

North Shore Schools  
Board of Education  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
July 24, 2008

The meeting was called to order by president Beyer at 7:15 pm in the high school alumni room. Present were Trustees Genovesi, Glassman, Kolkhorst, and Sharkey. Trustees Pombar & Webb were absent. Also present were Dr. Melnick, Mr. Chlebicki and Ms. Buatsi.

**Executive Session**

At 7:15 pm on motion of president Beyer and seconded by Trustee Glassman and all in favor, the Board moved to go into Executive Session in the high school faculty lounge for matters leading to the appointment of a particular person, the employment of a particular person or persons and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).

At 8:00 pm on motion of Trustee Sharkey and seconded by Trustee Genovesi and all in favor, the Board moved to come out of Executive Session and resumed the regular meeting in the Alumni Room. There was no public in attendance.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

President Beyer led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**Report of the SGO Representative**

SGO representative, Charles Sharkey, was present at the meeting but had no report.

**Approval of Minutes**

On motion of Trustee Genovesi and seconded by Trustee Sharkey and all in favor, the minutes of July 1, 2008 were approved.

**Report of the Superintendent**

Dr. Melnick reported that the District received a \$700,000 grant from LIPA. He reported that the Bus Depot is close to completion and there will be an official opening after the Board retreat on September 13. The District has been notified by the County Assessor's Office that they have completed the maps dividing the pipeline and these maps need to be reviewed by the BOCES Superintendent and forwarded to the Commissioner for approval of the new district boundaries. He reported on a meeting with Senator Marcellino that he and Ms. Buatsi attended. The senator reported that he will be supporting the 4% cap on the tax levy and indicated that it will be passed by the Senate but does not believe it will pass in the Assembly. Dr. Melnick also reported on an organizational meeting for recreating the Metropolitan School Study Council which he will serve on and of a meeting he had with Kathleen Reilly and Marty Brooks, the new executive director of the Tri-States Organization.

**Regular Business**

**Establishment of Tax Levy**

Prior to establishing the tax levy, Ms. Buatsi reminded the Board that the Assessors Office establishes the tax rate, the Board only votes on the tax levy. The Board previously had a discussion in regard to the tax levy and must act on it at this meeting.

On motion of Trustee Glassman and seconded by Trustee Sharkey and all in favor, it was:

RESOLVED: That the following budget of the necessary claims and expenditures in the North Shore Central School District for the school year 2008-09 amounting to \$80,933,385.70 is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of \$72,883,109.90 being the remainder of the budget adopted as above and, the amount which must be raised by taxation (net amount) for the North Shore Central School District for the 2008-09 school year, be levied upon the taxable property of the school district as said property has been certified to by the Board of Assessors for the school year 2008-09

#### **Topics for Board Retreat**

Trustee Beyer explained that generally the topics for the Board retreat come from the Board's self evaluation, but if any members have additional topics they would like to discuss, she would add them to the agenda.

Trustee Genovesi recommended reviewing the roles of Board members.

Trustee Glassman recommended a discussion about alternative measures of raising funds; Dr. Melnick thought this should be a public discussion.

There was a brief discussion about fostering more community involvement which is included in the district goals. A suggestion was raised to have representatives at each school's back-to-school night in order for Trustees to be available to a large number of community members.

Trustee Glassman suggested going over the evaluation form in order to clarify the questions or statements on the form and alleviate different interpretations.

Trustee Beyer asked that trustees e-mail her any additional suggestions.

#### **Adoption of 2008-09 District Goals**

Prior to adopting the goals for 2008-2009, Dr. Melnick reviewed the draft with the Board. The Board previously discussed the goal topics at the July 1, 2008 meeting:

On motion of Trustee Kolkhorst and seconded by Trustee Genovesi and all in favor it was:

Resolved: To adopt the district goals for 2008-2009 as per attached.

On motion of Trustee Sharkey, and seconded by Trustee Glassman and all in favor, the agenda was amended to add the appointment of Cynthia Jacunski, Assistant Director of Special Education to the Personnel portion (action item D) of the agenda

The Board decided to act on action items D-T simultaneously.

