

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

JANUARY 27, 2009

7:00 PM

LARGE CAFETERIA OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

- PRESENT:** Nickoline Henner, Larissa Bodine, Judi Buckalew, Robert Cahoon, Katharine DeAngelis, Edward Magin, Clifford Parton, Ora Rothfuss III  
Lucinda Miner, Robert Magin, Jacinda Lisanto, Jan McDorman and 50 guests
- ABSENT/EXCUSED:** Melinda DeBadts, Kari Durham
- CALL TO ORDER:** Board President Nickoline Henner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Before Approval of the Agenda, seven (7) student #'s were added to Agenda Item #7e., Recommendations from CSE and CPSE.  
Agenda Item #9. was pulled from the Agenda and will be revisited at a later time.
- 1a. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Robert Cahoon moved and Ora Rothfuss III seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 January 27, 2009.
2. **PUBLIC ACCESS:** No one spoke to the Board at this time.
- 3a. **PARENT/COMMUNITY FOCUS GROUP - LUCINDA MINER/ JACINDA LISANTO:** Mrs. Miner summarized the various methods used to inform the public about next year's budget situation and possible future district reconfiguration (i.e., presentations, Community/Focus Group meeting, Newsletter). She mentioned that with uncontrollable rises in District expenses and the reduction of state aid, the tax levy could be as high as 22-23% (\$3.26 per \$100.00 of assessment) if no changes occur. Cost-saving alternatives are being proposed: not replacing retiring teachers, staff reductions, larger class sizes, 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 as well as the possible consolidation of buildings. Jacinda Lisanto led the Board in an exercise which summarized the responses of those who attended the Parent/Community Focus Group meeting held on January 13, 2009. The pros and cons of closing FHE, housing K-4 at Leavenworth and 5-8 at NRE and vice versa, alternative cost saving ideas and ideas to raise revenues were focused on. Each Board member will evaluate the responses from the

public and give a rating of importance to items mentioned. Mrs. Miner concluded by answering the questions and concerns from the Parent/Focus Group meeting.

- 3b. VISION, MISSION AND BELIEFS - JACINDA LISANTO  
Jacinda Lisanto explained that the Comprehensive District Education Plan requires a vision, mission and belief statement. She gave an explanation of what each statement is. The Curriculum Council, which is comprised of teachers, a Board of Education member, and community members has diligently worked to develop this vital plan for our District.
- 3c. INJURED STUDENT ATHLETE EVALUATION SERVICE - DR. FREDERICK KAEMPFER WAYNE REGIONAL ORTHOPAEDICS, PLLC.  
There was no presentation.
- 4a. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:  
The Board thanked the Administrator's for their reports. Questions from the Board regarding the reports were answered by the Administrators.
- 4b. STUDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER: LARISSA BODINE  
Larissa Bodine mentioned that the High School students were able to watch the Presidential inauguration event at school. Any questions that arose from students were answered by teachers. Larissa reported that two High School students attended the inauguration.
- 4c. OTHER GOOD NEWS DISTRICT:  
Mrs. Miner shared with the Board how pleased she was with an email that was received from a Sodus parent regarding the exemplary conduct of the Boys Swim Team at a recent meet.
- 4d. OTHER:  
The Board agreed to hold the second February Board of Education meeting at the North Rose Elementary school at 7:00pm on February 24, 2009 to accommodate those members wishing to attend the Odyssey of the Minds presentation, which will begin at 5:30 p.m.  
  
Mr. Edward Magin recapped details of the Four County General Membership meeting he attended on January 15, 2009 focusing on Coping in the Current Fiscal Climate. He urged other Board of Education members to attend the next meeting on February 5, 2009 which is a continuation of this topic.  
  
The Board wishes to thank the retiring teachers for their many years of dedicated service to the District.
- 5a. INTENT TO RETIRE: BECKY CECCARELLI  
Robert Cahoon moved and Katharine DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 32 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Becky Ceccarelli, 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. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
CHARLES GORDINIER

Edward Magin moved and Katharine DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 35 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Charles Gordinier, 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.

