

NORTH ROSE-WOLCOTT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 23, 2011      7:00 PM      MEDIA CENTER OF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- PRESENT: Judi Buckalew, John Boogaard, Robert Cahoon, Kathy DeAngelis, Kari Durham, Brigitte Henry, Gary Sproul, Phil Wagner
- Elena LaPlaca, Cinda Lisanto, Robert Magin, John Walker and approximately 12 guests.
- ABSENT/EXCUSED Kelly Ferrente
- CALL TO ORDER Kari Durham called the meeting to order at 7:03PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 1a. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Kathy DeAngelis moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, 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 August 23, 2011.
2. PUBLIC ACCESS No one addressed the Board.
3. PRESENTATIONS No presentations were made.
- 4a. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS: Paul Benz reported that preparations are under way for the opening of school for both staff and students. He is excited to have an opening day presentation concerning engagement and growth. Freshmen orientation is scheduled for August 31<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Benz reported that he is instituting new processes that will help monitor and mentor new freshmen to help ensure a successful first year.
- Kathy Hoyt reported that the fall sports season has started. There are not enough students to support a junior varsity boys or girls soccer team. As of this year, the modified teams will be comprised of students in grades 7 – 9 and the varsity team will be made up of students in grades 10-12. This change complies with the rules and regulations of the New York State Public High Athletic Association.
- Michele Sullivan reported that she will be working with Cinda Lisanto to reexamine the CEP (Comprehensive Education Plan) and work with staff to fulfill recommendations of the plan to ensure that the Middle School scores demonstrate marked improvement this year. Additionally, she reported that the building is in good shape and she is looking forward to having 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and staff join her building.
- Jennifer Hayden reported that there is still a great deal of construction going on in her building. The Project Manager has assured her the building would be ready for opening day on September 6<sup>th</sup>. She reported interviewing elementary candidates and being pleased with the outcome

of the interviews. She reported on the ongoing work with 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers to align instructional strategies to improve 3<sup>rd</sup> grade ELA and Math results. This group of teachers is producing an instructional model for all K-4 teachers. She lauded the hard work of the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers and their enthusiasm to improve instruction and improve test scores.

Mrs. Hayden thanked the North Rose Fire Department for allowing employees to use their property for access to the Elementary School while Salter-Colvin Road is closed for reconstruction.

Board members voiced concerns over the ongoing construction of Salter-Colvin Road and how it will affect the new school year. John Walker reported that he attended a meeting, along with Bob Magin, to address these concerns. Bob Magin said that Wayne County Highway Department would be working with the bus schedules to ensure use of the road during times when buses will be running.

Angela Kirkey reported that there were 20 students enrolled in Special Education Summer School this year. No related services were offered this summer (OT, PT, Speech, but the requirements as stated on their Individualized Education Plan will be made up at the start of the regular school year. Additionally, she reported a 12.7% classification rate starting the 2011-2012. This is subject to change as students move into and out of the district. Ms. Kirkey reported that interviews had just been completed for a vacant Teacher Aide position.

Neil Thompson reported on the Cooperative Summer School Program, which was just completed. There were a total of 159 students attended classes; 77 of them North Rose - Wolcott students.

Mr. Thompson outlined the goals of the Alternative Learning Center. The overall goal of the ALC is to prepare at-risk students for graduation from high school. The morning program and afternoon programs target different students. Much work has gone into the development of the Center and expectations are high.

ALC teacher, Cary Cornell-Merritt, spoke of the preparation and work that has gone into making the morning program one of individualized instruction that helps students recover unearned credit from courses already attempted, with a focus on graduation at years end. Similarly, the afternoon course work is designed to prepare struggling seniors with the coursework and structure needed to ensure June 2012 graduation.

Mr. Walker thanked Mr. Thompson for the work he has done, not only as Summer School Principal, but in developing the ALC program and having it ready for September.

He also gave kudos to Cary Cornell-Merritt for volunteering many hours to work with Mr. Thompson to get this program operational. Grant monies targeted for at-risk youth are being used to fund this program.

- 4b. STUDENT BOE MEMBER Nolan Anthony reported that preseason soccer was in full swing with practice having started on August 15. He is looking forward to being involved with Freshman Orientation this year.
- 4c. OTHER GOOD NEWS OF THE DISTRICT: Middle School orientation for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students is scheduled for August 31<sup>st</sup>.  
Kathy DeAngelis mentioned that she has been at Camp Ditmer Boy Scout Camp where five North Rose - Wolcott students received awards.
- 5a. LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE: BRENDA LASHOMB Judi Buckalew moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, 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, accepts with thanks for years of service, the letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement from Brenda LaShomb, effective August 31, 2011.
- 5b. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE Mr. Walker had nothing more to report.
- 5b. BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE Bob Magin reported on the last meeting with the Construction Manager and the Architect. Of utmost importance is having North Rose - Wolcott Elementary ready for staff and students on September 6<sup>th</sup>. He reported that the discussed the possibility that one contractor may be not meet the scheduled timelines. Our construction management firm has another company waiting to come in to perform work that could not otherwise be completed.  
He said that school tax bills are being sorted and prepared to be mailed. The external audit will take place the last week of August.
- 5c. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION UPDATE Cinda Lisanto that she was preparing for new teacher orientation on August 29 and 30. She has been reviewing APPR in detail in order to ready our teaching staff beginning opening day.
- 6a. MEETING MINUTES John Boogaard moved and Robert Cahoon seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, 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 Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2011.
7. CONSENT AGENDA Robert Cahoon moved and John Boogaard seconded the following motions. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. DeAngelis, K. Durham, B. Henry, G. Sproul, P. Wagner 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:  
#7 - \$778,574.78 #10 - \$162,010.06

- 7b. 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 from the Committee on Special Education dated June 21, July 12 and 29, August 3, 9 and 10, 2011, and instruct the Superintendent to implement the recommendations on behalf of the following individuals identified by student number: 12762 11156 and IEP Amendments 12577 12578 08316 12766
- 7c. MEDICAID COMPLIANCE OFFICER Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Angela Kirkey as the Medicaid Compliance Officer for the 2011-2012 school year
- 7d1. LETTER OF RESIGNATION LAUREN KEELER Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, accepts the resignation of Lauren Keeler as an elementary teacher, effective August 10, 2011.
- 7d2. APPT. LT SUB TEACHER PAMELA PENDLETON Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and pursuant to Education Law, approves the appointment of Pamela Pendleton as a long term substitute teacher for the 2011-2012 school year as follows:  
Certification: Permanent Special Education control #: on file  
Date of Appointment: August 31, 2011-June 22, 2011  
Salary: Step A, \$39,250
8. INFORMATION ITEMS The following information items were given to board members: revised 2011-2012 Academic Calendar
9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION No one spoke to the board.  
  
Kathy DeAngelis left the meeting at 7:45pm.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION Robert Cahoon moved and John Boogaard seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. Durham, 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 7:46pm for the specific purpose of discussing the contract of an employee.
- OPEN SESSION The meeting returned to open session at 7:58pm at which time Kari Durham declared the meeting closed.
- ADJOURNMENT Robert Cahoon moved and John Boogaard seconded the following motion. The vote was unanimous. J. Buckalew, J. Boogaard, R. Cahoon, K. Durham, 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, approved adjournment of the meeting at 7:58pm.

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Clerk, Board of Education