



ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF

TROY

TODAY'S STUDENTS. TOMORROW'S LEADERS.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

475 First Street

Troy, NY 12180

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Date of Meeting: August 19, 2015
Type of Meeting: **REGULAR MEETING**
Location: Troy Middle School

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 5:30 pm Mr. Schofield called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mr. Jason Schofield, President
Mr. Tom Mayo, Vice President
Mrs. Ann Apicella
Ms. Elizabeth Denio
Ms. Mary Marro-Giroux
Mr. Michael Tuttmann
Mrs. Anne Wager-Rounds

Members Absent: Mrs. Carol Harvin
Mr. Bill Strang

Also Present: Mr. John Carmello, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Donna Watson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Terry Blanchfield, Interim Superintendent for Business
Mrs. Kristen Miaski, Director of Human Resources
Ms. Kathleen Cietek, District Treasurer
Ms. Kathy Ahearn, School Attorney

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Schofield made a motion at 5:30 pm to move to Executive Session regarding pending litigation. Invited in were Mr. Carmello, Dr. Watson, Mr. Blanchfield, Mrs. Miaski and Ms. Ahearn.

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

At 6:15 pm Mr. Schofield called the public session to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

NON-ACTION ITEMS

VI. NYS TEST SCORES REPORT - J. CARMELLO AND D. WATSON

Mr. Carmello gave an overview of the Regents Reform Agenda. He stated that the Board of Regents adopted more rigorous college and career readiness standards. 2013 was the first year ELA and Math scores were tied to new assessments for Grades 3-8. We are now in the third year of higher standards. 2014 was the roll-out for more rigorous Regents exams. In 2017 students will be required to pass all 5 regents exams with 65% grade before they graduate. In 2022 the first cohort of high school graduates will be required to pass more rigorous regents exams for graduation at the aspirational college and career ready level. This cohort just completed 5th grade. Mr. Carmello reviewed the explanation for Levels 1-4 of proficiency. He clarified that Level 2 is not failing but shows that a student is partially on track to meet targets. He would like to see results higher but knows success will be demonstrated as incremental progress.

Mr. Carmello showed a chart of progression for state-wide proficiency performance. There was small improvement in ELA from 2013 to 2015 but Math had an improvement overall. Opting out was an issue this year as 20% of eligible students across New York did not take tests. Troy was much less with 8% ELA and 15% for Math; we did not reach 95% participation but many districts did not either. Questar Assessments has been contracted for future assessments, not Pearson. New SED Commissioner MaryEllen Elia is committed to Common Core and promised to be more collaborative.

District Goals - Mr. Carmello reviewed our current district goals. We are on track with Goal 4 regarding data driven decision-making and data driven instruction, which is criteria for new hires. With help from Technology Department, data will be drilled down to each student to see any red flags. Administrative Council will include review of data for 2015-16 school year. We are also on track with Goal 3 and recognized last year increase in graduation rates. Goal 2 regarding the Code of Conduct will continue to strive for a decrease in violations each year.

Goal 1 relates to achieving proficiency scores for Grades 3-8 which is judged by state-wide assessments. We have set our goal high and will work hard to reach it. Mr. Carmello does not want to lower goals and possibly leave a student behind. He showed the breakdown for students continuously enrolled in 2013-14 and 2014-15. There was an improvement for both ELA and Math for Levels 1 and 2, and even though we did not reach the goal, we were just short and should be proud. Our district-wide results in ELA and Math show continuous improvement over the last three years, with several areas of significant improvement. School 16 had a significant jump from 25.3% to 39.9%. Dr. Tracy Ford and his faculty and staff were recognized for this accomplishment. All ELA scores increased except for School 18. Mr. Carmello and administration are monitoring results.

Discussion: Mr. Tuttmann stated 20% improvement is a good target for ELA and Math, but he would like to see 100%. He is encouraged by 18% improvement shown. Mrs. Wager-Rounds congratulated Dr. Ford as well as Mr. Dunn on improved scores. Mr. Carmello added that Troy is below the state average but our movement is quicker than state average. We are making progress and will build upon our success.

Operationalizing the Regents Reform Agenda - Dr. Donna Watson continued the powerpoint presentation. The Regents Reform Agenda includes implementing common core standards, building instructional data systems, recruiting and retaining effective teachers and turning around low-achieving schools. Our "Theory of Action" in Troy since last year is that all students WILL learn and achieve at high levels. The 2015-16 school year has a new focus on efficacy and it will be the year of Self-Directed Improvement. Troy City School District has partnered with the Efficacy Institute who is providing professional development for every school. The impact of efficacy on student achievement has three components: (1) Mission - academic proficiency or higher and strong character for all children; (2) Mindset - people can in fact "get smart"; and (3) Method - Teach the Method and install a self-directed improvement system for effective use of data and feedback.

