# LINCOLN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS LINCOLN PARK, NEW JERSEY

# MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

6:30 PM, VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM PLATFORM September 8, 2020

District Mission Statement

The board meeting was held remotely via the Zoom Platform. The link to access the meeting was placed on the district's website with directions on how to attend and participate. The information was also provided via a letter emailed to all the parents/guardians in the district. The directions on how to participate in the public portion were reviewed before the actual start of the meeting.

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. It is the school district's expectation that all students will achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards at all grade levels.

President Avena called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., and 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 ensure 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 <u>Daily Record</u> and <u>The Record</u> and posted at the Board of Education Administrative Offices and filed with the Borough Clerk.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Antonetti, Mr. Avena, Mr. Henches, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Raffa , Ms.

Vucenovic

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION: Mr. James Grube, Superintendent and Mrs. Nicole Schoening, Business

Administrator/Board Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: Mrs. Nathanya Simon, School District Council

Approximately 8 members of the public.

Mr. Grube announced that the Board is moving into Executive Session to discuss legal and personnel matters and that Mr. Meyer will update the public as to when the Board will return to public session.

# **Executive Session**

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

2. LEGAL

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 Henches, seconded by Trustee Kaufman, moved that the Board go into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

# **RECONVENE**

Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Henches, moved that the Board close Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. The Board reconvened in public session at 7:28 p.m.

# **MINUTES**

Trustee Henches, seconded by Trustee Kaufman, moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education on August 18, 2020. The minutes were approved by a roll call vote: 7-0-0.

A roll call vote was taken for the Minutes.

YEA: Mr. Antonetti, Mr. Avena, Mr. Henches, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Raffa, Ms. Vucenovic

NAY: None ABSTAINED: None The motion carried 7-0-0

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

none

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Changes to the Agenda Additions/Revisions:
  - Personnel #8, add staff member Cathleen Bonsiewich as Morning Duty-LPES \$2,096
  - o Personnel #9, new resolution, Physical Education teacher leave replacement, Velasquez
  - Finance #1, Bills List additional amount of \$1,622 for the additional refunding of the fees paid by the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents for field trips that did not occur
- Mr. Grube stated that the first day of the 20-21 school year was today. It is very different than in the past and he's sure it was confusing for all. The procedures for the in building instruction appear to be working, but we will need to make some adjustments moving forward. The virtual part of the instruction still has some kinks to be worked out, but that will improve as we move forward into the year. It is extremely hard to start the year when some of the students and teachers have not met in person. Mixing in school instruction with virtual instruction is not easy, and they are expecting some issues that are going to need to be adjusted. We are still distributing devices to students who were not able to come last week to pick up their device. The health screening worked well. They did have a small amount of parents who forgot to perform the health screening at home. These students had a temperature scan done before entering the building and the nurse completed the assessment. Parents were contacted and reminded about completing the assessment. As they move forward, Mr. Grube is confident it will improve. Tomorrow is a virtual day where everyone will be concentrating on the virtual format. Thursday will be cohort B (Blue Group), so the entire process will be new for them. The drop off and dismissal went pretty smooth as the school is only half full, which makes a big difference in the parking lot and on the buses. Pomptonian, our food service provider, is also working through this new format as well. Mrs. Schoening is working closely with them on the best distribution process. At the end of last week, school districts were notified that all students are eligible for free lunch through the federal government, a late change to the district's plans. Also, it was decided that, like what was done in the summer, Lincoln Park students attending Boonton High School will be able to pick up their lunches in Lincoln Park, instead of driving to Boonton. Mr. Grube commented that nothing about this education plan is perfect, but they are trying to provide the best education possible for their students, as there are many moving parts and directives to be followed. He asked the community to be patient to allow the staff time to work out the kinks. Every decision being made is because we feel it is the best for the schools, but recognizing that modifications are going to be made throughout the year.

# **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Elementary School: No Drills to Report

Middle School: No Drills to Report Mrs. Schoening commented that the business office has completed the refunding of the fees for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trips that did not take place last school year, as noted with the increase in the bills list for tonight. She asked that If anyone is due a refund and did not receive one to please contact her office.

