

NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 17, 2007 7:00PM ROOM 210 OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

- PRESENT** Sandra Boerman, Robert Cahoon, Melinda DeBadts, Nickoline Henner, Mark Humbert, Edward Magin, Clifford Parton, David Smith  
Gary Alger, Elena LaPlaca, Lucinda Miner and approximately 35 guests.
- ABSENT/EXCUSED** Terri Smith
- 1. CALL TO ORDER** Robert Cahoon called the meeting to order at 7:16pm and led the pledge of allegiance.
- 1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Clifford Parton moved and Edward Magin seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.  
Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the agenda of April 17, 2007.
- 2. PUBLIC ACCESS** No one spoke before the board.
- 3. PRESENTATION  
ODYSSEY OF THE MIND** Amy Plowe and Amanda Leffler provided video presentations of their Odyssey of the Mind classes to the board. Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Students apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literacy classics. They bring their solutions to competition on the local, state and world level. The videos depicted North Rose Elementary students proved their ability to adeptly apply a team approach to creatively solving problems.
- STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT** Colleen Hill and Jennifer Hayden, teachers at North Rose Elementary, demonstrated new technology being used by teachers and students to help improve student achievement. *School Island* is a web-based tool that teachers can use to scrutinize curriculum content and skills assessment. It uses student data to find gaps in instruction and in student comprehension of the instruction. Students use it to answer questions and the feedback helps teachers target the instruction to student needs in both math and ELA classes. This website is available for use for all K-12 students.
- 4a. ADMINISTRATOR'S RPTS.** Sandy Boerman commented that she appreciated getting these reports.
- 4b. OTHER GOOD NEWS** Cliff Parton commended bus drivers for the getting students safely to and from school on Monday when the weather was so bad and driving was dangerous.
- 5a. LTR. OF INTENT TO  
TO RETIRE: NANCY  
FITZMAURICE** Nickoline Henner moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.

- 5b. SUPT/BUS. ADMIN. Cindy Miner started a discussion of the Business Administrator position. She asked the Interim Business Administrator, Gary Alger, to provide an overview of what it was like holding a shared position with two districts.
- Mr. Alger reported that it was a very difficult position to hold. He was required to attend all board meetings from both districts, double negotiations sessions, and to attend double planning for all district capital project and other financial initiatives. The shared responsibilities left no room for family obligations and he ended up not being an effective administrator for either district.
- 5c. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH UPDATE Bob Cahoon reported that the board had a discussion on the next steps in the search for a superintendent in Executive Session prior to the regular meeting. No decisions were made and there was nothing to report. The board will be scheduling another meeting to discuss strategy.
- 6a. MEETING MINUTES David Smith moved and Clifford Parton seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.
- Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Meeting Minutes of March 31, 2007.
- 6b. MEETING MINUTES Clifford Parton moved and Edward Magin seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.
- Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Meeting Minutes of April 3, 2007.
7. CONSENT AGENDA Sandra Boerman moved and David Smith seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.
- Agenda item #7g3 was amended prior to approval. Mrs. Sicienski's request for leave of absence will extend through the end of the 2007-08 school year rather than through april 30, 2008.
- 7a WARRANTS Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following Warrants:  
Warrant #56 187391.22
- 7b RECOMMENDATIONS OF CSE Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education dated March 29, 30, 2007 and April 3, 4, 2007, and instruct the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number:  
11199 9988 10596 10597 10595 11812 10421 10281  
9386 11721 11064 11346 7632 9299 8096 8097  
6124 10323

7c. SUBSTITUTES	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the individuals named on the substitute lists, which are on file with the District Clerk.
7d. APPROVAL OF HS MUSIC ELECTIVE	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the course entitled, Percussion Ensemble commencing in September 2007, depending on enrollment.
7e. AUTHORIZATION TO DISPOSE OF PROPERTY/ SEEK SEALED BIDS	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of School and pursuant to Education Law, authorizes the Business Administrator to declare school buses #166, 167, 168, 169, 170 and 171 as excess, and to advertise for sealed bids for the sale of the 6 school buses, and/or use them as trade-ins towards the purchase of new buses.
7f. NEW POLICY #7616 USE OF AVERSIVE INTERVENTIONS	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves Policy #7616 – Use of Aversive Interventions.
7g1. APPT LT SUB BARBARA COLEMAN	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Barbara Coleman as a long term substitute teacher, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 as follows: Certification: Permanent N. K, 1-6 Start Date: April 16 – June 24, 2007 to serve at the pleasure of the Board Salary: Step 1A, \$34,629 prorated to time worked
7g2. APPT LT SUB SAMUEL SOCHIA	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Samuel E. Sochia as a long term substitute teacher, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 as follows” Certification: Initial 7-12 Mathematics Control #: 69897071 Appointment Area: Mathematics Start Date: May 17 – June 24, 2007 to serve at the pleasure of the Board Salary: Step 1A, \$34,629 prorated to time worked
7g3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves a child rearing leave of absence for Shannan Sicienski effective September 1, 2007 (or the first day of school for teachers) through September 1, 2008.
7g4 PERMANENT APPTS	Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the permanent appointment of Michael Briggs as an Auto Mechanic/Bus Driver, effective April 25, 2007.  Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the permanent appointment of Gary Himes as a Bus Driver, effective April 25, 2007.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the permanent appointment of Ralph Mann as a Bus Driver, effective April 25, 2007.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the permanent appointment of Robin Slyter as a School Monitor, effective April 25, 2007.

#### 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items of information were shared with the board:  
Use of Facilities, Florentine Hendrick Elementary School April Newsletter, North Rose Elementary School April Newsletter

#### 9 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Kari Durham rebuked the board for not having made a decision on the future of the superintendent's position. She was adamant that the Board come to a decision soon as the district would be lacking any leadership at all now that the Business Administrator's position is also vacant.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Smith moved and Clifford Parton seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves Executive Session at 8:13pm for the specific purpose of discussing tenure recommendations and to discuss a matter pertaining to an employment contract.

#### REGULAR SESSION

The meeting returned to Regular Session at 9:00pm.

#### ADJOURNMENT

David Smith moved and Edward Magin seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, E. Magin, C. Parton, D. Smith voted yes.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the adjournment of the meeting at 9:03pm.

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Clerk, Board of Education