

*Unofficial and Unapproved*  
NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 9, 2008 7:00 PM HIGH SCHOOL ROOM #210

PRESENT: Nickoline Henner, Larissa Bodine, Judi Buckalew, Robert Cahoon, Katharine DeAngelis, Melinda DeBadts, Kari Durham, Edward Magin, Clifford Parton, Ora Rothfuss III

Lucinda Miner, Robert Magin, Jacinda Lisanto, Jan McDorman and 32 guests

ABSENT/EXCUSED:

CALL TO ORDER: Board President Nickoline Henner called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Clifford Parton moved and Kathy DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, M. DeBadts, K. Durham, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III 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 December 9, 2008.

2. PUBLIC ACCESS: No one spoke to the Board at this time.

3a. WOLCOTT VENUS CELEBRATION: Wolcott Chamber of Commerce President Chuck Palermo spoke to the Board about an upcoming celebration which will honor the Venus fountain in Wolcott. There will be an educational forum, a display of student art work in merchant's windows, a Middle School sock hop dance and a scholarship presented to a HS art student.

3b. SUSPENSION CENTER: Sharlet Palkovic, Tami Dubey, and June Muto presented the Board with an update on the Suspension Center. The MS/HS Suspension Center provides a full day program with a very structured environment. The one teacher to one student ratio allows the student to get caught up on his/her work. Detailed reports were handed out to Board members showing the number of students serviced by the Suspension Center by grade level and the number of repeat student suspensions by grade level.

3c. TRANSPORTATION REPORT: Mr. Robert Magin, Business Administrator, addressed the Board about combining NRE students with the MS/HS bus run. He mentioned that a number of students already come on the early runs for school activities that occur before the normal school day begins at NRE. The District would be able to eliminate the "buddy bus" situation which would reduce the time elementary students are on buses. The number of bus driver hours per day would be reduced and less fuel would be needed, therefore

providing a cost savings. During the next two to three months Robert Magin and Robert Galloway, Transportation Supervisor, will continue to investigate this proposal and will report back to the Board with the outcome.

3d. POSSIBLE DISTRICT RECONFIGURATION:

Mrs. Miner began her presentation to the Board by stating that there are two sources of income for our school district: state aid and the money generated by our local tax payers. It has been announced by Governor Patterson that State funding for schools may be cut this year, and possibly for a number of years to come. With District expenses rising by almost \$1 million dollars this next school year: salaries, Social Security, retirement funding, health insurance and HRA's (Health Reimbursement Accounts), etc., cost-saving alternatives have been explored. Mrs. Miner mentioned that she has been meeting with District employees to explain the impact that the reduction of aid and rising expenses will have on our District. She then presented a Power Point presentation where the following topics were examined: not replacing retiring teachers, the closing of FHE, enrollment, proposed class sizes, a Live Birth By School District report from the Department of Health, staff reductions, sharing the Director of Technology position with another district, decreasing the number of field trips, conferences, sports scrimmages and non-league games, freezing supply and equipment spending, and scrutinizing staff-development. A Focus Group will be held in place of the regular Board of Education meeting on January 13, 2008 at the High School Auditorium from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. for the public to weigh the pros and cons of closing FHE and the pros and cons of switching the grade levels housed at Leavenworth and NRE.

4a. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

The Board thanked the administrators for the reports provided to them.

4b. STUDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER: LARISSA BODINE

Larissa mentioned that high school students are more reluctant to take out their cell phones since the revision to the cell phone policy has been in effect.

4c. OTHER GOOD NEWS DISTRICT:

The PTO recently had their first formalized meeting. Sydney Greaves is the new president of the organization. Mrs. Haensch mentioned that "Cubby" the mascot and the Positive Behavioral Intervention Support system initiatives have become quite *magical* to the students at Florentine Hendrick. The Grade 2 concert was a success. The Middle School inducted thirty-three students into the Jr. National Honor Society recently.

