

Draft MINUTES
Laurens Central School
Board of Education
FACS Room 115 - 7:30 PM
November 20, 2024

Opening of Meeting

I. OPENING OF MEETING

- A. Roll call and quorum check

Board Members Present: C. Struckle, T. Francisco, G. Murello, M. Wikoff, P. Bush-Allen

Board Members Absent: None

Others Present: B. Dorritie, Superintendent: J. Mushtare, Building Principal; P. Weir, District Clerk; A. Schlee, District Treasurer; J. Kessler, Head of Transportation; S. West, B & G; Members of the Staff and Community (see attached sign in sheet).

- B. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President C. Struckle.

Addition to Agenda

- C. Additions to Agenda

G. Ollendike, Non-Certified Sub

1. The appointment of Grace Ollendike as a Non-Certified Substitute Teacher, retroactive to November 19, 2024. Her salary will be \$101.00 per day.

Motion was made by M. Wikoff, seconded by T. Francisco to approve the above appointment. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda

II. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

Minutes

1. Minutes – 10/16/24

Fiscal Reports

2. October 2024 Fiscal Reports

A. Treasurer's Report:

1. Treasurer's Report A Fund (General)
2. Treasurer's Report C Fund (Cafeteria)
3. Treasurer's Report F Fund (Special)
4. Treasurer's Report T Fund (Trust & Agency)
5. Treasurer's Report L Fund (Library)
6. Treasurer's Report H Fund (Checking) (Capital Project)
Treasurer's Report H Fund (Savings) (Capital Project)
7. Treasurer's Report Repair Reserve
8. Treasurer's Report Capital Reserve
9. Treasurer's Report Workers Comp, ERS, Unemployment Reserve
10. NYLAF Investment Account
11. Transfers Over \$1000

B. Other Reports (No Approval Required)

1. Warrants
 - Warrant #15 A Fund \$165,451.49 (General)
 - Warrant #6 C Fund \$11,251.53 (Cafeteria)
 - Warrant #7 F Fund \$32,700.30 (Special)

Warrant #9	T Fund \$80.00 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #3	H Fund \$500.00 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #5	TE Fund \$200.00 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #	L Fund \$0 (Library)
Warrant #	P Fund \$0 (Payroll)
Warrant #17	A Fund \$167,264.79 (General)
Warrant #7	C Fund \$10,105.29 (Cafeteria)
Warrant #8	F Fund \$10,960.89 (Special)
Warrant #10	T Fund \$76.64 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #4	H Fund \$3,187.00 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #	TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #2	L Fund \$44.95 (Library)
Warrant #16	P Fund \$188,089.36 (Payroll)
Warrant #18	A Fund \$389,882.83 (General)
Warrant #8	C Fund \$8,789.02 (Cafeteria)
Warrant #9	F Fund \$54,365.41 (Special)
Warrant #11	T Fund \$853.16 (Trust & Agency)
Warrant #5	H Fund \$19,257.60 (Capital Fund)
Warrant #	TE Fund \$0 (Trust-Scholarship)
Warrant #	L Fund \$0 (Library)
Warrant #19	P Fund \$194,093.54 (Payroll)

2. Transfers Under \$1000
3. Internal Claims Auditor's Reports
4. Revenue Status Report - Fund A
5. Extracurricular Reconciliation Report

CSE

3. Committee on Special Education

CSE: 11034, 11120

504: 21237, 11066

Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by P. Bush-Allen to approve the above consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Open Comment

III. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

At this time, B. Dorritie introduced all of the students that were in attendance to the Board of Education.

Reports and Discussions

IV. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS

1. Report on year in Spain – A. Casey
 - One year Leave of Absence in Spain
 - taught at the Atlas School – overlooked the Mediterranean Sea
 - did a charity concert for the community to benefit women in Africa – performed a rap
 - took 8th graders on an overnight trip to Madrid
 - took 4th & 8th grade mentoring group to Ruins of Claudio Baello
 - received IB Certification
 - Thank you to the Board and LCS for allowing him to go
2. Superintendent's Report – B. Dorritie
 - Parent/Teacher Conferences 11/21 & 11/22
 - Trunk or Treat – Thank you to the Village of Laurens
 - Santa at the Gazebo – December 18th
 - School Resource Officer
 - Task 4 report from Cornice and PFF Energy Solutions regarding bus Electrification
 - Meeting with Professor Li Lou from Hartwick College about VITA tax service

- for our community again this year
- Student Voices, Student Choices
- Thank you to cafeteria staff for the outstanding holiday luncheon today
- Happy Thanksgiving to everyone
- 3. Report from Building Principal – J. Mushtare
 - New program – “Shout Outs” to students on morning announcements
 - Community Circles with faculty
 - Elementary math series – looking for new
 - Principal’s Academy – discussion about AI – we may need a policy on AI use at some point
- 4. Report from Supervisor Transportation – J. Kessler
 - Inspection last week with new inspector – went well
 - Winter sports transportation has started
- 5. Report from Supervisor Buildings & Ground – S. West
 - Capital Outlay project underway – no major issues
 - electric bus study came through
 - waiting for completion of Building Condition Survey
 - Capital Project – vote May 2025
 - winter sports – 3 basketball teams merged with Milford, 3 are not merged

Correspondence

V. CORRESPONDENCE

Old Business

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

Approval of Consent Agenda

VII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the following:

A. PERSONNEL

Official Scorekeepers, etc.

1. The appointment of the following as Official Scorekeeper, Main Clock Operator, or Shot Clock Operator for all home basketball events during the 2024-2025 school year. The salary will be \$40.00 per evening event.
 - Brooke White
 - Jaidon Brodie
 - Eowyn Chickerell
 - Any current LCS employee or substitute
 - Any LCS student in grades 7-12

Chaperones, Shot Clock Operators, etc.

2. The appointment of the following as Chaperone, Official Scorekeeper, Main Clock Operator, Shot Clock Operator, or Ticket Taker for all home basketball events during the 2024-2025 school year. The salary will be \$40.00 per evening event.
 - Burt Becker
 - Deborah Trask
 - Any current LCS employee

Coaches

3. The appointment of the following coaches for the 2024-2025 school year:
 - Steve West – Boys’ JV Basketball
 - Connor Murch – Indoor Track
 - Taryn Ostroff – unpaid volunteer Indoor Track

B. NEW BUSINESS

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| Otsego Electric settlement | 1. | The attached resolution for the Otsego Electric Cooperative, Inc. settlement. |
| Tax Collector Report | 2. | To accept the report of the tax collector and having determined that the collector has accounted for the full amount of the tax warrant direct that the lists of the delinquent tax items, with the addition of the two percent penalty be certified to the office of the county treasurer and/or other tax enforcement offices; AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the tax warrant, tax roll and the tax collector's copies of the tax receipts be placed on file. |
| Indoor Track Merger | 3. | The merger of Indoor Track with Milford Central School for the 2024-2025 school year. |
| Out of District student | 4. | One (1) additional out of District students, (an employee's child) to attend Laurens Central School Tuition free for the 2024-2025 school year as per Board of Education Policy #7130, Admission of Non-Resident Students. |
| MOA with LTA | 5. | The attached Memorandum of Agreement between the Laurens Central School District and the Laurens Teachers' Association. |
| Rescind Merger Girls Modified Basketball | 6. | To rescind the approval for the merger of Girls' Modified Basketball with Milford Central School for the 2024-2025 school year. |

Motion made by P. Bush-Allen seconded by M. Wikoff to approve the above consent agenda items. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Information

VIII. INFORMATION

1. Student Enrollment October 31, 2024
2. NYSIR Legal Digest – Autumn 2024

Meetings

IX. MEETINGS

1. Girls Grasso Tournament – December 5-7, 2024
2. Elementary Winter Concert – Wednesday, December 11, 2024, MPR 6:00 pm
3. Secondary Winter Concert – Tuesday, December 17, 2024, MPR 7:00 pm
4. Board of Education Meeting – December 18, 2024
5. Faculty/Staff Holiday Celebration- Friday, December 20, 2024

Open Comment

X. OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

Executive Session

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Be It Resolved that the Laurens Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, enter executive session for the following reasons:

1. Personnel
2. Student

The Board adjourned to executive session at 7:52 pm to discuss Personnel and Student issues. Motion made by G. Murello, seconded by T. Francisco. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Final Adjournment

XII. FINAL ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned from executive session at 8:54 pm. Motion made by P. Bush-Allen, seconded by M. Wikoff. Motion carried 5-0-0.

The Board adjourned, without further discussion at 8:56 pm. Motion made by T. Francisco, seconded by G. Murello. Motion carried 5-0-0.

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1. Ana Garcia-Casey 13.
2. Anthony Casey 14.
3. Alicia Stevens 15.
4. ~~Elizbeth~~ Izzy Brienza 16.
5. Hannah Weiss 17.
6. Andre " Hausmann 18.
7. Dordvan Schlierman 19.
8. Nicole Stanley 20.
9. Brandon VanBuren 21.
10. emma hughes 22.
11. Kaitlyn Hughes 23.
12. Allisen Johnson 24.