Dr. Watson explained the Curriculum Management Cycle for TCSD. We are in the second year of using Curriculum electronic maps. Teachers are mapping out their curriculum to align to the standards and it becomes a central tool. By 2018 there will be a comprehensive map for all curricula. This is also the second year of a new elementary Master Schedule built around Common Core areas. We are using GURU boards for building instructional data systems. Staff will be getting extra time through early releases and team time to analyze data, feedback and strategy. We continue to recruit highly effective teachers and principals. School 2 has a renewed focus on efficacy and engaging the whole community (CET), development of plans to promote shared ownership for school improvement and a clear mission to get every student to proficiency and beyond.

Discussion - Mrs. Wager-Rounds said she would like teachers to understand that it is okay to share their ideas with each other. If something is working, let's share it. Dr. Watson said our district is filled with talented teachers - our students need us and there is no time to waste. She absolutely agreed that staff should be willing to share their best practices with each other.

Mr. Carmello concluded by saying September 2nd is opening day for faculty and staff.

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT - K. CIETEK

June 2015 - Ms. Cietek reported that budget transfers for June were related to year-end close out. The internal claims auditor reviewed 505 checks totaling \$6.9 million. The General Fund, School Lunch and Special Aid funds are currently under review with out external auditors. Treasurer's report - all accounts have been reconciled.

July 2015 - The internal claims auditor reviewed 246 checks in July totaling \$5.5 million. In the General Fun we are in the process of encumbering all re-occurring payments. School Lunch - we have been working with Mr. Wood (Sodexo) to encumber any necessary equipment and supplies for various buildings throughout the District. Special Aid had 8 grants under review. Treasurer's Report - all accounts have been reconciled.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Unclassified Employee - Transfers (for notification purposes only)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA / POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TENURE AREA / POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>TO</u>
Nancy Smith	Mathematics	TMS	Mathematics (LOA S.Shoemaker)	THS

ACTION ITEMS

IX. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Staff Matters - Unclassified (reviewed by D. Watson)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-6 as a Consent Agenda:

Second: Mr. Mayo

Discussion: Mrs. Wager-Rounds said she is glad to see social workers are hired.

Carried: 7-0

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 personnel actions:

1. Unclassified Employee - Resignation

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA / POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
a. Charles Mossey	Teaching Assistant	100%	THS	8/5/15
b. V. DonVito-MacPhee	Assistant Principal	100%	TMS	8/6/15
c. Emma Fitzgerald	Teaching Assistant	100%	CHS	8/31/15
d. Michael Neumann	Mathematics	100%	TMS	8/31/15
e. Emily Sellman	Teaching Assistant	100%	TMS	8/31/15
f. Katie Rossettini	Special Education	100%	ALP/PS12	8/31/15
g. Michelle Emma	Teaching Assistant	100%	CHS	8/31/15
h. Jennifer Burns	Elementary (K)	100%	CHS	8/31/15
i. Jason Jones	Physical Education	100%	CHS	9/17/15

2. Unclassified Employee - Probationary Appointments

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>	<u>PROB APPT START DATE</u>	<u>*PROB APPT END DATE</u>	<u>CERT STATUS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Kristine Weinheimer	ESOL	100%	PS-18 / TMS	9/1/15	8/31/19	ESOL, Initial	\$44,500 (S-1, Col E)
b. Loreley Noonan	ESOL	100%	PS-14	9/1/15	8/31/19	ESOL, Initial	\$45,500 (S-1, Col J)
c. Christopher Carovillano	Foreign Lang Italian	100%	THS / TMS	9/1/15	8/31/19	Italian 7-12, Initial	\$43,500 (S-2, Col A)
d. Michelle Emma	Media Center Specialist	100%	Elementary (Resign J.Holmes)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Library Media Spec, Supp	\$45,500 (S-2, Col E)
e. Julie Van Sickle	Remedial Reading	100%	District	9/1/15	8/31/19	Literacy B-6, Professional	\$45,500 (S-2, Col E)

