave of Absence for an ENL Teacher as attached.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR / NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F) PERSONNEL-NON-TEACHING

F-1 Approve to Rescind Appointment of Cleaner and Post

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve to rescind the appointment of Joseph Anticola, Cleaner and to post for the position.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-2 Approve to Rescind Provisional Appointment Account Clerk Typist

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve to rescind the appointment of Samantha Ziomek, Provisional Account Clerk Typist.

Leonard Kowalski asked why she is being rescinded as a 10-Month position. Keith Lewis explained that we were notified of her eligibility on the Civil Service list and her availability to be a 12-month employee.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-3 Approve Resolution – Account Clerk Typist, S. Ziomek

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Samantha Ziomek is hereby appointed to the position of 10-month Account Clerk Typist subject to a 52-week probationary period. The probationary period will commence September 22, 2022 and will end September 21, 2023.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-4 Approve Addition to Non-Teaching Substitute List

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the attached addition to the Non-Teaching Substitute List.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-5 Approve Resolution – Hall Monitor, M. Rodriguez

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mary Rodriguez is hereby appointed to a position of Hall Monitor subject to a 52-week probationary period. The probationary period commences on August 30, 2022 and ends on August 29, 2023. The hourly rate for the school year 2022-2023 is \$13.20 per hour.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-6 Approve Resolution – Hall Monitor, J. Anderson

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Jordan Anderson is hereby appointed to a position of Hall Monitor subject to a 52-week probationary period. The probationary period commences on August 30, 2022 and ends on August 29, 2023. The hourly rate for the school year 2022-2023 is \$13.20 per hour.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-7 Approve Resolution – Teacher Aide, A. Esa

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Aklimia Esa is hereby appointed to a position of Teacher Aide subject to a 52-week probationary period pending fingerprint clearance. The salary for the school year 2022-2023 is \$26,421.00.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

The Board of Education congratulated Aklimia Esa.

F-8 Approve Resolution – Teacher Aide, S. Hart

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Samantha Hart is hereby appointed to a position of Teacher Aide subject to a 52-week probationary period pending fingerprint clearance. The salary for the school year 2022-2023 is \$26,421.00.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-9 Approve Resolution – Teacher Aide, M. Turner

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, to approve the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, Mya Turner is hereby appointed to a position of Teacher Aide subject to a 52-week probationary period pending fingerprint clearance. The salary for the school year 2022-2023 is \$26,421.00.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

F-10 Approve Modified Girls Soccer Coaches

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve to appoint Jillian Decker and Felicia-Ann Urbanczyk as Girls Modified Soccer Coaches for the 2022-2023 school year. They will split the modified coach's stipend of \$2717.00 evenly.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

G) GENERAL ITEM

G-1 Approve Supplemental Health Care Agreement

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the attached agreement with Supplemental Health Care and for Superintendent Keith Lewis to sign on behalf of the District. Leonard Kowalski asked if the School Attorney had a chance to review this and was told yes.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

G-2 Approve Monarch Little Learners Agreement

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the attached agreement with Monarch Little Learners for Universal Pre-K services and for Superintendent Keith Lewis to sign on behalf of the District.

Leonard Kowalski asked if the School Attorney had a chance to review this and was told yes.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

G-3 Delete

G-4 Approve Comprehensive Improvement Plan

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the 2022-2023 Lackawanna City School District Comprehensive Improvement Plan as attached.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

H) FINANCIAL MATTERS

H-1 Approve External Auditing Services – Buffamante Whipple Buttafaro, PC

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Leonard Kowalski, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve the attached agreement with Buffamante Whipple Buttafaro, PC for external auditing services and for Board President Azaldeen Mohamed to sign on behalf of the District.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

H-2 Approve Food Service Management Company Bid

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Leonard Kowalski, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Keith Lewis, to approve Personal Touch Food Service, Inc. for our Food Program as attached.

Leonard Kowalski asked what the percentage of increase is. Dan Grant responded that it is 10% due to the pressure on labor needs and increased cost in foods, it is necessary.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

I) RECEIVE AND FILE

I-1 MOA with LTF

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Leonard Kowalski to accept the Receive and File.

DULY PUT TO A VOTE

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

Passes 5-0

J) TABLED ITEMS - NONE

K) OLD BUSINESS - NONE

L) PUBLIC COMMENT -NONE

L-1 Public Comment on Agenda Items (**limited total of 15 minutes**)

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty to go into executive session at 6:18 PM.

The Board came out of executive session at 6:47 and role was called.

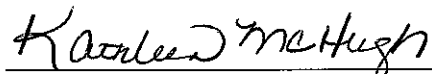
All 5 members were present.

M) ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mohamed Munassar and seconded by Kimberly Bukaty to adjourn the SPECIAL MEETING of the Lackawanna City School District's Board of Education held on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 in the Superintendent's Conference Room, 245 South Shore Blvd., Lackawanna, NY14218.

ALL IN FAVOR/NONE OPPOSED

ADJOURNED AT 6:49 PM.



Kathleen McHugh, Board Clerk