

MINUTES OF THE 2011-12 PROPOSED BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
AND
SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING
of the
NETCONG SCHOOL DISTRICT
26 College Road
Netcong, NJ 07857

March 29, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Popelka at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held in the Netcong Board of Education Office as publicly advertised.

A. FLAG SALUTE - All of those present participated in the salute to the flag.

B. OPEN PUBLIC MEET ACT PROCLAMATION – The following is made part of the minutes:

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 interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Board of Education of the Netcong School 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/faxed to the Daily Record, New Jersey Herald and those persons or entities requesting notification, and filed with the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Netcong.

C. MISSION STATEMENT – The following is made part of the minutes:

Netcong School District, a small caring community, is committed to providing a quality, well-rounded education achieved through the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards which inspires students to ultimately become fulfilled, contributing and productive citizens.

D. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still, and Mrs. Popelka, President

Absent: Ms. Suflay and Mr. Tranor

Also Present: Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer, Acting Superintendent/Principal/CST Coordinator
Christine M. Werner, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Consultant
There were also eighteen (18) members of the public present.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC ~ AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mr. Still moved, seconded by Mr. Morton to open the public session at 7:03 p.m. and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present. President Popelka opened the meeting to the public at 7:03 pm.

There being no items for discussion at this time, Mrs. Dalesandro moved, seconded by Mr. Morton to close the public session at 7:03 pm. This was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION None at this time.**2011-2012 SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING**

- A. Overview of Projected Revenues and Expenditures
- B. Comments or questions from Board Members
- C. Comments or questions from members of the public
- D. Voting on budget resolutions

2011-2012 Tentative School Budget Discussion and Review – Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer discussed the FY 2011-2012 tentative School Budget while Mrs. Werner provided a powerpoint presentation of the same.

Highlights of the discussion and presentation is as follows:

➤ **2011-2012 Administrative Overview:**

The Netcong Board of Education and Administration are making every effort to retain and restore educational programs that were eliminated from the 2010-2011 school year budget.

We are committed to providing a quality instructional program, which reflects a sensitivity to the residents and taxpayers of the Netcong school community.

➤ **2011-2012 Program Goals:**

- ✚ **Restore educational programs that were eliminated in the 2010-2011 School Budget.**
- ✚ **Maintain a quality program for all students.**
- ✚ **Provide instructional program support.**
- ✚ **Provide the instructional materials, supplies, and activities that support a quality academic program.**
- ✚ **Continue staff development.**
- ✚ **Support and expand technology.**
- ✚ **Develop a budget which demonstrates fiscal prudence to the community.**
- ✚ **These goals represent a commitment to our future --- our youth.**

➤ **2010-2011 Revenue and 2011-2012 Revenue Comparison:**

<u>2010-2011</u>		<u>2010-2011</u>	
Bdgtd. Fund Bal	0	Bdgtd. Fund Bal	94,000
State Aid	910,622	State Aid	1,200,696
Tax Levy	2,718,432	Tax Levy	2,718,432
Extraordinary Aid	95,000	Extraordinary Aid.....	125,000
Misc. Revenue	52,000	Misc. Revenue	53,011
Adj. Prior Yr Enc.	0	Adj. Prior Yr. Enc. ...	0
Federal Aid	426,384	Federal Aid	426,384
TOTAL	\$4,202,438	TOTAL	\$4,367,512

➤ **2011-2012 Overview of District Revenues**

The Tax Increase for the 2011-2012 School Year as calculated at \$0.01 per \$100 of assessed valuation on the average Netcong home assessed at \$292,700 is **\$36.03/year**.

The increase in the local tax to be raised for the General Fund for the 2011-2012 school year is **\$ 0.00** more than that which was raised in the 2010-2011 school year.

