

NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 28, 2006 7:00PM ROOM 210 OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

- PRESENT** Sandra Boerman (7:02pm), Robert Cahoon, Melinda DeBadts, Nickoline Henner, Mark Humbert, Jeffrey Lisanto, Edward Magin, David Smith, Terri Smith
- Sam DeMuzio, Elena LaPlaca, Daniel Starr and approximately 25 guests.
- 1. CALL TO ORDER** Mark Humbert called the meeting to order at 7pm and led the pledge of allegiance.
- 1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Edward Magin moved and Jeffrey Lisanto seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. Smith voted yes.
- PUBLIC ACCESS** School Bus Driver, Ellie VanWaes, spoke to the board about the danger to students and staff on Friday, February 17 when we experienced severe winds. She felt that the school should have been closed.
- 4a. GOOD NEWS** Jeff Lisanto announced that there was a High School concert scheduled for Thursday night.
- 5a. LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE: THOMAS MUNDWILER** Nickoline Henner moved and Sandra Boerman seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. Smith voted yes.
- Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts with thanks for years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Thomas Mundwiler, effective March 31, 2006.
- 5b. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE** Dr. Starr voiced his admiration for the entire transportation department for the safe turn around of students on Friday, February 17. School closed at approximately 8:45am when it was learned that power to the buildings would be out indefinitely.
- NYSCOSS and NYSSBA are collaborating to promote changes to the Governor's budget proposal.
- Dr. Starr reminded the board that the budget discussion tonight is intended as an overview to help understand what the Budget Committee is working with. It is intended to generate questions as the budget building process continues. Please call Sam

Demuzio or Dr. Starr before the next meeting so that research can be done to have fully developed answers for any questions.

Dr. Starr reported that a meeting with the coordinators of the Reading 1st initiative provided direction to adjust instruction where needed. This will become evident during the presentation of mid-year student assessments.

Safe Schools/Healthy Schools Grant coordinators will meet to review survey data and develop strategies to be addressed in the grant proposal.

Dr. Starr provided the board with an extensive overview of student achievement on state assessments. He provided a comparison of scores from 2004-05 and 2005-06 for grades K – 12. He charted good progress in student achievement for many subject areas. He also highlighted that the Regents scores meet or exceed the Board Goals. And, he pointed out where curriculum and instruction adjustments will occur in order to achieve continuous improvements.

5c. BUSINESS
EXECUTIVE UPDATE AND
DISCUSSION OF 2006-07
BUDGET

Sam DeMuzio provided the board with an outline of the components that make up the instructional budget. These include curriculum development, supervision, staff development, teaching –regular education, special education and summer school instruction, occupational education, libraries and audio visual equipment, computer assisted instruction, guidance, health services, psychological services, co-curricular activities, and interscholastic sports.

He provided the board with a list of staffing recommendations for the 2006-07 school year based on recommendations from Administrators and Department Heads during meetings with the Budget committee.

Mr. DeMuzio stated that budget development includes all grant funds that are used to pay teachers as well as fund professional develop training and curriculum development. Some of these funds will not be received by the district in the next school year. The Budget Committee has recommended that these positions and expenditures not be removed from the budget process. Additionally, expenditures for Special Education students fluctuate from budget to budget, depending on the number of students served. This portion of the budget must be fluid to accommodate students who move into the district who might require services.

He asked Board Members to digest the information he presented and to call or email him or Dr. Starr with any questions prior to the next meeting on March 14.

MEETING MINUTES

Jeffrey Lisanto moved and Edward Magin seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. 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 February 14, 2006.

CONSENT AGENDA

Robert Cahoon moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motions. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. Smith voted yes.

Prior to the vote, Sam DeMuzio provided answers to questions raised about the transfer of funds – agenda item 7d. He explained the true purpose and reason of the fund balance. The money should not be used to support the 2006-07 budget as it would mean that the district would have to realize that much fund balance again when developing subsequent years budgets. He strongly recommends that the district put the funds in the Capital Project Reserve Fund. This money can accumulate in the fund and be used to pay for building repairs. The balance would enable the district to do needed repairs to school buildings and systems without an impact on taxes.

Dr. DeMuzio also reported that some of the \$1,975,000 funds that he recommends be put in the Capital Project Reserve might be able to be put into a Workers' Compensation Fund. He will discuss this possibility with Ray Wager, the district's financial auditor, and bring some recommendations back for consideration.

Based on the above discussion, Agenda items 7d. Transfer of Funds, was tabled for future discussion.

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:

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7b. RECOMMENDATIONS OF 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 February 9, 16, 2006, and instruct the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number:

7537 11563 7541 8421 10001 10662 9866 8138 8473
11561 9082 9083 11464 10333

- 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.
- 7e1. APPT. SCHOOL COUNSELOR: KATHERYN MOORE Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Katheryn J. Moore as a long term substitute Guidance Counselor, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 as follows:
Certification: School Counselor Control #: 212345031
Appointment Area: School Counselor
Start Date: March 3 through June 30, 2006
Salary: Step 1A, \$37,345, which includes differential, prorated to \$14,565
- 7e2. APPT. PSYCHOLOGIST INTERN: SHAUNA BUCKMAN Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Shauna Buckman as a Psychologist Intern, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87, total salary of \$15,000, effective September 5, 2006 – June 30, 2007. Memorandum of Understanding is on file with the District Clerk.
- 7e3. APPT. TEACHING ASST: TINA GOODMAN Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the 2 year probationary appointment of Tina Goodman as a Teaching Assistant, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 for 7 hrs/day, \$9.18/hr. for a total annual salary of \$11,888, prorated to \$4884, effective March 1, 2006.
- 7e4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE RACHEL LANG 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 the period of disability for Rachel Lang, according to accumulated sick time and continuing with an unpaid leave of absence, if necessary. The total leave is anticipated as being from February 20 - March 3, 2006.
- 7e5. PERMANENT APPTS. WENDI BARNES 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 Wendi Barnes as a Food Service Helper effective March 8, 2006.
- YVONNE INGERSOL 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 Yvonne Ingersoll as a Food Service Helper effective March 8, 2006.

JOLENE MANLEY

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 Jolene Manley as a School Monitor effective March 8, 2006.

KELLY KNAPP

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 Kelly Knapp as a Clerk/Typist effective March 15, 2006.

KEN ZIRBEL

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 Ken Zirbel as a Bus Driver effective March 8, 2006.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items were shared with the Board:
FHE Shared Decision Meeting Minutes
MS Shared Decision Meeting Minutes
Statement on Litigation
NYSCOSS Analysis of Governor's Proposed Budget
The Advocate, February 2006

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one commented on any agenda items or discussions that took place during the meeting.

10a. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

David Smith moved and Nickoline Henner seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. 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 additions to the agenda of February 28, 2006.

10b. LTR. OF RESIGNATION
MARY SWARTHOUT

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the resignation from Mary Swarthout as a Teacher Aide, effective March 10, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeffrey Lisanto moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. S. Boerman, R. Cahoon, M. DeBadts, N. Henner, M. Humbert, J. Lisanto, E. Magin, D. Smith, T. 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 8:45pm.