

North Shore Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Webb at 7:30 pm in the High School Theatre. Present were Trustees Berliner, Beyer, Genovesi, Kolkhorst, Pombar and Sharkey. Also present were Dr. Melnick, Ms. Buatsi and Mr. Chlebicki.

Executive Session

At 7:30 pm, on motion of Trustee Berliner and seconded by Trustee Kolkhorst and all in favor, the Board went into Executive Session in the high school faculty room for matters leading to the employment of a particular person.

At 8:00 pm, on motion of Trustee Genovesi seconded by Trustee Beyer and all in favor, the Board came out of executive session and resumed the regular meeting in the theatre. There were approximately 200 people in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Webb led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report of the SGO Representative

Charles Sharkey gave his final report as the SGO Representative and thanked the Board for the honor of representing the student body over the last three years.

President Webb on behalf of the Board, thanked Charles Sharkey for acting as the student government representative for the past 3 years. He named Charles' many accomplishments throughout his years at North Shore and presented him with a gift of appreciation from the Board.

President Webb then recognized out-going Trustee Mary Kolkhorst. He thanked her for her 3 years of service as a Board Trustee. On behalf of the Board Trustee Beyer presented Trustee Kolkhorst with a gift of a donation in her name to the Pediatric Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Trustee Kolkhorst thanked the Board and the community for the privilege of serving as Trustee.

Retirement Recognition

Dr. Melnick and Trustee Webb recognized Special Education Teacher Gail Kirchenberg and High School Secretary Camille Martino on their retirement and years of service to the children of North Shore Schools.

Tenure Recognition

Recommendations for teachers eligible for tenure were made by Principals Lori Nimmo, Bridget Finder, Adam Frankel, Marc Ferris and Albert Cousins. Also recognized were teachers Elisabeth Donovan, Jaclyn Etter and Lauren Vione who received tenure during the year.

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

RESOLVED, that Kevin Kurrus, Assistant Principal, be granted tenure effective July 1, 2011 and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the following teachers be granted tenure effective September 1, 2011,

Lauren Benzoni, Special Education; Roberto Bongiovanni, Foreign Language; Melissa Cerullo, Special Education; Briana DeAngelo, Elementary; Patrick Falco, Music; Kristin Frayler, Math; Amy Gilroy, Special Education; CJ Gober, Technology; Seth Gordon, Social Studies; Dayna Greenberg, Social Worker; Brian Lang, Science; Jodie Larson, Music; Rachel McAree, Social Worker; Brian Messemer, Music; Deborah Novick, Elementary; Stephen Peroni, Science; Amy Sellers, Special Education; Laura Wilson, Math; Casey Wright, Social Studies

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Trustee Genovesi and seconded by Herman Berliner and all in favor the minutes of June 2, 2011 were approved.

Regular Business

Fund Balance Allocation

The Board had a lengthy discussion about how to allocate the remainder in fund balance after returning to the tax payers approximately \$655,000 from excess funds in EBLAR; the funds from EBLAR may only be used to offset the tax levy. Trustees agreed it is important for the community to understand the impact a tax cap will have on the tax levy next year. Increasing the tax levy this year will put the district in a better position once the cap is implemented. They also are cognizant of the importance of keeping the promise made to the public of a projected tax levy of 3.95%. However, it was noted that this projection was made prior to the knowledge that a tax cap is imminent. Trustees expressed their concern of losing credibility with the community by raising the tax levy at all, but most trustees felt the public would understand the circumstances and the benefit of raising the tax levy by a small amount to help protect program. The Board will discuss this further at their next meeting of July 7 and will make a decision of how to allocate the funds at that time.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments.

