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**LINCOLN SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**LINCOLN, RI 02865**

**DATE: April 2, 2007**

**TIME: 7:35 p.m. - Monthly Meeting - Open**

**PLACE: Lincoln Town Hall**

**100 Old River Road, Lincoln RI**

**School Committee Members Present: Mary Ann Roll, Chair, Betty Robson, Vice Chair, John Zangari, Clerk, Richard Battistoni, Kristine Donabedian, Mary Varr, Julie Zito**

**Others Present: Joseph Nasif, Jr., Interim Superintendent, Georgia Fortunato, Lori Miller, Angelo Mencucci, Melinda Smith, Bruce Macksoud.**

**Opening Ceremony**

**Roll reported there was one vote taken in Executive Session. The committee directed the Interim Superintendent to initiate negotiations with the non-certified staff.**

**Right To Be Heard - None.**

## **Approval of Minutes**

### **March 12, 2007 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to approve by Zito. Seconded by Robson. All in favor.**

**Motion carried. Battistoni asked to amend the minutes correcting the names of Ann Moskol and Kelly Alves under Community Comments.**

**Motion to approve the amended minutes by Zito. Seconded by Robson. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **March 12, 2007 Executive Session Minutes**

**Motion to approve the amended version by Zangari. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **March 19, 2007 Executive Session Minutes**

**Motion to approve by Zangari. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **March 19, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes**

**Motion by Zangari. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Zangari to seal April 2, 2007 Executive Session Minutes. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

## **Superintendent's Report**

### **Kindergarten Registration Report**

**Melinda Smith reported there are 90 incoming Kindergarten students at Fairlawn and 13 first grade students; at NELC 40 Kindergarten and 18 students will move up from pre-school and another five pending.**

**The Interim Superintendent noted they would keep the committee posted with any changes in those numbers.**

### **RICE Job Fair**

**The Interim Superintendent reported they will be attending a job fair sponsored by the RI Consortium of Educators at the Crown Plaza on Tuesday April 17th to recruit new teachers.**

### **Student Update - LHS**

**McNamara introduced Alyssa Musket who is a sophomore at the high school and one of the editors of the school newspaper. She spoke about FBLA's fund raising events and their attendance at the National Business Leadership Conference; and the School of the Year Award. She noted the band's trip to California and many other activities at the school.**

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### **Student/Staff Recognition**

**McNamara recognized Cheryl Murray, RI Business Educator of the Year, who couldn't be present. He also recognized Susan Labossiere as the Special Education Advisor of the Year, Susan Kolenda, Art Teacher, and Joyce Taylor, whose work will be on display in Sen. Reed's office in Washington, D.C. McNamara also recognized Resource Officer Dave Waycott and Chris Hall, who will be an**

ambassador at a national youth crime prevention conference in Denver, Colorado. Also recognized were James Sylvester for his track achievements and Nikolay Korotkov for his mathematics competitions.

### **Correspondence**

Interim Superintendent Nasif read a letter requesting approval from Macksoud for the construction of a patio for Lincoln Middle School. It has been approved by Mencucci and the Planning Board. The patio would be used by 8th graders as a privilege during lunch.

### **Civic Use of Buildings**

The following requests were made for April 28th for a family event by the YMCA, Miss Lynn's Performing Arts.

### **Personnel Recommendations**

#### **Appointments**

**Kathryn Wilson To: Confidential Secretary to Superintendent**

**16 Woodland Court Effective 6/1/07**

**Lincoln, RI 02865 Salary: \$52,000**

**Motion by Zangari to approve. Seconded by Robson. All in favor.**

**Motion carried.**

**Kari-Lyn Morrisroe To: 15-hour Teacher Assistant**

**9 Cold Spring Avenue Effective: 1/16/07 Fairlawn Early Learning**

## **Center**

**No. Providence, RI 02911 Salary: \$9.25 per hour**

**Motion by Zito to approve. Seconded by Robson. All in favor.**

**Motion carried.**

**Barbara Marr To: Extended School Year Coordinator**

**Motion by Robson to approve. Seconded by Zangari. All in favor.**

**Motion carried.**

## **Leaves of Absence**

**Rhonda Sexton Position: Nurse/Teacher, LHS**

**2A Kenned Blvd. For: Medical Leave (paid)**

**Lincoln, RI 02865 Effective 5/14/07 - end of school year**

**Tara Goncalves Position: 1.1 Teacher Assistant, Saylesville**

**58 Sherman Avenue For: Medical Leave**

**Lincoln, RI 02865 Effective: 3/29/07 - 5/10/07**

**Jill Harris Position: Special Ed Self-Contained, Northern Elementary**

**76 Holburn Avenue For: Parenting/Childbearing (unpaid - 2nd year)**

**Cranston, RI 02910 Effective: 007-2008 School Year**

**Lauren Renzi Position: Speech/Language Pathologist - MS**

**PO Box 278 For: Family Medical Leave (unpaid)**

**Albion, RI 02802 Effective: 4/9/07 - end of school year**

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**Roberta Ryan Position: Nurse/Teacher, Saylesville**

**9 Brushwood Drive For: Unpaid Leave**

**Lincoln, RI 02865 Effective: 5/9/07-5/25/07**

**Maria L. DiChiara Position: Speech/Language Pathologist, Fairlawn**

**32 Horace Street For: Maternity Leave**

**Providence, RI 02909 Effective: 2007-2008 School Year**

**Karen Costa Position: Grade 4 Teacher, Central**

**64 Schooner Drive For: Parenting/Childrearing (unpaid)**

**Portsmouth, RI 02909 Effective: 4/6/07 - end of school year**

**Mary Asquith Position: Special Ed. DPT, Fairlawn**

**40 Latham Farm Road For: Medical Leave continuation to 4/13/07**

**Smithfield, RI 02917 Effective: 3/24/07 - 4/13/07**

**Karen Crowell Position: Kindergarten, NELC**

**19 Ash Street For: Maternity (paid)**

**Riverside, RI 02915 Effective: 2/26/07 - 6/4/07**

**Diane Avery Position: Art Teacher, Lonsdale**

**36 Scenery Lane For: Maternity 7/26/07 - 9/6/07 (paid)**

**Johnston, RI 02919 Effective: Childbearing 9/7/07 - 10/25/07 (unpaid)**

**Childrearing part-time 10/26 - end of school year**

**Motion by Zangari to approve. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

### **Resignations**

**Katherine A. Choquette Position: Family and Consumer Sciences, LHS**

**2 Gentry Lane Effective: End of school year - 2006 - 2007**

**Uxbridge, MA 01569**

**Withdrawn.**

**Steven W. Kilsey Position: English/Drama Teacher, LHS**

**20 Sylvia Lane Effective: End of school year - 2006 - 2007**

**Fair Oaks Estates**

**Lincoln, RI 02865**

**Motion by Zangari to approve. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Awarding of Bids - None.**

**Salary Warrants - None.**

**Expense Warrants**

**April 2, 2007 \$737,859.00**

**Motion to approve by Zangari. Seconded by Zito. All in favor. Motion carried.**

**Old Business - None.**

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### **New Business**

#### **Tuition - Peer Models**

**The Interim Superintendent reported the payment has been a token amount of \$5/day for a total of \$20 per week that supplies the student with two and one-half hours worth of instruction. The request is to increase to \$7.50 per diem for the 2007-2008 school year to increase payments by approximately \$10. Motion to approve by Zito. Seconded by Zangari. All in favor. Motion carried.**

#### **School Committee Reports**

**Zangari reported there is no update for the Learning Beyond Grade Level. He commented attending the National Honor Society induction ceremony and dinner. Zito commented on attending the Northern RI**

**Collaborative dinner and that the Collaborative was grateful for Lincoln High School housing two classrooms. She also noted the fun raiser for the Literacy Center. The Chair reported she and Robson had attended the RIASC meeting last Saturday and felt the level of commitment from the general assembly is sincere but there is probably a transition period of about six years. Robson reported the budget subcommittee hasn't met since they are waiting on the Budget Board. Roll reported four members of the district Wellness Committee will be taking part in a panel discussion on WOON.**

**Community Comments - None.**

**Move to Executive Session for Business Pertaining to Personnel  
RIGL 42-46-5(a) 1 and 2**

**Adjourn**

**Motion by Zito to adjourn. Seconded by Zangari. All in favor. Motion carried.**

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**JOHN ZANGARI, CLERK    DATE**