On motion of Trustee Sharkey and seconded by Trustee Kolkhorst, it was:

#### **Personnel - Tab**

##### **Appointment - Certified**

Resolved: To approve the appointment of Cynthia Jacunski, Assistant Director of Special Education, effective August 11, 2008 through August 11, 2011

##### **Resignation - Certified**

Resolved: To accept the resignation of Claire Scordo, English, effective June 30, 2008

Leave of Absence for Child Rearing Purposes - Certified

Resolved: To approve a leave of absence for child rearing purposes for Kerri Giorgianni, Elementary, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Resolved: To approve a leave of absence for child rearing purposes for Kelly Gorman, Elementary, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Resolved: To approve a .5 leave of absence for child rearing purposes for Christine Purpura, Elementary, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Increments for Advanced Study - Certified

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Daniel Adams, Special Education, from Step 3 of the BA+30 salary schedule, to Step 3 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Eileen Clarke-Brady, Reading, from Step 9 of the MA+30 salary schedule, to Step 9 of the MA+45 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Karen Devlin, English, from Step 10 of the MA+15 salary schedule, to Step 10 of the MA+30 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Jennifer Fischer, Special Education, from Step 8 of the MA+45 salary schedule, to Step 8 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective, September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Patricia Kelton, Social Worker, from Step 17 of the MA+45 salary schedule, to Step 17 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Kristie Lieberman, English, from Step 13 of the MA+30 salary schedule, to Step 13 of the MA+45 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Kevin Mercier, Physical Education, from Step 11 of the MA+45 salary schedule, to Step 11 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Virginia Mishkin, Elementary, from Step 17 of the MA+30 salary schedule, to Step 17 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Kimberly Mulligan, Special Education, from Step 5 of the BA+15 salary schedule, to Step 5 of the BA+30 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for John Pace, Mathematics, from Step 10 of the MA salary schedule, to Step 10 of the MA+15 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Linda Pascucci, Elementary, from Step 2 of the BA salary schedule, to Step 2 of the BA+15 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Andrew Richter, Health, from Step 6 of the MA salary schedule, to Step 6 of the MA+15 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

Resolved: To approve an increment for advanced study for Michelle Stiffler, Special Education, from Step 9 of the MA+45 salary schedule, to Step 9 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008

#### Appointments - Certified

Resolved: To approve a probationary appointment for Elizabeth Caruso, Music, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, replacing Melanie Fishman (resigned)

Resolved: To approve a probationary appointment for Megan Corrao, English, on Step 2 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, replacing Claire Scordo (resigned)

Resolved: To approve a probationary appointment for Briana DeAngelo, Elementary, on Step 3 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, new position

Resolved: To approve a probationary appointment for Tiffany Indence, Elementary/Math 7-12, on Step 3 of the BA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, new position

Resolved: To approve a probationary appointment for Deborah Novick, Elementary, on Step 6 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2008 through September 1, 2011, replacing Tori Sattinger (resigned)

#### Regular Substitute (Leave Replacement) Appointments - Certified

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Keri Crocco, English, on Step 7 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, replacing Ellen Renaldo (child rearing leave)

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (.5) and a part-time (.5) appointment for Elisabeth Donovan, Elementary on Step 2 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, replacing Christine Purpura (.5 child rearing leave)

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Amy Gilroy, Special Education, on Step 2 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, replacing Ruth Fuller (child rearing leave)

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Jessica Zima, General Science 7-12, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, replacing Ken Mady (assuming a position as a co-teacher, special education)

Appointment - Non Certified

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Kerry Ranaldo, Sr. Typist Clerk, Glen Head School, on Step 15 of the Sr. Typist Clerk schedule, effective August 11, 2008 with a probationary period ending February 11, 2009, replacing Diane Schmidt (retired)

Part-time Appointment - Non Certified

Resolved: To approve the part-time appointment of Maureen Washio, Part-time Bus Driver, effective July 21, 2008

Approval of Additions to the Per Diem Substitute List

Resolved: To approve the additions of the following names to the per diem substitute list:

Shannon Mayberry     Elementary

Michelle Post         Elementary

Approval of Extra Curricular Activity Advisors

Resolved: To approve the following extra curricular advisors:

High School

Freshman Class Advisors     Maram Mabrouk

Jennifer Wilson

Approval of a Resolution for an Agreement with the Superintendent

Resolved, that the Board of Education herewith authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute, on behalf of the Board of Education, an Agreement between the Board of Education and Dr. Edward Melnick, Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1, 2008, the Board having reviewed and approved said Agreement

