

**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 February, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

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

Present: Dunne, Flynn, Perito, Sudick, Wiggins

Others: Superintendent Bernard Pierorazio, Chief Administrative Officer Joseph Bracchitta, Chief Academic Officer Louis Constantino and various citizens and staff

Absent: Bennett, Carey, Greco, Martinez

**Communications
from the
Community:**

The following speakers addressed the Board on Non-Agenda Items: Fran Ruggiero: Enrichment programs, Building Facilities, and Fair CSEA Contract; Pat Puleo: Snow Removal in the Parking Lot; Molly Roffman: Child Safe School Program; Karly Quintero: School 14 PTA

The following speakers addressed the Board on Agenda Items: Deirdre Mone, Anthony Merante, Molly Roffman: Electrical Upgrade at DiChiaro

Call to Order: The Stated Meeting was called to order by President Dunne at 8:00 p.m.

**Prayer and
Pledge of**

Allegiance: Led by Mr. Wiggins

Approval of

Minutes: The minutes of the January, 2008 meeting was approved as written.

Presentations:

- Employee of the Month – Wendell Derry, Custodial Worker at Emerson Middle School
- Mr. Pierorazio presented a banner and certificate of achievement to Mr. Steven Murphy, Principal of Casimir Pulaski School, staff and students for

receiving authorization from the International Baccalaureate Organization as an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program.

Communications:

Committee Reports:

- None

Communications from Board Members:

- None

Communications from the Superintendent:

Mr. Pierorazio made the following comments:

- School Choice process starts Saturday, March 1, 2008 with an open house at Saunders High School for two weeks.
- Commerce Middle School will close at the end of this year.
- College Board School will open in September, 2008 with grades 6 & 9 only for the college preparatory theme.
- Emerson Middle School will have a medical magnet in September.
- Placement process will be automated this year.
- Attendance Zones are avail at the Information Center.
- New assignment process applications will be mailed next week.
- Yonkers History Day is new to the district this year for middle and high school students.
- Yonkers High School boys basketball team will receive the Dennis T. Hurlie Sportsmanship Award for their hard work, team spirit and sportsmanship.
- Schools will be closed for winter recess Monday, February 18-22, 2008.
- Central office will be closed February 18-19, 2008.

Other Items:

- Mrs. Dunne participated in the History Day exhibits on Monday, February 11, 2008, and thanked Mr. Brooks for bringing a new idea of the History Day to the District.

**Board Member
Resolutions:**

08-2-314 In Memory of Leo Coles, a Custodial Worker at Emerson Middle School
APPROVED: 5-0-0

**Superintendent's
Board Reports:**

- Mr. Pierorazio pulled Board Report No. 08-2-318 Registered Professional Nurse Substitute Rate of Pay and Board Report No. 08-2-320 New York State Education Department Fingerprint Costs for further review.

08-2-315 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Parents
APPROVED: 5-0-0

- 08-2-316 Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-317 Non-Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-318 Registered Professional Nurse Substitute Rate of Pay
PULLED
- 08-2-319 New York State Civil Service Law Section 72
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-320 New York State Education Department Fingerprint Costs
PULLED
- 08-2-321 CSE Recommendation for Placement of Disabled Children
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-322 Placement of Preschool Disabled Children
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-323 Out-of-District Placement of Disabled Children 2007-2008
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-324 Agreement with The Research Foundation of State University of New York for Instructional Support/ Consulting Services Model Transition Grant February 2008 – November 2008
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-325 Agreement with New York University Metropolitan Center for Urban Education for Consulting Services February 2008 through December 2008
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-326 Program Design Development, LLC and Yonkers Public Schools
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-327 Child Left Behind (NCLB) Independent Contractor Agreement with Back to Basics Tutorial Assistance, Inc. to Provide Supplemental Educational Services in Mathematics and English Language Arts February 2008 – June 2008
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-328 Agreement with New York University, Metropolitan Center for Urban Education (Metro Center) to Provide Professional Development Services for the 2007-2008 School Year
APPROVED: 5-0-0

- 08-2-329 Renewal of Agreement with Junior Achievement of the Hudson Valley, Inc. to Provide Curriculum Support to Students in Economics through “personal Economic” at Commerce Middle School for the 2007-2008 School Year
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-330 Agreement with Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC, Inc.) to Provide Staff Development on Strengthening Instruction in Literacy for the 2007-2008 School Year
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-331 Agreement with CTB McGraw-Hill to Provide Materials, Score and Report TerraNova and SUPERA Tests
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-332 Computer Hardware - Laptops
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-333 World Book Online Subscription Renewal
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-334 Amendment to Awards on Existing Cafeteria Contracts
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-335 Budget Transfers
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-336 Revised Authorization
APPROVED: 5-0-0
- 08-2-337 Appointment of Energy Conserving Performance Contracting Services for AMERESCO, Inc.
APPROVED: 5-0-0

Adjournment: A motion was made by Dr. Flynn at 8:25 p.m., and seconded by Rev. Sudick, to adjourn the meeting.

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

Jean Worley-McCord
Clerk to the Board of Education