

March 20, 2018

The regular meeting of the Le Roy Central School Board of Education was called to order on March 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. by President Donald Hobart in Memorial Auditorium at Wolcott Street School.

The following members were present:

Mr. Lawrence Bonacquisti (arrived via videoconferencing at 9:20 p.m.)
Mrs. Denise Duthé
Mr. Donald Hobart
Mr. Richard Lawrence
Mr. Peter Loftus
Mr. Lloyd Miller (via remote videoconferencing)

The following member was absent:

Mrs. Jacalyn Whiting

The following administrators were present:

Mr. Merritt Holly, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Brian Foeller, Business Administrator
Mr. Tim McArdle, High School Principal
Mrs. Carol Messura, Elementary Principal
Mr. Robert Blake, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Technology

During the “Something Special” segment of tonight’s meeting, the Board of Education honored the Varsity Winter Cheerleading Team for its sectional championship and third place finish at the New York State championship. The following members were presented with a certificate of accomplishment from the Superintendent and the Board President: Morgan Beverly, Sara Cottone, Bethani James, Brittany Lyness, Skylar Mielke, Kelsey Moore, Laura Neumann, Alexis Powers, Stephany Samis, Logan Shirley, Isabelle Suriano, Sydney Vanderhoof, Christina Woodrow and Adrianna Worley along with their coach, Ms. Jamie Turman.

Also honored were the sectional champions from the Le Roy Winter Track Team. The boys' varsity team was recognized for their team championship. The following members were presented with a certificate of accomplishment from the Superintendent and the Board President: Clayton Allen, Chase Bordonaro, Gaven Cassidy, Ryan Driscoll, Alex Gephart, Aidan Harrington, Kade Lambert, Gavin Luckey, Steve Lyness, Maxin McKenzie, Tom Mellon, Jacob Montoya, Ethan Pocock, Ethan Roy, Marshall Schultz, Collin Stauffer and Jordan Stephens. Additionally, the following team members were honored for their individual sectional titles, as follows: McKenna Cone (Individual Champion – 55m Hurdles); Collin Stauffer (Individual Champion – Triple Jump) and Gavin Luckey (Individual Champion – High Jump). Finally, the Board of Education recognized Mr. Jay Laitenberger, coach, for bringing excellence to the district's track program every year.

The following agenda changes were approved on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mrs. Duthé:

- ADD TO: ITEM H.5. APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION**

- ADD TO: ITEM H. CONSENT AGENDA**
ADD: ITEM H.6. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 20, 2018 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING (BUS AND VEHICLE PURCHASE REFERENDUM)

- ADD TO: ITEM I2. 2018-19 BUDGET PRESENTATION**

- ADD TO: EXEC SESSION DISCUSSION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER/SPECIAL PATROL OFFICER POSITION**

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

During the “Open Forum” segment of this evening’s meeting, Mrs. Kelly Tyler addressed the Board of Education with regard to the seventh grade athletic participation policy and asked the Board of Education to revisit the policy.

Superintendent’s Report: Mr. Holly discussed school safety issues and thanked the parent group and other participants for the February 8th meeting. The parent group is working with students and administration to present a program to parents to provide information on various social media sites and ways to monitor that action. Mr. Holly discussed the district’s commitment to providing resources to help with mental health issues for our students. He also expressed his appreciation for the strong working relationship with the Le Roy Village Police Department and the Genesee County Sheriff in assisting the district on safety issues. The Le Roy Village Police Department will be conducting active shooter training and other emergency response drills in the district during the evening hours of March 26-28, 2018. At this time, the department will also be reviewing the district’s emergency protocols.

Mr. Holly reported on his meeting with Senator Ranzenhofer in Albany on March 5th. The Senator indicated that there was a proposal pending to allocate \$50,000 to districts for implementation of safety measures. Most districts discussed the possibility of using those funds to offset the costs of school resource officers on campus. Also, districts were concerned that those funds should be allocated as new money and not siphoned off the existing aid packages. The New York State Council of School Superintendents is encouraging the legislators to provide it as new funding apart from existing aid packages and to also make it sustainable going forward. Finally, another

item of concern for superintendents is the delay in the release of the smart bond funding, which will also be utilized in many districts toward school safety initiatives.

Lastly, Mr. Holly distributed participation numbers for the winter sports and music programs. Overall, 40% of students participated in winter athletics and the musical boasted 103 student participants.

