



Our Children
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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

October 29, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Dalesandro at 7:00 p.m.

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

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- The following was 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. BOARD GOALS for 2013-2014

- Successfully complete a 5 year strategic plan in all areas of instruction and programming, personnel, fiscal management, operations and governance as a means to advance student achievement and promote public confidence in our schools.
- Communications- Continue to improve communications to all stakeholders as a means to advance student advocacy and public awareness of our district.
- School Climate and Culture- Support district initiatives regarding a student centered school climate and culture that affords every student to opportunity to develop intellectually, ethically and personally to the fullest extent of his/her abilities.
- Explore alternate sources of revenue to improve and expand district programs.

E. DISTRICT GOALS for 2013-2014

- Student Achievement- Continue to improve student achievement as measured by the NCLB progress targets for the district, our schools and all subgroups to reach 100% proficiency by 2017.
- Successful implementation of Achieve NJ (teacher and principal evaluation).
- School Climate and Culture-Develop a student-centered school climate and culture that afford every student the opportunity to develop intellectually, ethically and personally to the fullest extend of his or her abilities.

II. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

Not Present: Mr. Morton and Mrs. Popelka

Also Present: Mr. Kevin Carroll, Chief School Administrator
Mrs. Nicole Sylvester, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Eight (8) Members of the public present

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE AND MINUTES

Correspondence

None at this time.

Approval of Board Minutes

Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved the following resolution:

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

Date	Meeting
August 20, 2013	Special Board Meeting

The motion was seconded by Board Trustee Marianne Callahan and was approved by Unanimous Voice Vote of the members present with one abstention from Board Trustee Joe Coladarci.

IV. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

President Dalesandro stated Ms. Lee Connor from MCSBA was scheduled to be here tonight, however, Ms. Connor is not present at this time.

President Dalesandro stated two representatives from Nisivoccia, LLP will arrive at 7:15 to do a 403(b) fiduciary review presentation for the Board and the public.

Mrs. Popelka entered the room at 7:02 p.m.

President Dalesandro informed the Board that budget “season” is fast approaching. She requested all committee heads draft a wish list so budget parameters and calendar can be established.

President Dalesandro thanked the Board members that attended the workshop in Atlantic City last week. She commended those Board members on a great effort to make sure we maximized our availability to cover more classes and receive more information. President Dalesandro stated that all information would be shared within their respective committees.

President Dalesandro requested a progress report from the Facilities committee on where they were on completion of our Long Range Facilities Plan.

V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR’S COMMENTS

Mr. Carroll reviewed our district and board goals for the 2013-2014 school year and explained the different ways in which we can improve on each specific goal.

Mr. Carroll stated that he and Mr. Will Ross are working on coming up with Student Growth Objectives to meet their targets. Mr. Carroll said that they had worked on this today and they were very happy with the results that they found.

Mr. Carroll explained that last week at the workshop in Atlantic City he took numerous classes that touched base on strategic planning and solar energy and was very enthusiastic to share some of the information he learned with the strategic planning committees.

Mr. Carroll stated that the chrome books would be out this upcoming week.

VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR’S COMMENTS

None at this time.

VII. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved the motion, seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay, to open the public session at 7:12 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:12 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 Chief School Administrator or the Board of Education, either by telephone or letter.

There being no further items for discussion, Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved the motion, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, to close the public session at 7:13 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:13 p.m.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney, seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay moved the following resolutions to be approved as submitted:

BE IT RESOLVED that resolution numbers 1-11 be adopted as presented:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, hereby approves an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 NCLB Title III grant for \$2,247 to release Fiscal Year 2012 carryover funds.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, hereby approves the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 NCLB application where funds were refused due to unavailability of participating consortium.

Title I	\$75,465
Title II-A	\$10,591
Title II-A	\$10,057
Carryover Total	\$20,648
Title III	\$4,383

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the October 30, 2013 payroll in the amount of \$155,080.35.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the bills list for September 19, 2013 to October 15, 2013 in the amount of \$307,297.48.
5. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby accepts the following June 2013 Financial Reports:

The Board Secretary’s monthly certification, as attached, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(d) that as of June 30, 2013 no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.S.A. 18A-22-8 and 18A-22-8.1.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 the Netcong Board of Education, after review of the Board Secretary’s monthly financial reports certify that as of June 30, 2013 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:23-2.2 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The financial reports from the Board Secretary for the month of June 2013.

6. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the revised transfers of the attached list (A. 10-25-01) for June 2013.
7. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the transfers of the attached list (A. 10-25-02) for July 2013.
8. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the Nursing Services Plan for the 2013-2014 school year.
9. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the Emergency Crisis Plan for the 2013-2014 school year.
10. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim School Business Administrator authorizes the Netcong Board of Education to enter into a lease purchase agreement with Atlantic Tomorrow's Office for a new copier in the teacher's room not to exceed \$258 per month and \$2,004 for the balance of the fiscal year.
11. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim School Business Administrator approves the following grant application for Fiscal Year 2013-2014:

IDEA Basic	\$98,871
Nonpublic Share	\$20,798
IDEA Preschool	\$5,334
Nonpublic Share	\$1,067

VOTE: GOVERNANCE/POLICY/FINANCE RESOLUTIONS #1- #11 AS PRESENTED.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: Mrs. Santana on resolution #4, Check #9265.

B. PERSONNEL-
Colleen Sufly, Chairperson
Bill Stevens, Member
Marianne Callahan, Member
Bernadette Dalesandro, Member

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

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

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby accepts, with regret, the resignation of Zeseos Glicos, part-time custodian, effective October 28, 2013.

VOTE: PERSONNEL RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED

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

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

C. FACILITIES/OPERATIONS - Joe Coladarci, Chairperson
Marianne Callahan, Member
Lynn Popelka, Member
Bernadette Dalesandro, Member

Board Trustee Joe Coladarci, seconded by Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved the following resolution to be approved as submitted:

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

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the Facilities usage as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	HOURS
11/02/13- Saturday	Gymnasium	Netcong Fire Co. #1- Tricky Tray	10:00AM-12:00AM
12/01/13- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
12/15/13- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
12/22/13- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
12/29/13- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
01/12/14- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
01/19/14- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
01/26/14- Sunday	Gymnasium	St. Michael School CYO Basketball Games	12:00PM-3:00PM
11/01/13- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
11/15/13- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
12/06/13- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
12/20/13- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
01/03/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
01/17/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
01/31/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
02/07/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
02/21/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
03/07/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
03/21/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM

04/04/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
04/18/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
05/02/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
05/16/14- Friday	Classrooms	Girl Scouts Meetings	3:00PM-5:00PM
02/19/14 (Wed.)- 02/21/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
02/24/14 (Mon.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
02/26/14 (Wed.)- 02/28/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/03/14 (Mon.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/05/14 (Wed.)- 03/07/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/10/14 (Mon.)- 03/14/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/17/14 (Mon.)- 03/21/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/24/14 (Mon.)- 03/28/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
03/31/14 (Mon.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM
04/01/14 (Tue.)- 04/04/14 (Fri.)	Gymnasium	Lakeland Little League- Baseball/Softball Practices	6:00PM-8:45PM

VOTE: FACILITIES/OPERATIONS RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED

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

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

D. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION- Patrick McQueeney, Chairperson
 Todd Morton, Member
 Jennifer Santana, Member
 Bernadette Dalesandro, Member

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

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

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the following class trips:

TEACHER	GRADE	LOCATION	DATE	COST
Gina Szarejko	7	Stokes State Forest School of Conservation Branchville, NJ 07826	May 7, 2014 – May 9, 2014	\$460 (\$60/hr. overtime if needed)

VOTE: CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mrs. Santana, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

NAYES: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

X. MISCELLANEOUS

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka asked why there was no “New Business” section on the agenda. Board President Dalesandro advised her that the new Board Secretary was following our policy as written and approved by the Board of Education.

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka said it would be nice to have the children do service projects with the Veteran’s Hospital. Mr. Carroll then stated that the children are involved with service projects and he would look into other projects that could be done.

Nisivoccia, LLP started their presentation on the 403(b) plan at 7:22 p.m.

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan said she had an outstanding time at the workshop this year in Atlantic City. She was eager to share her information with the Board at a later meeting.

XI. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, to open the public session at 8:00 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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The Board wishes to remind all attendees at its meeting that while it subscribes 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 should be referred to the Chief School Administrator 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 Patrick McQueeney, to close the public session at 8:01 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 8:01 p.m.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka, seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay, 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 legal matters and negotiations. 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 8:02 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 8:02 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Board Trustee Lynn Popelka made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present at 9:03 p.m.

XIII. MOTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

The following motion was made:

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

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

1. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator, hereby approves the following change orders to the contract with Finewall Corporation for a total revised contract sum of \$2,465,323.05:

Change Order #	Amount
5	\$44,862.60
6	\$9,766.70
7	\$78,129.25

VOTE: RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED.

AYES: Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mrs. Santana, Mrs. Popelka, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

NAYS: None

ABSENTATIONS: None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT- There being no further business to come before the board, Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney made a motion, seconded by Board Trustee Lynn Popelka and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the October 29, 2013 Regular Board Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted


Nicole Sylvester
Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary