

LINCOLN SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
LINCOLN, RHODE ISLAND  
MINUTES

PLACE: Lincoln Administration Building  
1624 Lonsdale Avenue  
Lincoln, RI 02865  
DATE: August 11, 2009  
TIME: 5:45 PM

School Committee Members Present: Elizabeth Robson, Chair; Kristine Donabedian, Vice Chair; Mary Varr, Clerk;  
Tracey Cavanaugh, Mary Anne Roll  
Absent: Richard Battistoni, Julie Zito

Others Present: Georgia Fortunato, Superintendent, Angelo Mencucci, Lori Miller, Melinda Smith

Opening Ceremony

I. Correspondence – None.

II. Superintendent's Report

a. Budget

Superintendent Fotunato reported there would be a special UCOA training August 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Lincoln Middle School. She has spoken to Ms. McCominsky of the union and will invite Mr. Paul Szymczuk so that the more who see the transparency of the uniform chart of accounts the more meaningful it will be as they interpret upcoming budgets. The Superintendent reported receiving a fax from the Cranston Voc Center of a student who was at a private school and interested in a plan of study that isn't offered at Davies. They will now have to pay for transportation as well as tuition to Cranston. She is hoping to have hard numbers for the September meeting. Robson asked if they could keep a running tally. Fortunato reported there is also someone moving into town from an out of district placement.

b. Approval of School Committee Dates

The Superintendent reported the school committee meetings will be at Lincoln Middle School, but she is looking for a time change to 7:00 p.m. The dates are:

September 14, October 19, November 9, December 14, 2009

January 11, February 8, March 15, April 12, May 17, June 7, 2010

Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Roll. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0

c. Capital Budget Request

Angelo Mencucci reported that Central Elementary is ADA compliant, but the playground is not easily accessible. He would like to build an asphalt ramp with two six foot spans to go to the areas where the trees are or to the play area. He obtained three bids and the low bid was \$2100. Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Varr. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Mencucci reported the high school roof needs new flashing around the HVAC units and repairs to the seams. He went to the roofer who was given the bids for other roofs and this is based on prevailing wage and square footage. This was not budgeted, but there is money in the reserve account. Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Varr. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

The Buildings and Grounds Director explained boiler #1 at the high school needs work. The same vendor worked on boiler #2 previously. It is labor intensive because of the tedious work. They need both boilers to heat the school. Motion to approve the repair to high school boiler #1 from the capital budget by Donabedian. Seconded by Roll. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

III. Personnel Recommendations

**Resignations**

- a. Paulette Dubois  
67 Grove Lane  
Pascoag, RI 02859  
Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Varr and Cavanaugh. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

From: 1:1 Teacher Assistant – Central Elementary  
Effective: August 24, 2009

**Rescissions**

- a. Sandra O’Dell  
27 Oakwood Avenue  
Lincoln, RI 02865
- b. Krisann Paradis  
36 Evergreen Avenue  
Tiverton, RI 02878  
The Superintendent reported that she received several grievances on whether or not protocol was followed. She is recommending the rescission of the appointments made on June 8, 2009, and continue with the investigation. A list of applicants will then be submitted. Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Roll. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

From:: Middle School Health/PE and  
Languages Team Leader  
Effective: 2009-2010 school year

From: Middle School Related Arts Team Leader  
Effective: 2009-2010 school year

IV. Information Only

- a. Teacher Assistant Job Fair Results  
Superintendent Fortunato reported there was a job fair, but with this resignation and one forthcoming another job fair will be held.

V. Salary Warrants

July 30, 2009 \$1,130,272.97  
Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Cavanaugh. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. Expense Warrants

August 11, 2009 (2009-2010 invoices) \$176,007.92  
Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Roll. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.  
August 11, 2009 (a) (2009-2010 invoices) \$462,745.20  
Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Roll. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.  
Capital Reserve \$156,035  
Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Cavanaugh. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

VII. Old Business – None.

VIII. New Business

- a. Home Schooling Requests
  - Ms. Beverly Moreau
  - Ms. Pamela Loignon and Mr. Manuel Amaral
  - Ms. Grace Martin
 Motion to approve by Donabedian. Seconded by Cavanaugh. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.  
Discussion ensued regarding what programs students participate in, including the Wellness Policy when they are on school premises and a summary is provided of test results.

IX. Community Comments – None.

X. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Donabedian at 6:21 p.m. Seconded by Cavanaugh. All in favor. Motion carried 5-0.