

NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 6, 2012

7:00 PM

ROOM 210 OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENT:

Judi Buckalew, John Boogaard, Robert Cahoon, Kathy DeAngelis, Kari Durham, Kelly Ferrente, Brigette Henry, Gary Sproul, Phil Wagner

Elena LaPlaca, Cinda Lisanto, Robert Magin, John Walker and approximately 20 guests.

CALL TO ORDER

Kari Durham called the meeting to order at 7:00 P<and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Robert Cahoon moved and John Boogaard seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, K. Ferrente, B. Henry, G. Sproul, P. Wagner 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 March 6, 2012.

2. PUBLIC ACCESS

No one spoke to the board.

3. PRESENTATIONS

Kaaren Thompson, Director of Technology, gave the board an overview of her background. She then posed questions about what skills the graduating class of 2025, how technology will help them collaborate life skills to become critical thinkers, to sustain life skills and become successful citizens.

Her first two months has been utilized in assessing the hardware and software used in the district and developing a map of the gaps in technology and a plan for the equitable caves in each classroom. Additionally, she has started the phase in of a new website.

Next she will be establishing a technology planning committee. The committed will outline steps to move forward with needed software and hardware upgrades and will help phase in more changes to the website.

4a. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

Nolan Anthony reported that the following students will participate in the All County High School BVand on March 16<sup>th</sup>: Caleb Miraglia, Erin Straight, Grace Davis, Kyle Walfer, Zack Luckin and Brett Norsworthy. Middle School participants in the All County Jr. High Band will be Desirie Carson, Brittany Cuturia, Jacob Wafler, Anna Marie D'Aurizio, Elizabeth Bellinger, Gilian Hall. Middle School participants for the Elementary All-County Band are Rylee Collea, Sarah Welkley, Dylan McCann, Kelsie Fischette and Cole Durham.

The High School musical, *Urine Town*, was very well attended, with great performances by all participants. There were problems with the sound system and the light board, but the show went on!

4b. GOOD NEWS:

Judi Buckalew mentioned that it was a spectacular production and close to professional.

Kari Durham reported that she attended the elementary all county performance and had praise for participants and for staff.

Nolan Anthony reported that Scholastic Art Award winner artwork was on display in the art gallery.

5a. DIR. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION UPDATE

Cinda Lisanto provided the board with an update on the data team. The APPR committee continues to meet to define scoring of the APPR evaluation tools that will be used for both teachers and administrators.

5b. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

As the Chair of the Board Budget Committee, Phil Wagner started out the discussion by giving an overview of the process used to develop the budget. Gary Sproul, John Boogaard, Kari Durham and Phil Wagner worked with Bob Magin and John Walker every week for a month. Administrators and department heads gave critical input to the process.

Mr. Wagner reported that there will no budgetary layoffs proposed for the 2012-13 budget. This development process was very difficult; the district remains solvent and is surviving. The financial sacrifice made in the budgets of previous years has saved the district from having to propose deeper cuts.

Bob Magin gave an overview of the proposed expenditures and revenues for the general fund. With the use of reserve funds and grant funds, the district was able to stay under the required 2% tax levy increase. The district has worked hard over the years to keep debt service under control.

John Walker addressed the students in attendance at the meeting, telling them that everyone in the district works hard for them - for the delivery of education to them. He emphasized that all district money, even grant money, comes from the pockets of the taxpayers of the state. The board put much thought into how and where the money is spent..

Judi Buckalew explained to students what the term "tax levy" means.

Kari Durham thanked the Board of Education as a whole for their diligence in expressing a directive to the budget committee. North Rose - Wolcott remains solvent due to the way the board is conducting business and the ability of the members to come to consensus on many factors. The entire board takes ownership of the solvency of the district, despite the mandates that come from the State Education Department.

John Walker provided an overview of proposed new positions.

Bob Cahoon asked if using reserve funds would negatively impact the ability to adopt future budgets. Bob Magin responded that he is comfortable in recommending the use of \$300-\$400 thousand without reservation. Additionally, Mr. Cahoon acknowledged how well the board

is working as a governing body. It has not always been this way, and it is gratifying to see it work so well.

5c. SUPERINTENDENT'S  
UPDATE

John Walker explained that the Distance Learning Grant will be used to target Middle School and North Rose - Wolcott Elementary students for virtual field trips and to offer additional accelerated courses at the Middle School.

