

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Work Session Meeting/Public Hearing for Budget  
May 5, 2021  
6:00 p.m.  
Minutes No. 23

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Present: President Young, Vice President Linderman, Board Member Cheatham, Board Member Hare, Board Member Kershaw, Board Member Pratt (virtual), and Board Member Tobin – 7.

Absent: Secretary Sandell and Trustee Lambalzer - Excused

President Young called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Young.

No. 650 On Motion by Board Member Tobin, seconded by Board Member Cheatham, the Board moved into executive session at 6:01 p.m. to discuss the following items:

- to review the employment status of three LSEA members,
- to review the interview process for a district SRO,
- to review a request from LASA to consider appointing one identified administrator to the state required DEI department/program positions,
- student needs protected under FERPA as they relate to residency, guardianship, and enrollment were discussed,
- the board discussed the superintendent's evaluation process.

Ayes 7.

No. 651 On Motion by Board Member Kershaw, seconded by Board Member Linderman, the Board moved out of executive session at 7:09 p.m. – Ayes 7.

## **PUBLIC HEARING FOR BUDGET**

7:09 – 7:46 p.m.

Deborah Coder, assistant superintendent for finance and management services, gave a PowerPoint presentation of the 2021-2022 proposed budget in a three-part format as required by the State Education Department.

President Young opened the Public Forum.

## PUBLIC FORUM FOR BUDGET HEARING

The following email from Justin Quackenbush was received and read after the budget hearing during the public forum by President Young:

*"Good morning,*

*First things first I think it should be revisited for 5th and 6th graders to be back in the classroom full-time, how you come out and say "you will continue to listen to the state and federal departments" on guidance and they give the recommendation for k-6 to be back full then what gives? You have a governor that is opening back EVERYTHING full by May 19th but we continue to have schools (which should of been the first to fully reopen) still far behind. We are going to have the exact same issues especially with EB this fall with school size (rooms) and unless you are building more schools you better get the kids back and work with what we have.*

*Second, you want to propose tax increases and that is not acceptable we don't want to hear excuses and by all means tax payers should be getting reduced or even payback for this nonsense through the whole year, money was not justified esp this time.*

*Thanks*

*Justin Quackenbush"*

## DISCUSSION

- Summer Learning K-12 – Marianne Currie-Hall, executive director of educational services; Dr. Bernadette Smith, NPJHS principal; Anthony Molinaro, NPJHS assistant principal; Paul Kowalski, EBIS principal
- Reviewed the proposed agenda for the May 19, 2021 Board of Education meeting.

## ACTION

### BUSINESS MATTERS

No.	Motion	Amount	Description
652	On Motion by Board Member Kershaw		
A2110-140-23-0004	A1430-450-23-0000	\$12,000.000	To purchase PPE – Vinyl gloves. Staff are using more than expected and prefer one size over another.
A2110-120-03-0000	A2110-120-03-ESSR	\$10,521.59	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by traced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2110-120-03-0009	A2110-120-08-ESS9	\$11,436.75	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by traced under separate codes in the general fund.

A2110-120-03-0009	A2110-120-08-ESSR	\$43,515.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2110-120-11-0000	A2110-120-11-ESS9	\$13,724.10	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2110-130-04-0000	A2110-130-13-ESSR	\$44,644.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-150-03-0000	A2250-150-04-ESSR	\$48,434.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-150-03-0000	A2250-150-04-GEER	\$45,738.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-150-09-ESSR	A2250-150-12-ESSR	\$13,794.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-150-11-ESSR	A2250-150-12-ESSR	\$10,981.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-160-03-0009	A2250-160-04-ESS9	\$44,689.60	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-160-09-0009	A2250-160-09-ESS9	\$59,322.06	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2250-160-08-0009	A2250-160-09-ESS9	\$49.94	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated

A2250-160-12-0009	A2250-160-12-ESS9	\$14,095.40	these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund. Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2810-150-03-0000	A2810-150-11-ESSR	\$4,919.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.
A2810-150-03-0000	A2825-150-03-ESSR	\$42,366.00	Reclassification of salary codes for salaries covered by ESSR or GEER under the CARES Act. NYSED has stipulated these expenses by tranced under separate codes in the general fund.

Seconded by Board Member Tobin – Ayes 7.

No. 653 On Motion by Board Member Kershaw

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Board of Elections has requested the use of school facilities for the Local Primary Election, to be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 and the 2021 General Election, to be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Board of Education that the following buildings will be available for use on those dates:

Lockport High School  
North Park Annex

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Clerk of the Board of Education be and she hereby is authorized and directed to issue Use of Building Permit to the Niagara County Board of Elections for the use of the above buildings on the above dates.

Seconded by Board Member Tobin – Ayes 7.

No. 654 On Motion by Board Member Kershaw

WHEREAS, the district's current contract with BCBS of WNY for our self-funded health insurance stop loss coverage will expire on June 30, 2021, and

WHEREASAS, the district's third party consultant, Aebly & Associates has recommended renewing the stop loss agreement with BCBS of WNY at the current stop loss limit of \$150,000,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Education does hereby accept and approve the Agreement with BCBS of WNY effective July 1, 2021, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Management Services be and she hereby is authorized and directed to sign the contract.

