

North Shore Schools
Board of Education
Minutes
June 15, 2006

The meeting was called to order by President Murphy at 6:30 pm in the High School Theatre. Present were Trustees Beyer, Brennan, Genovesi, Pombar, Vollmer and Webb. Also present were Dr. Melnick, Mr. Chlebicki and Ms. Buatsi.

Executive Session

At 6:30 pm, on motion of Trustee Beyer seconded by Trustee Webb and all in favor, the Board went into Executive Session in the faculty lounge to discuss pending or current litigation and matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person.

At 7:30 pm, on motion of Trustee Pombar, seconded by Trustee Brennan, and all in favor, the Board moved to come out of Executive Session and resumed the meeting at 7:30 pm in the theatre. There were approximately 100 people in the audience.

Recognition of Trustee Brennan

Trustee Vollmer lead the Board in recognizing Trustee Brennan on her last Board Meeting and spoke about the many contributions Trustee Brennan made to the North Shore School District during her 6 years as a Board of Education Trustee. Trustee Brennan thanked the Board and her family for allowing her to serve the community during that time.

Dr. Melnick asked the five principals to present the members of their faculty for tenure. Each principal gave a brief recommendation for each teacher they were presenting.

On motion of Trustee Beyer and seconded by Trustee Pombar and all in favor, the following teachers were granted tenure effective September 1, 2006, Damien Chillemi, Science; Robert Chlebicki, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction; Joanne Gray, Art; George Gyarmathy, Guidance; Kevin Haas, Music; Michael Kerschner, Music; Michael Kleba, English; Seth Klein, Chemistry; Jovanna Lemonda, Elementary; Lisa Minicozzi, Principal, Sea Cliff School; Andrew Richter, Health; Colette Weinberg, Elementary; and Kerri Wingert, Elementary.

Report on Student Achievement

Dr. Melnick asked students to share some of their work throughout the year as his report on student achievement. There were student presentations in Science, Math, English, Music, Language other than English, and Physical Education. The evening began with the Jazz Band playing selections and ended with the Madrigals giving a brief performance.

Trustee Brennan expressed her pleasure that Physical Education and the Arts were included in the student presentations and said she would like to see something from the guidance department in the future. She also thanked Dr. Melnick for the comprehensive written report that was sent home prior to the meeting.

President Murphy thanked the Curriculum Associates and Directors for their effort in coordinating the presentations.

Report of the SGO Representative and Comments from the Public

Alex Romano, SGO Representative, reported on the activities and events in the high school.

Toni Hallowel, Sea Cliff, told the Board she did not agree with the decision not to grant tenure to Jaime Meehan, a 3rd grade teacher at Sea Cliff. She explained that 46 of the 47 families whose children were taught by Ms. Meehan over the last 2 years were fully supportive of Ms. Meehan. She also stated that she had spoken to Dr. Melnick to discuss the parents viewpoint, and although she does not agree with the decision, she does respect it. She also thanked Ms. Meehan for teaching the children of Sea Cliff and wished her good luck.

Board Self-Evaluation

The Board met and discussed the Board Self-Evaluation. The area of focus identified last year to “actively seek input from the community in establishing goals and objectives and in reviewing progress towards these goals” is the one area of focus again for this year. It was also noted that there were 32 areas of strength.

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Trustee Beyer and seconded by Trustee Brennan and all in favor, the minutes of June 1, 2006 were approved.

Regular Business

The Board decided to act simultaneously on action items D-W with the exception of S (the approval of Board Policies).

On motion of Trustee Brennan and seconded by Trustee Vollmer and all in favor, it was

Personnel

Resignation for Retirement Purposes - Certified

Resolved: To accept the resignation for retirement purposes of Carolyn O'Neil, elementary, Sea Cliff, effective June 30, 2006

Resignation – Certified

Resolved: To accept the resignation of Stephanie Haas, Music, Sea Cliff, effective June 30, 2006

Termination of Probationary a Teacher effective June 30, 2006

Resolved: That probationary employee, Rosemarie Messina, Home & Careers, High School be terminated effective June 30, 2006

Appointments – Certified

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Grace Barbera, Special Education, Glenwood Landing, on Step 3 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2006 through September 1, 2009, replacing Bette Blankfein (retired)

Resolved: To approve the probationary appointment of Sharon Kern, Elementary, Glen Head, on Step 2 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2006 through September 1, 2009, replacing Maureen McMorrow (resigned)

Resolved: To approve the regular substitute appointment of Michele VanArsdale, Elementary, Glen Head, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule, effective April 4, 2006 through June 19, 2006, replacing Meryl Fox (FMLA)

Approval of Extra Curricular Activity Advisor

Resolved: To approve the following middle school advisor, effective April 7, 2006 through June 30, 2006
Flavia Finning SADD

Resolved: To approve the following Glen Head School advisor, effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006
Lauren Chiappa Spirit Club

Approval of Additions to the Per Diem Substitute List

Resolved: To approve the following names to the per diem substitute list:
Jill Regolini Summer Teacher Aide

Approval Of Salaries For Central Office Confidential Secretaries – TAB

Resolved: To approve the salaries for the Central Office Confidential Secretaries as previously discussed and as per attached schedule

Approval of Resolution Designating a Medical Inspector of the North Shore CSD

Resolved: To approve the following resolution:

Be IT RESOLVED that CARLO ANNESE, MD, is hereby designated as Medical Inspector of North Shore CSD in order to determine the physical and/or mental capacity of employees to perform their duties pursuant to Section 913 of the Education Law