John reported on his meeting in Albany with superintendents from across the state. APPR was a major topic and interpretation of the mandate varies widely North Rose - Wolcott is well grounded in its approach to the implementation of APPR. Thanks to a great team of administrator and Curriculum Council members.

Topics for spring forums were announced Academic rigor in our schools; Preparing your children for kindergarten; dignity and safe schools act; nutrition 101, what's on my lunch tray, and possibly an explanation of the tax levy. The date for these forums is yet to be determined.

John explained how the district was complying with the Open Meetings Law regulations. Information will be available electronically from the district website. The board will continue to receive meeting information in an electronic format.

5d. POLICY FIRST READING

The board reviewed policies provided, asked questions and suggested alternate language. Changes will be made and the policies will be on the next agenda for approval.

Judi Buckalew made a correction to the Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2012 prior to the vote.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Robert Cahoon moved and John Boogaard seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, K. Ferrente, B. Henry, G. Sproul, P. Wagner voted yes.

6a. MEETING MINUTES

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 February 14, 2012 with changes.

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 February 28, 2012.

6b. 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: #40-\$342,244.65 #42-\$168,273.84

6c. RECOMMENDATIONS  
OF CSE AND CPSE

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the recommendations for the Committee on Special Education dated February 8, 2012 and February 15, 2012, and the Committee on

PreSchool Special Education, and instructs the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number: 11484 12862 11013 11179 11313 12765 12696 12698 10297 11177 11184 10597 11025 11419 10918 12819 IEP Amendments: 12910 12680 11283

- 6d. TREASURER'S REPORT Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Treasurer's Reports for January 2012.
- 6e. ALC INTERNSHIP PROGRAM Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Treasurer's Reports for January 2012.
- 6f. BASEBALL PROGRAM  
ACTIVITY ACCOUNT Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the establishment of an activity account for the Baseball program. Be it further resolved that Jay Reynolds, Varsity Coach, be approved as account advisor. This position is considered volunteer and the advisor will not receive a stipend.
- 6g. DONATION TO DISTRICT Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts a donation in the amount of \$600 from Garlock Sealing Technologies, 1666 Division St., Palmyra, NY 14522 to be used for the benefit of students. Be it further resolved that the 2011-12 budget be increased by \$600.00.
- 6h. DISPOSE OF DISTRICT  
PROPERTY Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, authorizes the Business Administrator to dispose of district owned computer equipment as identified on the list attached to the minutes.
- 6i1. LETTER OF RESIGNATION  
CRYSTAL DAVIS Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the resignation of Crystal Davis as a bus driver, effective February 28, 2012.
- 6i2. APPT. BUS DRIVER  
WILLIE "DAN" DAVIS Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the 26 week probationary appointment of Willie Dan Davis as a bus driver, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87, 87 4 hrs./day, 10 months per year, \$14.50/hr. for a total annual salary of \$10,846, prorated to start date, effective February 27, 2012.
- 6i3. APPT. LTS PSYCHOLOGIST  
LAUREN ANDERSON Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Lauren Anderson as a long term substitute Psychologist, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 as follows:  
Certification: School Psychology Control # on file  
Start Date: March 5, 2012 through June 30, 2012 to serve at the pleasure of the Board  
Salary: Step A: \$39,250, prorated to start date

6i4. APPT. VOLUNTEERS

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following volunteer coaching appointments for the 2011-2012 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
John Budinock	Softball	Volunteer
Kayla Yarrow	Softball	Volunteer
Mike Groth	Baseball	Volunteer
Anne Dapolito	Golf	Volunteer
Tara Allen	Track & Field	Volunteer
Mike Virts	Track & Field	Volunteer

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No discussion took place

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were shared with the Board: Use of Facilities, Rural Schools Association Newsletter

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Nancy Snyder and Carol Quill asked questions of the budget handout.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Robert Cahoon moved and Kathy DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, K. Ferrente, B. Henry, G. Sproul, P. Wagner 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 8:45 PM for the specific purpose of discussing the sale of a particular parcel of property because disclosure at this time would affect the value of the property; and, for the specific purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person.

REGULAR SESSION

The meeting returned to regular session at 9:50 PM and Kari Durham declared the meeting closed.

ADJOURNMENT

John Boogaard moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, K. Ferrente, B. Henry, G. Sproul, P. Wagner voted yes.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law approves adjournment of the meeting at 9:50 PM.

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Clerk of the Board of Education