f. Jennifer Burns	Remedial Reading	100%	District	10/5/15	10/4/19	Literacy B-6, Professional	\$49,250 (S-6, Col E)
g. Jillian Hines	School Psychologist	100%	PS-16 (Retire M. Blednick)	9/19/15	9/18/19	School Psych, Provisional	\$48,500 (S-4, Col J)
h. Stephanie Moryl	School Social Worker	100%	District	9/1/15	8/31/19	School Social Worker, Perm	\$49,750 (S-6, Col G)
i. Kelly Stack	Speech Therapist	100%	PS-16	9/1/15	8/31/19	Speech, Initial	\$45,500 (S-2, Col E)
j. William Decker	SpecEd-Gen 12:1:2	100%	TMS (Retire E.North)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Special Ed, Permanent	\$54,150 (S-11, Col E)
k. Kelly Scofield	SpecEd-Gen 12:1:2	100%	PS-16 (Resign S.Gonsiewski)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Stud w/Disab 1-6, Initial	\$47,000 (S-2, Col K)
l. William Guilbo	Teaching Asst 1:1	100%	PS-2 (Resign A.Morrison)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Teaching Asst, Level III	\$24,750+\$1,000 (S-1+stipend)
m. Jeanette Botts	Teaching Asst 8:1:2	100%	PS-18	9/1/15	8/31/19	Child Ed 1-6, Initial	\$24,750 (Step 1)
n. Elizabeth Malone	Teaching Asst.	100%	PS-14 (Resign C DeJulio)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Stud w/Disab 1-6, Initial	\$24,750 (Step 1)
o. Samantha Rivet	Teaching Asst 12:1:2	100%	PS-16	9/1/15	8/31/19	Teaching Asst, Level I	\$24,750 (Step 1)
p. Katelyn Waters	Teaching Asst 1:1	100%	CHS (Resign E.Fitzgerald)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Teaching Asst, Level I	\$24,750 (Step 1)
q. Lisa Suders	Teaching Asst 1:1	100%	PS-16	9/1/15	8/31/19	Literacy 5-12, Initial	\$24,750 (Step 1)
r. Courtney DeJulio	Elementary Grade 2	100%	PS-2 (Resign J.Turnbull)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Child Ed 1-6, Initial	\$45,500+\$6,500 (S-2E + stipend)
s. Diana Young	Elementary Grade 4	100%	PS-2	9/1/15	8/31/19	Child Ed 1-6, Initial	\$44,500+\$6,500 (S-1E + stipend)
t. Holly Bartlett	Elementary Grade 5	100%	PS-16 (Resign A.Speirs)	9/1/15	8/31/19	Child Ed 1-6, Initial	\$44,500 (S-1, Col E)

* In order to be eligible for tenure, an individual receiving a probationary appointment as a classroom teacher or building principal must receive annual composite or overall APPR ratings of H or E in a at least three of the four preceding years, and if the individual receives a rating of I in the final year of the probationary period, he or she will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

3. Unclassified Employee - Temporary Appointment

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TENURE AREA / POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>% SERVICE</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>	<u>EFFEC DATE</u>	<u>CERT STATUS</u>	<u>SALARY RATE</u>
a. Zipporah Galimore	RTI Coordinator	100%	District (LOA N.Turner-Hassell)	8/24/15 - 6/30/16	SDL, Professional	\$81,153
b. Monica Staats	English	100%	THS (Argue Like A Lawyer)	9/1/15 - 6/30/16	ELA 7-12, Professional	\$44,500 (S-1, Col E)
c. Joshua Lewandowski	Social Studies	100%	THS (Argue Like A Lawyer)	9/1/15 - 6/30/16	Social Studies, Initial	\$44,500 (S-1, Col E)
d. Janelle Dessingue	Elementary Grade 1	100%	PS-18 (TSA A.Fraser)	9/1/15 - 6/30/16	Child Ed 1-6, Professional	\$44,500 (S-1, Col E)

4. Unclassified Employee - 2015-16 Student Interns (Unpaid)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>COLLEGE</u>	<u>AREA OF STUDY</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>ASSIGN</u>
Daniel Curry	College of St. Rose	Social Studies	Richard Steinbach	THS

Eric Ouellette	Sage Graduate	School Counselor	Christine Dauphinais	THS
Emily Ciuk	Union College	Science	Justin Haviland	THS
Miguel Roel	Union College	English	Daniel Hayes	THS