Seconded by Board Member Tobin – Ayes 7.

**PERSONNEL MATTERS**

No. 655 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the appointment of the following student observer for the 2020/2021 school year be approved. There shall be no compensation for this appointment.

Hayden Coakley LHS

Keuka College/Richard Martin

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 656 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport Education Association be approved, effective for the 2020/2021 school year.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 657 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport Education Association be approved, effective for the 2020/2021 school year.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 658 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport Education Association be approved, effective for the 2020/2021 school year.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 659 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport Education Association be approved, effective for the 2020/2021 school year.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 660 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the appointment of Christine Greco as substitute teacher at the rate of \$16.77 per hour be approved, effective September 1, 2021.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 661 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the appointment of Janet Fisher as substitute teacher at the rate of \$16.77 per hour be approved, effective September 1, 2021.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 662 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the resignation of Jennifer Rice as Account Clerk be accepted pending her appointment as School Secretary I.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 663 On Motion by Board Member Linderman

RESOLVED: That the appointment of Jennifer Rice as School Secretary I at the salary of \$32,916 (prorated) be approved, effective May 6, 2021.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 664            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of Emily Taylor as uncertified substitute teacher at the rate of \$14.60 per hour, substitute teaching assistant and substitute teacher aide at the rate of \$12.50 per hour be approved, effective May 7, 2021.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 665            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of Joseph Budnack as uncertified substitute teacher at the rate of \$14.60 per hour, substitute teaching assistant and substitute teacher aide at the rate of \$12.50 per hour be approved, effective May 7, 2021.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 666            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the Memorandum of Agreement between the Lockport City School District and the Lockport School Employees Association be approved, effective May 6, 2021.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 667            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of Regina Grimball as substitute breakfast monitor and substitute noon hour monitor at the rate of \$12.50 per hour be approved, pending fingerprint clearance, effective May 7, 2021.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 668            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of the following athletic department volunteer for the spring season be approved. All spring 2020/2021 coaching appointments are contingent upon school being open for students based on guidance from the New York State Education Department, Centers for Disease Control, New York State Public High School Athletic Association and/or the National Federation of State High Schools and will not be considered active unless and until the actual spring athletic season commences.

                  Brooke Evans            Girls Lacrosse, pending license  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 669            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of MaryAnn Guyett as an aide for a student athlete at a stipend of \$1,000 be approved for the spring 2021 athletic season. All spring 2020/2021 athletic appointments are contingent upon school being open for students based on guidance from the New York State Education Department, Centers for Disease Control, New York State Public High School Athletic Association and/or the National Federation of State High Schools and will not be considered active unless and until the actual spring athletic season commences.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 670            On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
RESOLVED:        That the appointment of Rosalie Bailor as substitute nurse at the rate of \$20.00 per hour be approved, pending fingerprint clearance, effective May 10, 2021.  
Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 671 On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
 RESOLVED: That the appointment of the following individuals to the 2021 summer extended learning program be approved as indicated below:

a) Kristen Smith	K-6 Program Coordinator	\$4,264
b) Marla Sparks	K-6 SEL Coordinator	\$3,350
c) Heather Scharping	7-8 Program Coordinator	\$3,350
d) Angela Tuchols	9-12 Program Coordinator	\$3,655
e) Michelle Burtis	Curriculum Writer – Math	\$25.00/hour
f) Danielle Kruse	Curriculum Writer – ELA	\$25.00/hour

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 672 On Motion by Board Member Linderman  
 RESOLVED: That the appointment of Mikayla Trotter as uncertified substitute teacher, substitute teaching assistant and substitute teacher aide at the rate of \$12.50 per hour be approved, effective May 7, 2021.

Seconded by Board Member Kershaw – Ayes 7.

No. 673 On Motion by Board Member Tobin  
 RESOLVED: That the following policy be adopted:

- 7530 – Child Abuse and Maltreatment

Seconded by Board Member Hare – Ayes 7.

## **SPECIAL NEEDS**

No. 674 On Motion by Board Member Hare  
 RESOLVED: That the minutes from the Committee on Preschool Special Education meetings of April 14, 20, 2021 be approved as attached.  
 Seconded by Board Member Tobin – Ayes 7.

No. 675 On Motion by Board Member Hare, seconded by Board Member Linderman, the Board moved into the 2<sup>nd</sup> executive session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss the following items:

- to review a potential MOA with LEA to enhance the established rate of pay for summer school using ARP funding,
- to review the rate of pay and consider an increase for seasonal laborers,
- to review contract amendments for twenty unrepresented employees,
- to review the proposed American Rescue Plan positions to accommodate student learning loss,
- to review a request from LEA for use of art classrooms and cafeterias during COVID social distancing guidelines at EB,  
 – Ayes 7.

No. 676 On Motion by Board Member Tobin, seconded by Board Member Hare, the Board moved out of the 2<sup>nd</sup> executive session at 9:29 p.m. – Ayes 7.

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No. 677        On Motion by Board Member Hare, seconded by Board Member Tobin, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m. – Ayes 7.

Deborah A. Coder  
Clerk of the Board