

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING

of the NETCONG SCHOOL DISTRICT 26 College Road Netcong, NJ 07857

July 20, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Popelka at 6:30 PM. The meeting was held in the Netcong Public School Library 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, Mr. Morton, Mr. Olivo, Mr. Tranor, and Mrs. Popelka, President.

Absent: Mrs. Dalesandro (entered the meeting at 6:34 pm) and Mr. Still (entered the meeting at 6:39 pm)

Also Present: Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer, Acting Superintendent/Principal/CST Coordinator
Christine M. Werner, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary Consultant

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Olivo, 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 of 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 6:33 pm and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

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

Motion by Mr. Morton seconded by Mr. Olivo to close executive session at 7:59 pm. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

The Boards reconvened in Public Session at 7:59 pm with the following members present:

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

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC ~ AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Mrs. Dalesandro moved, seconded by Mr. Still, to open the public session at 8:05 p.m. and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present. President Popelka opened the meeting to the public at 8:05 pm.

There being no items for discussion at this time, Mr. Olivo moved, seconded by Mr. Morton to close the public session at 8:05 pm. This was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

II. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Popelka briefly discussed the Board of Education's options pertaining to the Superintendent vacancy including both an Interim Superintendent consideration, as well as, a shared services consideration. President Popelka stated that the Board of Education will resume its discussion later this evening in Executive Session.

President Popelka briefly discussed paperless communication with the Board of Education, including Agendas, Minutes, emails, memos, etc. President Popelka inquired if Agendas could be posted on the District's website going forward and commented that the minutes should be updated on the website as well. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that she would follow-up on this matter accordingly.

III. ACTING SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mrs. Flach-Bammer reported on the following matters:

1. **Netcong Elementary School Facility Use Schedule:** Mrs. Flach-Bammer briefly discussed the NPS building Facility Use schedule matter.
2. **Speech Teacher Vacancy Update:** Mrs. Flach-Bammer provided an update pertaining to the Speech Teacher vacancy noting she was working very closely with Mrs. Werner pertaining to budgetary considerations.
3. **Kindergarten Enrollment Update:** – Mrs. Flach-Bammer provided an update pertaining to the current Kindergarten enrollment noting she was working very closely with Mrs. Werner pertaining to budgetary considerations.

IV. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR CONSULTANT’S COMMENTS

1. **Netcong Board of Education Annual Retreat:** Mrs. Werner noted that the annual Board Retreat will commence on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 6:00 p.m noting that the annual Board Self-Evaluation documents were due to Joanne Borin, NJSBA Client Service Representative by August 6, 2010.
2. **NJSEHBP Rate Increase effective January 1, 2011 – June 30, 2011:** Mrs. Werner noted that the NJSEHBP rate increase effective 01/01/11 data was released last week and will be 8.5% rather than the anticipated 25% increase that has been budgeted. Mrs. Werner also noted that while the district has been proactively soliciting proposals for employee health benefits coverage in an effort to exercise fiscal prudence/savings, that most vendors have not opted to provide a proposal to us at this time. A brief discussion ensued.
3. **Referendum Information:** Mrs. Werner provided various Referendum information including a draft Referendum preparation schedule in anticipation of a September 28, 2010 Referendum election noting that we are on a tight deadline and we are still awaiting the receipt of the NJDOE PEC/Grant approval letters for the proposed projects as was submitted by the AOR in January 2010. A brief discussion ensued with Mrs. Werner noting that no grant monies will be provided to the district by the NJDOE unless the referendum is successful. Mrs. Werner noted that special elections (referendum elections) may only be held 4 times during the year under the law – January, April, September and December.
4. **Guide for Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls** – Mrs. Werner referenced and discussed the Guide for Standard Operating Procedures and Internal Controls for the Netcong Public School requirement. Mrs. Werner noted that it documents operating procedures and internal controls that are implemented pertaining to the Business Office and stated that it must be approved by the Board of Education.

