

Netcong School District
26 College Road
Netcong, NJ 07857

Work Session Meeting Minutes
April 18, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The work session of April 18, 2017 was called to order by President Dalesandro at 7:00 pm.

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 2016-17

1. Successfully communicate information for a successful passage of the ballot question.
2. Continue and increase professional development for board members.
3. Create an in-house new board member orientation

E. District Goals 2016-17

1. To continue to improve student achievement.
2. To continue to be financially disciplined in all areas of spending while continuing to maintain improvements to facilities.
3. Explore/Strategize ways to restore programs if the Ballot Question passes or fails.
4. To continue to schedule/complete Referendum projects.

II. ROLL CALL

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

Not Present: Mrs. Callahan- will be coming in late
Mrs. Santana

Also Present: Dr. Gina Cinotti, Chief School Administrator
Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Derlys Gutierrez, Board Attorney
7 members of the public and staff

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & MINUTES

None

IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Dalesandro read the following letter from the New Jersey School Board Association:

“Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that the Netcong Board of Education has met the rigorous standards prescribed by the NJSBA Board Member Academy. Your board has demonstrated a high regard for effective board governance and student achievement and is eligible to receive the New Jersey School Board Association Board Re-Certification Award. Please note that your board is among an elite group of school boards that have earned the award since its inception in 2007.

We would like to honor your board at the Morris County School Boards Association spring dinner meeting on April 26 with dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. at The Mansion at Mountain Lakes.”

President Dalesandro thanked Mr. Costanzo for his continued efforts last year to meet this goal.

Board Trustee Jen Santana entered the room at 7:02 p.m.

President Dalesandro reported that the Ad Hoc Committee met last week and discussed quotes for the Annex which included asbestos and mold removal along with replacing the floors and upgrading the fire alarm system. President Dalesandro indicated these were the recommendations of the attorney which needed to be fixed to re-occupy the building.

V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Dr. Cinotti handed out documents regarding PARCC Scores.

VI. SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

None at this time.

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

Open to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Costanzo Time: 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.

As there were no petitions or requests from the public, a motion was made to close.

Close to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Costanzo Time: 7:06 p.m.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Curriculum- J. Santana (Chair)

Board Trustee Jen Santana moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve resolutions #1-5 as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves the following field trip chaperone:

Name	Trip	Dates	Stipend
Kimberly Arbolino	8 th Grade trip - Washington, D.C.	March 29- 31, 2017	\$313.71

Note: Upon the recommendation of the Board Attorney, the Board is permitted to approve a chaperone as a backdate in an emergency situation; therefore, the CSA emailed this information to the Board on March 28, 2017 to alert them a back date was unavoidable.

2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves the following field trip:

Date	Trip	Cost
4/25/17	Regional 8 th Grade LVR Visit – Internet and Cell Phone Safety & Violations Assembly	No cost to the district

3. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, approves the following Professional Development:

Date	Name	Workshop	Cost
4/26/17	Bernadette Dalesandro	NJSBA County Meeting Mountain Lakes, NJ	Roundtrip mileage of 28.6 @ \$0.31/mile = \$8.87
4/26/17	David Costanzo	NJSBA County Meeting Mountain Lakes, NJ	Roundtrip mileage of 28.6 @ \$0.31/mile = \$8.87
4/26/17	Kerri Santalucia	NJSBA County Meeting Mountain Lakes, NJ	Roundtrip mileage of 28.6 @ \$0.31/mile = \$8.87

4. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves home instruction, as medically necessary, for Student # 3222845 effective March 17, 2017

Note: The CSA emailed this to the Board on March 20, 2017, to alert them a back date was unavoidable due to the mandate of continuing instruction.

5. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves 10 hours of home instruction, including related services as medically necessary, for Student #32321335 effective March 28, 2017 at a maximum rate of \$81.00 per hour.

Note: The CSA emailed this information to the board on April 4, 2017, to alert them a back date was unavoidable due to the mandate of continuing instruction. Student has been withdrawn from the out of district placement at this time. Re-enrollment will occur when cleared from home instruction.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mr. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Domick, Mr. Kranz, Mr. Morton, Ms. Santalucia and Mrs. Santana.

No: None

Abstain: Mr. Costanzo, Ms. Santalucia and Mrs. Dalesandro on resolution #3

Mrs. Charlene Peterson, NJSBA representative entered the room at 7:08 p.m.

Mrs. Dalesandro reported that Mrs. Charlene Peterson was here to discuss and start the CSA Evaluation.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by: Mr. Morton

Seconded by: Mrs. Santana

Time: 7:09 pm

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 one or more of the following: legal matters, negotiations, personnel issues, individual student matters, and matters which are attorney-client privileged. It is expected that the discussion undertaken in this closed session can be made public at the time official action is taken.

President Dalesandro noted that topics to be discussed included personnel matters. It was anticipated that the session would take approximately 30-40 minutes, and that action will not be taken.

Dr. Cinotti, Mrs. Sylvester and Mr. Costanzo (*voluntarily*) exited the room at 7:12 p.m.