4d. OTHER:

Jacinda Lisanto, Robert Magin and Cindy Miner attended an informative Leadership workshop at the University of Rochester. They will share the information obtained with other administrators. Mrs. Miner was pleased to be in attendance to hear Donna Brooks and Kathy Hoyt, students in the SUNY Oswego Educational Administration Program, present the topic of "Homogeneous versus Heterogeneous Grouping in Middle School Mathematics: What Works Best for Students" at the Issue Analysis presentations at FLCC on December 4<sup>th</sup>. She also listened to the second

presentation on “Effectively Transitioning 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students to 9<sup>th</sup> Grade”. It was mentioned that the December 2008 issue of *American School Board Journal* contains an article named “Accountability and Evaluation of School Boards” that Board members may want to read.

5a. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
SALLY SMITH

Clifford Parton moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, M. DeBadts, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III 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 over 23 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Sally Smith, effective June 30, 2009. Should the District increase the retirement incentive or accept a State retirement incentive between the time of acceptance of this letter and the date of retirement, the greater incentive will be offered.

5b. SUPERINTENDENT’S  
UPDATE:

Mrs. Miner explained the concept of a Regional High School to the Board, and answered questions that arose. She spoke about the Comprehensive Education Plan that is currently being completed and will be submitted to the State Education Department. The Safety committee and the District Safety Team have met and all issues have been addressed. Plans for the Skateboard Park have come to a standstill with no one stepping up to organize it. Mrs. Miner asked for input from the Board on whether or not they were interested in having the school organize the Skateboard Park and the consensus was no.

5c. BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATOR’S  
UPDATE:

Mr. Robert Magin announced that the Capital Project is moving along very well. He mentioned that one new boiler will be installed soon at North Rose Elementary. He mentioned that he attended a meeting with Mrs. Miner, Robert Galloway and the Highway Superintendents where protocol had been discussed for school closings. Mr. Robert Magin spoke about the OMNI 403(b) retirement option plan for employees listed on the consent agenda. The budget calendar is included in information items.

6a. MEETING MINUTES  
November 18, 2008

Robert Cahoon moved and Melinda DeBadts seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, M. DeBadts, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III voted yes.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the corrected Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2008.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Clifford Parton moved and Katharine DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, M. DeBadts, K. Durham, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III 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:

1. #0027	\$421,778.21	a. Auditor's Report
2. #0028	\$350,234.45	a. Auditor's Report
3. #0030	\$210.00	

7b. DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORTS 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 October, 2008.

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Extra Classroom Activity Report for October, 2008.

7c. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 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 from the Committee on Special Education dated October 30, 2008, November 6, 2008, November 7, 2008, November 12, 2008, November 13, 2008, November 14, 2008, and November 20, 2008 and the Committee on PresSchool Special Education dated November 17, 2008 and instructs the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number:

09756	07582	12170	11476	10799	09827	08185	10990	07288	10327
11480	07541	11479	11498	07504	11547	12164	11010	11179	11156
11152	07504	12158	11321	10317	09148	09151	09780	09086	09543
11981	11133	11213	11209						

7d. 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.

7e. DONATION TO THE DISTRICT: Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the donation of saltwater aquarium equipment, materials and fish valued at \$2,000.00 received from Mr. William Devendorf.

7f. REFUND OF 2008 SCHOOL TAXES: Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves a school tax refund due to an overpayment of school taxes in 2008 of \$529.70 to John A. DeLafranier, tax ID #542600 75120-17-172111.

7g. ADOPTION OF THE NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 403(B) RETIREMENT PLAN The North Rose-Wolcott Central School District acting through an officer and pursuant to authorization of its governing board, hereby adopts the North Rose-Wolcott Central School District 403(b) Retirement Plan, subject to its terms and, the terms of any other agreements as deemed

THE OMNI GROUP,  
THIRD PARTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

appropriate, attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the Adoption Agreement and the selections made therein.

7h. MEMORANDUM OF  
AGREEMENT:

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the Memorandum of Agreement with the Service Employees Association to change the rate of pay for the title "Senior Bus Driver" to the same rate of pay as the title "Bus Driver".

7i. EFFICIENCY GRANT  
APPROVAL:

The North Rose-Wolcott Central School District Board acting by and through its Board of Education President duly authorized and do herein declare:

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Department of State has released an application for the Local Government Efficiency Program, General Efficiency Planning Grant which allows municipalities to include School Districts to apply for funding that provide funds for plans and studies that will include an examination of the potential savings and management improvements for two or more municipalities to study shared services or transfer of functions.