Mrs. Schoening stated that a letter is being sent out this evening to all parents updating the distribution of lunches. She continued to say that the USDA has extended the distribution of free meals to all students in an effort to minimize the continued challenges of meal service during the COVID-19 pandemic through December 31, 2020. The district has set up the lunch distribution at the elementary school only and have created two pick up times, between 11:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m., and 1:45 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. In an effort to ensure students wanting lunch will receive it, we have implemented a new meal order system where the parent/guardian can access through their PaySchools Central account. All of this information is available on the website.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# Curriculum / Personnel, Todd Henches

• Mr. Henches stated there will be a meeting scheduled in the next 2 weeks.

# MCSBA, Patrick Antonetti

• No meeting, no report.

#### Finance /Facilities, Frank Avena

Meeting last week where the committee discussed transportation, and will be discussed further tonight.

#### Negotiations, Frank Avena

No meeting, no report.

# Lincoln Park/Pequannock/Montville Shared Services, Todd Henches

• No meeting, no report.

# Policy/Publication Relations, Joshua Kaufman

• No meeting, no report.

#### MCESC, Patrick Antonetti

• No meeting, no report.

#### NJSBA, Frank Raffa

• No meeting, no report.

# Boonton High School Representative / High School, Sandra Vucenovic

• Meeting on 8/24/20 where it was decided that the high school will be going 100% virtual- through the first marking period. The next meeting is 9/15/20.

# FIRST PUBLIC RECOGNITION REGARDING SCHOOL RELATED MATTERS

Trustee Nagle, seconded by, Trustee Raffa, moved to open the First Public Recognition at 7:42 p.m. Mr. Grube provided direction on how any member of the public could comment during the public portion of the meeting. Mr. Grube explained to the public that Mr. Meyer will be assisting for the open public sessions, by managing any questions/comments the public may have.

Mr. Grube stated that there will be another session for the public to ask questions later in the meeting.

Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Nagle, moved to close First Public Recognition at 7:43 p.m., as no one from the public wished to address the Board.

# **RESOLUTIONS**

# **ADMINISTRATION**

Trustee Nagle, seconded by Trustee Raffa, moved to consider resolutions #1-12.

#### PROFESSIONAL DAY WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

RESOLUTION 2739 -2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the following professional days:

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that the school district travel expenditures for the stated functions are in compliance with State travel guidelines as established by the Department of the Treasury and within the guidelines established by the federal Office of Management and Budget; except as superseded by conflicting provisions of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education finds that a mileage reimbursement rate equal to that of the State of New Jersey Office of Management and Budget mileage reimbursement rate of \$0.35 per mile is a reasonable rate; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education has determined that participation at the stated function is in compliance with the district policy on travel;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves attendance of the following employees at the following professional day conferences and/or workshops:"

Name of Attendee	Name and Date of Event	Registration Fee	Hotel Cost	Meals, Mileage & Incidentals	TOTAL
Frank Avena	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Joshua Kaufman	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Patrick Antonetti	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Todd Henches	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Juliana Nagle	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Frank Raffa	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Sandra Vucenovic	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
James Grube	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00
Nicole Schoening	NJSB Annual Convention 10/20-10/22/20	\$100.00	n/a	n/a	\$100.00

#### TITLE I INFORMATION PACKET

RESOLUTION 2740-2020 "WHEREAS, the Board of Education reviewed the following via an update provided to them on September 4, 2020.

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the Title I information packet which includes Right to Know Letter, Parental Involvement Policy, School Parent Compact, and Title I Program Information packet as per the ESEA submission guidelines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the posting of this information on the District Website."

