

March 21, 2017

The regular meeting of the Le Roy Central School Board of Education was called to order on March 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Hobart in the Board of Education conference room.

The following members were present:

Mr. Lawrence Bonacquisti (via remote videoconferencing)  
Mrs. Denise Duthe  
Mr. Donald Hobart  
Mr. Richard Lawrence  
Mr. Peter Loftus  
Mr. Lloyd Miller (via remote videoconferencing)

The following member was absent:

Mrs. Jacalyn Whiting (via remote audioconferencing)

The following administrators were present:

Mr. Brian Foeller, Interim Superintendent and  
Business Administrator  
Mr. Tim McArdle, High School Principal  
Mrs. Carol Messura, Elementary Principal  
Ms. Beth Russ, Director of Special Education  
Mr. Robert Blake, Director of Curriculum, Instruction  
and Technology

Also present were Mr. Merritt Holly and Mr. Kevin Donaghue and Ms. Madalyn Murphy of Campus Construction.

During the “Something Special” segment of tonight’s meeting, the Board of Education honored the Varsity Winter Cheerleading Team for its sectional championship and fourth place finish at the New York State championship. The following members were presented with a certificate of accomplishment from the Interim Superintendent and the Board President: Sara Cottone, Kailey Gombos, Kelsey Moore, Laura Neumann, Alexis Powers, Stephany Samis, Isabelle Suriano and Sydney Vanderhoof along with

their coach, Ms. Jamie Turman. Natalie Mistersaro and Olivia Vescovi were unable to attend the Board meeting due to a practice for the Exceptional Seniors Game.

Mr. Hobart and the Board of Education acknowledged the wonderful work of Mr. Pat Patton on the sets for the high school musical.

Also, Mr. Hobart acknowledged Ms. Bradley for arranging to have Mr. David Lucas and his son speak to her classes on the civil rights movement. Mr. Lucas marched alongside and guarded Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the march on Selma.

Congratulations also to Mrs. Overacker and the PageTurners teams for their first and second place finishes in the recent competition.

For the Interim Superintendent's Report, Mr. Foeller shared some information with regard to the recent wind and snow storms. There was some damage to the roof at the high school, which was fixed prior to the high school musical on Friday night. He is working with the district's insurance carrier for reimbursement of the repairs. Mr. Foeller attended the Superintendent's Retreat with Mr. Holly and the Genesee Valley superintendents on March 16-17.

Mr. Blake shared some information from the NYSCOSS Winter Institute in Albany. The Genesee Valley Chief School Officers' Association presented the Legislative Advocacy Goals to Senator Ranzenhofer and an aide from Assemblyman Hawley's office during Lobby Day on March 7, 2017. The Association urged its legislators to establish a new Foundation Aid Formula that would provide equitable funding in compliance with the 2006 decision of the NYS Court of Appeals which directed the Legislature to provide additional state aid to high needs districts. Also on the list of advocacy goals was to modify the tax cap calculation; to limit the proposed tax

credits and charter school applications to only those schools that have been determined by NYSED to be “failing”; to fully fund expense-based aids including rejection of the building aid recalculation; and to oppose any future unfunded mandates.

Mr. Blake also distributed an informational bulletin on the 2017 Grades 3-8 New York State Assessments in Math and ELA. The 2017 testing will be untimed, as were the 2016 assessments. The number of test questions remains the same as the 2016 tests, which had one less reading passage on the ELA exam and fewer questions on both the ELA and Math exams. There has been greater teacher involvement in creating and reviewing the 2017 tests. The State Education Department plans to provide faster results to teachers and more and clearer information to parents on the Score Reports. Mr. Blake informed the Board Wolcott Street School was selected for computer-based testing in grades 3 and 4 for the ELA assessment.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthé and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved the following consent items, as listed:

1. Minutes of the February 28, 2017 regular meeting.
2. Warrants for the following accounts and bills contained thereon, as presented:

<b>GENERAL ACCOUNT</b>	-	<b>\$ 643,181.25</b>
<b>CAFETERIA ACCOUNT</b>	-	<b>\$ 20,606.34</b>
<b>FEDERAL ACCOUNT</b>	-	<b>\$ 3,745.43</b>
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>	-	<b>\$ 18,601.50</b>
<b>AWARDS ACCOUNT</b>	-	<b>\$ 1,100.00</b>

3. Recommendations of the Committee for Special Education.

Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Presentation: R.I.T.E. Project – Mr. Kevin Donaghue and Ms. Madalyn Murphy of Campus Construction provided an update on the status of the project. To date, the district has spent about \$10.8 million construction dollars in eleven months.

