

North Shore Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
May 4, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President David Ludmar at 6:00 p.m. in the Glenwood Landing Elementary School Auditorium. Present were Trustees Cashman, Colacioppo, Galati, Mosca and Russo. Trustee Macari was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Christopher Zublionis and Assistant Superintendents Dr. Carol Smyth and Mr. James Pappas.

At 6:00 p.m. on motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Cashman and all in favor, the Board convened an executive session in room 101 to consider matters regarding proposed, pending or current litigation and collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law).

At 7:25 p.m. on motion of Trustee Colacioppo and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor, the Board came out of executive session and convened a meeting of the Audit Committee in the auditorium.

At 7:45 p.m. on motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor the Board adjourned the audit committee meeting and resumed the regular meeting in the auditorium. There were approximately 100 people in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Ludmar led the public in the pledge of allegiance.

On motion of President Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, Action Items 14-16 were moved up in the meeting.

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, it was:

Personnel

Resignation - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of XianXian Cascella, World Languages (Mandarin), effective June 30, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Heather Sager, Reading, effective June 30, 2023

Extension of Probationary Period

BE IT RESOLVED That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and upon the request of employee #03280, the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby appoints employee #03280 to a one-year probationary term from September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 unless discontinued earlier by action of the Board of Education

Leave of Absence for Child Rearing Purposes - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a leave of absence for Torrey D'Angelo, Music, effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a leave of absence for Bridget Pomilla, World Languages (Italian), effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024

Appointment - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the probationary appointment of Li Hong Cai, World Languages (Mandarin) on Step 3 of the MA salary schedule, effective September 1, 2023 through September 1, 2025 (Li Hong completed the first two years of her probationary period as a leave replacement teacher)

Amendment of Regular Substitute Appointment - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby amends the April 20, 2023 appointment of Danielle DiMartino as follows:
Danielle DiMartino's appointment as a regular substitute (leave replacement) is hereby effective May 1, 2023 (originally May 3, 2023)

Regular Substitute (Leave Replacement) Appointment - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for James Shanley, Special Education, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule, effective May 18, 2023 through June 12, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a regular substitute (leave replacement) appointment for Daniel Cruz, Music, on Step 1 of the BA salary schedule, effective May 10, 2023 through June 12, 2023

Resignation - Non-Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Kim DeSantis, Teacher Aide, effective April 5, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Joyce Lanzilotta, Teacher Aide, effective June 23, 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Thomas Flynn, Part-time Cleaner, effective April 27, 2023

Appointment - Non-Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the appointment of Michele Anzalone, Teacher Aide at the High School, effective May 8, 2023

World Language/ENL Review Session Instructors

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the following World Language/ENL Review Session Instructors:

High School	
Teacher	Language
Amanda Haleiko (HS & MS)	NYSESLAT
Gloria Remusat	ASL

Evelyne Pommateau	French
Ali Famigletti	Italian
LiHong (Tracy) Cai	Mandarin
Jenny Maldonado	Spanish
Steven Burgos	Spanish
Roberto Bongiovanni	Latin
Middle School	
Eric Lepetit	French
Stephanie Piacentino	Italian
Asha Pollydore	Mandarin
Lige Zhaomu	Mandarin
Alicia Ezat	Spanish
Roberto Bongiovanni	Latin

Teacher Overage

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a .2 overage for Christine Halloran, Mathematics, effective 4/24/23 through 6/9/23

Per Diem Substitutes

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the addition of the following names to the per diem substitute list:

Name	Category
Colin Shea	Teacher Substitute
Helen Bauer	Music Teacher Substitute
Gilda Bono	School Monitor Substitute

On motion of Trustee Cashman and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, it was:

Approval to Dispose of Inventory

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves of the disposal of the following inventory items:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>School</u>
9	Laptops	High School

Acceptance of a Donation from Barry Grayson to the North Shore CSD Fine and Performing Arts Department

Prior to acceptance of the donations, Dr. Zublionis thanked the Sea Cliff PCA for the donation of items which will be used for the pond project at Sea Cliff School. He also recognized the donation of the clarinet owned by the late former Superintendent Dr. Edward Melnick. He noted the special nature of this donation as Dr. Melnick had also served as the Director of Fine and Performing Arts. He thanked the Melnick and Grayson family for this special donation.