The Board decided to act simultaneously on action items B-N

On motion of Trustee Pombar and seconded by trustee Berliner and all in favor, it was:

Personnel Changes

Resignation/Appointment – Certified/Administration

Resolved: To accept the resignation of Jennifer Imperiale, Mathematics, to assume the role as High School Assistant Principal, effective June 30, 2011

Appointment - Administration

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Christopher Marino, Assistant Director of Special Education, effective July 1, 2011 through July 1, 2014

Resignation – Certified

Resolved: To accept the resignation of Kristen Ollendike, Elementary, effective June 30, 2011

Appointments – Certified

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Michael Dunn, English, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Christopher Gish, Special Education, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Andrea Lachar, Special Education, on Step 2 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Jason Millard, Special Education, on Step 4 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Brendon Mitchell, English, on Step 3 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Lauren Smithson, .5 Special Education and .5 Teacher Assistant, on Step 1 of the BA salary schedule and Level 1 of the Teacher Assistant salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2014

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Erika Werbeck, Special Education, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through May 2, 2014

Regular Substitute (Leave Replacement) Appointments – Certified

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Nicole Cattabiani, Elementary, on Step 9 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through January 27, 2012

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Shannon Felici, Elementary, on Step 5 of the MA salary schedule effective September 1, 2011 through January 27, 2012

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Matthew Furey, Elementary, on Step 9 of the MA+15 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

Resolved: To approve a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment of Linda Magnani, Elementary, on Step 8 of the MA+15 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

Approval of Stipend for Supervising MSG Varsity Grant

Resolved: To approve a stipend for Neal Levy, in the amount of \$3,000 for supervising the MSG Varsity Grant

Resignation – Non-Certified

Resolved: To accept the resignation of Noreen Boz, School Monitor, Glen Head School, effective May 26, 2011

Approval of Summer/Seasonal Workers

<u>Buildings & Grounds</u>	<u>Victorian House</u>
Domenick Cangemi	Alex Gallardo
Will Lieberman-Cribin	Ryan Hart
Ryan Mercadante	Zachary Lauricella
Ryan Sheridan	Kevin Robillard

Approval of Additions to the Per Diem Substitute List

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

Catherine DeStio	Elementary
Samira Iravani	Elementary
Jonathan Kessler	Physical Education
David Russo	Teacher Aide

Approval of Extra Curricular Activity Sponsors

Resolved: To approve the following Extra-Curricular Activity Sponsors for the 2010-2011 school year:

Elementary

GWL-Mock Trial	Toni Caracci
GH Mock Trial	Janet Goldberg
GH Math Olympiad	Brian Kline
GH Community Service	Sharon Kern
	Janet Goldberg
SC K Kids	Mojdeh Hassani
GWL Community Service	Tracy Mayo
	Darlene Skaee

(All of these appointments replace teachers who were appointed to these positions earlier in the year)

Secondary

HS Book Club	Donna Rice
National History Day	Ken Donovan

Prior to approving the agreement with the Superintendent, Trustee Genovesi asked that the record show the agreement is not a new contract, it simply incorporates all amendments to Dr. Melnick's existing contract. The only change is the effective date of the contract which will be five years from the date the new contract is signed, June 16, 2016.

Approval of an Agreement with the Superintendent of Schools

RESOLVED, that notwithstanding any prior action of the Board, the Board of Education herewith extends the appointment of Dr. Edward Melnick to a term of five years commencing on June 16, 2011 and terminating on June 16, 2016, to the office of the Superintendent of Schools of the North Shore Central School district, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is herewith authorized to execute the Superintendent's contract of employment which the Board has reviewed and herewith approves

Approval of Summer School Instructors

Resolved: To approve the following instructors for the 2011 academic summer program:

Kristen Frayler - Pre Algebra
 Brian Suhovsky - Algebra, Algebra Review
 Hussein Kassam - Geometry and Geometry Review
 Brian Lang - Pre Living Environment
 Melissa Frank - Living Environment and LE Review
 Rich Galati - Chemistry
 Global History and Review - Andrew Cross
 Physical Education - Craig DeNicola
 Health - Neal Levy
 Gloria Muth - Nurse
 Marianne Trubish - Security

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Board to Confer Diplomas to the Class of 2011
 BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the North Shore High School Faculty and Principal and the North Shore Central School District Superintendent, the Trustees of the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby confer diplomas to those students in the class of 2011 who have completed the requirements for graduation from the North Shore High School

Award of Contracts for Pupil Transportation – Summer 2011

Resolved: To award contracts for pupil transportation for summer 2011 to the low bidders as per attached bid tabulation