5. Unclassified Employees - 2015 Summer Professional Development

- a. APPR Curriculum Writing *(amend total hours from 6/17/15 BOE Agenda, page 3)*
 Robert Wallen \$31.00 / hour up to 3 hours General Fund
- b. Science Curriculum Writing
 Celine Boule \$31.00 / hour up to 15 hours General Fund
- c. P-Tech
 Andrew Baitinger \$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours
 Sara Ladopoulos \$31.00 / hour up to 20 hours

6. Unclassified Employees - 2015-16 Substitutes

NAME	TEACHERS		TEACHING ASST		HOME TUTOR	
	Certified	Uncertified	Certified	Uncertified	Certified	Uncertified
	(\$100 / day)	(\$90 / day)	\$12.00 / hour)		(\$31.00 / hour)	
Michael Krogh					X	
George Rafferty					X	

B. Staff Matters - Classified (Reviewed by K. Miaski)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item 1:

Second: Mr. Mayo
Carried: 7-0

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 classified personnel actions:

1. Classified Employee - Permanent Serving Probationary Appointment

	NAME	POSITION	%	ASSIGN	PROB APPT		SALARY
					START DATE	END DATE	
	TITLE	SERVICE					RATE
a.	Jordan Doyle	Secretary	100%	PS-2 (Retire J.Blais)	8/20/15	2/18/16	\$32,172 (S-1, Grade 9)
b.	John Laviolette	School Monitor	100%	TMS	9/1/15	3/1/16	\$25,371 (Yr-1, Grade 3A)
c.	Stephen Sontheimer	School Monitor	100%	THS (Resign M.Lewis)	9/1/15	3/1/16	\$25,371 (Yr-1, Grade 3A)
d.	Amanda Burnett	School Monitor	100%	PS14 (Term J.Miles)	9/1/15	3/1/16	\$25,371 (Yr-1, Grade 3A)

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - PROGRAMS (reviewed by D. Watson)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-22 as a Consent Agenda:

Second: Mr. Mayo
Carried: 7-0

1. 2015-16 Code of Conduct (Addendum I)

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 the 2015-16 Code of Conduct.

21st Century Program

2. Contract - The Arts Center (2015-16) (Addendum II)

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 The Arts Center of the Capital Region for program activities for 21st Century for period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$38,000 to be paid from 21st Century funds.

3. Contract - Jim Nash (2015-16) (Addendum III)

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 Jim Nash for 30 Tae Kwon Do and general fitness classes for 21st Century Program for the period of September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$9,000 plus \$1000 for t-shirts and supplies to be paid from 21st Century funds.

4. Contract - St. Anne Institute (2015-16) (Addendum IV)

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 St. Anne Institute for program activities for 21st Century Program (TMS, PS14 and CHS) for the period of September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the total amount of \$10,000.00 to be paid from 21st Century funds.

5. Contract - Z Score (2015-16) (Addendum V)

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 Z-Score for the 21st Century Program in the amount of \$15,000 for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. This contract shall be paid from 21st Century funds.

Special Education

6. Center for Disability Services, Inc. (Summer) (Addendum VI)

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 Center for Disability Services (The Langan School) for special education services for (6) students for term of July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 in the total amount of \$42,642.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

7. Center for Disability Services, Inc. (2015-16) (Addendum VII)

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 Center for Disability Services (The Langan School) for special education services for (6) students for term of September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the total amount of \$257,682.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

8. Contract - Complete Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy (2015-16) (Addendum VIII)

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 Complete Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy, PLLC for special education services as needed during the period of September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 at a rate of \$70 per half hour and \$180.00 per evaluation to be paid from Special Education funds.

9. Contract - Hillcrest Educational Centers, Inc. (Summer) (Addendum IX)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves a contract with Hillcrest Educational Centers, Inc. for special education services for (1) student from July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 in the total amount of \$10,904.00 for 2-month period to be paid from Special Education funds.

10. Contract - Hillcrest Educational Centers, Inc. (2015-16) (Addendum X)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves a contract with Hillcrest Educational Centers, Inc. for special education services for (1) student from September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 in the total amount of \$67,607.00 for 10-month period to be paid from Special Education funds.

11. Contract - Northeast Parent and Child Society (Summer) (Addendum XI)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves a contract with Northeast Parent and Child Society for special education services for (3) students from July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 in the total amount of \$22,614.00 for 2-month period to be paid from Special Education funds.