2010-2011 General Fund Tax Levy.....	\$ 2,718,432
2011-2012 General Fund Tax Levy.....	\$ 2,718,432

➤ **2011-2012 Tax Impact**

2010-2011 Tax Levy.....	\$2,718,432	
2011-2012 Tax Levy.....	\$2,718,432	Increased 0%

TOTAL TAXES – CALENDAR YEAR 2011.....\$2,718,432

2010 Ratables.....	\$337,753,700	Actual
2011 Ratables.....	\$334,145,500	Est. from Assessor
		Decreased \$3,608,200

Estimated 2011 TAX RATE.....	\$0.80	Per \$100.00 Valuation
Actual 2010 TAX RATE.....	\$0.81	Per \$100.00 Valuation
Increase/(Decrease).....	\$0.01	Per \$100.00 Valuation

Assessment (House at \$292,700)

School Taxes 2010.....	\$2,344.92
School Taxes 2011Estimated	\$2,381.25
Increase/(Decrease) Estimated.....	\$ 36.33
Increase Per Month Estimated.....	\$ 3.03

The Tax Increase for the 2011-2012 School Year as calculated at \$0.01 per \$100 of assessed valuation on the average Netcong home assessed at \$292,700 is **estimated** to be **\$36.03/year**.

➤ **2010-2011 School Budget Analysis of Expenditures**

Budget Category	2009-2010 Actual	2010-2011 Actual	2011-2012 Projected
Instruction	\$1,549,680	\$1,523,468	\$1,649,527
Special Ed.	\$408,871	\$454,505	\$495,498
Other	\$122,984	\$48,250	\$82,364
Tuition	\$11,576	\$15,000	\$15,000
Services	\$378,240	\$303,432	\$355,338
Support	\$378,240	\$303,432	\$355,338
Admin.	\$155,089	\$154,171	\$145,725
School Admin.	\$90,032	\$90,111	\$99,069
School	\$355,089	\$345,852	\$351,921
Plant	\$54,437	\$42,600	\$26,850
Transportation	\$54,437	\$42,600	\$26,850
Business Office	\$79,816	\$107,650	\$122,566
Benefits	\$589,149	\$699,410	\$666,384
Emp.	\$589,149	\$699,410	\$666,384
Service			
Food			
Outlay	\$8,367	\$5,000	\$24,000
Capital	\$8,367	\$5,000	\$24,000

➤ **2011-2012 Extracurricular Programs ~**

- ❖ Extracurricular Sports – Basketball
- ❖ Extracurricular Clubs – Computers, Intramurals
- ❖ Music – Band and Chorus Programs
- ❖ Community Service Learning Participation and Projects – S.A.D.D.

➤ **2011-2012 Technology Budget ~**

- ✚ The NBOE will continue its commitment to integrating technology in the classroom.
- ✚ Expanding the use of electronic programs for instruction and for teacher / student / parent communication.

- ✚ Exploring grant opportunities to allow the district to upgrade existing technology and programs.

Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer discussed the NJDOE Comparative Spending Guide ranking for the Netcong Elementary School District in relation to other Morris County districts of like Operating Type K-8 and # of Students.

**NJDOE Comparative Spending Guide
Per Pupil Costs Total Cost Per Pupil – Indicator 1
Operating Type K-8 / 0-400 Students**

(Total of **67** School Districts)

	Budget 2009-10 Per Pupil Cost	2009-2010 Ranking
State Average—Operating Type K-8	\$12,811	
NETCONG	\$11,593	6

Of all the K-8 school districts throughout the state with enrollment of 0-400, Netcong ranked 6 of 67 with the rankings from Low Cost to High Cost.

Per pupil cost is \$11,593 and the state average is \$12,811. We are \$1,218 less than the state average.

There are four districts in Morris County that are categorized as type K-8, 0-400 students. Netcong’s ranking is as follows:

District (Morris County)	Budget 2009-2010: Per Pupil Cost	2009-2010 District Ranking
Harding Township	\$19,662	59
Mount Arlington	\$15,801	43
Riverdale	\$13,413	23
Netcong Boro	\$11,593	6

➤ **2011-2012 Shared Services Initiatives ~**

At the present time, the Netcong Board of Education participates in the following Shared Services Initiatives:

- Shared Services – School Psychologist with Stanhope Board of Education
- New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (NJSBAIG) – Property/Worker’s Compensation
- Alliance for Competitive Energy Services (ACES) – Electrical and Natural Gas Aggregation Program
- Transportation Consortium – Sussex County Regional Cooperative
- Morris County Educational Data Services – Purchase of general supplies.