BOARD MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

Minutes

Mr. Still moved the following resolution:

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

Date	Meeting
May 25, 2010	Regular Business Meeting
	Executive Session
June 2, 2010	Special Board Meeting
	Executive Session

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro and opened for discussion. Mrs. Dalesandro requested that the minutes of May 25, 2010 be tabled at this time being that the last page of the document was not included in the Board package.

Motion by Mrs. Dalesandro, seconded by Mr. Morton to table the minutes of the following meeting:

Date	Meeting
May 25, 2010	Regular Business Meeting

All in favor.

Mr. Still moved the following resolution:

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

Date	Meeting
May 25, 2010	Executive Session
June 2, 2010	Special Board Meeting
	Executive Session

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

Correspondence

Mrs. Dalesandro moved the following resolution:

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

Sender	Subject	Referred to
Mrs. Karen Koster	Resignation	Mrs. Lynn Popelka-Vindler, President Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer, Acting Superintendent Members, Netcong Board of Education
Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer	Thank You	Mrs. Lynn Popelka-Vindler, President Mrs. Christine Werner, BA/BS Consultant Members, Netcong Board of Education
Dr. Kathleen Serafino, Morris County Executive Superintendent of Schools	Netcong - District Technology Plan 2010-2013 - Approval	Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer, Acting Superintendent Members, Netcong Board of Education
Karin Bond (via email)	Lack of Fee – Lenape Valley Wrestling Club	Members, Netcong Board of Education via Email C: Mrs. Melissa Flach-Bammer, Acting Superintendent

* In reference to the correspondence received from Mrs. Karen Koster, the following comments were made by the Board of Education: “Thank you for your dedication and time, we wish you noting but the best in your future endeavors.” “....are a hard person to replace, thank you for everything! Good Luck!” and “Thank you for treating our children well!”. There was a round of applause by all in honor of Mrs. Koster’s years of service to the Netcong Elementary school.

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

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Dalesandro moved the following resolution:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent and the Business Administrator Consultant authorizes payment of the following:
 (Note: These checks were tabled on June 22, 2010 pending clarification and further review.)

Check #	Payee	Amount
7183	Design Ideas Group + Planning LLC	\$1,508.66
7204	Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, Celso & Zitomer LLC	\$1,587.49
7210	Strunk-Albert Engineering	\$1,541.25

The motion was seconded by Mr. Olivo and opened for discussion. Mrs. Dalesandro requested that the resolution be tabled at this time pending further review.

All in favor.

Additional Discussion:

Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro inquired if the K4 press release pertaining to tuition charges had been published. Mrs. Flach-Bammer indicated that the press release had been sent to the Daily Record and the West Morris Reporter. Mrs. Dalesandro inquired if the press release had been sent to the Musconetcong News. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that she would submit the press release to the Musconetcong News a.s.a.p. Mrs. Flach-Bammer also stated that a letter had been mailed to all K4 parents advising them of the new policy regarding K4 tuition but that there had been no response or inquiries made regarding this matter to date. Mrs. Werner stated that she had prepared a Draft Tuition Agreement for K4 parents and had submitted said document to the Board Attorney for review. Mrs. Werner briefly discussed the changes/additions that will be necessary pertaining to Board Policy as it relates to the implementation of tuition charges for this purpose. Mrs. Werner also indicated that all parents will receive a Lunch application with the tuition agreement and a letter will be included with it stipulating that any child who qualifies for Free/Reduced meals will not pay tuition. Discussion ensued.

Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro noted that a request pertaining to the appointment of Ms. Rich as a “Teacher in Charge” when the Acting Superintendent/Principal and the “Teacher in Charge” are out of the building simultaneously. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that a resolution appointing Ms. Rich as “Teacher in Charge” will be placed on the Agenda at the next opportunity.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE/FACILITIES - Frank Tranor, Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Tranor, seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro, that resolutions numbered 1 – 5 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves CS Concrete to repair the concrete steps at the rear entrance of the school building at a cost not to exceed \$485.00.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the Maschio Food Service report for the month of June 2010, which shows a monthly income loss of (\$800.85) profit and a year-to-date income of \$1,440.62 profit.
 (Attachment #1)

3. **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)
Netcong Public School After Care Program	After Care	Mon. – 09/08/10 to Fri. – 06/15/11	2:50 pm – 6:00 pm	N/A

* All dates/times are subject to cancellation in the event of inclement weather by the Interim Superintendent in consult with the Board President or Vice President and/or the Finance & Facilities Committee Chairperson.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves the following resolution for increasing the bid threshold and appointing a qualified purchasing agent in a board of education or other entity subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1:

WHEREAS, 18A: 18A-3 permits a board of education to authorize its purchasing agent to award contracts that do not exceed in a contract year the annual limit as established by the Governor, and

WHEREAS, local boards of education have be advised by the Local Finance Board through (LFN 210-13) that the Governor has authorized the following bid and quotation thresholds effective July 1, 2010,

	Bid Threshold	Quotation Threshold
Base Amount without Qualified Purchasing Agent (Cert.)	\$29,000.00	\$3,900.00
Base Amount with Qualified Purchasing Agent (Cert.)	\$36,000.00	\$5,400.00

WHEREAS, Christine M. Werner possesses the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Netcong Board of Education desires to increase its bid and quotation thresholds as provided in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Netcong Board of Education, in the county of Morris, in the State of New Jersey hereby increases its bid threshold to \$36,000 and its quotation threshold to \$5,400; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Netcong Board of Education hereby appoints Christine M. Werner, as the Qualified Purchasing Agent to exercise the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2b, with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the Board of Education.

5. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, appoints Lisa A. Gorab, Esquire of Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. to provide Legal Services & Bonding as necessary for the Netcong Public School for the 2010-2011 school year.

VOTE: FINANCE/FACILITIES AGENDA ITEMS #1– 5 AS PRESENTED.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

B. PERSONNEL - James Still, Chairperson

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

- 1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, accepts, with deep regret, the resignation of Karen Koster effective July 5, 2010.

Discussion: Both Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro and Board Trustee Robert Olivo reiterated Mrs. Koster’s resignation was being accepted with **deep regret**.

- 2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education authorizes the Acting Superintendent to emergent hire personnel beginning July 21, 2010 and continuing during the months of July and August, upon advising the Board President and Vice President in conjunction with the Personnel Committee with retroactive approval to be confirmed at the August 24, 2010 Regular Business Board of Education meeting.

Discussion: A brief discussion ensued regarding this resolution. Mrs. Flach-Bammer was asked to apprise the entire Board with any/all personnel recommendations during this period. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated she would email all personnel considerations/recommendations to the full Board prior to extending a job offer to any individual.

VOTE: PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEMS #1– 2 AS PRESENTED.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Discussion: President Popelka inquired as to the status of the landscaping services previously approved by the Board of Education. Discussion ensued. Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro noted that the Business Administrator/Board Secretary Consultant has been advised that the approved vendor had declined to take the work. Board Trustee Robert Olivo stated that he would appreciate an email apprising the Board of any pertinent information such as this pertaining to the district’s operations accordingly.

Motion by Mr. Still, seconded by Mr. Arbolino, that resolution number 3 be addended and adopted as presented:

- 3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves Stephen Peterson as a P/T Summer/Seasonal temporary custodian to assist in the daily summertime custodial duties for the period of July 19, 2010 through August 31, 2010 on an as needed basis at a salary not to exceed \$10.00 per hour.

