

Netcong School District
26 College Road
Netcong, NJ 07857

Special Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The work session of July 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, Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Domick, Mr. Kranz, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana and Mrs. Santalucia.

Not Present: Mr. Costanzo- work commitment

Also Present: Nicole Sylvester, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
Derlys Gutierrez, Board Attorney
12 members of the public and staff

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & MINUTES

None at this time.

IV. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Dalesandro explained that the Board would be going into Executive Session later in the meeting to interview prospective Part-Time Interim Chief School Administrators.

V. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

None at this time.

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: Mrs. Santana Seconded by: Mr. Kranz Time: 7:01 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. Kranz Time: 7:01 p.m.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Governance/Policy/Finance- B. Dalesandro, (Chair)

None at this time.

B. Policy- B. Dalesandro (Chair)

None at this time.

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

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

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby approves the Netcong Education Foundation to use the Netcong School District outside facility for a parking lot fundraiser on July 22, 2017 and August 12, 2017.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: None

D. Curriculum- *J. Santana (Chair)*

None at this time.

E. Personnel- *Marianne Callahan (Chair)*

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve resolutions #1-6 as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, hereby approves the addendum to Kathleen Walsh's contract as the Acting Chief School Administrator for the period of June 27, 2017 until such time as an Interim Chief School Administrator is hired.
2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby approves Marilyn Garcia for the stipend position of Cafeteria Aide, for the 2017-2018 school year, 180 days at \$14.52 per day for a total rate of \$2614.19.
3. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby accepts, with regret, the resignation of Megan Moser as Instructional Aide effective July 27, 2017.
4. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby approves Virginia Van Tassel to attend the NJDOE Regional Training Session for Certification and Professional Development on Thursday, July 20, 2017. Cost to the district is mileage: 23.6 miles round trip for a cost of \$7.32.
5. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby approves Gina Szarejko as the Part Time Technology Coordinator from July 19, 2017 to June 30, 2018 at a stipend of \$13,500.
6. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Acting Chief School Administrator, hereby accepts the resignation of Catherine DeVito, with regret, from the position of Special Education Teacher, effective August 1, 2017, for the purpose of retirement.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: None

X. MISCELLANEOUS

Board Trustee Marianne Callahan asked Mrs. Sylvester to look into obtaining a cost for having the back Annex building torn down and having a module put in and to bring this information to the facilities committee.

XI. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC
Open to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Kranz Time: 7:07 p.m.

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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. Kranz Time: 7:07 p.m.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Kranz Time: 7:07 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 advised the public that the Board would discuss legal matters and personnel issues and that she expected the session would take approximately 90 minutes, and action may or may not be taken after the Board recessed back to open session.

The Board extended Executive Session an additional 90 minutes.

XIII. RECONVENE

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

Moved: Mr. Kranz

Second: Mr. Morton

Time: 9:53 pm

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

XIV. MOTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Trustee Todd Morton moved and Board Trustee Jen Santana seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve the following resolution:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, hereby appoints Mr. Pio Pennisi as the Interim Chief School Administrator effective July 25, 2017 through June 30, 2018

Whereas, there is an immediate need to appoint an Interim Chief School Administrator to serve the District for the 2017-18 school year; and

Whereas, after a search and interview process, the Board finds that Pio Pennisi is qualified to serve as Interim Chief School Administrator, which is a dual position consisting of the positions of Superintendent and Principal;

Now therefore be it resolved that, subject to approval of the contract for the Interim Chief School Administrator by the Executive County Superintendent, the Board hereby appoints Pio Pennisi as Interim Chief School Administrator, effective July 25, 2017 through June 30, 2018.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: Mrs. Callahan

Abstain: None

XV. ADJOURNMENT

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

Moved: Mr. Morton

Second: Mr. Kranz

Time: 9:56 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Sylvester
Business Administrator/Board Secretary