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 13, 2018 regular meeting, as presented.
2. Warrants for the following accounts and bills contained thereon, as presented:

GENERAL ACCOUNT	-	\$ 846,771.07
CAFETERIA ACCOUNT	-	\$ 18,458.97
FEDERAL ACCOUNT	-	\$ 19,054.60
AWARDS ACCOUNT	-	\$ 1,682.63

3. Treasurer's Reports for the following accounts for the period from January 1 January 31, 2018, as presented:

AWARDS ACCOUNT	-	\$ 485,546.21
CAPITAL CHECKING ACCOUNT	-	\$ 26,172.96
CAPITAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT	-	\$ 218,393.98
DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT	-	\$ 1,928,818.69
EXTRACLASSROOM ACCOUNT	-	\$ 72,551.12
FEDERAL FUND ACCOUNT	-	\$ 55,852.82
GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT	-	\$ 916,309.12

GENERAL SAVINGS ACCOUNT	-	\$ 4,434,657.79
GENERAL FUND-TAX COLLECTOR	-	\$ 234.30
PAYROLL ACCOUNT	-	\$ 570.70
SCHOOL LUNCH CHECKING ACCOUNT	-	\$ 47,198.34
LUNCH SAVINGS ACCOUNT	-	\$ 145,807.46
TRUST & AGENCY ACCOUNT	-	\$ 24,443.18

4. January 2018 Budget Transfers, as presented.

[JANUARY 2018 BUDGET TRANSFERS ATTACHED HERETO]

5. Recommendations of the Committee for Special Education, as presented and amended.
6. Minutes of the March 20, 2018 special meeting (Bus and Vehicle Purchase Referendum), as presented.

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Presentation: Ms. Amanda Sheflin of Le Roy Physical Therapy and Village Fitness addressed the Board of Education during “National Athletic Training Month”. She outlined for the Board her various duties as the district’s athletic trainer. The athletic trainer holds hours after school, stays for practices as often as possible and makes herself available at many of the games and athletic events. A new feature this year is the sports medicine class she offers at the high school for students in grades 9-12. The class is held prior to the start of school from 7:00 – 7:40 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There are currently twelve students taking the class this year, with an expected increase in enrollment for next school year. The class provides exposure to various areas in the healthcare professions. Over the summer months, Ms. Sheflin provides a 6-8 week

strength and conditioning program for students in grades 7-12 interested in competing in a sport. She works with team coaches to develop warm-up programs specific to each sport. The athletic trainer assists in completing the IMPACT baseline concussion testing for all of Le Roy's student-athletes. There was discussion around providing the baseline testing for all 7-12 students and what the cost would be for that. Finally, she develops emergency action plans for each team to have in place if an emergency occurs and she is not present at that practice or game.

Presentation: 2018-19 Budget: Mr. Foeller presented the preliminary 2018-19 budgets for Wolcott Street School, Le Roy Junior/Senior High School and the Special Education Department, along with an overall review of the 2018-19 school budget proposal. He discussed some initial staffing requests and retirements. The budget and finance committee will meet during the first week in April to review the second overall draft of the budget and the state aid package.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Ms. Jodi Shaw from her position as a food service worker effective March 9, 2018 for personal reasons. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, 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 approved the following long-term substitute appointment:

Name:	Rachel Falker
Type of Appointment:	Long-Term Substitute Special Education Teacher (to fill the leave of Ms. Jennifer Hayes)

Effective Dates:	February 26, 2018 through Ms. Hayes' return from leave
Salary:	1/200 th of Step 1 of LTA Contract
Benefits:	Pro-rated non-cumulative sick/personal time

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthé and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the appointment of Mr. Joseph Battaglia to a position as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 5, 2018, pursuant to the district policy on substitute teachers. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthé and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the appointment of Ms. Mallory Ronan to a position as a per diem substitute teacher effective March 21, 2018, pursuant to the district policy on substitute teachers. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, 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 approved the appointment of Mr. Dennis Sczepanski to the Genesee County Civil Service non-competitive position of substitute bus driver effective March 21, 2018 at a rate of \$16.75 per hour. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved the following coaching rescission and appointments for the 2017-18 school year:

Rescind:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Alex Egeli	Modified Boys Track Coach	N/A

Appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Christina Woodworth	Modified Boys Track Coach	Per LTA Contract
Stephen Cappotelli	Volunteer Baseball Coach	N/A

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved the following probationary teaching appointment:

Name:	Mary Leposa
Tenure Area:	School Psychologist
Type of Appointment:	Four-year probationary
Effective Date:	September 1, 2018
Tenure Date:	September 1, 2022
Salary:	Step 3 of LTA Contract
Additional Days:	Pursuant to LTA Contract, Mrs. Leposa will work ten days prior to school year to be compensated at 1/200 th of Step 3 salary according to LTA contract
Benefits:	Pursuant to LTA Contract