**WHEREAS**, North Rose-Wolcott Central School District is a Co-Applicant to Wayne-Finger Lakes Board of Cooperative Education application to the Local Government Efficiency Program Grant, General Efficiency Planning Grant.

**WHEREAS**, the Wayne-Finger Lakes Board of Cooperative Educational Services (WFL BOCES) is the Lead Applicant and all Co-Applicants shall submit with the application a formal resolution of the governing body showing support of this grant application. The purpose of this resolution is to provide official support of this governing body of this co-applicant for the application and the proposed project and to state the following:

I. Authorization to Apply for the Grant: The North Rose-Wolcott Central School District designates that the WFL BOCES as the lead applicant with Dr. Joseph J. Marinelli, District Superintendent, WFL BOCES as the Lead Applicant Contact Person. We hereby authorize Dr. Marinelli to submit an application to the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program, General Efficiency Planning Grant for the 2008-2009 program year. The North Rose-Wolcott Central School District also authorizes WFL BOCES and Dr. Marinelli to execute all financial and/or administrative processes relating to the grant program.

II. Project Title and Description: The project will be known as the "Wayne County Regional High School Study and Planning Project." The study and planning will examine the potential savings, management improvements, and benefits to the community in developing regional high schools. A regional high school is defined as two or more school districts combining their high school programs and retaining separate elementary, and middle school programs, or K-8 programs.

III. Funding Request: We authorize WFL BOCES to apply for up to \$32,000 of funding from the Local Government Efficiency Program, General Efficiency Planning Grant.

IV. Local Share Information: WFL BOCES and each of the co-applicants will be responsible for an equal share of the total 10% matching share of \$3,200 from local shares.

V. Co-Applicant Information: North Rose-Wolcott Central School District is an authorized co-applicant to WFL BOCES application to the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program, General Efficiency Planning Grant for the Wayne County Regional High School Study and Planning Project. We agree to work with WFL BOCES and each of the Component School Districts in Wayne County which are also co-applicants to this grant.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that a school board meeting was held on December 9, 2008, wherein a quorum was present and a majority of the quorum voted to provide authorization for WFL BOCES to apply for the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program, High Priority Planning Grant with the North Rose-Wolcott Central School District as a Co-Applicant. Therefore, this document is to serve as the formal resolution of the North Rose-Wolcott Central School District Board of Education, pursuant to the laws of New York.

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III. Funding Request: We authorize WFL BOCES to apply for up to \$50,000 of funding from the Local Government Efficiency Program, High Priority Planning Grant.

IV. Local Share Information: WFL BOCES and each of the eleven co-applicants will be responsible for an equal 1/12<sup>th</sup> portion, \$417, of the total 10% matching share of \$5,000 from local shares.

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7j1. CO-CURRICULAR APT.  
RESIGNATION:

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the resignation of Tim Burns from his position as Varsity Softball Coach for the 2008-09 school year.

7j2. SCHOOL LUNCH  
MANAGER  
PROBATIONARY  
APPOINTMENT:

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 Nancy Younglove as School Lunch Manager, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87, for 7.5 hrs/day, 12 months/year, total annual salary of up to \$42,435.00 prorated to \$25,135.00, effective November 26, 2008.

7j3. COACHING  
APPOINTMENTS:

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the coaching appointments for winter 2008, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87, and successful completion of all required First Aid/CPR and Child Abuse courses as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Eric Rodas	Wrestling		Volunteer	

8a. INFORMATION ITEMS:

The following items were shared with the Board: Enrollment - December 2008, Use of Facilities, Finger Lakes Times article "NR-W facing long-term deficits", Wayne County Star article "Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Snack Program celebrated at NR-W", FHE Newsletter - December 2008, NRE News - December 2008, Los Pumas DeNorth Rose-Wolcott - December 2008, Capital Project Meeting Minutes of: September 29, 2008, October 22, 2008, November 5, 2008, and November 19, 2008, Budget Calendar 2009-2010.

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

No one spoke to the Board at this time.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Robert Cahoon moved and Clifford Parton seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, M. DeBadts, K. Durham, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III 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 8:38 pm for the specific purpose of discussing the evaluation of an employee.

OPEN SESSION

The meeting returned to open session at 9:43 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Clifford Parton moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, M. DeBadts, K. Durham, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III 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 9:44 pm.

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Jan McDorman, Clerk  
Board of Education