

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

ACTION MINUTES

THE FOLLOWING ACTION IS HEREBY RECORDED OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION STATED MEETING HELD ON October 18, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Present: Bennett, Dunne, Flynn, Martinez, Pagliaroli, Sudick, Wiggins

Others: Superintendent Bernard Pierorazio, Counsel Lawrence Thomas, and various citizens and staff

Absent: Carey, Perito

**Communications from
the Community:**

The following speakers addressed the Board on Non-Agenda Items: Thomas Courtney: Educating Boys and Girls; Myriam Decime: Long-term Planning and Parent Involvement; Pat Puleo: Congratulated Charles Whelan on his retirement and Edwin Quezada for receiving the NYS Theatre Education Association Administrator of the Year award; Tracy Ronnerman: Bus contracts should include field trips; Norma Grohowski: Thanked Trustees for service and invited them to coffee next week; Miriam Foley: School Safety

The following speakers addressed the Board on Agenda Items: None

Call to Order: The Stated Meeting was called to order by President Dunne at 7:30 p.m.

**Prayer and
Pledge of**

Allegiance: Led by Mr. Marlin Wiggins

Approval of

Minutes: The minutes of the September, 2006 meeting was approved as written.

Presentations:

- CSEA Employee of the Month: Bruce Sherman, Jr. Personal Computer Specialist in the Technology Department
- Mr. Pierorazio presented a certificate to Mr. Edwin Quezada, Principal of Lincoln High School, for receiving the Administrator of the Year award from New York State Theatre Education Association.

- Mr. Richard Halevy, Special Assistant to the Mayor, presented a proclamation to the Trustees for School Board Recognition Week. Mrs. Dunne accepted the proclamation and gave remarks of appreciation.
- Mr. Pierorazio presented letters, drawings and pens from the DiChiaro School; fruit baskets from Saunders' culinary staff; flower baskets from Gorton's horticultural staff; and a special song by Lincoln High School Women's Choir.

Communications:

Committee Reports:

- Rev. Sudick, Chair of the Audit, Budget and Finance Committee, reported that the committee interviewed three organizations for the position of internal auditor and recommended D'Arcangelo. A representative from the company gave a brief presentation on the background of the company.
- Dr. Flynn, Chair of the Superintendent's Evaluation Committee, distributed the final version of the superintendent's evaluation form, and stated that November 1, 2006 is the deadline for the evaluation form to be returned.
- Ms. Martinez, Chair of the Policy Committee, reported that the Policy Committee met earlier today and discussed the Terms and Conditions of Employment for Central Office administrators, which will be added to the agenda for approval tonight, and the Code of Ethics for employees.

Communications from Board Members:

- None

Communications from the Superintendent

Mr. Pierorazio made the following comments:

- Khalil Gibran School will not be closing
- Superintendent's Community Forums
 - November 2, 2006, Museum Middle School at 6:30 p.m.
 - November 9, 2006, Mark Twain Middle School at 6:30 p.m.
 - November 30, 2006, Robert C. Dodson School at 6:30 p.m.
 - December 6, 2006, Cedar Place School at 6:30 p.m.
- Emergency Management Plan
- 16 high school students were named Advanced Placement Scholars
- Approximately 4,000 students participated in the PSAT exam today

Other Items:

- Mr. Pierorazio made a presentation on the ELA and Mathematics Grades 3-8 2006 Results.

**Board Member
Resolutions:**

06-10-106A Adoption of Comprehensive District Wellness Policy
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-106B Terms and Conditions of Employment for Central Office Administrators
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-106C Retaining an Internal Audit Firm
APPROVED: 7-0-0

**Superintendent's
Board Reports:**

06-10-107 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Attorney on behalf of the Parent
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-108 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Attorney on behalf of the Parent
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-109 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Attorney on behalf of the Parents
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-110 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Parent
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-110A Contract with FJL Associates, LLC
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-111 Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-112 Non-Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-113 Recommendation of Tenure Upon Completion of Probationary Period
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-114 CSE Recommendations for Placement of Disabled Children
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-114A Placement of Preschool Disabled Children
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-115 Out-of-District Placement of Disabled Children 2006-2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0

06-10-116 Renewal of Agreement with Iona College for Direct Services to Students and Families at Commerce, Emerson, Museum and Yonkers Middle Schools for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0

- 06-10-117 Renewal of Agreement with Mosholu Golf Course, First Tee Golf in the Schools Program, for After School Enrichment and Health/Life Skills Services for Students at School 23 and Gorton High School for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-118 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Independent Contractor Agreement with BroadNet Services, LLC, to Provide Supplemental Educational Services in Mathematics Reading and ELA November 1, 2006 – August 18, 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-119 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Independent Contractor Agreement with Huntington Learning Center, to Provide Continued Supplemental Educational Services in Mathematics, Reading and English Language Arts October 23, 2006-June 30, 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-120 Renewal of Agreement with Greyston Foundation for After School Enrichment and Mentoring Services for Students at Commerce, Emerson, Museum and Yonkers Middle Schools for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-121 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Independent Contractor Agreement with Westchester Jewish Council Services, to Provide Continued Supplemental Educational Services in Mathematics, Reading and English Language Arts October 23, 2006-June 30, 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-122 Continued Agreement with Berlitz International Incorporated October 2006-June 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-123 Renewal of Agreement with Program REACH to Provide the Healthy Respect Character Based Abstinence Education Program for Medical Magnet Students at Gorton High School and Commerce Middle School for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-124 Renewal of Agreement with the Nepperhan Community Center for an After School Program for Yonkers Middle School Students for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-125 Renewal of Agreement with St. Joseph's Medical Center for Services Provided to Gorton High School for the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-126 Renewal of Agreement with Beczak Environmental Education Center to Continue Student Enrichment Services in Environmental Education at Foxfire, Emerson Middle School, Mark Twain Middle School, and Saunders High School During the 2006-2007 School Year
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-127 Title I No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Pass Through Funds: Agreement with Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, Inc. to Provide Residential Services to Emotionally Handicapped Students November 2006-June 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0

- 06-10-128 Title I No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Pass Through Funds: Agreement with Ferncliff Manor to Provide Music Therapy Services to Severely Handicapped Students October 2006-June 2007
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-129 Renewal of an Arts in Education After-School Program for School 30 Agreement with Sarah Lawrence College, Theatre Outreach Program
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-130 Fennessey-Dorian, Inc for 20 Days of Professional Staff Development as a Literacy Coach at Emerson Middle School for Sixth Grade Teacher Five Days Central Office Writing Initiative
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-1-131 Change Order to NAC Industries, Inc. Contract for General Construction Work at School 29 – Air Conditioning Project
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-132 Award for Pest Control Exterminating Services
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-133 Award on Culinary Equipment for Yonkers Educational and Cultural Arts Center
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-134 Automotive Lifts for Roosevelt High School and Saunders High School
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-135 Award on Walkie Talkies (Various Schools)
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-136 Award on Automotive Equipment for Roosevelt High School
APPROVED: 7-0-0
- 06-10-137 Budget Transfers
APPROVED: 7-0-0

Adjournment: A motion was made by Miss Martinez at 8:30, and seconded by Mr. Bennett, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion on matters of personnel.

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

Jean Worley-McCord
Executive Assistant to the Board of Education