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan entered the room at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Cinotti, Mrs. Sylvester and Mr. Costanzo re-entered the room at 8:10 p.m.

XI. RECONVENE

A motion was made and approved to come out of closed session.

Moved: Mr. Morton

Second: Mr. Kranz

Time: 8:10 pm

The Board reconvened in open session with all members and public in attendance.

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

B. Facilities- T. Morton (Chair)

Mr. Morton reported on facilities items on the agenda for next week and the items listed below from the Facilities meeting earlier tonight.

1. Ad Hoc Committee recommendations:

- a) Asbestos & Mold Removal
- b) Floor replacement
- c) Fire Alarm

Total cost could be around \$42,000

2. Playground Equipment: May see a new playground soon on the elementary side of the school

3. Bleachers: The Board is looking to replace our current bleachers and pass a motion next week to have this approved to get the process moving forward.

4. Platform in Teacher's Copier Room was fixed
5. Reiner Group was here this week to start the Donnelly Energy project

C. Personnel- Marianne Callahan (Chair)

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve resolutions #1-2 as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves the employment of Megan Moser as a Part-Time Instructional Aide, at a rate of \$11.30 per hour, effective April 19, 2017, pending Criminal History Background Check.
2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves, with regret, the resignation of Todd LeBlanc from the Head Groundskeeper position, effective April 30, 2017

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mr. Callahan, Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Domick, Mr. Kranz, Mr. Morton, Ms. Santalucia and Mrs. Santana.

No: None

Abstain: None

D. Policy- B. Dalesandro (Chair)

President Dalesandro reviewed the following policies with the Board. Discussion ensued and the Board agreed all policies would go on for a first read at next week's Board meeting.

- Regulation 2460.01 Special Education – Location, Identification & Referral (M) Revised
- Regulation 2460.8 Special Education – Free & Appropriate Public Education (M) Revised
- Regulation 2460.9 Special Education – Transition from Early Intervention Program to Preschool Programs (M) Revised
- Regulation 2460.15 Special Education - New
- Policy 2467 Surrogate Parents and Foster Parents (M)
- 0000.01 Introduction (M) (Revised)
- 0000.02 Introduction (M) (Revised)
- 0000.03 Introduction (M) (Revised)
- Policy 2320 Independent Study Programs (Abolished)
- Policy 2415.06 Unsafe School Choice Option (M) (Revised)
- Regulation 2460.16 Special Education – Instructional Material to Blind or Print-Disabled Students (M) (No Revision Required/Readopt)
- Policy 2464 Gifted and Talented Students (M) (Revised)
- Policy 2622 Student Assessment (M) (Revised)
- Policy/Reg 3160 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
- Policy/Reg 4160 Physical Examination (M) (Revised)
- Policy/Reg 5116 Education of Homeless Children (Revised)
- Policy 5460 High School Graduation (M) (Revised)
- Policy 7446 School Security Program (New)
- Policy 8350 Records Retention (New)
- Policy 9150 School Visitor (board attorney reviewed & board can decide next steps)

E. Governance/Policy/Finance – B. Dalesandro (Chair)

President Dalesandro reviewed next week's agenda with the rest of the Board. Discussion ensued.

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS

President Dalesandro reported the NEF fundraiser raised \$15,000 for the technology initiative.

XIV. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Open to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Ms. Santalucia Time: 8:28 p.m.

A. 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 of interest or concern, the matter would be referred to the Chief School Administrator or the Board of Education, either by telephone or letter.

As there were no further petitions or requests from the public, a motion was made to close.

Close to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Costanzo Time: 8:28 p.m.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by: Mr. Costanzo Seconded by: Mr. Morton Time: 8:29 pm

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 one or more of the following: legal matters, negotiations, personnel issues, individual student matters, and matters which are attorney-client privileged. It is expected that the discussion undertaken in this closed session can be made public at the time official action is taken.

President Dalesandro noted that topics to be discussed included, legal matters and personnel issues. It was anticipated that the session would take approximately one hour, and that action may or may not be taken.

Dr. Cinotti and Mrs. Sylvester exited the room at 8:36 p.m.

Mrs. Sylvester re-entered the room at 9:35 p.m.

XVI. RECONVENE

A motion was made and approved to come out of closed session.

Moved: Mrs. Santana Second: Mr. Morton Time: 9:33 pm

The Board reconvened in open session with all members in attendance and no members of the public.

XVII. MOTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Trustee Timothy Domick moved and Board Trustee David Costanzo seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve the following resolution:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the CSA, approves Nick Serignese as the night time Head Groundskeeper, for a fixed term effective May 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, at an annual salary of \$37,454, pending Criminal History Background Check.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Mr. Callahan, Mrs. Callahan, Mr. Costanzo, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Domick, Mr. Kranz, Mr. Morton, Ms. Santalucia and Mrs. Santana.

No: None

Abstain: None

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further Business before the Board, a motion was made and approved to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. Domick

Second: Mr. Kranz

Time: 9:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Sylvester

Business Administrator/Board Secretary