12. Contract - St. Colman's Home (summer) (Addendum XII)

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 the St. Colman's Home Inc. for special education services from July 6, 2015 through August 14, 2015 for (7) students in the total amount of \$38,332.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

13. Contract - St. Colman's Home (Summer Aide 1:1) (Addendum XIII)

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 the St. Colman's Home Inc. for 1:1 Aide for special education services from July 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015 for (3) students at a rate of \$95.33 per day for a total of \$11,439.60 to be paid from Special Education funds.

14. Contract - St. Colman's Home (2015-16) (Addendum XIV)

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 the St. Colman's Home Inc. for special education services from September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 for (7) students for a total amount of \$229,985.00 to be paid from Special Education funds.

15. Contract - St. Colman's Home (2015-16 Aide 1:1) (Addendum XV)

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 the St. Colman's Home Inc. for 1:1 Aide for special education services from September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 for (3) students at a rate of \$95.33 per day for a total of \$52,908.15 to be paid from Special Education funds.

Universal PreK Contracts

16. Achievements (Addendum XVI)

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 Achievements for University PreKindergarten Program (UPK) located at Troy Boys and Girls Club for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$20,300. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

17. CEO - Headstart (located Schools 2, 12 and 14) (Addendum XVII)

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 Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) for University PreKindergarten Program (UPK) located at Schools 2, 12 and CEO Family Resource Center for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$408,900. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

18. Sacred Heart School (Addendum XVIII)

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 Sacred Heart School and Sacred Heart Church for Universal PreKindergarten Program (UPK) for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$130,500. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

19. Samaritan -Rensselaer Child Care Center, Inc. (Addendum XIX)

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 Samaritan-Rensselaer Child Care Center, Inc. for Universal PreKindergarten Program (UPK) for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$43,500. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

20. Sunnyside Day Care Center (Addendum XX)

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 Sunnyside Day Care Center, a service of Catholic Charities, for Universal PreKindergarten Program (UPK) for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$23,200. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

21. Unity Sunshine Program (Addendum XXI)

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 Unity Sunshine Program, service of Unity House of Troy, Inc. for Universal PreKindergarten Program (UPK) for 2015-16 school year in the amount \$46,400. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

22. Viking Child Care Center of HVCC (Addendum XXII)

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 Viking Child Care Center of Hudson Valley Community College for Universal PreKindergarten Program (UPK) for 2015-16 school year in the amount of \$17,400. Contract shall be paid from UPK grant funds.

Amendment

23. Instructional Contract - North Greenbush Common School District (BOE resolution 8-5-15)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby approves an instructional contract with North Greenbush Common School District for instructional services for students in Grades 6-12 for 2015-16 school year commencing on July 1, 2015 per rate set by NYS.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS - BUSINESS FINANCE (T. Blanchfield)

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Items 1-5 as a Consent Agenda:

Second: Mr. Mayo

Discussion: Mr. Schofield stated this was Mr. Blanchfield's last board meeting and thanked him for his position as Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business.

Mrs. Wager-Rounds stated there is a resolution for School 1 sale but nothing for the public vote. At this time we are not ready for public vote.

Carried: 7-0

1. School 1 - SEQRA Determination

Whereas, the Enlarged City School District of Troy ("School District") desires to embark upon the sale of former Public School 1 ("PS 1") located at 2920 Fifth Avenue in Troy, which the Board of Education has determined is no longer needed for educational purposes (the "proposed action"), and

Whereas, the proposed action is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"); and

Whereas, the Board of Education contracted with the Chazen Companies to review the potential impact of the proposed action and to prepare an Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) for the proposed action,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy shall serve as lead agency for the purpose of compliance with SEQRA and its implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education, as lead agency, hereby adopts the above-referenced EAF and agrees with the contents thereof; and

Be it further resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the District's environmental consultant, the Chazen Companies, the Board of Education hereby determines that the proposed action is an Unlisted Action under the SEQRA regulations; and

Be it further resolved, that based upon the information contained in the EAF and all other relevant information before it, the Board of Education, as lead agency for the action contemplated herein, and after due deliberation and analysis, hereby determines that the proposed action will not result in significant adverse impacts to the environment, under the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR §617.7, specifically:

- 1) The proposed action is not expected to have a significant effect on local air quality, ground or surface water quality or quantity, or traffic or noise levels.
- 2) The proposed action will not cause a substantial increase in solid waste production, or a substantial increase in the potential for erosion, flooding, leaching, or drainage problems.
- 3) The proposed action will not result in the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna, and is not expected to substantially interfere with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species.
- 4) No disturbance to or substantial adverse effect on any identified significant habitat areas, threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, the habitat of such species, or other natural resources has been identified.