The Netcong Board of Education has effectively and consistently implemented shared services for various services and general supplies over the years.

The Netcong School District continues to review and evaluate the possibility of sharing services with other districts, in particular within its regional constituent sending districts, as well as the Netcong municipality in an effort to optimize services and exercise fiscal prudence on behalf of the local taxpayer.

➤ **Annual School Election Information**

When: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 from 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Where: Municipal Hall, 23 Maple Avenue, Netcong

Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer stated that the powerpoint presentation will be posted on the district website at the next opportunity.

Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer asked if anyone in the public this evening would like to pose questions or make comments regarding the 2011-2012 proposed school budget as presented this evening.

Karen Koster (38 Dell Avenue) posed several questions pertaining to Budgeted Fund Balance, extraordinary aid and grant revenue sources discussed this evening, as well as a few miscellaneous questions pertaining to same. Administration responded accordingly.

President Popelka thanked Administration for the presentation provided for the public this evening and stated “Please remember to vote.”

Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro stated “thank you” to Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer for her presentation this evening, commenting that she had done a very nice job with her first Budget presentation to the Board. Mrs. Dalesandro thanked Administration for their hard work on the budget and thanked the Netcong Board Trustees for their hard work in putting the budget together but stated that she was very disheartened that, despite the Administration and NBOE’s efforts, while the school district tax levy would not be increased for the 2011-2012 school year, that the local taxpayer would still incur an increase in taxes for the ensuing school year. It is a sad thought that while great lengths had been taken to keep taxation status quo, there is still an increase to the local taxpayer. Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro stated that she was happy that the BSI program and the Basketball programs had been restored for the ensuing school year. Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro stated “Good Job!”

2011-2012 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET APPROVAL

Motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Still that resolutions numbered 1 – 2 be adopted as presented:

BE IT RESOLVED that resolutions numbered 1 - 2 be adopted as presented:

1. **Motion regarding FY 2011-2012 Tentative School Budget**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Netcong School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey approves the 2011-2012 school district budget for submission to the voters as follows:

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Budget</u>
General Fund	\$ 4,004,462

Debt Service	\$ 165,000
Grant/Special Revenues	\$ 263,000
Total Base Budget	\$ <u>4,432,462</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Netcong Board of Education approves that in the Borough of Netcong there should be raised for **General Fund \$4,004,462** and **Debt Service \$165,000** for the ensuing School Year 2011-2012; and

WHEREAS, the Netcong Board of Education has approved that there should be raised for the General Fund a tax levy of **\$2,718,432** for the ensuing School Year 2011-2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, included in the general fund appropriations is \$20,000 for deposit into the Board of Education’s approved Capital Reserve Account for funding the replacement of the district’s Intercom and Paging System; and.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Netcong Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey approves following capital projects for the 2011-2012 school year :

Replacement of Netcong Elementary School Intercom and Paging System \$20,000

WHEREAS, pursuant to school district policy and N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(b) provides that the Board of Education shall establish in the annual school budget a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for such travel and expense reimbursement for the 2011-2012 school year; and

WHEREAS, maximum expenditure amount allotted for travel and expense reimbursement for the 2010-2011 School Year was \$5,540; and

WHEREAS, travel and expense reimbursement has reached a total amount of \$2,360 as of March 1, 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Netcong School District Board of Education, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, hereby establishes the school district travel maximum for the 2011-2012 school year at the sum of \$5,540.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School Business Administrator Consultant shall track and record these costs to insure that the maximum amount is not exceeded.

