



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
of the  
**NETCONG SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**26 College Road**  
**Netcong, New Jersey 07857**

**November 26, 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:** Mr. Morton, Mr. McQueeney, Mr. Coladarci, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay, Mrs. Santana, and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

**Not Present:** Mrs. Popelka and Mrs. Callahan (out sick)

**Also Present:** Mr. Kevin Carroll, Chief School Administrator  
Mrs. Nicole Sylvester, Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary  
Six (6) Members of the public present

**III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE AND MINUTES**

**Correspondence**

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved the following resolution:

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

Sender	Subject	Referred to
Darlene Dimick	the "days"	Board of Education Members
Eileen Cook	Retirement	Mr. Kevin Carroll- Chief School Administrator Mrs. Kate Walsh Board of Education Members

The motion was seconded by Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney and was approved by Unanimous Voice Vote of the members present.

**Approval of Board Minutes**

None at this time.

**IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

President Dalesandro wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

President Dalesandro reminded everyone that the Strategic Planning Committee would be meeting on December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> for the Planning Council Conference and hoped that all volunteers invited are able to attend!

**V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Carroll made the public aware that there were three addendums to tonight's agenda. Mr. Carroll read then gave an explanation for each addendum.

**VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS**

None at this time.

**VII. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC**

**Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney moved, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton, to open the public session at 7:06 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:06 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, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton, to close the public session at 7:06 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:06 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 Sufly, Member**

**Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton moved the following resolutions to be approved as submitted:**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that resolution numbers 1-5 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 November 30, 2013 payroll in the amount of \$149,879.89.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief

School Administrator, hereby accepts the following revised (Fund 20) 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 and Treasurer'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 and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of June 2013.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby accepts the following August 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 August 31, 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 and Treasurer's monthly financial reports certify that as of August 31, 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 and the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of August 2013.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the bills list for October 16, 2013 to November 19, 2013 in the amount of \$146,029.06.

5. **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. 11-26-01) for September 2013.

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

**AYES:** Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Sufly and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENTATIONS:** Mr. Coladarci on resolution #4- Check #A9304, Mrs. Dalesandro, President on resolution #4

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

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that resolution numbers 1-5 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 creation of a full time special education teacher position.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby rescinds the appointment of Cori DiRupo for the part-time position (0.6 FTE) of Basic Skills/Title I Teacher effective December 2, 2013.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves Cori DiRupo for the position of special education teacher at the pro-rated salary of \$46,837 Step 0, BA.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby rescinds the appointment of Elizabeth Ann Ettinger as the full-time permanent substitute effective December 2, 2013.
5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves Elizabeth Ann Ettinger for the part-time position (0.6 FTE) of Basic Skills/Title I Teacher at the prorated salary of \$30,301.20 at Step 10/BA for the period of December 2, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

**VOTE:** **PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS #1- #5 AS PRESENTED.**

**AYES:** Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay 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 Todd Morton moved the following resolutions to be approved as submitted:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that resolution number 1-3 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
12/04/13- Wednesday	Library	Parent Support Meeting	5:30PM-6:30PM
12/04/13- Wednesday	Library	Parent Program Meeting (Educational Apps)	6:30PM-7:00PM

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the following transportation for the Girls/Boys Basketball team for the 2013-2014 school year at a rate of \$1,766.
3. **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
01/17/14- Friday	Gymnasium	Student Council- Pasta Dinner	3:00PM-9:00PM

**VOTE: FACILITIES/OPERATIONS RESOLUTIONS #1- #3 AS PRESENTED.**

**AYES:** Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay 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 Todd Morton moved the following resolutions 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
Arbolino/Threlkeld	3	Bronx Zoo Bronx, NY 10460	June 3, 2014	\$410 Round-trip + \$18 parking
Barbara Dzurny	GT	Morristown Unitarian Fellowship Morristown, NJ	Jan. 8 & 9, 2014 Jan. 15 & 16, 2014 (snow dates)	\$600

**VOTE: CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED.**

**AYES:** Mr. Coladarci, Mr. McQueeney, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana, Mr. Stevens, Ms. Suflay and Mrs. Dalesandro, President.

**NAYES:** None

**ABSENTATIONS:** None

Mrs. Popelka entered the room at 7:10 p.m.

**X. MISCELLANEOUS**

None at this time.

**XI. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC**

**Board Trustee Joe Coladarci moved, seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay, to open the public session at 7:11 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro opened the meeting at 7:11 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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**There being no further items for discussion, Board Trustee Todd Morton moved, seconded by Board Trustee Colleen Suflay, to close the public session at 7:12 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Dalesandro closed the meeting to the public at 7:12 p.m.**

**XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Board Trustee Joe Coladarci, 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 legal matters, contract negotiations and 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 7:13 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.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNMENT**

Board Trustee Todd Morton 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 7:44 p.m.

**XIII. MOTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The following motion was made:

**Board Trustee Patrick McQueeney, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton moved the following resolution to be adopted as presented:**

**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 additional \$10,000 payment to Nisivoccia, LLP to complete the 2012-2013 audit.

**VOTE:** RESOLUTION #1 AS PRESENTED.

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

**NAYES:** 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 Todd Morton and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the November 26, 2013 Regular Board Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted



**Nicole Sylvester**  
**Assistant Business Administrator/Board Secretary**