VOTE: PERSONNEL AGENDA ITEM #3 AS ADDENDED AND AS PRESENTED.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

C. EDUCATION - Todd Morton, Chairperson

Motion by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mrs. Dalesandro, that resolutions numbered 1 - 5 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, approves the following workshop/conference as listed:

Date	Staff	Subject	Estimated Cost
08/4/10	Mrs. Flach-Bammer	MCASA Workshops Students' Rights and Responsibilities Staff Rights and Responsibilities Parsippany, NJ	No Charge Mileage (Current Exp.)
10/5-6/10	Ms. Eileen Cook	AENJ Conference Union, NJ	\$155.00 – NCLB IIA Mileage (Current Exp.)
10/12-13/10	Ms. Jacqueline Rich	New Jersey Science Conference Milltown, NJ	\$100.00 – NCLB IIA Mileage (Current Exp.)
10/21/10	Mrs. Mary Frances Koch	Assoc. of Math Teachers' Conference – Somerset, NJ	\$150.00 – NCLB IIA Mileage (Current Exp.)
10/22/10	Ms. Cathy DeVito	Assoc. of Math Teachers' Conference – Somerset, NJ	\$150.00 – NCLB IIA Mileage (Current Exp.)

Discussion: A brief discussion ensued regarding the Association of Math Teacher's Conference. Each teacher will attend the conference one day of the two day workshop.

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, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Discussion: A brief discussion ensued regarding the NJSBAIG Safety grant program. Mrs. Flach-Bammer noted that the grant award will assist the district in purchasing a surveillance camera and swipe card entry system. Mrs. Flach-Bammer also noted that Administration wished to reinstate the School Safety Patrol program in addition to the equipment purchases noted earlier in conjunction with the safety grant application submitted to the NJSBAIG ERIC-West Sub fund.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent, approves participation in the NJ Child Assault Prevention grant program(s) for the period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 as follows:

Program	Cost	Grant Funds
NJ CAP Elementary Program (K4 - Grade 6)	\$3,639.00	\$3,639.00
NJ CAP Teen Program		
NJ CAP Special Needs Program		
Teacher Workshop and Parent Workshop(s)		
NJ CAP "No More Bullies, No More Victims"	\$4,418.00	\$2,209.00
Teacher Workshop and Parent Workshop(s)		

Total Cost: \$8,057.00

District Cost: \$2,209.00*

***Funded through NCLB Title IV C/O and Current Expense**

Discussion: A brief discussion ensued with the Board of Education commending Administration's efforts to seek grant funds for both equipment and educational programs for the district during these fiscally challenging times.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent approves the agreement with the New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for services for student 1807141489 for the 2010-2011 school year at a cost of \$4,100.00.
Note: These services are required for the implementation of the student’s Individual Education Plan (IEP).

5. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent approves the agreement with the New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired for services for student 9654156087 for the 2010-2011 school year at a cost of \$1,700.00.
Note: These services are required for the implementation of the student’s Individual Education Plan (IEP).

Discussion: Mrs. Flach-Bammer noted that the district is required by law to call for and participate in both a lock down drill and two fire drills on a monthly basis, as in keeping with the Office of Emergency Management. A brief discussion ensued regarding the procedures that have been put into place for this purpose. Mrs. Flach-Bammer noted that the district will partner with the Netcong Borough Police Department, the Netcong Fire Department, as well as, the Morris County Sheriff’s Department to enact the new law/regulations.

VOTE: EDUCATION AGENDA ITEMS #1 - #5 AS PRESENTED.

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

VII. NEW BUSINESS – None at this time.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

Motion by Mrs. Dalesandro, seconded by Mr. Morton, that that resolution number 1 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Netcong Board of Education, to approve the **first reading** and adoption of the following Bylaw, Policy and Regulation Revisions:

BYLAW, POLICY AND REGULATION – revisions:

<i>Number</i>	<i>Title</i>
2415.03	Highly Qualified Teachers
2423	Bilingual and ESL Education
2560	Live Animals in School
3126	Induction Program for Provisional Teachers
3240	Professional Development (Teaching Staff Members)
3281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Teaching Staff Members)
3431.3	NJ’s Family Leave Insurance Program (Teaching Staff Members)
4281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members)
4431.3	NJ’s Family Leave Insurance Program (Support Staff Members)

<i>Number</i>	<i>Title</i>
R 2423	Bilingual and ESL Education
R 2560	Live Animals in School
R 3126	Induction Program for Provisional Teachers
R 3240	Professional Development (Teaching Staff Members)
R 3281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Teaching Staff Members)
R 4281	Inappropriate Staff Conduct (Support Staff Members)
R 6471	School District Travel Procedures

VOTE: MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA ITEM #1 AS PRESENTED.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Mrs. Dalesandro moved, seconded by Mr. Still, to open the public session at 8:56 p.m. and was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present. President Popelka opened the meeting to the public at 8:56 pm.

Karen Koster (38 Dell Avenue) referenced the Shared Services Committee that was formed last year in conjunction with the Shared Services Superintendent and further inquired as to the status of the committee’s report and if the Board of Education would go back to this forum. A brief discussion ensued. President Popelka stated that she would discuss this with Dr. Kathleen Serafino, Morris County Executive Superintendent.

Diane Hajtovik (5 Post Road) briefly discussed the central office secretary vacancy noting that she is currently the only secretary working in the central office. It was noted that a job posting had been placed on the district’s website and on NJHIRE in an effort to solicit resumes a.s.a.p. In addition, it was noted that the resolution passed earlier this evening authorizes Mrs. Flach-Bammer to hire personnel as necessary by apprising the Board of Education accordingly.

Kathleen Renegar (29 Dell Avenue) made an inquiry pertaining to the K4 tuition. President Popelka stated that the Board of Education has only now implemented this policy/procedure for the 2010-2011 school year noting that Netcong is only one of two districts in all of Morris County who does not/had not charge(d) tuition for its K4 program. Mrs. Renegar also inquired about the status of the Superintendent vacancy and asked if the vacancy had been advertised. President Popelka stated that in the case of an Interim Superintendent, NJSBA has a list of retired individuals who may be contacted to provide services and that this is a consideration for the Board of Education. Mrs. Renegar stated that her understanding is that all jobs/vacancies must be advertised under the law. A brief discussion ensued. President Popelka stated that the Board of Education will review and discuss all of the options to be considered pertaining to the Superintendent vacancy.

Amy Costanza (15 Center Street) inquired about the status of the K5 enrollment. Mrs. Flach-Bammer stated that the enrollment for Kindergarten has held steady at 27 children. It was noted that the Board of Education has discussed considerations should the district’s enrollment in Kindergarten exceed the recommended 30 children maximum class size. Mrs. Werner has conferred with Mrs. Flach-Bammer and the Board of Education pertaining to the fiscal considerations for this purpose.

Karin Bond (5 Koclas Drive) referred to the letter of correspondence/email she sent to the Board of Education regarding the “Lack of Fee – Lenape Valley Wrestling Club” and noted that she was of the understanding that the email would be read aloud. President Popelka read the letter/email as follows:

To the board of education

Hello Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am writing to you today to express my concern over the fact that according to the agenda for the June 22, 2010 meeting there will be no fee charged for the use of the gym by the Lenape Valley Wrestling club. I think that in light of the fact that the school will be charging for the K4 program as a means of revenue that they should also be charging a nominal fee to groups and clubs requesting use of the facilities as a means of revenue.

Thank you.
Karin Bond
5 Koclas Drive
Netcong, NJ

Much discussion ensued pertaining to the consideration for charging fees for the use of the school facilities. Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro noted that the matter should be referred back to the Board Committee forum for further discussion. Kathleen Renegar concurred with Mrs. Bond and stated that usage fees will help to address "wear and tear" on the building.

