

LINCOLN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
LINCOLN PARK, NEW JERSEY  
MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
7:30 P.M., LINCOLN PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL  
AUGUST 08, 2006

District Mission Statement

*The Lincoln Park School District will provide, through its schools, an educational setting that helps children to love and master learning, to work independently as well as collaboratively, and to develop the character and values that promote a healthy society.*

President Mayers called the meeting to order at 7:37 p.m. and he led the board in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. He then read the following statement into the record.

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to announce that:

The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the act, the Lincoln Park Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be mailed to the Daily Record and the The Record and posted at the Board of Education Administrative Offices and filed with the Town Clerk.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Mayers, Mr. Avena, Mr. Lancaster, Ms. McCarthy (*left at 10:25 p.m.*), Mrs. Nazzaro, Ms. Nielsen and Mr. Stranz.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Bellas and Mr. Reardon.

ADMINISTRATION: Dr. Joyce Valenza and Mr. James Tevis.

OTHERS: None.

There were no members of the public present.

**First Public Recognition**

Trustee Nielsen, seconded by Trustee Nazzaro, moved to open the first public recognition at 7:38 p.m. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

No members of the public were present to be recognized.

Trustee Nielsen, seconded by Trustee Nazzaro, moved to close the first public recognition at 7:38 p.m. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Executive Session**

Trustee Nielsen, seconded by Trustee Nazzaro, moved to enter into executive session at 7:39 p.m.

The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the board is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Borough of Lincoln Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- A. The public shall be excluded from discussion of hereinafter-specified subject matter(s)
- B. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  1. Personnel
- C. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public immediately following executive session or as the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to return from executive session at 10:35 p.m.

The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Resolutions****Personnel**

Trustee Nazzaro, seconded by Trustee Avina, moved to consider the following resolution:

MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

RESOLUTION 055-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Timothy John Purnell to the position of Middle School Principal, for the 2006-2007 school year, at a salary of \$105,000, prorated, with pending contract negotiations."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Avena, Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

MEDIA CENTER TEACHER - BOBILIN

RESOLUTION 056-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Debra K. Bobilin, Media Center Teacher, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$40,505.00, Step 1, BA, effective for the 2006 – 2007 school year."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

GRADE 5 TEACHER – MONTALBO TUTTLE

RESOLUTION 057-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Shannon Montalbo Tuttle, Grade 5 Teacher, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$41,375.00 (Step 2-3, BA), with benefits as per the LPEA Agreement, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

GRADE 6 TEACHER - ZAMMIT

RESOLUTION 058-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Jennifer Zammit, Grade 6 Teacher, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$44,585.00 (Step 6, BA), with benefits as per the LPEA Agreement, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

GRADE 6 TEACHER - SORENSEN

RESOLUTION 059-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Gale Sorensen, Grade 6 Teacher, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$40,505.00 (Step 1, BA), with benefits as per the LPEA Agreement, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that he/she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

SUBSTITUTE SECRETARY - DRIESSE

RESOLUTION 060-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Andrea Driesse, as a substitute secretary, at the Lincoln Park Middle School, at the approved substitute secretary rate of pay, as called, for the 2006 – 2007 school year."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER - CANNING

RESOLUTION 061-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Karen Canning, as a substitute teacher, at the approved substitute teacher rate of pay, as needed, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

RESIGNATION - JACQUIN

RESOLUTION 062-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education accepts the resignation of Peter Jacquin, part-time summer custodian, effective August 9, 2006."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

LPES NURSE - CONKLIN

RESOLUTION 063-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Patricia Conklin, Registered Nurse, Lincoln Park Elementary School, at a salary of \$30,000.00, with benefits, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: Mr. Stranz.

The motion carried 5-1.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

GRADE 8 TEACHER - CHEN

RESOLUTION 064-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Yilin (Teresa) Chen, Grade 8 Math Teacher, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$40,505.00 (Step 1, BA), with benefits as per the LPEA Agreement, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR - PETE

RESOLUTION 065-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Kathleen Pete, Guidance Counselor, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$45,725.00 (Step 1, MA), with benefits as per the LPEA Agreement, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro, Mr. Stranz and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: None

The motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Lancaster, seconded by Trustee Nielsen, moved to consider the following resolution:

LPMS NURSE - LOPUSKI

RESOLUTION 066-06/07 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Loni Lopuski, Certified School Nurse, Lincoln Park Middle School, at a salary of \$67,095.00 (Step 13, MA), with benefits, effective September 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the submission to the County Superintendent of an application for emergency hiring and the applicant's attestation that she has not been convicted of any disqualifying crime pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:6-7.2 et seq. N.J.S.A. 18A:39-17 et seq or N.J.S.A. 18A:6-4.13 et seq."

A roll call was taken:

YEA: Mr. Lancaster, Ms. Nielsen, Mr. Avena, Mrs. Nazzaro and Mr. Mayers.

NAY: Mr. Stranz.

The motion carried 5-1.

**Board Discussion**

None.

**Second Public Recognition**

No members of the public were present to be recognized.

**Adjournment**

Trustee Nazzaro, seconded by Trustee Lancaster, moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 p.m.  
The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Tevis  
Board Secretary