5c. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
GAIL MENTIS

Clifford Parton moved and Ora Rothfuss III seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 29 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Gail Mentis, 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.

5d. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
BETTE PAICE

Edward Magin moved and Ora Rothfuss III seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 22 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Bette Paice, 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.

5e. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
SUSAN SANTO

Judi Buckalew moved and Kathy DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 37 years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Susan Santo, 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.

- 5f. INTENT TO RETIRE:  
CHRIS EDMONDS
- Clifford Parton moved and Edward Magin seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 7 years of full time and 6 years of part time service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Chris Edmonds, effective June 30, 2009, with the exception that Mr. Edmonds is not eligible for any medical coverage after retirement. 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.
- 5g. SUPERINTENDENT'S  
UPDATE:
- Mrs. Miner spoke about the Law Conference she attended in Buffalo, as well as many other various meetings and workshops that she has recently attended.
- 5h. BUSINESS  
ADMINISTRATOR'S  
UPDATE:
- Mr. Robert Magin mentioned that the Budget Committee has been meeting with each department and gathering information needed for the compilation of the budget. He summarized the Middle School issues that occurred on January 17, 2009, as a result of a pipe bursting that fed the water softener, resulting in 4 feet of water in the boiler room. The pipe is scheduled to be repaired as part of the Capital Project as soon as weather permits. Two new high efficiency boilers have been installed and are running at North Rose Elementary school. The clocks that are to be installed at the Middle School and High School have been received. Installation is scheduled to occur in the next few weeks.
- 5i. POLICY FIRST  
READING:
- New and revised policies were given to the board for a first reading. They are encouraged to call the Superintendent with questions.
- Ora Rothfuss III suggests further evaluation of Policy #7521 at the next Policy Committee meeting.
- 6a. MEETING MINUTES  
December 9, 2008
- Robert Cahoon moved and Katharine DeAngelis seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2008.
7. CONSENT AGENDA
- Edward Magin moved and Clifford Parton seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, E. Magin, C. Parton, O. Rothfuss III voted yes.
- 7a. APPROVAL OF VISION,  
MISSION AND BELIEF
- Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the

STATEMENTS

Vision, Mission and Belief Statements effective immediately:

**Vision Statement**

The educational community of the North Rose-Wolcott Central School District believes that our students will learn and achieve at or above commencement level and have the tools necessary to fulfill their own personal goals and dreams.

**Mission Statement**

The Mission of the North Rose-Wolcott Central School District is to create a safe and enriching learning environment that will prepare our students to make positive and meaningful contributions to society.

We will achieve this through the following strategies:

- Embrace the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) system district wide.
- Use a wide range of data to identify achievement gaps and barriers to success as well as successes and best practices
- Communicate with and engage our school community through the Curriculum and Staff Development Council (CSDC) to inform, develop, implement and monitor decisions that address the educational needs of all students.
- Utilize our human, financial, physical and community resources to support a sound program for all learners.
- Provide professional development opportunities that enhance the skills and collegiality of our staff.

**Belief Statements**

We believe that:

- Learning occurs in a safe, positive, consistent, yet challenging environment where students are curious and pro-active participants
- Students achieve best with family and community support and involvement
- Students’ diverse learning styles and strengths should be recognized, celebrated and nurtured in order for all to achieve to their highest potential
- Being kind, responsible, respectful and safe helps create a better society
- Students need to become critical thinkers and independent problem-solvers in today’s global society
- Learning extends beyond the classroom and is a life-long process

7b. 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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| 1. #0031 | \$ 428,849.64 |
| 2. #0032 | \$ 384,553.79 |

3. #0034	\$ 81,254.55
4. #0037	\$1,259,585.18

7c. 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 November, 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 November, 2008.