Debbie Stevens (31 Amendola Drive) stated she was concerned that the Administration and Board of Education had cut the school Basketball program for the 2010-2011 school year. Mrs. Stevens noted that Netcong children who wished to play basketball with the Byram recreation team had to pay an additional \$10.00 registration fee more than children who are Byram residents. A brief discussion ensued. President Popelka noted that the Netcong Education Foundation has been working hard toward reinstating the school's Basketball program and stated that the NEF is currently soliciting donations for this purpose. President Popelka stated that school activities will trump community groups requesting use of the school's facilities.

Thomas Patamia (Center Street) announced that a Breakfast fundraiser sponsored by the Netcong Education Foundation was going to be held on September 19, 2010 and that all of the proceeds will be earmarked to reinstate the school's Basketball program. Karin Bond (5 Koclas Drive) stated that many large corporations such as Pfizer, provide matching share gift/donations for charity/non-profit entities on behalf of their employees, she stated that people should inquire if their employer might participate in a "matching share" program. Kathleen Renegar (29 Dell Avenue) suggested that the Netcong Education Foundation might also consider contacting Netcong School Alumnae via letters to solicit donations.

Karen Koster (38 Dell Avenue) made an inquiry pertaining to the NPS Use of Facilities situation and expressed concern pertaining to the Board's decision to approve wrestling 5 nights per week which precludes others from utilizing the NPS facility and disrupts the district's past practice in terms of what is/has been a fair and equitable distribution of "time and usage" for all local community groups. Much discussion ensued. President Popelka stated that LV wrestling has stated that they will be glad to move aside to allow other groups to use the facilities and stated that the Board encourages other groups to continue to submit "Use of School Facilities" requests as has been the practice in the past. President Popelka stated that the Netcong BOE is willing to work with all community groups and Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro stated that likewise, the groups are willing to work with the BOE.

David Angell (5 Koclas Drive) inquired as to how the Board might handle should there be a conflict in terms of scheduling groups to utilize the school gym, such as approving wrestling 5 nights per week and then how can they step aside? Discussion ensued. President Popelka stated that the Board can give permission to use the school facility and the Board can take it away.

Jacqueline Rich (NPS Teacher) expressed concern with the time slot/schedule as approved for the wrestling club and inquired as to what time the mats will be/would be brought out for wrestling practice. Ms. Rich stated that there were/are many instances when the Netcong Public School Basketball program goes beyond 6:00 p.m. Ms. Rich suggested that the Board consider stipulating that wrestling will need to wait until basketball games have concluded to use the gymnasium for practice. And likewise, the same stipulation should be extended to any/all groups requesting use of the NPS gymnasium during the basketball season. Discussion ensued.

There being no additional items for discussion at this time, Mr. Still moved, seconded by Mr. Morton to close the public session at 9:20 pm. This was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Still, seconded by Mr. 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 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 9:21 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 Mrs. Dalesandro, to close executive session at 10:57 pm. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote by all members present.

The Board reconvened in Public Session at 10:57 pm with the following members present:

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

XI. POSSIBLE MOTIONS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion ensued regarding the Old Business Resolution #1 presented and tabled earlier this evening.

Mrs. Dalesandro moved the following resolution:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Superintendent and the Business Administrator Consultant, authorizes payment of the following:
 (Note: These checks were tabled on June 22, 2010 pending clarification and further review.)

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7210	Strunk-Albert Engineering	\$1,541.25

The motion was seconded by Mr. Olivo and opened for discussion. Mrs. Dalesandro requested that Check #7210 be tabled at this time.

Motion by Mrs. Dalesandro, seconded by Mr. Olivo to table Check #7210 pending additional clarification.

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7210	Strunk-Albert Engineering	\$1,541.25

All in favor.

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7183	Design Ideas Group + Planning LLC	\$1,508.66
7204	Schwartz, Simon, Edelstein, Celso & Zitomer LLC	\$1,587.49

The motion was seconded by Mr. Olivo and approved by a unanimous roll call vote of all members present.

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the board, Mr. Arbolino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Still and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the July 20, 2010 Special Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 11:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Werner

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 Consultant