Teaching Staff:	1,500
Child Study Team Staff	1,000
Administration	1,500
<u>Central Services</u>	<u>1,540</u>
TOTAL	5,540

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.2(a) mandates boards to establish annually prior to budget preparation, for public relations and each type of professional service a maximum level of spending for the ensuing school year; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget includes the following appropriations:

Legal	\$ 18,000
Accounting	\$ 13,000

Election	\$ 5,000
Extraordinary Services	\$135,250
Professional Development	\$ 1,250
Transportation	\$ 26,850

WHEREAS, Administration needs to notice the board if there arises a need to exceed said maximums. Upon which the board may adopt a dollar increase in the maximum amount through formal board action; and

WHEREAS, the Board and Administration wishes to minimize the amount of paperwork involved in this area;

WHEREAS, the Netcong School District Board of Education establishes maximums for professional development in the areas listed above at a level of 120% of the amounts listed for the 2011-2012 school year.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Netcong School District Board of Education authorizes the request for cap Banking of the associated dollar amount under the maximum permitted 2% cap tax levy calculated at \$54,369 for future use in the subsequent three fiscal years pending approval from the New Jersey Department of Education.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent and School Business Administrator Consultant , adopts the 2011-2012 Annual School Budget (copy on file in the Board Office) as set forth in the amount of:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Local Tax Levy</u>
General Fund	\$ 4,004,462	\$ 2,718,432
Debt Service	\$ 165,000	\$ 165,000
Grant/Special Revenues	\$ 263,000	\$ N/A
Totals	<u>\$ 4,432,462</u>	<u>\$ 2,883,432</u>

2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education authorizes the Acting Superintendent to develop and publish the annual budget newsletter in concert with the Business Administrator Consultant and the Finance Committee and distribute to Netcong residents.

VOTE: Resolutions regarding FY 2011-2012 Proposed School Budget

AYES: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still, and Mrs. Popelka, President.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

II. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

President Popelka stated (to the public) “Thank you for your taking interest in our school and for attending this evening’s 2011-2012 School Budget Hearing!”

III. ACTING SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer reported on the following matters:

1. **Netcong Elementary School Teacher Professional Development Plan 2011-2012** – Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer asked Vice Principal Beth Barnhill to provide an overview of the Netcong Elementary School Teacher Professional Development Plan for the 2011-2012 school year. Mrs. Flach-Bammer “thanked” Ms. Barnhill for her informative presentation.
2. **Morris County School Leadership Dinner to be held on May 3, 2011** – Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer noted that this year’s Morris County School Leadership dinner will be held on May 3, 2011 and will honor student Rebecca Clegg (8th grade). Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that due to the date/time of the dinner being in conflict with the Board of Education Reorganization meeting, that Ms. Barnhill will attend the dinner with Rebecca Clegg and her parents this year.
3. **2011-2012 NJSBAIG Grant Application Submission** – Acting Superintendent Flach-Bammer provided an overview of the 2011-2012 NJSBAIG grant submission completed by Mrs. Werner on behalf of the district for the ensuing school year. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that the grant award is \$2,800 and the funds will be utilized to purchase a lunch table, a camera and monitor and provide sidewalk repairs. Board Trustee Robert Olivo noted that sidewalk repairs were included in the Safe Routes to School grant that was awarded to the Borough of Netcong. A brief discussion ensued. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that the NJSBAIG grant funds would also provide for an opportunity for Administration to implement a School Safety Patrol. A brief discussion ensued.

IV. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR CONSULTANT’S COMMENTS

1. **Referendum Projects Bid Opening – March 25, 2011** – Mrs. Werner reported the results of the Referendum Projects bid opening held on March 25, 2011 as follows:

Firm	Base Bid	Alternate #1 Hallway Cabinet Heaters	Alternate #2 Expansion Tank	Alt. #3 In-Line Fans in Attic	Alt. #4 New NAE Controllers	Alt. #5 Operator Workstation for New Controls	Alt. #6 New Ext. FRP Doors	Alt. #7 New Roof BOE Room Annex
Brockwell & Carrington	2,787,000	33,000	21,000	6,500	8,800	13,000	6,600	67,000
APS Contractors	2,436,000	27,000	20,000	5,000	10,000	15,000	7,000	60,000
Crosson Construction	2,525,000	28,880	10,660	8,800	17,900	12,800	8,500	65,000
Falak Construction	2,411,900	27,693	9,900	5,317	9,000	13,367	6,260	53,000
ML Inc.	2,387,000	27,000	11,000	15,000	14,000	5,000	7,000	50,000
Jacobs								