Approval of Resolution Directing an Employee to Report for a Medical Examination

Resolved: To approve the resolution directing an employee to report for medical examination

Approval of Budget Transfers

Resolved: To approve budget transfers in the amount of \$146,519

Award of Emergency PA System Replacement at Glen Head School to Advanced Sound Company

Resolved: To award a Single Source Procurement for the Replacement of the PA System in Glen Head School to Advanced Sound Company in the amount of \$30,600

Award of the Bid to the Low Bidder, L.E.B. Electric for Replacement of Electrical Conduit for the High School Gym

Resolved: To award the bid for the replacement of electrical conduit for the high school gym to the low bidder, L.E.B. Electric in the amount of \$33,500

Approval of Change Order #HVAC-1 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the Sea Cliff Elementary School

Resolved: To approve change order #HVAC-1 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the Sea Cliff Elementary School in the amount of \$14,137

Approval of Change Order #HVAC-5 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School

Resolved: To approve change order #HVAC-5 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School in the amount of \$16,879

Approval of Change Order #HVAC-6 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School

Resolved: To approve change order #HVAC-6 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School in the amount of \$19,931

Approval of Change Order #HVAC-7 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School

Resolved: To approve change order #HVAC-7 for Mechanical Reconstruction at the High School in the amount of \$2,129

Approval of Architectural & Construction Management Services for Bond & Capital Projects

Resolved: To approve the proposals from BBS for Architectural Services and JMOA for Construction Management Services for the Bond & Capital Projects

Approval of Health Services Contracts

Resolved: That the Board of Education enter into a contract for Health Services with the Hicksville Public Schools for 11 students residing within the North Shore Schools and attending Holy Trinity and Trinity Lutheran for the 2005-06 school year at a cost of \$399.11 per student, as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Resolved: That the Board of Education enter into a contract for Health Services with the Port Washington Public Schools for 15 students residing within the North Shore Schools and attending St. Peter of Alcantara for the 2005-06 school year at a cost of \$579.00 per student, as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Resolved: That the Board of Education enter into a contract for Health Services with the Westbury UFSD for 9 students residing within the North Shore Schools and attending Holy Child Academy and Westbury Friends for the 2005-06 school year at a cost of \$579.00 per student, as provided under the Education Law of the State of New York

Renewal of Contract with North Shore Before & After School Child Care, Inc.

Resolved: To approve the renewal of a contract with North Shore Before & After School Child Care, Inc. for a before and after school child care program for 2006-07 school year in the amount of \$31,031

Award of Bids for Middle School Science Lab Reconstruction – General Construction & Plumbing

Resolved: To award bids for the Middle School Science Lab Reconstruction to the low bidders, as per the recommendations of BBS Architects and JMOA Engineering to:

ACL Construction Corp. for General Construction in the amount of \$93,000; and to

FJC Plumbing & Heating, Inc. for Plumbing in the amount of \$22,600

Rejection of Bid for Middle School Lab Reconstruction – Electrical Portion

As per the letter of recommendation from JMOA Engineering, PC, "Due to J.P. Daly & Sons, Inc. being the only bidder for the electrical Contract, and the bid amount being over budget and not reflective of the scope of work, we recommend the Electrical bid be rejected formally by the Board of Education and that component advertised for a re-bid."

Resolved: To reject the Electrical Component of the bid for Middle School Lab Reconstruction from J.P. Daly & Sons, Inc. and re-bid that component

Approval to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment

Resolved: To declare as obsolete and approve of the disposal of equipment at the Sea Cliff School per the attached list

Acceptance of a Donation from the North Shore Athletic Booster Club of a Scoreboard & all Installation Costs

Resolved: To accept the donation from the North Shore Athletic Booster Club of a Scoreboard & all installation costs for the lower field at Glenwood Landing School, at an approximate value of \$16,000

Approval of Tuition Contract With Levittown Public Schools

Resolved: To approve a tuition contract with Levittown Public Schools for one student residing within the North Shore Central School District and attending the Levittown UFSD and receiving specialized education services for the 2005-06 school year in the amount of \$43,524

Approval of Special Education Consultant/Service Provider

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Anne Kearney, Speech-Language Consultant for the 2006-07 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Jeffrey Kent, MD for psychiatric evaluations effective January 2006 through August 2006

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Gayle Kligman Therapeutic Resources for Speech, ABA, Resource Room and Evaluations for the 2006-07 school year

Resolved: To approve an agreement with Lakretz Creative Support Services, Inc., for Inclusion Support Services for the 2006-07 school year

Approval of Special Education Services

Resolved: To approve special education services, IEPs as per attached tab

The Board discussed action item S, Approval of Board Policies. It was decided to pull policy #2160, 2160E, 4532, 4730, 4810, 6690.

On motion of Trustee Brennan and seconded by Trustee Beyer and all in favor it was

Adoption of Board Policies

Resolved: To adopt all policies and regulations included in the May 25, 2006 draft of Board Policies provided by NYSSBA including 0000 through 9720 with the exception of #2160, 2160E, 4532, 4730, 4810 and 6690.

Old Business/New Business

There was a brief discussion on the update of the 2003 bond. Although the total amount borrowed of 9 million dollars has not yet been spent, some of the projects are not complete. Any money that is left must be used to pay down the debt service on that bond.

Trustee Pombar expressed his disappointment in the direction the Board gave to LIPA during executive session. He did not feel the Board had enough information to make such a decision.

Adjournment

At 10:00 pm, on motion of Trustee Brennan and seconded by Trustee Vollmer and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.