Award of 2011-2012 Purchase Contracts

a. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Art & General Supplies for the 2011-2012 school year to the low bidder, School Specialty Education, Inc. in the amount of \$25,258.81

b. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Fine Art Supplies for the 2011-2012 school year to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Cascade School Supplies	\$ 5,910.97
Dick Blick Co.	770.90
Sax Arts & Crafts	21,121.49
Nasco	2,844.43

c. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Heath & Trainer Supplies for the 2011-2012 school year to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Henry Schein, Inc.	\$ 3,555.66
School Health Corp.	1,823.39

d. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Physical Education Supplies for the 2011 2012 school year to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Passon's Sports/Sports Supply	\$2,701.65
Sportime/School Specialty	471.24
Nasco	829.25
R & R Sporting Goods	132.80
S & S Worldwide Inc.	23.56
Cannon Sports, Inc.	513.40
Gopher Sport	947.25

d. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Lumber for the 2011-2012 school year to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Tulnoy Lumber, Inc.	\$ 871.00
Downes & Reader Hardwood Co.	180.00

f. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Technology Supplies for the 2011-2012 school year to the low bidders as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Award Amount</u>
Paxton Patterson, LLC	\$ 42.10
Satco Supply	29.36
Pitsco	31.50
Midwest Technology Products	103.32

g. Resolved: To award purchase contracts for Office/Computer Supplies for 2011-2012 school year to the low bidder, Staples Advantage, in the amount of \$99.16

Approval to Dispose of Inventory

Resolved: To approve of the disposal of the following inventory items:
4-Sony Mavica Digital Floppy Disk Cameras @Glenwood Landing
12-Dell Computers @ Middle School
1-Dell Printer

Approval of Agreement with Clarity Testing Services, Inc.

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Clarity Testing Services, Inc. for mandated drug and alcohol testing for bus drivers effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 at a cost of \$2,478.00

Approval of 2011-2012 Board of Education Calendar of Meetings

Resolved: To approve the 2011-2012 Board of Education calendar of meetings

Award of District Wide Network Cable Installation Bid

Resolved: To award the bid for district wide network cable installation to Total Control Home Automation, Inc. at a total award of \$133,800

Approval of Amendment to Agreement with CampbellJones & Associates

Resolved: To approve an amendment to the agreement of July 1, 2010 with CampbellJones & Associates for an additional session at a cost of \$5,000

Adoption of Policies

Resolved: To adopt policies #5435, Procurement of Consultant & Professional Services, #5435-R, Procurement of Consultant & Professional Services Regulation and #6212, Fund Balance Policy, as reviewed by the sub committee

Approval of Budget Transfers

Resolved: To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$152,900

Old Business/New Business

Dr. Melnick reported on a meeting with the Town of North Hempstead and representatives from LIPA and National Grid to discuss the plan for powering down the power plant in Glenwood Landing. Currently the district receives \$14.1 million in taxes from the plant

and this may be reduced BY as much as \$5-8 million. The plan includes the powering down of 2 generators and demolishing the building by June of 2013. Although LIPA claims this will save rate payers approximately \$300,000 million, the burden on North Shore tax payers will be substantial. There is another meeting next Thursday with tax representatives from National Grid to see how to go forward. President Webb noted that this is in the early stages but is set to take effect at the same time as the tax cap and the county guarantee resulting in an enormous impact to our tax payers.

Trustee Beyer asked the Board to review the selection classification process. She explained that the district can distinguish between JV and Varsity and SHE would like to revisit their policy. Trustees agreed to have a discussion at their meeting in July.

Dr. Melnick reported that testing will be done on the rubber fill on playgrounds. Once the results are in he will share them publicly and put it on the web site.

Trustee Webb asked that high school students and parents be made aware of the tenure process and the process for self-selection for honors.

Dr. Melnick will make his report on student achievement to the Board once testing data has been received. He will also update the Board on the APPR process in July.

Trustee Sharkey reported on a meeting of the audit subcommittee with the claims auditor, Denise Longobardi. The report covering December, 2010-May 2011 indicates a dramatic decrease in invoices being received prior to purchase orders being issued. She also noted there has been a great effort to obtain W-9s from all vendors.

Dr. Melnick requested an updated old business log to close out the year.

Adjournment

At 10:35 pm on motion of Trustee Kolkhorst and seconded by Trustee Beyer and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi
District Clerk