

Netcong School District
26 College Road
Netcong, NJ 07857

Special Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2015
7:00pm

I. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Dalesandro at 7:00 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 2015-16

1. Successfully communicate the information to all stakeholders regarding the public vote for the November 2015 Ballot Question.
2. Improve the Board of Education relationships among the community and staff.
3. Monitor and verify a secure financial status in the District.

E. District Goals 2015-16

Implement the action plans identified in the Netcong School District Strategic Plan with the 2015-16 timeline under the goal areas of: (a) student achievement and technology, (b) school and community, and (c) finance and facilities.

II. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

Not Present: Mrs. Santana

Also Present: Dr. Gina Cinotti, Chief School Administrator
Mrs. Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Two (2) Members of the public & staff present

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Correspondence

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, moved the following resolution to be approved as submitted:

Be it resolved, that the communications mentioned be listed in the minutes and action be taken as noted:
Received resignation letter from Board Member Patrick McQueeney on September 2, 2015.

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

IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

None at this time.

V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

None at this time.

VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPO

None at this time.

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

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton, to open the public session at 7:01 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:01 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 7:01 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:01 p.m.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, 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 issues. 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 7:01 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:01 p.m. President Dalesandro stated that action will be taken after executive session and it is anticipated the Board will be in executive session for approximately 5 (five) minutes.

Board Trustee Jennifer Santana entered the room at 7:02 p.m.

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 7:05 p.m.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel – M. Callahan (Chair)

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

Be it resolved that resolution numbers 1-3 be adopted as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, accepts the resignation of Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney, as of September 2, 2015.
2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves the medical leave of Barbara Dzurny, Elementary Teacher assigned to Kindergarten from August 31, 2015 – November 29, 2015, which is 59 work days. Ms. Dzurny's anticipated return date is November 30, 2015.
3. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves Catherine McQueeney, as the long-term substitute for Kindergarten from September 9, 2015 – November 29, 2015, at \$100/day, which is 53 work days pending fingerprinting and background check.

VOTE: PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS #1-3 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Popelka, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

President Dalesandro explained that the open Board seat left vacant by Mr. McQueeney is a special one. As a result of the vacancy occurring after the July 21st petition deadline and the September 3rd ballot deadline for the November election the successful candidate will occupy the seat until December 31, 2016.

At this time President Dalesandro asked for nomination for a new Vice President.

1. Nomination & Election of Vice President of the Board:

The meeting is now open for nominations for Vice President of the Board.

Motion by Lynn Popelka seconded by Kelly Stephens to nominate Todd Morton for Vice President.

Motion by Bill Stevens seconded by Dave Costanzo to nominate Marianne Callahan for Vice President.

There being no other nominations for Vice President, nominations were closed on the motion by Lynn Popelka, seconded by Dave Costanzo and approved by Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present.

Vote for Vice President:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Todd Morton</u>	<u>Marianne Callahan</u>
Mrs. Callahan		X
Mr. Costanzo		X
Mr. Morton		X
Mrs. Popelka		X
Mrs. Santana		X
Mr. Stevens		X
Mrs. Stephens		X
Mrs. Dalesandro		X

RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:15-1 and Policy 0152 the Netcong School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, elects Marianne Callahan as Vice President of the Board of Education effective immediately until the next reorganization meeting as prescribed by law.

XII. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved, seconded by Board Trustee Jen Santana, to open the public session at 7:08 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

The 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.

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Kerri Santalucia asked if Board Meeting dates could be added to the scroll calendar online. President Dalesandro stated we would look into getting this done moving forward. Kerri Santalucia also asked if the substitute teacher for Kindergarten that was just hired would be willing to move to full-time if necessary. Dr. Cinotti indicated that she would be willing to work full-time if ever available.

There being no further items for discussion, Board Trustee Lynn Popelka moved, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton, to close the public session at 7:10 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:10 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 Todd Morton and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the September 8, 2015 Special Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



**Nicole Sylvester
Business Administrator/Board Secretary**