On motion of Trustee Colacioppo and seconded by Trustee Cashman and all in favor, it was:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the donation of a Buffet Clarinet, previously owned by former Superintendent Edward Melnick, from Barry Grayson to the North Shore CSD Fine and Performing Arts Department at a value of \$800

Acceptance of a Donation from the Sea Cliff School PCA to the Sea Cliff Elementary School

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the donation of assorted gardening supplies from the Sea Cliff School PCA to the Sea Cliff Elementary School at a total approximate value of \$640

Weed Puller	4 Packs (12 Sets) Kids Gardening Gloves
46 Adult Gardening Gloves	Dust Pan
Heavy Duty Broom	Outdoor Broom
Welded Garden Hoe	Garden Rake
Shovel	Hand Shovel
Scoop Shovel	Hand Rake (2)
Hand Weeder	Tree Trimmer
Pruning Shears	

Report of the Superintendent

Dr. Zublionis reported that the UPK lottery was held last Thursday. There were 118 students registered with 108 open spots available. Notification of location placement is moving slowly as it is a lengthy process; he is at number 75 and will hopefully finish tomorrow. Currently 2 people have declined a spot therefore 8 more people are on the waiting list.

The Dance Symposium was held on April 21; it was amazing and innovative. He thanked Ms. Kuranishi for her hard work and for bringing the dance program to what it is. Currently there are over 60 students who are enrolled in the program and they expect more next year. He explained that the dance program has grown over the years since Ms. Kuranishi started as a part-time teacher and is now a full-time dance teacher.

Dr. Zublionis reported that there are several concerts coming up over the next few weeks as well as spring sports events. This week was busy with math assessments in grades 3-8 and AP/IB testing. He offered words of encouragement to all students as they went into their testing. He also reported that college acceptance day was this week and students were proudly wearing their college sweatshirts. He expressed how proud the Board and Administration is of the hard work the seniors have done to get to where they are.

The final community budget talk is next Monday at Gemelli North, 9:30 a.m., all are welcome. He encouraged anyone with questions on the upcoming budget to contact him or Mr. Pappas. He went on to explain that there are 3 propositions on the ballot; proposition one is the vote on the budget, proposition two is to amend the capital reserve to include the high school turf field, and proposition three is to permit the expenditure of funds for the turf field and the dance studio projects. Dr. Zublionis went on to clarify that the district will not be building a dance studio, they will be refurbishing a classroom to be used as a dance space. The cost of this will be a smaller portion of the capital reserve. Currently the dance program is using the auxiliary gym which gets a lot of use from different teams and for various purposes. By creating a dedicated dance space, this will actually create more classroom space. Regarding the turf field, it is at the end of its useful life and that needs to be addressed for the safety of our students.

The final North Shore Journey listening sessions is scheduled for May 10 and will be held virtually. A survey to parents will be sent out tomorrow. He is looking forward to feedback and he and Dr. Smyth will present their proposal to the Board at the meeting of May 25.

President Ludmar encouraged all to come out on May 16 to vote at the high school gym between 7:00 am – 10:00 pm. He reminded everyone that two years ago the budget passed by only 17

votes and only one third of voters actually voted. He would like everyone to come out to vote and urged anyone who has questions to come to a budget coffee or email Dr. Zublionis.

Student Recognition

President Ludmar and Dr. Zublionis recognized the following students on behalf of the Board: Columbia University Scholastic Press Crown Award - North Shore Middle School "Viking Voice" - Silver Medal Award winners and their faculty advisor Denise Vestuto; Ava Kim for having her poem "A Crayon Box" published in the Appelley Publishing 2023 Rising Stars Poetry Collection; the North Shore High School Writing Fellows; students who received All-County Music Awards; students who received awards from the Long Island String Festival Association; and students who received awards from the New York State Band Directors Association.

Report from the Co-Presidents of the SGO

SGO co-president Michael Fleming reported on events and activities at the high school including the recent dance symposium, spring concerts and the senior fashion show.