7d. ESTABLISHMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION SYSTEMS EXTRACLASSROOM 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 Extraclassroom Activity Account for the Production Systems class. Be it further resolved that the teacher of the class, John O’Brien, be approved as Account Advisor. No additional stipend will be paid for this added responsibility.

7e. 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 December 4, 2008, December 9, 2008, December 11, 2008, December 17, 2008, December 18, 2008, January 8, 2009 , January 13, 2009 and January 14, 2009 and the Committee on PresSchool Special Education dated December 2, 2008, December 15, 2008, and January 6, 2009 and instructs the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number:

11127 11303 10403 10094 12178 10127 11273 12159 11320 11772  
11579 12152 12047 11570 11857 11152 09709 09746 10333 08422  
07549 07550 10499 06939 07016 07864 10506 10075 12179 09083  
07964 08473 10498 09082 11321 12067 11086 12168 12098 11334  
12003 11336 10001 08421 06709 08340 08032 09983

**11370 12185 12182 11384 11947 11231 12184**

7f. COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves Ms. Christina Bellinger as a parent member to serve on the Committee on Special Education for the 2008-2009 school year.

7g. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following individuals to serve on the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2008-2009 school year:

Chairperson:  
Angela Kirkey, Rebecca Magin

Individual who can interpret instructional implications of evaluation results:  
Rebecca Magin, Tina Reed, Emily Darrow, Angela Kirkey, evaluation site psychologist/representative

Special Education Teacher/Provider:

Provider from the Wayne County Approved Provider List, Rosa Visconti-Goebel, Carol Quill

Regular Education Teacher:

The teacher of the child, if participating in the regular education environment

Representative of the Municipality:

Sue Muscolino, Carol Monsees

For child transitioning from Early Intervention: Child's Early Intervention Service Coordinator

Additional Parent Member:

Sarah Vanderlinde, Silvia Ripani, Sue Godkin, Christina Bellinger

- 7h. 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.
- 7i. APPROVAL FOR OVER-NIGHT STAY - WRESTLING TOURNAMENT: DISTRICT: Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the overnight stay of the Varsity Wrestling team on January 16, 2009 at a hotel in Rochester, N.Y. and the conditions described in attachment #7i.
- 7j. APPROVAL FOR OVER-NIGHT STAY - WRESTLING SECTIONALS: Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the overnight stay of the Varsity Wrestling team on February 13, 2009 at a hotel in Bath, NY and the transportation arrangements described in attachment #7j.
- 7k. VOLUNTEER APPROVAL: KERRI HUGHES Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves Kerri Hughes as a volunteer in the North Rose Elementary school. The application is on file with the District Clerk.
- 7l. 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 with thanks, the donation of an Ellison AllStar Starter Set with AllStar 3.5 Uppercase letters from Ms. Dee Spiegel, valued at \$370.00. This machine can be used to create die cut letters for use in projects and in the classroom. Included in the donation is the die cut, 26 dies and three storage racks to store the dies.
- 7m. 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 with thanks, the donation of saltwater aquarium equipment, materials and fish valued at \$2,875.00 received from Mr. William Devendorf.
- 7n. 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 Charles and Carol Murzin, tax ID #542600 72118-18-269110.

