

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
One Larkin Center  
Yonkers, New York 10701**

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**ACTION MINUTES**

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**THE FOLLOWING ACTION IS HEREBY RECORDED OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION STATED MEETING HELD ON February 21, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Site:** Saunders High School Auditorium  
183 Palmer Road, Yonkers, NY 10701

**Present:** Carey, Dunne, Flynn, Martinez, Pagliaroli, Perito, Wiggins

**Others:** Superintendent Bernard Pierorazio, Chief Administrative Officer Joseph Bracchitta, and various citizens and staff

**Absent:** Bennett, Rev. Sudick

**Communications from  
the Community:**

The following speakers addressed the Board on Non-Agenda Items: Thomas Courtney: Education; Pat Puleo: Tone of the District

The following speakers addressed the Board on Agenda Items: Gloria Krokos: Employee of the Month

**Call to Order:** The Stated Meeting was called to order by President Dunne at 7:40 p.m.

**Prayer and  
Pledge of**

**Allegiance:** Led by Mrs. Lisa Perito

**Approval of**

**Minutes:** The minutes of the January, 2007 meeting was approved as written.

**Presentations:**

- CSEA Employee of the Month: Gilberto Gamero, Custodian at Robert C. Dodson School

**Communications:**

Committee Reports:

- Mr. Wiggins, Member of the Audit, Budget and Finance Committee, reported that the committee met on February 6, 2007 to review and discuss the following items:
  - Status of Chief Financial Officer, the position has not been filled yet.

- Overtime Report, reviewed a comparison chart of last year and the current year. We are doing much better this year.
- Claims Auditor, three proposals were received and no one has been selected yet.
  
- Ms. Martinez, Chair of the Long Range District Strategic Planning Committee, reported that the committee met tonight prior to the Stated meeting, Ms. Laura Hopkins and Ms. Kelly Chiarella made a presentation on the fact finding visit to Clark Montessori Middle/High School in Cincinnati, OH. Mr. Coleman from Cannon Design gave an update presentation on the District Wide Educational Facilities Plan.

Communications from Board Members:

- Mr. Pagliaroli thanked Mr. Carr and his staff for getting the buildings prepared to reopen for the students to return after two days of snow.
- Ms. Martinez went to Albany, NY, along with Mr. Pierorazio, to hear Governor Spitzer's speech on excellence.

Communications from the Superintendent:

Mr. Pierorazio made the following announcements:

- Attended a lobbying session last week in Albany, NY and he, along with Mr. Hvisc, made a presentation to the governor's budget staff
- Special legislature will be required to increase budget for capital dollars
- Received a request, along with the Big-Five, to testify before the Legislature in Albany, Next Tuesday
- Lobbying scheduled on March 6 & 7, 2007; will speak to the Ways and Means Committee of the Governor's budget office
- Official budget will be presented to the Board at the March meeting
- Balloting Fair on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at Saunders High School; the balloting process will end on March 17, 2007
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> is a staff development day and the District will be closed for students
- March 28th, the District will be closed for elementary and middle schools to correct the math assessments
- Centennial Celebration for Montessori teaching throughout the nation all four Montessori schools will hold celebrations
- School 23 will celebrate National Education Association Read Across America on March 2, 2007; many dignitaries will attend

Other Items:

- Mrs. Dunne announced that she was invited to be the legislative liaison at the NYSSBA State Legislative Network conference on March 4-6, 2007, and she will meet with one of the legislators from this area.
- Mr. Pierorazio presented the Library Services Technology Grant application for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Martinez, seconded by Dr. Flynn, to approve the Library Services Technology Grant application.

**Board Member  
Resolutions:**

- 07-2-226      Approval of One Year Extension to the Agreement Between the Board of Education and the Yonkers Council of Administrators, Local 8, A.F.S.A.; AFL-CIO  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-227      Administrative Retirement Incentive  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-228      Agreement with Donoghue, Thomas, Auslander & Drohan  
APPROVED: 7-0-0

**Superintendent's  
Board Reports:**

- 07-2-229      Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer for Civil Service Disciplinary Hearing  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-230      Emergency Benefit Leave Program  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-231      Certified Personnel  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-232      Non-Certified Personnel  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-233      District Student Trainee Program  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-234      New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-235      New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-236      New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
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- 07-2-237      New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
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- 07-2-238 New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
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- 07-2-239 New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
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- 07-2-240 New York State Civil Service Law Section 72  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-241 CSE Recommendations for Placement of Disabled Children  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-242 Placement of Preschool Disabled Children  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-243 Out-of-District Placement of Disabled Children 2006-2007  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-244 Agreement with Marilyn Friend for Professional Development Services for the Special Education Training and Resource Center (SETRC)  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-245 Amendment to Amended Board Report 06-9-87 College Board  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-246 Renewal of Evaluation Services for American Evaluation Services, Inc., to Provide Evaluation Services for the Advanced Placement Incentive, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers and Mathematics/Science Partnership Programs for the 2006-2007 School Year  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-247 Amendment to Board Report No. 06-10-118 BroadNet Services, LLC  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-248 Amendment to Board Report No. 06-10-121 Westchester Jewish Community Services  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-249 Renewal of Agreement with Mercy College for Direct Services to NYGEAR-UP 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Families at Emerson, Museum and Yonkers Middle Schools for the 2006-2007 School Year  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-250 Amendment to Amended Board Report 06-9-85 Hudson River Museum  
APPROVED: 7-0-0

- 07-2-251 Renewal of Contract with Riverside Healthcare System, Inc. (St. John's Riverside Hospital) for Curriculum and Practical Services Provided to Commerce Middle School Medical/Health Professions for the 2006-2007 School Year  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-252 Renewal of Agreement with The State University of New York (SUNY) at Purchase to Provide Academic Support and Enrichment to NYGEAR-UP Students at Emerson, Museum and Yonkers Middle Schools for the 2006-2007 School Year  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-253 Agreement with Life Track Services, Inc. for Graduate Follow-up and Survey Programs for 2007 Graduates of the Five District High Schools  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-254 Westchester Community College  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-255 Thalia Consultants, Inc.  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-256 Contract with Dr. Cal Crow, Director, Center for Learning Connections  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-257 Computer Hardware  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-258 World Book Online Subscription Renewal  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-259 POS Modifications for Sale of Metro Cards  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-260 Revised Authorization for Capital Projects  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-261 Capital Improvement Projects "Type II Action"  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-262 Professional Architectural/Engineering Services for Exterior Envelope Renovation & Restoration at Lincoln High School & Roosevelt High School  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-263 Amendment to Service Contract Agreement with William Flower  
APPROVED: 7-0-0

- 07-2-264 Exterior concrete Stairs and Sidewalk Rehabilitation Work at School 21, Casimir Pulaski 26, Family School 32, Emerson School & M.L. King  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-265 Roof Replacement Work at Patricia A. DiChiaro School 8  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-266 Award for Smartboards  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-267 Amendment to Perkins Paper Contract XM-037-06  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-268 Purchase of a 4X4 SUV  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-269 Executive Search Firm  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-270 Budget Transfers  
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 07-2-271 Approval of District-wide Professional Development Plan  
APPROVED

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Miss Martinez at 7:51, and seconded by Dr. Flynn, to adjourn the meeting.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO IN THESE MINUTES ARE ATTACHED AND MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES.

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Jean Worley-McCord  
Executive Assistant to the Board of Education