Approval of Minutes – 8:40 pm

The reading of the draft minutes of the meeting of April 20, 2023, being prepared and disseminated to all members in advance of the meeting, was dispensed. There being no corrections to the minutes, it was declared by President Ludmar that the minutes of April 20, 2023, were approved.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Mosca and all in favor, it was: BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the treasurer's report of March 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023

Approval of Budget Transfers

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor, it was: BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves budget transfers in the amount of \$80,547.70 to cover December & January legal fees (service provider contract, Bond projects, FOIL requests and legal hearings); \$130,000 to cover increased gas bills; \$26,353.60 for teacher coverage at MS due to lack of substitutes, for a total of \$239,901.30, effective May 4, 2023

Tax Anticipation Notes (TANs) Resolution

Prior to approval, Trustee Mosca explained that the Legislative Action Committee is researching whether there is an alternative to borrowing in this fashion, such as borrowing from our own funds. President Ludmar added that school districts function like other enterprises. We need to meet our obligations and while waiting for the arrival of taxes, funds need to be borrowed, and the Board needs to approve the borrowing of those funds.

On motion of Trustee Galati and seconded by Trustee Cashman and all in favor, it was: RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF NORTH SHORE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION OF NORTH SHORE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE RECEIPT OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024
Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of North Shore Central School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount not to exceed

\$10,000,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.

The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient to for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Section 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute tax certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, and such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted there on which corporate seal May be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Regular Business **Budget Hearing**

President Ludmar read the following statement on the 2023-2024 budget:

The proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year is \$120,354,393.60 a total increase of 3.786% over the 2022-23 budget.

We anticipate revenue of \$31,262,365.96. This will result in a tax levy of \$89,092,027.64 a 3.69% increase. This is below the allowable tax levy cap established by New York State (which was set at 5.522%), and a simple majority is needed for passing.

The District Clerk will include a copy of the budget proposal as a record of the minutes of this meeting.

Copies of the adopted budget proposal are available on the district website www.northshoreschools.org.

The election of Trustees and vote on the budget will take place on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 from 7:00 am – 10:00 pm in the North Shore High School gymnasium.

Registration for the budget vote will take place on Saturday, May 6 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at the Central Administration Building, 112 Franklin Avenue, Sea Cliff.

President Ludmar then opened the floor to questions from the public.

With no questions from the audience, the hearing was closed at 8:47 p.m.

Comments from the Public

Gina Martone Brown, Glen Cove and Vice President of the Arts Angels, thanked the Board and Administration for hearing their voices regarding the dance space for students. She said they feel dance has elevated the entire fine and performing arts department and they are thankful that this is being put in front of the community for a vote. President Ludmar said they are glad to support the Arts Angels and the Fine and Performing Arts Department which is a tremendous component of the School District.

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, it was:

Adoption of Revised Policy #2120 (School Board Elections) and #2120.2 (Voting Procedures)

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby adopts revised policy #2120 (School Board Elections) and #2120.2 (Voting Procedures) as discussed by the Board at their meeting of March 23, 2023, effective May 4, 2023

On motion of Trustee Mosca and seconded by Trustee Cashman and all in favor it was:

Approval of Change Order with ICON Construction

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves credit change order number GC-10 from ICON Construction Group for Phase Two Bond work at the Glen Head Elementary School, Glenwood Landing Elementary School and Sea Cliff Elementary School for a total amount of \$262,000 (credit)

Approval of Change Order from Stalco Construction, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number GC-07 from Stalco Construction Inc. for Phase Two Bond work at the North Shore High School in the amount of \$42,752.99 (additional)

Approval of Change Order from Symbrant Technologies, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves change order number CC-07 from Symbrant Technologies, Inc. for Phase Two Bond work, District-wide, in the amount of \$36,933.93 (additional)

On motion of Trustee Cashman and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor it was:

Approval of Special Education Services Contract - DOL-DOR

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the Agreement between the School District and the Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District for Special Education Services for parentally-placed students with disabilities attending non-public schools located within the Oyster Bay-East Norwich School District and residing within the North Shore School District during the 2022-2023 school year

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Unfinished Business

Trustee Cashman expressed her gratitude that the new intramural program of badminton has been added at the middle school. She said this has provided an opportunity for kids who previously may have not felt they would participate in an athletic program. She thanked the athletic department for following up on the conversations that lead to this program and for providing diverse opportunities for students.

New Business

There was no new business discussed.

Adjourn the Meeting

At 8:55 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi
District Clerk