70. REFUND OF 2004, 2005 AND 2006 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 2004 of \$80.18 and in 2005 of \$84.56 and in 2006 of \$89.72, totaling \$254.46 to John Salerno, tax ID #542600 72117-06-384884.
- 7p. 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 \$465.96 to William Putney, tax ID #543800 72114-00-979869.
- 7q. 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 \$465.97 to Nicole Evarts, tax ID #543800 72114-00-997718.
- 7r1. LETTER OF RESIGNATION: TAMI DUBEY Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the resignation of Tami Dubey, Teaching Assistant, effective January 9, 2009.
- 7r2. CO-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENT: ALEX RICHWALDER Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the resignation of Alex Richwalder from his position as Modified Girls Track Coach for the 2008-09 school year.
- 7r3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE: LISA LOVELESS Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the leave of absence of Lisa Loveless from January 19, 2009 until May 15, 2009, which will allow her time to fulfill her student teaching requirements. Seniority, leave accruals, and salary placement will be maintained at their present level during this unpaid leave of absence.
- 7r4. LEAVE OF ABSENCE: REBECCA KANDT Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the 8 week maternity leave of Rebecca Kandt, to begin on or about January 22, 2009, followed by an unpaid child rearing leave through April 17, 2009.
- 7r5. LEAVE OF ABSENCE: CHRISTINE CHAPMAN Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the 8 week maternity leave of Christine Chapman, to begin on or about March 13, 2009, followed by an unpaid child rearing leave through June 9, 2009.
- 7r6. APPOINT SENIOR BUS DRIVER: WENDY GODEK 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 Wendy Godek as Senior Bus Driver, conditional upon a criminal history record check according to Commissioners Regulation §80-1.11 and Part 87 for 3 hrs./day, 10 months per year, \$14.00/hr. for a total annual salary of \$7,980 prorated to \$3,990.00, effective January 28, 2009.

7r7. 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM PERSONNEL:

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the following individuals to work in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program:

The following employees are certified Enrichment Workshop Teachers at the rate of \$25.00/hr:

Mike Grasso  
Zack Hill  
Kim Borden

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

The following informational items were shared with the Board:  
Enrollment – January 2009, Policy #3272 - Facilities and Public Dedication: Old Policy, Policy #5731 - Idling School Buses on School Grounds: Information, Regulation, Old Policy, Policy #7521 - Students with Life-Threatening Health Conditions: Information, Procedure, Forms, Old Policy, Use of Facilities, FHE Newsletter- January 2009, NRE News - January 2009, The Cougar Times (High School Newsletter) - December 2008, Los Pumas De North Rose-Wolcott - January 2009, W-FL Board to Board - December 2008, Magazine article “Value of Athletic Trainers in the Secondary School”, Items of interest: Response to Intervention, Summary/Impact of Governor’s Budget Proposal, W-FL Superintendents’ Legislative Position Paper, Letter to Senator Nozzolio, List of Unfunded Mandates - version one, version two, NYSPHSAA Fiscal Concern Recommendations, *Wayne County Star* article “NR-W residents can weigh in on closing school”, *Wayne County Star* article “Discussions continue about Florentine’s Future”, *Wayne County Star* article “W-FL BOCES Marinelli Wins National Education Honor”, Article “Pay Freezes Spread During Recession”, The Advocate - December 2008, Capital Project Meeting Minutes - #005 - 12/3/2008, Capital Project Meeting Minutes - #006 - 12/17/2008, Capital Project Meeting Minutes - #007 - 1/7/2009.

9. DISCUSSION ON CENTRAL BUSINESS OFFICE:

This item was withdrawn from the Agenda.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Irene Interlichia mentioned the importance of knowing how many people raised the same concern at the Focus Group meeting. It is known what concerns were raised, but not how many people were in unison about the same concern.

Joe Snyder mentioned how critical it is to have accurate data to base decisions on. More information may be needed to determine whether staff size will correlate to the projected population.

Before moving into Executive Session, a concern by Board member Katharine DeAngelis was voiced regarding the context of an article written by high school students in the High School newspaper ‘The Cougar Times’. There was discussion on the topic.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Robert Cahoon moved and Katharine DeAngelis seconded the following

motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 9:05 pm to reconvene in Room #210 for the specific purpose of discussing the evaluation of an employee and negotiations with particular employee groups.

OPEN SESSION

The meeting returned to open session at 10:35 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Robert Cahoon moved and Clifford Parton seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. N. Henner, J. Buckalew, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, 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 10:36 pm.

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Jan McDorman, Clerk  
Board of Education