In Wolcott Street School there are two major phases still under construction. The Special Education Office (which will be housed in the former main office space) is approximately 94% complete. The floors will be put in this week with painting and miscellaneous touch-ups to take place next week. The space should be ready to be occupied by the end of the month.

The elementary small gym is approximately 90-92% complete. The floor should be down this week and the sanding and sealing process will start 5-8 days later. The floor should be a finished product by the end of the month. The activity centers, wall pads and coaches office will be completed after that. Mr. Donaghue is anticipating being able to turn that space over to the district the first week in April.

With regard to the flooring issue at the elementary school, Campus Construction and Clark Patterson Lee have negotiated an agreement on the district's behalf with the flooring vendor (Tarket). Thirty classrooms had some shading discrepancies in the floor tile. Tarket has sent new material for the 24 incomplete classrooms. In lieu of tearing out tile in already completed classrooms, the contractor will pay \$50,000 replace the corridor tile in the building, which was not included in the original project plans. A different manufacturer will provide the tile for the corridors.

The high school is winding down with a few remaining energy improvements. The conversion of over 800 light fixtures to LED will be done by this week. The

contractors are just cleaning up some loose ends before they close out the project at the High School.

Finally, Mr. Donaghue provided up-to-date figures on the project budget. The referendum approved a budget of \$12,748,440. The incidental budget was \$1,715,000. \$10,306,060 was awarded in contracts in March of 2016. To date, there has been \$594,641 executed in change orders, with an additional \$107,000 in pending change orders. That should leave the district with approximately \$25,739 in unallocated funds remaining.

Presentation: 2017-18 Budget: Mr. Foeller presented an overall review of the 2017-18 school budget proposal. Also discussed were some budget development items around staffing, employee benefits and debt service. State aid is still projected to come in on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Foeller will schedule a Budget and Finance committee after the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the Board of Education approved the following coaching appointment for the 2016-17 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Archie Cappotelli	Modified Baseball Coach	Per LTA Contract

Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board of Education approved the following long-term substitute appointment:

Name:	Joshua Pacino
Appointment:	Category I Substitute Music Teacher (to fill

leave of Mr. Meholick from 3/8/17 until his return from leave or the end of the 2016-17 school year, whichever is sooner)

Salary: 1/200<sup>th</sup> of Step I of LTA Contract

Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the appointment of Ms. Martha Butzbach to the position of Webmaster effective February 24, 2017 for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year at an annual stipend of \$1,500, prorated. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the Board of Education excised the following baseball equipment for donation or discard:

- Ten (10) catcher's shin guards
- Nine (9) old catcher's masks
- Eighteen (18) batting helmets (no longer meets certification requirements)

Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the Board of Education accepted the following bids and received through Auctions International and other disposition for the auction that concluded in February 2017.

<b><u>Lot</u></b>	<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>High Bid</u></b>	<b><u>Bidder</u></b>
1	15 High School Art Tables	\$155	LathanSales
2	13 Televisions	\$0	will recycle
3	8 TV Carts	\$26	dukerose
4	Library Circulation Desk	Rejected bid of \$25 (too low) will relist	
5	Wooden Counter	\$87.50	unclehead
6	18 High School Drafting Tables	\$240	LathanSales

7	2 Large Metal Shelving Units & Metal Cabinets with Doors	\$77.50	gzimpfer
8	Wooden Executive Desk	\$125	mmelec1
9	Relist of Stainless Steel Serving Table	\$360	glory2u

Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance: A meeting will be scheduled after the Governor's budget is finalized on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Facilities: Campus Construction provided an updated at tonight's meeting. The next OACM meeting is scheduled for April 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Negotiations: Awaiting review and ratification by the Le Roy Teachers' Association.

Safety: Mr. Foeller conducted a roundtable discussion following the dismissal during the windstorm to review the protocol and suggestions for improvements.

On a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board entered into executive session at 8:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 9:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mrs. Duthe at 9:00 p.m. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Lori E. Wrobel  
District Clerk