District Appointment - Deputy Treasurer

Resolved: To appoint Kathy Kennedy as Deputy Treasurer, effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Approval of Resolution for Participation in The Long Island School Food Service Cooperative Bid for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve a resolution for participation in the Long Island School Food Service Cooperative Bid for selected food service commodities and products for the 2008-09 school year

Award of 2008-09 District Printing Bid

Resolved: To award the district printing bid for the 2008-09 school year to the low bidders as per attached tab

Award of 2008-2009 Purchase Contracts

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Art & General Supplies for the 2008-09 school year to the low bidder, School Specialty Education, Inc. in the amount of \$33,633.16

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Athletic Supplies & Equipment for 2008-09 to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Schutt Reconditioning	\$ 35.80
Levy's Inc.	\$ 435.04
Massapequa Soccer Shop	\$ 995.15
Meutchen Center, Inc.	\$ 398.03

Passon's Sports/Sports Supply	\$1,520.19
Jish Inc./Bill Pearson Sports	\$ 178.10
Pyramid School Products	\$ 585.36
R&R Trophy & Sporting Goods	\$ 904.32
Sportman's	\$1,980.61
Cannon Sports, Inc.	\$ 984.16
Anaconda Sports, Inc.	\$1,388.06
ARC Sports	\$3,694.10
Riddell/All American	\$2,555.52
Aluminum Athletic Equipment	\$ 414.00
Schutt Reconditioning	\$ 108.00
Levy's Inc.	\$ 659.70
Massapequa Soccer Shop	\$ 9.95
Metuchen Center, Inc.	\$ 905.76
Triple Crown Sports	\$ 332.60
South Shore Outdoor	\$1,418.60
R&R Trophy & Sports Goods	\$ 316.56
Sportsman's	\$ 434.90
Cannon Sports, Inc.	\$ 99.14
Riddell/All American	\$5,071.40

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Physical Education Supplies for 2008-09 to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Passon's Sports/Sports Supply	\$3,869.43
Sportime	\$2,443.96
NASCO	\$ 358.99

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Health & Trainer Supplies for the 2008-2009 to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Henry Schein, Inc.	\$1,832.16
School Health Corp.	\$3,287.62

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Fine Arts Supplies for 2008-09 to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Dick Blick Co.	\$ 49.00
Sax Arts & Crafts	\$14,831.70
Triarco Arts & Crafts	\$ 1,251.69

Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Technology & Lumber Supplies for 2008-09 to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Technology Supplies</u>	
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Midwest Technologies	\$ 54.69
<u>Lumber Supplies</u>	
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Tulnoy Lumber, Inc.	\$ 745.00
Downes & Reader Hardwood Co.	\$ 384.50

Approval of Agreement Between the North Shore Central School District and Savin Engineers, P.C.

Resolved: To approve an agreement between the North Shore Central School District and Savin Engineers, P.C. in accordance to terms and conditions attached hereto

Be it further resolved that the Board of Education authorizes the Board president to execute the necessary documents to effectuate such agreement

Approval of Contracts with Networked Educational Technologies (dba CSDNET)

Resolved: To approve the renewal of contracts with Networked Educational Technologies, Ltd. (dba CSDNET), for Server Technician Support in the amount of \$121,430 and Junior Data Network Support in the amount of \$94,750 for the 2008-09 school year

Approval of Change Orders

Prior to approving the change orders, there was a brief discussion about recouping the additional amount charged to the District due to soil contamination. Attorney Carrie Ann Tondo is working with Freudenthal and Elkowitz to reclaim the money from Global, the company responsible for the contamination.

Resolved: To approve change order GC#4 from Stalco Construction, Corp for the Transportation Facility Construction in the amount of \$18,502.48 (additional)

Resolved: To approve change order GC#5 from Stalco Construction, Corp for the Transportation Facility Construction in the amount of \$18,286 (additional)

Acceptance of Donation from the North Shore Middle School PTA to the North Shore Middle School

Resolved: To accept a donation from the North Shore Middle School PTA to the North Shore Middle School in the amount of \$1,000 for spirit enhancement banners

Approval of Budget Transfers

Resolved: To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$569,457.00 effective June 30, 2008

Resolved: To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$97,800 effective July 24, 2008