Construction	2,547,000	32,400	12,330	16,200	16,200	12,600	9,900	68,400
GDS Mechanical	2,328,000	24,000	29,000	6,000	9,000	13,000	14,000	65,000
Stone Creek, Inc.	2,445,400	22,200	15,300	7,500	7,900	11,700	14,140	51,400
Alna Construction	2,498,000	30,000	13,000	7,500	10,000	14,000	11,000	80,000
D&K Construction	2,789,000	30,000	10,500	15,000	13,500	14,000	3,200	53,000
Lanyi & Tevald	2,665,000	30,000	20,000	10,000	10,000	15,000	8,500	65,000
C.R. Construction	2,634,000	23,000	15,800	8,500	9,000	14,000	7,400	51,000
TCI Construction	2,498,000	35,000	12,000	5,900	11,000	17,000	7,500	60,000

Discussion ensued. Business Administrator Consultant Werner stated that she had conferred with legal counsel and the district's architect, Parette Somjen Architects, and it has been determined collectively by all parties, to recommend that these bid proposals received be rejected at this time.

Resolution pertaining to Netcong Elementary School Referendum Projects Bid Proposals

Motion by Mr. Olivo, seconded by Mr. Still that the following resolution be adopted as presented:

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2011, the Netcong Board of Education ("Board") held a public bid opening for the award of various construction projects at Netcong Public School ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board received a total of thirteen (13) bids; and

WHEREAS, upon the Board's analysis of the bids received, it was determined that the specifications contained a mistake in connection with an undisclosed alternate bid item ("Alternate") that was included on one of the Project drawings, but not included on the bid proposal form; and

WHEREAS, the Architect has advised that the Alternate was not intended to be included in the Project; and

WHEREAS, as the Alternate was not included in any bidders' proposals except for one, the error caused confusion among the bidders; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, a board of education may reject all bids to substantially revise the specifications for the goods and services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, a board of education may reject all bids if the purposes of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. are being violated; and

WHEREAS, in consideration and analysis of the bids received, as well as the recommendation of the Board's Architect, the Board has determined that the specifications need to be revised in order to remove the Alternate as it is not necessary to complete the Project; and

WHEREAS, in consideration and analysis of the bids received, as well as the recommendation of the Board's Architect, the Board has determined that the inclusion of the Alternate controverts the purposes of the fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. by creating confusion among the bidders; and

WHEREAS, based upon the above, the Board has determined to reject all bids in order to remove the Alternate and to promote the fair and open process of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-22, the Netcong Board of Education ("Board") hereby rejects all of the bids received for the various construction projects at Netcong Public School ("Project") in order to substantially revise the specifications for the goods and services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby rejects all of the bids received in order to promote an open and fair process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for the re-bidding of this Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administration is authorized to return the Bid Bonds to each of the Bidders with a note of thanks for their participation.

Discussion: President Popelka noted that this action will not delay the district’s projects according to our Architect.

VOTE: Resolution pertaining to Netcong Elementary School Referendum Projects Bid Proposals

AYES: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still, and Mrs. Popelka, President.

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

2. **Parking Lot Repair Quotations** – Mrs. Werner stated that she has solicited two (2) quotations to date for the repair of the areas of the district’s parking lots that are in need. A brief discussion ensued. Board Trustee Marianne Callahan inquired why Mrs. Werner would recommend the repair of the parking lots prior to the construction. Mrs. Werner stated that the construction will most certainly cause more damage that is already apparent. Mrs. Werner stated that the district’s parking lots were repaved in Summer 2006 but that no additional paving maintenance has been done since then. Mrs. Werner stated that the parking lots will need to be fixed (cracks, etc.) and then the parking lot area needs to be sealed. A brief discussion ensued.
3. **VAT Tile Removal Project Update** – Mrs. Werner provided an update regarding the VAT tile removal project that will occur during Spring Break and additional area(s) (square footage) that may be considered for this purpose. Mrs. Werner indicated that she had solicited quotations for the additional square footage as noted and would distribute the quotations to the Board of Education for their review upon receipt. Mrs. Werner then provided a brief overview of the VAT tile removal project process.