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board of Education approved the appointment of the following individuals to serve in the following capacities, as needed, for the district Committee for Special Education (CSE) effective March 21, 2018 through June 22, 2018:

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION:

Chairpersons (as assigned): Paul Estabrooks, Robert Blake, Chelsea Eaton

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education approved a salary adjustment for Mrs. Karrie Bump for the period from February 22, 2018 through March 29, 2018 from \$11.80 per hour to \$12.70 per hour, in recognition of her additional cooking responsibilities. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, 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 amended the appointment of Mr. Brian Moran as a substitute school lunch monitor to reflect the correct salary of \$10.40 per hour retroactive to January 24, 2018. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved a change in the employment status of Codie Blodgett from probationary Building Maintenance Worker to permanent Building Maintenance Worker effective March 23, 2018. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board of Education approved the creation of two (2) Genesee County Civil Service exempt positions of Special Patrol Officer. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Miller, the Board of Education adopted the following

resolution pertaining to the special requirements of the Special Patrol Officer positions at Le Roy Central School District:

**RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
LEROY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the LeRoy Central School District (“Board”) desires to continually enhance the safety of the school environment; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of that goal, the Board desires to create the position of Special Patrol Officer, a position authorized by N.Y. General Municipal Law § 209-v, and duly recognized by the Genesee County Department of Civil Service, as a position appropriate for public buildings, including schools (a copy of the approved Civil Service job description is attached hereto as Attachment A); and

WHEREAS, the Special Patrol Officer job description requires as minimum qualifications that such person be a retired member of a police or sheriff’s department, or division of state police, or retired former corrections, parole or probation officer; and

WHEREAS, the Special Patrol Officer position is subject to the salary earning limitations set forth in New York State Retirement and Social Security Law § 212 to \$30,000 or less, in any calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Special Patrol Officer job description authorizes such person to carry a firearm only if authorized to do so by the appointing authority, and only if a license has been issued pursuant to state law; and

WHEREAS, District Policy 3411 allows for exceptions to the prohibitions on the possession of firearms on school district property “are not possible without the explicit permission of the District Superintendent”; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the person ultimately hired to fill the Special Patrol Officer position may be required to register as an armed security guard pursuant to the New York

Security Guard Act of 1992 (New York General Business Law Article 7-A); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the creation of the position of Special Patrol Officer; and**
- 2. The Superintendent is authorized to take all steps necessary to work with Genesee County Department of Civil Service for posting of the Special Patrol Officer position; and**
- 3. The Superintendent is authorized to execute any and all written authorizations required by law for the eventual incumbent of the Special Patrol Officer position, and to ensure that all requirements of law are adhered to with respect to the eventual incumbent's possession of a firearm on campus; and**
- 4. The Superintendent is authorized to take any and all other actions as may reasonably be required in furtherance of the foregoing resolutions.**

**AYES: Mrs. Duthe, Mr. Hobart, Mr. Lawrence,
Mr. Loftus, Mr. Miller**

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education adopted the 2018-19 Instructional Calendar, as presented. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

[COPY OF 2018-19 INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDAR ATTACHED HERETO]

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board of Education approved the amended Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Le Roy Central School District and the

Le Roy Teachers' Association with regard to substitute teacher duties, as presented.

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education accepted the donation of \$500.00 from the Rotary Club of Le Roy to the School Lunch Program. Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mrs. Duthe and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education approved the enrollment of the following non-resident students for the 2018-19 school year pursuant to the LTA Contract:

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Carolyn Marten	193 Woodstock Road Rochester, NY	Maxwell Kolmetz Paige Kolmetz	Fourth Second

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Acting upon a recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion given by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mr. Loftus, the Board of Education authorized the sale of the following surplus district equipment through Auctions International:

List of Excised Equipment March 20, 2018:

- Lot 1 One (1) Old Non-Working Snow Blower
- Lot 2 One (1) Damaged Back Blade and Rotary Broom

Voting: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Mr. Bonacquisti, Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance: The committee will meet the first week in April to review the overall budget and the state aid package (which is due on April 1st by New York State).

Policy: The committee will decide if there is a need for a meeting to be scheduled to review the seventh grade athletic participation policy.

Mr. Bonacquisti joined the meeting at this time by remote videoconferencing for the Executive Session.

On a motion given by Mr. Loftus and seconded by Mrs. Duthe, the Board entered into executive session at 9:18 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of tenure reviews; 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; and discussion of matters relating to student discipline. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 10:29 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was offered by Mr. Bonacquisti and seconded by Mrs. Duthe at 10:30 p.m. Voting: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Mrs. Whiting). Motion carried.

Lori E. Wrobel
District Clerk