

**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 July 18, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Site: One Larkin Center, Board Room
Yonkers, NY 10701

Present: Bennett, Carey, Dunne, Flynn, Martinez, Wiggins

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

Absent: Perito, Rev. Sudick

**Communications from
the Community:**

The following speakers addressed the Board on Non-Agenda Items: Chuck Lesnick: Green Task Force and School Bus Idling Grant; Bobbie DiBattista: CSEA Layoffs and Status of Layoffs; Loretta Marglia, Margaret Setterholm, Ian Smith: Green Task Force EPA Grant; Miriam Foley: School Budget and Budget Cuts; Norma Grohowski: Pupil Support Staff; Marla Hurban: IB Program at Yonkers High School and Open Meetings Law

The following speakers addressed the Board on Agenda Items: None

Call to Order: The Stated Meeting was called to order by President Dunne at 7:35 p.m.

**Prayer and
Pledge of**

Allegiance: Led by Dr. Carey

Approval of

Minutes: The minutes of the June, 2007 meetings were approved as written.

Communications:

Committee Reports:

- Mr. Wiggins, member of the Audit, Budget and Finance Committee, reported that the committee met on July 10th to discuss the external auditor, claims auditor, CFO and resolutions, and agreed to continue searching for someone to fill the positions.

Communications from Board Members:

- Dr. Flynn would like to move forward on the request to rename the Museum School after an inventor who lives on the same street as the school. He also requested a formal presentation on the pros and cons of a Montessori High School philosophically and practically in August or September of this year.
- Mrs. Dunne requested that we have the meeting in September and that the presentation include information on the program educationally and curriculum wise.

Communications from the Superintendent:

Mr. Pierorazio made comments on the following:

- The Public Access Channel will move from Channel 22 to Channel 75 on July 25, 2007
- NYS Education Department has awarded the District a Career Pathways and Tech Prep grant for \$165,000.00
- Summer College Collaboration Programs – will visit the programs along with Ms. Natalie Davy, Assistant Director of Guidance
- Summer School Programs

Presentations:

- Mr. Pierorazio presented the 2007-2008 Revised Budget and added resolution to the agenda for approval. He also led a discussion on the budget revisions.

Other Items:

- None

Board Member Resolutions:

07-7-1 Board of Education of the Garrison Union Free School District and Garrison Union Free School District v. Board of Education of the Yonkers City School District and Yonkers City School District
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-1A Delegation of Powers Under Civil Service Law
APPROVED: 6-0-0

Superintendent's Board Reports:

- Ms. Martinez referred to the Instructional Affairs Committee Board Report No. 07-7-14 Brannan Solutions Group

07-7-2 Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Attorney on behalf of the Parents
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-2A Appointment of Impartial Hearing officer to the Impartial Hearing Requested by the Parents
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-2B Adoption of the 2007-2008 Budget
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-3 Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-4 Non-Certified Personnel
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-5 Recommendation of Tenure Upon Completion of Probationary Period
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-5A New York State Civil Service Law Section 72
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-6 CSE Recommendations for Placement of Disabled Children
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-7 Placement of Preschool Disabled Children
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-8 Out-of-District Placement of Disabled Children 2006-2007
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-9 Out-of-District Placement of Disabled Children 2007-2008
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-10 Amendment to Board Report No. 07-5-351 Education of Disabled Children for July and August - 2007
APPROVED: 6-0-0

- 07-7-11 Chapter 243 – Committee on Preschool Special Education
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-12 Chapter 853 – Committee on Special Education
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-13 Appointment of Subcommittees of the Committee on Special Education
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-14 Brannan Solutions Group
REFERRED TO THE INSTRUCTIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
- 07-7-15 Renewal of Agreement with Bank Street College of Education for Mentor/
Consultant Services for the 2007-2008 School Year
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-16 Move of Data Processing Equipment from 28 Wells Avenue to One Larkin
Center
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-17 Award on 2007/2008 School Calendar and Handbook
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-18 Special Events Policy 6/24/07 to 6/25/07 at Yonkers High School Graduation
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-19 Renewal of Property Insurance Including Boiler, Machinery and Terrorism
Insurance Policy
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-20 Renewal of Liability Insurance, Employment Practices Liability and Terrorism
Insurance Policy
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-21 Catalog Discounts for General School and Office Supplies, Art Supplies and
Sports Supplies
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-22 Award on Physical Education Supplies
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-24 Budget Transfers
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-25 Change Order to Power Cooling, Inc. Contract No. XM0330601
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-26 Award of Construction Management Services Contract to Savin Engineers, P.C.
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-27 Change Order for Start Elevator Repair, Inc. for Maintenance Service of Elevators
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-28 Award for the Inspection and Servicing of Fire Extinguishers to Web's World
Public Safety Supply
APPROVED: 6-0-0
- 07-7-30 Lease Extension for Yonkers Educational and Cultural Arts Center
PULLED
- 07-7-31 Re-Bid Clock System Service and Maintenance
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-32 Gym Equipment Service and Maintenance
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-33 Intercom and P.A. System Service and Maintenance
APPROVED: 6-0-0

07-7-34 Extension and Amendment of Sonitrol Corporation Contract (2003 thru 2006)
for Security and Fire Alarm Monitoring
APPROVED: 6-0-0

Adjournment: A motion was made by Miss Martinez at 8:05, and seconded by Dr. Flynn, to adjourn the meeting.

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