BOARD MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

Approval of Board Minutes

Mr. Dalesandro moved the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the minutes of the following meeting(s) be approved as submitted:

Date	Meeting
February 8, 2011	Special Meeting
	Executive Session I
	Executive Session II
February 15, 2011	Special Meeting
	Executive Session I
	Executive Session II*

* Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro commented that Mr. Morton takes excellent notes.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Still and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

V. OLD BUSINESS - There were no items to be discussed at this time.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE/FACILITIES - Frank Tranor, Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Olivo, seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro that resolutions numbered 1 – 11 be adopted as presented:

BE IT RESOLVED that resolutions numbered 1 - 11 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the bills list dated March 29, 2011. (Attachment #1)
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education accepts the financial Reports of the Board Secretary for January 2011 and the Associated Board Treasurer’s of School Monies (A-149) report for the month of January 2011 which were reconciled with each other by Fund for that period.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11 (c) (4) certify that as of January 31, 2011 after the review of the Secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board Secretary pursuant to N.J.A.C.6A:23-2.11(c) (3) certifies that as of January 31, 2011 no budgetary line item accounts have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) (3).

Business Administrator

5. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, post-authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary Consultant to advertise the re-bid of the Referendum projects in concert with the recommendation of Board Counsel.
6. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, accepts the Grant Allocation Funding for NCLB (No Child Left Behind) FY11 through the New Jersey Department of Education from September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011 for the purposes, terms and conditions as set forth in the grant proposal per notification of the New Jersey

Department of Education as follows:

PROGRAM NAME	GRANT NUMBER	FY 2011 AWARD AMOUNT
NCLB	NCLB352011	
Title I		\$45,349
Title IIA		\$12,825*
Title IID		\$ 90*
Title III		\$11,527**

* St. Michael's School receives a portion of the above listed entitlement.
 ** Consortium Efforts: Netcong, Mt. Arlington, Stanhope and Chester

7. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the appropriation of Title I funds to be used for salary offset for a Title I Coordinator/Curriculum Coordinator for the 2010-2011 school year as follows:

Employee	2010-2011 Salary	Title I Funding	FTE
Beth Barnhill	\$45,000.00	\$16,000.00	.3

8. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, authorizes the submission of an amended FY2009 NCLB Application on behalf of the Netcong Public School.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the following Use of School Facilities Requests* as noted:

Group	Purpose	Date	Time	Fee (if applicable)
LV Lacrosse Club Skot Koenig	Youth Boys and Girls Lacrosse Gym or Parking Lot area.	Monday-Friday 03/01/11 – 03/04/11 03/14/11 – 03/18/11 03/21/11 – 03/25/11 03/28/11 – 03/31/11	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	N/A
		Saturday 03/05/11, 03/12/11, 03/19/11, 03/26/11	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	

- Dates and Time schedule subject to change at the discretion of the Acting Superintendent in conjunction with the approval of the Board President and/or Facilities Committee Chairperson.*

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the 2011-2012 Non-Public Service Agreement with the Morris County Educational Services Commission.
11. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education authorizes the Business Administrator Consultant to file the 2009-2010 Non-Public Project Completion Reports as required by the State of New Jersey Department of Education (including refunding “Monies due Grantor” as specified in the 2009-2010 CAFR)

VOTE: FINANCE/FACILITIES AGENDA ITEMS #1- 11 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still, and Mrs. Popelka, President.
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

B. PERSONNEL - James Still, Chairperson

There are no Personnel resolutions presented for consideration or approval this evening.

