



MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING

of the
NETCONG SCHOOL DISTRICT
26 College Road
Netcong, New Jersey 07857

January 20, 2015
7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Dalesandro at 7:30 p.m.

A. FLAG SALUTE

B. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT PROCLAMATION

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting 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 interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act the Board of Education of the Netcong School District in the County of Morris has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted. The notice was mailed to the Daily Record and those persons or entities requesting notification, and filed with the municipal clerk of the Borough of Netcong.

C. MISSION STATEMENT

Netcong, a tradition to nurture, inspire, empower, and achieve by all, for all.

D. BOARD GOALS for 2014-2015

- Comprehensive review and update of the district policy manual.
- Continue to monitor and approve curriculum updates and systems of assessment.
- Review Board operations to improve Board performance.

E. DISTRICT GOALS for 2014-2015

- Implement the action plans identified in the Netcong School District's Strategic Plan with a 2014/15 timeline under the goal areas of Student Achievement & Technology, School and Community, and Finance and Facilities.

II. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Sufly and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

Not Present: Mr. McQueeney

Also Present: Mr. Pio Pennisi, Interim Superintendent
Mrs. Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Ms. Gina Cinotti, Principal
Three (3) Members of the public present

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE AND MINUTES

Correspondence

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the communications mentioned be listed in the minutes and action be taken as noted.

| Sender | Subject | Referred to |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| Cori DiRupo | Resignation | Mr. Pio Pennisi, Interim Superintendent Ms. Gina Cinotti, Principal |
| Meganne Secola | Resignation from Permanent Substitute | Mr. Pio Pennisi, Interim Superintendent |

The motion was seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Sufly and was approved by Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present.

IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Dalesandro gave her report on upcoming PTA events and information. The highlight of the report was the announcement of the PTA box top winner, Mr. Kim Dominic, 650 Box Tops!

President Dalesandro informed the Board of upcoming dates for training from NJSBA. She stated one of the Board goals was to improve Board operations and performance. One of the indicators of success is Board members receiving training.

V. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Pennisi explained that the Board was given two policies for the structure of committees. He stated further discussion would come under Old Business.

VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

None at this time.

VII. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved, seconded by Board Trustee Marianne Callahan, to open the public session at 7:36 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Public is invited to address the Board with any questions, comments or concerns. The Board requests that the individual address the Board, giving name and address, and asks that all remarks be directed to the Chair. The public portion shall be limited to thirty minutes with a five-minute time limit on each participant.

The Board wishes to remind all attendees at its meeting that while it subscribed without reservation to the principle of keeping the public completely informed, by policy it cannot allow public discussion of personnel matters. If a matter concerning the staff of the Netcong Public School is of interest or concern, the matter would be referred to the Interim Superintendent or the Board of Education, either by telephone or letter.

There being no further items for discussion, Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton, to close the public session at 7:37 p.m. and was approved by a

Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:37 p.m.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Pennisi explained the current committee structure and if the Board wanted to make changes the policy would need to be revised. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed to leave the structure as is and review periodically.

President Dalesandro introduced Mr. Bob Shoremount from Strandberg Solutions, he explained his company and gave a description of the different types of ballistic film he quoted. Discussion ensued.

President Dalesandro then introduced Mr. Tom Cox from Window Film Depot, he presented information and specifics on the 3M ballistic film he quoted. Discussion ensued.

IV. PRESENTATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. GOVERNANCE/POLICY/FINANCE - Bernadette Dalesandro, Chairperson
Joe Coladarci, Member
Patrick McQueeney, Member
Colleen Sufly, Member**

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved the following resolutions to be approved as submitted:

BE IT RESOLVED that resolution numbers 1-4 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the **first reading** of the following Policy and Regulation Revisions:

***P&R = Policy and Regulation**

| * | NUMBER | TITLE |
|---|---------|---|
| P | 2415.04 | Title I- District-Wide Parental Involvement |

2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the contract with Nick Restoration for asbestos removal in Room 102 retroactive to Friday, January 16, 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$4,700.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the proposed services from AERO Environmental to do an Indoor Air Quality Test on Saturday, January 17, 2015 for an amount not to exceed \$1,250.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves to pay Harty Bros. Carpet & Vinyl to install the new floor tiles in Room 102 at an amount not to exceed \$2,473.
5. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the maintenance agreement with Automatic Temperature Control retroactive to January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015, for an amount not to exceed \$4,320.

VOTE: GOVERNANCE/POLICY/FINANCE RESOLUTIONS #1 – #5 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Sufly and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

- B. PERSONNEL-** Marianne Callahan, Chairperson
Bill Stevens, Member
Jennifer Santana, Member
Bernadette Dalesandro, Member

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved the following resolutions to be approved as submitted:

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1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the resignation from Cori DiRupo as the Basic Skills Teacher effective January 15, 2015.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the resignation from Meganne Secola as the Permanent Substitute effective January 15, 2015.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves Meganne Secola as the NCLB Basic Skills Title I teacher effective January 15, 2015 through June 30, 2015 at Step 1, BA at a pro-rated salary of \$28,102.20.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim Superintendent, hereby approves the following grant funded employee retroactive to January 15, 2015 until June 30, 2015:

| NAME | POSITION | GRANT | % OF SALARY |
|----------------|--------------|-------|-------------|
| Meganne Secola | Basic Skills | NCLB | 95.8% |

VOTE: PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS #1 – #4 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Sufly and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

C. FACILITIES

Mr. Morton gave a report from his facility committee meeting held earlier tonight. Mr. Morton discussed the need to repair or replace our security system at the entrance way.

D. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION

Ms. Suflay and Ms. Cinotti gave their report regarding the Curriculum/Instruction committee meeting held earlier this evening. They presented updates on QSAC, PARCC and they also provided information from our Regional Curriculum Coordinator.

X. MISCELLANEOUS

The Board reviewed and discussed next week's agenda and motions.

XII. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, to open the public session at 9:36 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

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XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton that **RESOLVED**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 and 10:4-12 that the Netcong Board of Education hold a closed Executive Session regarding personnel, contract negotiation issues, legal matters. It is expected that the discussion undertaken in this closed session can be made public at the time official action is taken. The motion was made at 9:38 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 9:38 p.m. President Dalesandro stated that action will not be taken after executive session and it is anticipated the board will be in executive session for approximately 60 (sixty) minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present at 10:41 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT There being no further business to come before the board, Board Trustee Lynn Popelka made a motion, seconded by Board Trustee Marianne Callahan and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the January 20, 2015 Work Session Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 10:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Sylvester
Business Administrator/Board Secretary