

Netcong School District
26 College Road
Netcong, NJ 07857

Work Session Meeting Minutes
August 22, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The work session of August 22, 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 2017-18- TBD

E. District Goals 2017-18- TBD

II. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mr. Costanzo, Mrs. Dalesandro, Mr. Morton, Mrs. Santana and Ms. Santalucia.

Not Present: Mr. Domick and Mr. Kranz

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

III. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & MINUTES

Approval of Board Minutes

Mr. Morton moved and Ms. Santalucia seconded that the Netcong Board of Education approve the minutes of the following meeting as submitted:

July 18, 2017	Special Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2017	Executive Session Minutes
July 25, 2017	Regular Session Minutes
July 25, 2017	Executive Session Minutes
June 27, 2017	Regular Session Minutes
June 27, 2017	Executive Session Minutes - Part 1
June 27, 2017	Executive Session Minutes- Part 2

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: Mr. Costanzo on all July 18th minutes and June 27th Executive Session minutes Part 1 &2
Ms. Santalucia on all July 25th minutes

IV. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

None at this time.

V. INTERIM CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Mr. Pennisi stated there was an addendum for later tonight for approval to submit the ESSA Title I grant.

Mr. Pennisi also indicated that we received notification that QSAC will be here this fall and there will be a motion to accept the Standard Operating Procedure for this at the September Board meeting.

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: Mrs. Santana

Time: 7:05 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. Costanzo

Seconded by: Mr. Morton

Time: 7:05 p.m.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Governance - B. Dalesandro, (Chair)

None at this time.

B. Policy- COW

None at this time.

C. Facilities- T. Morton (Chair)

President Dalesandro gave a facilities update from the meeting held earlier tonight:

1. Considering new retractable basketball hoops above bleachers due to new bleachers being installed
2. Bottom of gym painted
3. New playground installation
4. August 28th asbestos & mold removal in annex
5. Line Stripping completed over summer
6. Lead Testing- replacing water fountain to meet requirements
7. Referendum upgrades such as a new floor and fire rated classroom doors
8. Carbon Monoxide requirements
9. Exterior Boiler Room door replacement

D. Curriculum- J. Santana (Chair)

Mrs. Santana gave her curriculum report as follows:

1. Starting in September there will be Student of the month and staff recognition
2. Mrs. Walsh was able to provide new programs through Title I such as Liberty Science Center, and a new kiln, etc.
3. There will be two presentations for the drama club
4. The NEF will be hosting a volleyball tournament
5. LPV soccer club and Netcong soccer clinic

E. Personnel- K. Santalucia (Chair)

Board Trustee Kerri Santalucia moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve resolutions #1-4 as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, approves Lauren Sebring as Special Education Teacher for a fixed one-year term, effective August 30, 2017 through June 30, 2018, on Step C of the BA Guide, at the salary of \$51,781 (*Salary is based on the 2015-2016 NTA Salary Guide and may be revised pending the outcome of negotiations with the NTA*), pending Criminal History Background Check.
2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, approves Caitlyn Scrimo as Teacher of Music, for a fixed one-year term effective August 30, 2017, through June 30, 2018, on Step A of the BA Guide, at a salary of \$50,070 (*Salary is based on the 2015-2016 NTA salary guide and may be revised pending the outcome of negotiations with the NTA*), pending Criminal History Background Check.
3. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, approves Caitlyn Scrimo for the stipend position of Band and Chorus Director, for the 2017-2018 school year, 180 days at the total rate of \$1,634.
4. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, approves Tonia Nardone as Part-Time Instructional Aide, for a Preschool Disabled student, for a fixed one-year term during the 2017-2018 school year, at the rate of \$11.30 per hour (*Salary is based on the 2015-2016 NTA salary guide and may be revised pending the outcome of negotiations with the NTA*), pending Criminal History Background Check.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: None

F. Annex/Classroom/Space Issues/Concerns – B. Dalesandro (Chair)

None at this time.

G. Finance – D. Costanzo (Chair)

Board Trustee David Costanzo moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton seconded, that the Netcong Board of Education approve resolutions #1-3 as presented:

1. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, hereby rescinds the 2017-2018 contract resolution number 14, items 13 and 14, of the June 27, 2017, minutes, as shown below:

Vendor	Category	Cost
13. Educational Service Commission of MC	Joint Transportation	2% Administrative Fee
14. Educational Service Commission of MC	Joint Transportation	4% Administrative Fee

2. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim CSA, hereby approves the 2017-2018 school year contracts, as follows:

Vendor	Category	Cost
1. Sussex County Regional Cooperative	Joint Transportation	2% Administrative Fee
2. Sussex County Regional Cooperative	Joint Transportation	4% Administrative Fee

3. Be it resolved that the Netcong Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Interim CSA, hereby authorizes the submission of the ESEA application for Fiscal Year 2018 and accepts the grant award of these funds upon the subsequent approval of the FY 2018 ESEA Application.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: None

X. MISCELLANEOUS

President Dalesandro indicated that interviews for the open Board member seats would be conducted later this evening.

XI. PETITIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE PUBLIC

Open to the Public

Moved by: Mr. Costanzo Seconded by: Mr. Morton Time: 7:16 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.

Mrs. Bond inquired on when the next Annex committee meeting would be.

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: 7:17 p.m.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by: Mr. Morton Seconded by: Mr. Costanzo Time: 7:17 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 45-60 minutes, and action may or may not be taken after the Board recessed back to open session.

Mr. Costanzo exited the room at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Costanzo re-entered the room at 7:45 p.m.

XIII. RECONVENE

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

Moved: Mr. Morton

Second: Mr. Costanzo

Time: 7:58 pm

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

President Dalesandro stated that the interviews for prospective candidates to fill the two Board trustee vacancies will be moved to next Tuesday's meeting August 29, 2017. The vacancy left by Mrs. Marianne Callahan will be reopened and letters of interest will be accepted until 4 p.m. August 28th. The vacancy left by Mr. Callahan is closed and the person that submitted a letter of interest will be interviewed August 29th.

XIV. MOTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Board Trustee Kerri Santalucia moved and Board Trustee Todd Morton 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 Interim CSA, hereby accepts, with regret, the resignation of Diana Blakely from her position as Music Teacher at Netcong Elementary School, effective October 6, 2017, unless a suitable replacement is found before that time.

Roll Call Vote:

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

No: None

Abstain: None

XV. ADJOURNMENT

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

Moved: Mr. Morton

Second: Ms. Santalucia

Time: 8:02 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Sylvester
Business Administrator/Board Secretary