C. EDUCATION - Todd Morton, Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Still that resolutions numbered 1 – 4 be adopted as presented:

BE IT RESOLVED that resolution number 1 – 4 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the submission of the Netcong Public School Professional Development Plan for the 2011-2012 school year to the NJ Department of Education as per regulations.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the submission of the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (NJSBAIG) ERIC-West Sub fund - “Safety Grant Program” application, in the amount of \$2,800.00 for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the participation in the Morris County Middle School Leadership Award Program to be held on May 3, 2011 at a cost of \$180.00.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, accepts with deep appreciation, mini-grant award monies in the following amounts from the Netcong PTA, Netcong Education Foundation and Sam’s Club in support of the following programs:

Grant Recipient	Mini Grant	Grant Award
Netcong Elementary School	Smart Technology Replacement Bulbs, Document Camera, 24 pack Smart Response System Wireless Slate	\$4,000
Ms. Sandra Jensen	Safety Rails for Risers	\$1,000
Mrs. Marlene Baccarro	Smart Technology Projector	\$500
Ms. Barbara Dzurny	Smart Technology Projector	\$500
Mrs. Tana Ferris	Smart Technology Projector	\$500

* Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro ‘THANKED’ the Netcong PTA and Netcong Education Foundation for having provided this opportunity.

VOTE: **EDUCATION AGENDA ITEMS #1 – #4 AS PRESENTED.**

AYES: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still, and Mrs. Popelka

NAYES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

VII. NEW BUSINESS - There were no New Business items to be discussed.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS - There were no Miscellaneous items to be discussed.

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Morton moved, seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro to open the public session at 7:36 p.m. and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present. President Popelka opened the meeting to the public at 7:36 pm.

Mr. Patrick McQueeney (15 Kings Road) inquired if our Budget is “in line” (comparable) with other districts’ in our DFG (District Factor Group). Mrs. Werner stated yes, as noted in this evening’s presentation, we (Netcong) actually have the lowest per pupil cost of the district’s like us in Morris County (the next Morris County district would be Riverdale as noted earlier). Mr. McQueeney inquired how Netcong fared in terms of other counties in the state and Mrs. Werner noted that she would research the matter and respond at a later date.

Mr. McQueeney inquired as to why the bids presented this evening were rejected and what was wrong with the bid specifications. President Popelka explained in detail. Mr. McQueeney inquired if this re-bidding process would cause additional fees/additional costs. President Popelka stated no additional fees will be incurred except to re-advertise. Mr. McQueeney inquired if the district will be able to get the additional fees back from the architect. President Popelka stated they (PSA) understand that this has caused additional advertisement fees for our district but that the Board has not made any such request to Parette Somjen that we should be compensated for said fees at this time.

Mrs. Karen Koster (38 Dell Avenue) stated that there is a rumor that Federal Aid (revenue) will be cut. Mrs. Werner stated that the district does not spend more Federal aid then is awarded and received by the district. Mrs. Werner also stated that some of the Federal aid revenue discussed in the 2011-2012 School Budget powerpoint presentation is actually funding provided to St. Michael’s school in Netcong. The federal grants/funds for St. Michael’s School are merely filtered through the public school and do not belong to Netcong.

There being no additional items for discussion at this time, Mrs. Dalesandro moved, seconded by Mr. Morton to close the public session at 7:42 pm. This was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Dalesandro, seconded by Mr. Still, 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 pending or anticipated litigation, contract negotiation, personnel, and/or matters pertaining to attorney/client privilege. 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 7:42 pm and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION – A motion is requested to come out of executive session.

Motion by Mr. Olivo, seconded by Mr. Morton to close executive session at 8:36 pm. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

The Board reconvened in Public Session at 8:36 pm with the following members present:

Present: Mr. Arbolino, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Still and Mrs. Popelka, President.

XI. POSSIBLE MOTIONS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION–None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the board, Mrs. Dalesandro made a motion, seconded by Mr. Still and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the March 29, 2011 2011-2012 Proposed Budget Hearing and Business Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Werner
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Consultant