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NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 15, 2005      7:00PM    ROOM 210 OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

- PRESENT                                  Douglas Bell, Robert Cahoon, Melinda DeBadts, Nickoline Henner, Mark Humbert, Jeffrey Lisanto, Edward Magin, David Smith
- Elena LaPlaca, Daniel Starr and approximately 10 guests.
- ABSENT/EXCUSED                      Sandra Boerman
1. CALL TO ORDER                      Edward Magin called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.
- 1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA          Mark Humbert moved and Jeffrey Lisanto seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. D. Bell, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, 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 February 15, 2005.
2. PUBLIC ACCESS                      No one spoke to the Board.
3. PRESENTATIONS                     Wendy Buchholz and David Angello from Johnson Controls provided the Board with an overview of the current energy performance contract. The District made energy improvements to buildings and receive state aid to fund the improvements. The costs of the improvements are offset by energy cost savings and state aid, resulting in no additional costs to taxpayers. The district has realized a savings in energy costs of over \$200,000 since 1999.
- 4a. POLICY UPDATE                    Dave Smith reported on the last Policy Committee meeting. The committee is reviewing a number of policies and will be recommending some revisions to various policies.
- 4b. CURRICULUM COUNCIL              Dave Murphy reported on the last meeting.
- 4c. COMMUNITY LINKAGE              Nicki Henner reported on the last meeting of this committee, highlighting the goals of establishing an adult education program in the district, and the desire to have a student representative on the Board.
- 4d. OTHER GOOD NEWS                Ed Magin announced that BOCES will present their proposed 2005-06 budget to the public on March 10<sup>th</sup>. He also announced that BOCES was accepting nominations for candidates to run for their Board of Education. Nominations are due by March 24<sup>th</sup>.

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Nicki Henner voiced concerns about a Youth-to-Youth sponsored dance at the High School. Bill Rotenberg explained that the message to students during the event was that social functions do not have to include the consumption of alcoholic beverages.

5a. TEACHING AMERICAN HISTORY GRANT

Cinda Lisanto provided the Board with an overview of the Teaching American History Grant Program. A consortium of districts comprised of North Rose - Wolcott, Clyde-Savannah, Red Creek and Lyons received a federal grant in the amount of \$779,000 to be used over a three year period. The funds are being used for staff training curriculum writing, travel, instructional materials for staff and equipment. The grant is open to teachers in grades four, five, seven, eight and eleven. The goals of this program are: to raise student achievement by increasing teachers' knowledge, understanding and appreciation of American history, to increase student interest in American History, and, to develop, document, evaluate and disseminate a model of professional development that expands the impact and influence of the project to teachers and students beyond the consortium.

5b. 2005-06 BUDGET

Dan Starr and Jeff Lisanto reported on the last committee meeting. The district is working to close a budget deficit by reviewing all programs and expenses. Projected state aid is stagnant and it is expected that we will not receive more than last year.

5c. CAPITAL PROJECT DISCUSSION

Dan Starr asked Capital Project Committee members to schedule a walk-through of school buildings with Mike Steve to go over the list of possible repairs and renovations to include in the next project. The committee will be interviewing architecture firms and will bring a recommendation to the full Board retain one for this project.

5d. RURAL SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION

Dan Starr discussed with the Board an invitation he received to become a member of the Rural Schools Association Board of Directors. He feels that it would give the district additional opportunities to be heard at the state legislative level and provide additional insight into educational developments in rural areas. The board is supportive of his joining this organization.

5e. DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Dan Starr explained that students who entered 9<sup>th</sup> grade in 2001-02 are required to earn 18.5 credits. They can earn a local diploma by achieving a 55-65 passing score on Regents exams, and must achieve a 65 passing score in their classes in order to graduate. Students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade after 2001-02 must earn 22 credits. The same requirements must be met to earn a local diploma. Students entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in 2005-06 must earn a Regents diploma. No provisions will be provided for local diplomas.

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6. MEETING MINUTES

Mark Humbert moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. D. Bell, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, 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 January 25, 2005.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

David Smith moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. D. Bell, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith voted yes.

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:

Capital 166	\$153207.16	Federal 165	\$24433.85
General 160	\$277420.23	General 163	\$4678.80
General 164	\$55.43	General 168	\$49420.36
School Lunch 167	\$14839.89	School Lunch 162	\$769.46

7b. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CSE & CPSE

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 January 20, 25, 27, 2005, and the Committee on PreSchool Special Education dated February 1, 2005, and instruct the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number:

9086 9780 10662 00191 10498 11318 10180 11002 10301  
10597 10137 11090 11003 11226

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. 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 Report for December 2004.

7e. CREATION OF ASST. TRACK COACH POSITION

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, authorizes the Superintendent to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the North Rose - Wolcott Teachers' Association for the creation of an Assistant Track Coach position for the 2004-05 school year, and sets the pay rate for the position on the Coaches' Salary Schedule at the Level C/10 weeks. The position will be reevaluated for the 2005-06 school year.

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- 7f. NEW HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH COURSE Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the course entitled, Creative Writing II – Getting Published, commencing in September 2005, depending on enrollment.
- 7g. APPROVAL OF POLICIES Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following policies as presented:  
#2210 – Committees Of The Board (revised)  
#5540 – Publication of District Financial Statement (revised)  
#6180 - Staff-Student Relations (Fraternization) (new)  
#7670 - Impartial Hearings/Selection of IHO's (revised)
- 7h1. EXTEND LEAVE OF ABSENCE: DEBRA THORN Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves a Family Medical Leave Act leave of absence for Debra Thorn, according to accumulated sick time. Total leave is anticipated as being from January 15, 2005 – June 30, 2005.
- 7h2. APPT. LT SUB TEACHING ASST: CHERE POOLE Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Chere Poole as a long term substitute Teaching Assistant, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87, for 7 hrs/day, \$7.00/hr., effective January 31, 2005 –June 30, 2005 and to serve at the pleasure of the Board.
- 7H3. COMMUNITY SWIM Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following individual as swim instructors and/or lifeguard for the Community Swim classes for the 2004-05 school year.
- | <u>Name</u>     | <u>\$/Hr.</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Amanda Alderman | 9.50/hr.      |
8. INFORMATION ITEMS The following items were shared with the Board:  
North Rose Elementary School SDM Meeting Minutes  
Newspaper Article, Use of Facilities, Mentor/Intern Program  
Florentine Hendrick Elementary School February newsletter  
North Rose Elementary School February newsletter  
Scholastic Art Exhibition news, Rural Schools Association newsletter
9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION No one had questions or comments on the discussions that took place during the meeting.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION Jeffrey Lisanto moved and Nickoline Henner seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. D. Bell, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith voted yes.

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Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves Executive Session at 9:00pm for the specific purpose of discussing the Superintendent's evaluation, and to discuss a teacher tenure matter.

Mr. Magin called for a short break. Elena LaPlaca and all guests left the meeting at this time. Daniel Starr served as note taker for the remainder of the meeting.

OPEN SESSION

The meeting returned to open session at 10:02pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeffrey Lisanto moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. D. Bell, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, 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 10:02pm.

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Clerk, Board of Education