# ANTI-BULLYING COORDINATOR AND SPECIALIST POSITIONS

RESOLUTION 2741-2020 "WHEREAS, the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying policy requires the appointments of an Anti-Bullying Coordinator for the district and an Anti-Bullying Specialist for each school;

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the following staff for these positions for the 2020-2021 school year:

Wendy Billig – Anti-Bullying Coordinator David Winston – Anti-Bullying Coordinator Jaclyn Heftler – Anti-Bullying Specialist, LPES Donna Nilsson – Anti-Bullying Specialist, LPMS Cristina Puri – Anti-Bullying Specialist, LPMS."

# PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE PAY RATE

RESOLUTION 2742-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the pay rate for the Permanent Building Substitute position at \$125.00 per diem for the 2020-2021 school year."

#### ADDITIONAL SUMMER HOURS FOR SCHEDULING

RESOLUTION 2743-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves Jaclyn Heftler to work up to an additional two (2) days for schedule preparation during August, 2020, at the rate of \$300.00 per day, account #11-000-218-104-06, for a total not to exceed \$600.00."

#### TEACHER EVALUATION MODEL

RESOLUTION 2744-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the Danielson Framework for Teaching Evaluations for 2020-2021, as approved by the District Evaluation Advisory Committee per the State's summative scoring rating as indicated below:

Breakdown of Total Score for All Teachers

85% Teacher Practice

15% SGO

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the evaluations will also follow the Danielson Domain Percentages of: Domain 1 - 15%; Domain 2 - 35%; Domain 3 - 35%; Domain 4 - 15%."

#### **EVALUATION MODEL FOR DISTRICT-LEVEL ADMINISTRATORS**

RESOLUTION 2745-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the New Jersey Principal Evaluation for Professional Learning Observation Instrument for 2020-2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the evaluations will be scored as indicated below:

#### Breakdown of Total Score for Principals/Directors/Supervisors

80% Principal Practice 10% SGO Average 10% Administrative Goals"

#### MENTORING PLAN

RESOLUTION 2746-2020 "WHEREAS, the Lincoln Park Board of Education reviewed the following via an update on September 4, 2020.

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the Lincoln Park School District Mentoring Plan;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there will be minimal financial impact to the District for mentoring, in the area of professional development."

#### SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES: 2020-2021

RESOLUTION 2747-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves an agreement with Miriam Skydell and Associates to provide five hours of Speech Therapy services per day, 5 days a week, for 13 weeks, at a rate of \$130.00 per hour, not to exceed \$42,250.00, account #11-000-216-320-03-000, effective September 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President and the School Business Administrator are authorized to execute the agreement/contract on behalf of the Board of Education."

# REMOVAL OF STUDENTS FROM PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS: 2020-2021

RESOLUTION 2748-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the removal of the following students from the Preschool Programs in the Lincoln Park School District, per parental requests:

3-Year Old Program:	4-Year Old Program:
B.K., as of 8/19/2020	M.K., as of 8/19/2020
L.B., as of 8/31/2020	E.D., as of 8/20/2020
	D.M., as of 8/25/2020
	M.P., as of 8/25/2020
	D.W., as of 9/1/2020"

# STAFF: ESY 2020

RESOLUTION 2749-2020 "RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education rescinds the following appointment of resolution 2625-2020 which was passed on June 9, 2020 in the following form:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the appointment of the following staff at the indicated compensation, with amounts charged to the appropriate budget accounts per their assignment, for the 2020 Extended School Year Programs:"

	Program	Start Date	End Date	Name	Position	Days	Per Diem/ Hourly	Hours	Total Amount
	Physical				Physical	_	-		
L	Therapy	7/1/20	7/28/20	Ed. Services	Therapist	20	\$105.00	18	\$1,890.00

# PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR ESY 2020

RESOLUTION 2750-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following appointment at the indicated compensation, with amounts charged to the appropriate budget accounts per assignment, for the 2020 Extended School Year Program:"

Program	Start Date	End Date	Name	Position	Days	Per Diem/ Hourly	Hours	Total Amount
Physical				Physical				
Therapy	7/1/20	7/28/20	Ed. Services	Therapist	20	\$107.00	20	\$2,140.00

YEA: Mr. Antonetti, Mr. Avena, Mr. Henches, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Raffa, Ms. Vucenovic

NAY: None ABSTAINED: None

ABSTAINED: None The motion carried 7-0

#### **POLICY and PERSONNEL**

Trustee Nagle, seconded by Trustee Henches, moved to consider Policy item #1 and Personnel items #1-9, noting revisions and additions in items #8 and #9.