- 5) The proposed action will not result in the impairment or the environmental characteristics of a Critical Environmental Area.
- 6) The proposed action is not in material conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted.
- 7) The proposed activity will not impair the character or quality of important historical, archaeological, or aesthetic resources or the existing community or neighborhood character. There is no anticipated significant adverse effect on local community services such as police and fire protection, or recreational and educational facilities.
- 8) The proposed action will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy.
- 9) The proposed action will not create a hazard to human health.
- 10) The proposed activity will not result in a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land devoted to agricultural, open space, or recreational use.
- 11) The proposed action will not encourage or attract large numbers of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action.
- 12) The proposed action will not result in the creation of material demand for other actions that would result in one of the above consequences.
- 13) The proposed action will not result in changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment.
- 14) When analyzed with two or more related actions, the proposed action will not have a significant impact on the environment and when considered cumulatively, will not meet one or more of the criteria under 6 NYCRR 617.7, and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Board of Education hereby issues a Negative Declaration pursuant to the requirements of SEQRA (6 NYCRR 617.7).

2. School 1 - Contract of Sale

Whereas, the Board of Education has previously determined that the real property located at 2920 Fifth Avenue, Troy, New York, including the school building situated thereon known as "School 1" and several parking lots ("the School 1 property"), is not needed for school district purposes; and

Whereas, the Board has obtained appraisals of the School 1 property to ascertain the fair market value of the property; and

Whereas, the Board has received an offer to purchase said property from Redburn Development Companies, LLC, a New York limited liability company, at a price and upon such terms as the Board has determined to be at the fair market value of the property; and

Whereas, the Board has determined that acceptance of the offer to purchase said property received from Redburn Development Companies, LLC, is in the best interests of the District;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy hereby accepts the offer to purchase the School 1 property, received from Redburn Development Companies, LLC, in the amount of Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$315,000.00), contingent upon the approval of the sale by the qualified voters of the Enlarged City School District of Troy at a public referendum; and

Be it further resolved, that the President of the Board of Education be and is hereby authorized to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement with Redburn Development Companies, LLC, regarding the School 1 property, bearing the following tax map numbers on the tax rolls of the City of Troy, County of Rensselaer: Sec. 90.70 Block 7 Lot 1; Sec. 90.70 Block 7 Lot 5; Sec. 90.70 Block 7 Lot 14; and Sec. 90.70 Block 7 Lot 15,; and

Be it further resolved, that upon approval of the sale by the qualified voters of the District, the President of the Board of Education be and hereby is authorized to execute a deed(s) and any related documents necessary to convey said property at the time of closing pursuant to said Purchase and Sale Agreement; and

Be it further resolved, that the President of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools are each authorized to execute any and all additional documents in furtherance of this transaction, including but not limited to matters before the City of Troy and County of Rensselaer.

3. Contract Extension - Durham School Services (2015-16) (Addendum XXIII)

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 extension to the contract with Durham School Services for the 2015-16 pupil transportation services in the amount of \$2,777,953.00

4. Contract Extension - Star and Strand (2015-16) (Addendum XXIV)

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 extension to the contract with Star and Strand for the 2015-16 pupil transportation services in the amount of \$1,304,520.00.

5. Donations

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby accepts the following donations:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mark and Susan Sonnenberg	Music Dept. (in memory of F. Balistreri)	\$500.00
William and Judith Kahn	Music Dept. (in memory of F. Balistreri)	\$25.00
Lynn Giambri	Music Dept. (in memory of F. Balistreri)	\$50.00
Target	Troy High School supplies	\$50.00
Hannaford	P-Tech Program (summer/2015-16)	Food \$1,000.00

XI. BOARD RESOLUTION - POLICY

Mr. Schofield made a motion to approve Item 1.

Second: Mr. Mayo
Carried: 7-0

1. Policy Approval

(Addendum XXV)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Enlarged City School District of Troy, NY hereby approves revisions to the following policies:

5280 Interscholastic Athletics
5301 Student Searches and Interrogations

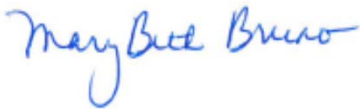
XII. FUTURE MEETINGS

1. September 2, 2015 at 6:30 pm (TMS)
2. September 16, 2014 at 6:00 pm (TMS)

XIII. ADJOURN

At 7:05 pm Mr. Schofield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Mayo and carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Mary Beth Bruno
Board Clerk