Approval of Consultant Agreements

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Effective Classrooms Educational Consulting, LLC, for on going training, curriculum development and support, differentiated instruction, ninth grade experience and implementation of Algebra and Living Environment in eighth grade in the amount not to exceed \$143,600 effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Judy Rex, Consultant, modeling of practice in Differentiated Instruction in the amount not to exceed \$89,600 effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Adoption of an Everyday Math Program at the Elementary Level

Resolved: To approve the adoption of an Everyday Math Program at the elementary level beginning the 2008-2009 school year

Approval of Special Education Tuition Agreements

Resolved: To approve an agreement for Instructional Services with AHRC, Nassau Chapter in the amount of \$5,825 for July & August, 2008 and \$34,952 per pupil per year (10 months) for

the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement for Instructional Services with AHRC Nassau Autistic Program, in the amount of \$7,839 for July & August, 2008 and \$47,036 per pupil per year (10 months) for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve agreements for Instruction Services for 2 students residing in the North Shore Central School District and attending the Great Neck Union Free School District in the amount of \$77,878 (student in grade 11) and \$85,198 (student in grade 12) for school year 2007-08

#### Approval of Special Education Consultants/Service Providers

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Access7 for Occupational, Physical, Speech and ABA Therapy Services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Ronni Glass, Au.D, CCC, SLP/A, for Speech-Language Therapy & Audiology Services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Melanie Herzfeld, Au.D, for Audiology services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Karen Feeney, Special Education Teacher, for ABA Therapy Services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Lakretz Creative Support Services, Inc. for Inclusion and Transition services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Long Island Jewish Medical Center for consulting services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Team Therapy Placement Services, Inc. for Occupational, Physical and Special Therapy and ABA and Special Education Services for the 2008-09 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with TheraCare for Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy services and Special Education Teacher services for the 2008-09 school year

#### Approval of Special Education Services

Prior to approving special education services, IEP #363623191 was pulled and not approved.

Resolved: To approve special education services (IEP) as per attached

#### Approval of a Resolution for a SEQRA Type II Determination for Proposed Improvements at the Glen Head Elementary School

Resolved: To approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District is proposing replacement of the electrical feed to an existing electric transformer at the Glen Head Elementary School (hereinafter the "proposed project"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District has retained

Freudenthal & Elkowitz Consulting Group, Inc. to review the proposed project, the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617, and to make a Resolvedation to the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District as to the proper classification of the proposed project;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District as lead agency, after review of the action proposed at the Glen Head Elementary School, 6 NYCRR §617.5, and the opinion provided by Freudenthal & Elkowitz Consulting Group, Inc., hereby determines that the proposed action is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5 (c)(1) and (11) of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and will, therefore, by definition, have no significant adverse impact on the environment.

### **Committee & Conference Reports**

Trustee Kolkhorst reported on her attendance at the NYSSBA New Board Member Summer Academy where she completed all of her fiscal over site planning as well as workshops for Board members. She publicly acknowledged that North Shore seems to be ahead of many other districts in what they are currently providing.

Trustee Beyer asked for interested members to serve on the Construction Steering Committee, replacing Trustee Vollmer. Trustee Genovesi will remain on the committee and Trustee Beyer will replace Trustee Vollmer.

Trustee Beyer asked if Trustee Kolkhorst would take the place of Trustee Vollmer on the sub committee of the audit committee, overseeing the Internal Claims Auditor, Bill Madden. Trustee Kolkhorst agreed to serve on the sub committee. Trustee Beyer also suggested that Trustee Sharkey act as a contact person for Mr. Madden and the Board. She will take any questions or comments the Board has to Mr. Madden and report back.

At the September meeting, the Board will review all committees to make sure all have coverage.

### **Old Business**

Trustee Sharkey began a list of old business items, she will send the list to the Board and Dr. Melnick to keep a current status. It was suggested that this be a topic for the Board Retreat.

### **New Business**

Trustee Sharkey asked if the middle school sign in front of the school can be cleaned up or painted. Ms. Buatsi will look into this.

SGO representative Charles Sharkey suggested a middle school club for maintaining the area around the sign.

### **Adjournment**

At 9:00 pm on motion of Trustee Genovesi and seconded by Trustee Kolkhorst and all in favor the meeting adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi  
District Clerk