#### POLICIES, SECOND READING

\* RESOLUTION 2751-2020 "WHEREAS, the Policy Committee reviewed the following via an update provided to them on August 13, 2020.

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the following for second reading and adoption: "

	Policy No.	Title	Status
Α	Policy 1648	Restart and Recovery Plan	New
В	Policy 1649	Federal Families First Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Act	New

#### FFCRA LEAVES

RESOLUTION 2752-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following staff for leaves under the Family First Coronavirus Response Act, with benefits:

	Employee ID	Start Leave	FFCRA Dates	Applied Sick Leave Dates, # Days	*Additional Paid Leave	Return to Work
Α	4 #1333 09/01/2020 09/01/2020-		09/01/2020-11/23/2020	09/01/2020-09/15/2020 10 days	09/16/2020-11/23/2020	11/24/2020
В	#1030	09/08/2020	09/08/2020-11/30/2020	09/08/2020-09/21/2020 10 days	09/22/2020-11/30/2020	12/01/2020

<sup>\*</sup> Additional paid leave is calculated as 2/3 of the employee's salary, not exceeding \$200.00 per diem."

#### **MENTORSHIPS**

RESOLUTION 2753-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following teachers to mentor the following first year teachers:

First Year Teacher
Sihana Asani
Molly Leenas

Mentor
Effective Date
September 1, 2020
September 1, 2020
September 1, 2020

### RESCIND GRADE 5 TEACHER LEAVE REPLACEMENT

RESOLUTION 2754-2020 "RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education rescinds resolution 2724-2020 which was passed on August 18, 2020 in the following form:

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Zachary Jones, Grade 5 Teacher, Leave Replacement (30-07-14/aea), at a prorated salary of \$55,330 (Step 1, BA), with Horizon BCBS Omnia benefits, account #11-120-100-101-07, effective September 1, 2020 through November 25, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all leave replacement positions within the Lincoln Park School District are not eligible for tenure accrual."

# PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES, 2020-2021

RESOLUTION 2755-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following permanent building substitutes, placements by Kelly Services, in the Lincoln Park Public Schools, effective September 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021:

- A. Lucia Falcone-Piro
- B. Nancy MacMillan
- C. Rocky Trifari"

# 2020-2021 SALARIES: STUDENT SHADOWS

RESOLUTION 2756-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the salaries of the following student shadows for the 2020-2021 school year:"

Last Name	First Name	Assignment	Position Control #	Hours	Days	Hourly Rate	Total Salary
Abuhadba	Hadiel	Student Shadow	35-06-93/aha	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Ahmed	Taghreed	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahb	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Asani	Selamete	Student Shadow	35-07-93/ahc	5	183	\$ 15.63	\$ 14,301
Blakeley	Marion	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahd	5	183	\$ 16.14	\$ 14,768
Bosits	Gisela	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahe	5	183	\$ 15.63	\$ 14,301
DiNapoli-Pagella	Barbara	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahh	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Garcia	Reina	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahi	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Joco	Socorro	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahk	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Judge	Amanda	Student Shadow	35-07-93/ahl	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Laureano	Chisa	Student Shadow	35-07-93/ahm	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Portas	Nancy	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahr	5	183	\$ 15.89	\$ 14,539
Rantowich	Ann Marie	Student Shadow	35-06-93/aht	5	183	\$ 15.63	\$ 14,301
Stucy	Erin	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahu	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073
Tone	Angela	Student Shadow	35-07-93/ahv	2	183	\$ 15.63	\$ 5,721
Uceda	Maritza	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahw	5	183	\$ 15.63	\$ 14,301
Warden	Jennifer	Student Shadow	35-06-93/ahy	5	183	\$ 15.38	\$ 14,073

#### TEMPORARY CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT, CARNEVALE

RESOLUTION 2757-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves Rocco Carnevale for a temporary change of assignment to Physical Education Teacher Replacement (30-06-21/abv) at the prorated salary of \$55,330 (Step 2, BA), with benefits, effective September 8, 2020 through November 30, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as of December 1, 2020, Rocco Carnevale will return to his original assignment under the original contract terms for the 2020-2021 school year."

