# Netcong School District 26 College Road Netcong, NJ 07857

# Work Session Minutes April 19, 2016 7:00pm

- **I.** CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Costanzo at 7:00 p.m.
  - A. Flag Salute

# B. Open Public Meeting Act Proclamation

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of the Act the Board of Education of the Netcong School District in the County of Morris has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time and place thereof posted. The notice was mailed to the Daily Record and those persons or entities requesting notification, and filed with the municipal clerk of the Borough of Netcong.

#### C. Mission Statement

Netcong, a tradition to nurture, inspire, empower, and achieve by all, for all.

#### D. Board Goals 2015-16

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

#### E. District Goals 2015-16

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

#### II. ROLL CALL

**The following members were present:** Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Domick, Mr. Kranz, Mr. Morton, Ms. Santalucia and Mrs. Stephens.

**Not Present:** Mrs. Santana- School Commitment

**Also Present:** Dr. Gina Cinotti, Chief School Administrator

Mrs. Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Mrs. Charlene Peterson, NJ School Boards Association representative

Two (2) Members of the staff present

## III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None at this time. The Board reviewed the minutes to be approved next week and no requested changes were indicated.

# IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Costanzo introduced Mrs. Charlene Peterson, NJSBA Representative to give a presentation on the Chief School Administrator (CSA) Evaluation Process. Discussion ensued.

Board Trustee Jennifer Santana entered the room at 7:20 p.m.

President Costanzo reported that he, Dr. Cinotti and Mrs. Sylvester met with the Mayor and Mr. Still, Town Councilman, to present them with the 2016-17 budget.

## V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Dr. Cinotti reported on the Regional School District Comparison which was requested by a Board Member. Discussion ensued.

## VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mrs. Sylvester informed the Board of which e-mail addresses they have to receive NJSBA information.

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

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved, seconded by Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro, to open the public session at 8:02 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Costanzo opened the meeting at 8:02 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 CSA or the Board of Education, either by telephone or letter.

There being no further items for discussion, Board Trustee Todd Morton, moved, seconded by Board Trustee Kelly Stephens, to close the public session at 8:03 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Costanzo closed the meeting to the public at 8:03 p.m.

## VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

## IX. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

## A. Governance/Policy/Finance – D. Costanzo (Chair)

The Board reviewed the resolutions on next week's regular agenda.

#### B. Policy-D. Costanzo (Chair)

The Board reviewed the resolutions on next week's regular agenda. Discussion ensued regarding old and new policies which need to be Board approved.

Board Trustee Charlie Kranz left the room at 8:14 p.m. for emergency police duty.

#### **C.** Facilities - T. Morton (Chair)

The Board reviewed the resolutions on next week's regular agenda and reviewed the facilities agenda as follows:

Annex Building Next Steps	Steam Pipe
Referendum	Back Steps by Annex
Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP)	Kindergarten Room Sink & Counter
Water Testing in Schools	Lowe's Donation of Paint
Change of Facility Usage for Educational Space	Gov Deals
Business Office Location Fix	Asbestos Removal
Town Council & BOE Grass Cutting Agreement	Steam Pipe

#### D. Curriculum- K. Stephens (Chair)

The Board reviewed the resolutions on next week's regular agenda.

## E. Personnel – M. Callahan (Chair)

The Board reviewed the resolutions on next week's regular agenda.

# X. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>

None at this time.

## XI. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved, seconded by Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro, to open the public session at 8:31 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Costanzo opened the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

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#### XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Board Trustee Todd Morton, seconded by Board Trustee Kelly Stephens 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 individual student matters 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 8:32 p.m. and was approved by a Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present. President Costanzo closed the meeting to the public at 8:32 p.m. President Costanzo stated that no action will be taken after executive session and it is anticipated the Board will be in Executive Session for approximately 30 (thirty) minutes.

Mrs. Sylvester exited the room at 8:55 p.m. due to discussion of Board Secretary Evaluation.

Mrs. Sylvester re-entered the room at 9:04 p.m.

Board Trustee Kelly Stephens made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote by all members present at 9:26 p.m.

**XIII.** <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> There being no further business to come before the board, Board Trustee Bernadette Dalesandro made a motion, seconded by Board Trustee Todd Morton and carried by Unanimous Voice Vote to adjourn the April 19, 2016 Work Session Meeting of the Netcong Board of Education at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**Nicole Sylvester** 

**Business Administrator/Board Secretary**