### MATERNITY LEAVES

RESOLUTION 2758-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following staff for maternity leaves:

	Employee ID	Start Leave	FMLA Dates	NJFLA Dates	Anticipated Sick Leave* # Days, Start	Applied Sick Leave* # Days, Dates	Additional Unpaid Leave	Return to Work
А	#1180	05/22/2020	05/22/2020- 10/23/2020	09/01/2020- 11/23/2020		17 days 05/22/2020- 6/16/20	none	11/24/2020
В	#1721	04/13/2020	04/13/2020- 09/14/2020	09/01/2020- 11/23/2020		04/13/2020- 05/08/2020	none	11/24/2020

<sup>\*</sup> Sick leave will not apply to any used or returned emergency days in the district."

# STIPEND POSITIONS, 2020-2021

RESOLUTION 2759-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education post approves the following staff for stipend positions, as per the LPEA Agreement, for the 2020-2021 school year:

Discipline Advisor	Donna Nilsson	\$3,050.00		
Morning Duty-LPES	Kristin Bell	\$2,096.00		
Morning Duty-LPES	Joshua Cook	\$2,096.00		
Morning Duty-LPES	Jaclyn Deady	\$2,096.00		
Morning Duty-LPES	Carolyn Kerwin	\$2,096.00		
Morning Duty-LPES	Karen Leptuck-Gabel	\$2,096.00		

Morning Duty-LPES	Lucy Schurman	\$2,096.00
Morning Duty-LPES	Cathleen Bonsiewich	\$2,096.00
Team Leader Grade 6	Jennifer Zammit	\$2,958.00
Team Leader Grade 7	Judith DeJosia	\$2,958.00
Team Leader Grade 8	Donna Ahman	\$2,958.00"

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER LEAVE REPLACEMENT, VELASQUEZ

RESOLUTION 2760-2020 "RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves Erick Velasquez, placement by Kelly Services for the Part-Time Physical Education Teacher Leave Replacement position (30-06-21/afc), at the Lincoln Park Elementary School, effective during the 2020-2021 school year."

A roll call vote was taken for Policy, item #1 and Personnel, items #1-9, noting revisions and additions in items #8 and #9.

YEA: Mr. Antonetti, Mr. Avena, Mr. Henches, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Raffa, Ms. Vucenovic

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: None
The motion carried 7-0-0

#### **FINANCE and FACILITIES**

Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Henches, moved to consider Finance, items #1, and #2, noting the change in item #1, Fund 70/71, and Use of Facilities, item #1.

#### PAYROLL AND GENERAL ACCOUNTS BILLS LIST

RESOLUTION 2761-2020 "RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Board of Education approves the payment of the following payroll related expenses and the following General Account Check Journal/Bills list as approved by the Finance Committee:"

Bills List	DATE	AM	OUNT
FUND 10	9/8/2020	\$	921,272.01
FUND 12	9/8/2020	\$	4,012.88
FUND 20	9/8/2020	\$	24,743.20
FUND 60	9/8/2020	\$	464.35
FUND 70/71	9/8/2020	\$	4,129.00
TOTAL		\$	954,621.44

APPROVAL OF AN ADDENDUM TO A TRANSPORTATION SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT RESOLUTION 2762-2020

"WHEREAS, the Lincoln Park Borough Board of Education ("the Board") and First Student ("the Contractor") are parties to a transportation services agreement administered by The Educational Services Commission of Morris County ("Commission") dated July 1, 2020 ("Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement provides that the Commission agrees to transport public, nonpublic, and special education pupils on established routes as assigned in writing by the Board, for each day the school is in session during the 2020-2021 school year the Contractor shall be paid for transportation services performed; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Lincoln Park Borough School District has decided that grades six through eight will be learning virtually beginning September 1, 2020, and the Boonton Town School District, where Lincoln Park sends their high school students, has decided that grades nine through twelve will be learning virtually beginning September 1, 2020, and;

WHEREAS, as a result, several transportation routes will not be running and thus services will not be rendered; and

WHEREAS, in consideration for not terminating the Agreement with the Commission since transportation services will no longer be necessary while schools are learning virtually, the Board will agree to continue payment to the

Commission at eighty-five percent (85%) of the value of the Agreement for routes that are not running until that time that in person learning begins; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties are desirous of amending the terms of the Agreement to memorialize and clarify the respective responsibilities and obligations of the parties as set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Lincoln Park Board of Education that the above recitals are incorporated herein by reference; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board agrees to make payments to the Educational Services Commission of Morris County at the rate of one hundred percent (100%) of the price set forth in the Agreement for the bus routes that are running and eighty-five percent (85%) for routes that are not running."

RESOLUTION 2763-2020 "WHEREAS, the group(s)/organization(s) listed below have requested the use of facilities; and WHEREAS, these requests comply with the policies outlined under "Rental of School Facilities" incorporated into the policies of the Board of Education; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that approval is hereby given to the listed group(s)/organization(s) to rent requested facilities; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator is hereby authorized to issue permits for these requests. The Board reserves the right to schedule school activities at any time.

	Group/	School	Location	Day	Date(s)	Time	Rental Fee
	Organization						
Α	Lincoln Park Cheer	Chapel Hill	Field	Monday-Friday	9/5/2020- 9/11/2020	5:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	
В	Boys and Girls Club of New Jersey	LPES	Gym	Monday-Friday	9/14/2020- 6/14/2021	1:30 p.m 6:30 p.m.	

<sup>\*</sup>Rescind all Use of Facility requests for any use of indoor space in the school buildings due to COVID-19. "

A roll call vote was taken for Finance, items #1 and #2, noting change in item #1 to Fund 70/71, and Use of Facilities, item #1:

YEA: Mr. Antonetti, Mr. Avena, Mr. Henches, Mr. Kaufman, Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Raffa, Ms. Vucenovic

NAY: None ABSTAINED: None The motion carried 7-0-0

# **BOARD DISCUSSION**

Trustee Henches questioned the status of school enrollment. Mr. Grube stated that they have lost some students; he indicated he doesn't have an exact number, but some residents did enroll at Holy Spirit, and approximately eight families have chosen to home school their children. He will have a more detailed report at the September 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

Trustee Nagle thanked Mr. Grube and the teachers for it was a good day today for the kids. All the feedback she heard from other moms today was that the virtual learning was much better. Mr. Grube responded it was nice to hear that positive feedback.

President Avena commented on Finance Resolution #2 regarding the Transportation Agreement. He discussed the new law that requires us to pay for services without receiving services and that the finance committee negotiated with the contractors for a reduced rate for the routes that are not running. He tasked the board office to come up with any and all alternatives for transportation for future years, such as contracting with other districts, buying our own buses, etc. He wants to start the process now. Mr. Grube suggested scheduling a finance committee meeting, and Mrs. Schoening will send out an email to schedule a meeting, to get further direction from the committee.

<u>SECOND PUBLIC RECOGNITION REGARDING SCHOOL RELATED MATTERS</u>
Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Henches, moved to open Second Public Recognition at 7:51 p.m.

Mr. Grube thanked Mr. Meyer for his assistance with the public recognition session portions of the meeting.

Trustee Kaufman, seconded by Trustee Henches, moved to close the Second Public Recognition at 7:52 p.m., as no one from the public wished to address the Board.

#### Adjournment

Trustee Henches, seconded by Trustee Kaufman, moved for the Board:

To adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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