

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOROUGH OF NORTH HALEDON**

Regular Meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

TIME: 7:30

Flag Salute

Roll Call

Present: Mrs. Contegiacomo, Mr. Dudas, Mrs. Foti, Mr. Gorga,
Mrs. Lampe, Mrs. Melone, Mr. Vaccaro, Mr. Jordan,
Ms. Cardiello, Ms. Lordi, Esq., Mrs. Di Bartolo

Absent: Mrs. Antropow (arrived at 9:40pm)

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, the North Haledon Board of Education has issued notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and location of the meeting posted at the North Haledon Municipal Building, Memorial School and High Mountain School and mailed to The Hawthorne Press, on May 6, 2011, which has been designated as the Board's official newspaper and to The Gazette and The Record, alternate newspapers. Notice was also filed with the Borough Clerk and will be sent to those persons requesting that such notice be mailed to them.

Presentation

Students from Miss Dooner's 6th grade Language Arts class read papers that they wrote demonstrating the skills developed by the Lit Life Workshop Program provided by the North Haledon Board of Education for the staff in an effort to increase Language Arts Literacy in the School District.

The students who presented their work were:

Joanna Jedryczka
Jay Scully
Thomas Hals
Alondra Brancato

Superintendent's Report

Business Administrator's Report

Finance

Investment report as of April 30, 2011
Total Governmental Funds \$ 985,204.18

Communications

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All correspondence to the Board received during the month is on the attached list and has been distributed.

Sender

Mashios
Janelle & Evan Feather

Subject

June Menus
Letter of Gratitude

Committee Reports

Facilities & Services: Paul Gorga – Provided an update on the litigation with the design team and the Land acquisition.

Curriculum: Tony Vaccaro – The committee met on May 18th and this evening. Ms. Pillari and Ms. Cardiello provided an update on the direction the district is taking in the area of language arts and

Finance: Anthony Vaccaro -

Personnel: Renate Lampe -

Policy: Renate Lampe -

Public Relations: Michelle Melone -

Technology: Mary Foti – The committee met last week to discuss the MRHS Technology Agreement and the cost and concept of a new ID program to facilitate the lunch room process as well as checking out books in the library.

Negotiations: Dorothy Contegiacomo – No report

QSAC: Anthony Vaccaro - No Report

Representative's Reports

Board of Recreation:

Borough Council:

Planning Board:

PCSBA/NJSBA:

P.C. Educational Service Commission: Miss Cardiello – I have been appointed the President of the Commission for the 2011-2012 school year.

Accept Reports

Motion: Mr. Vaccaro

Second: Mrs. Lampe

Be it resolved: That the Superintendent's, Business Administrator's, Committee and Representatives reports be accepted.

Vote: All in favor

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Petition of Citizens Approximately 34 audience members were in attendance. Mrs. Manning and Mrs Nurminen provided an update on the fundraising for the playground. They requested an \$8000 donation from the Board of Education.

Motion to Close the Floor: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mrs. Foti

Vote: Unanimous roll call vote

New Business

Finance:

The Finance Committee recommends the following motions for approval by the Board:

Motion: Mr. Vaccaro

Second: Mrs. Lampe

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves motions 1).

District Claims 2). Debt Service Request 3). Financial Reports 4) Budget Transfers

Vote:

Ayes: 88 (One abstention see below)

Nays: 0

Abstention: 1 – Mrs. Melone voted “yes” for all resolutions except for abstaining on the vote for Check #3060

1). District Claims

Be it resolved: That the attached list of claims in the amount of \$833,799.09 be approved for payment immediately or as funds of this Board become available. This list includes the following payments per fund \$781,818.87 General Fund, \$31,150.39 Special Revenue Fund, \$ 20,829.83 Cafeteria Fund

2). Debt Service Request

Be it resolved: That the amount of district taxes needed to meet all interest and debt redemption charges for the next six weeks of the 2011/2012 school year is \$453,665.65 and the Borough Council is hereby requested to place in the hands of the treasurer of school monies that amount within the next thirty days in accordance with the statutes relating thereto.

3). Budget Transfers

Be it resolved: That the transfers on the attached list in the amount of \$19,801.02 are approved for the 2010-2011 school budget:

4). Financial Reports

Be it resolved: That the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies reports for April 2011 be received as per copies distributed to each member and their totals spread in the minutes. Included within the Secretary’s report is the budgetary account status and pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 which

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requires certification from the Business Administrator that no line item account has encumbrances and expenditures, which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(a), the Business Administrator so certifies, and be it further resolved: the Board hereby certifies that, after review of the Secretary's monthly financial report for April 2011, to the best of its knowledge, no major accounts or funds have been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C.6A:23A-16.10(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year

Policy:

The Policy Committee recommends the following motions for approval by the Board.

Motion: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mrs. Contegiacomo

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves motions

1). Minutes

Vote:

Ayes: 8

Nays: 0

Abstention: 1 (Mrs. Melone voted to abstain from the Private Session Minutes of April 20 and April 28th)

2). Job Description

Vote:

Ayes: 9

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

1). Minutes

Be it resolved: The minutes listed below be approved as per copies distributed to each Board Member:

Reorganization Meeting – May 4, 2011

Regular Meeting – May 4, 2011

Private Session – April 20, 2011, April 28, 2011 and May 4, 2011

2). Job Description

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the job description of Vice Principal. (see attached).

Personnel:

The Personnel Committee recommends the following motions for approval by the Board.

Motion: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mrs. Foti

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board hereby approves motions:

1). Substitute Teachers, 2) School Physician 3) Advertising for Vacant Positions 4) Letters of Intent 5). Maternity Leave 6). Certification 7). Establishment of a Vice Principal Position

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There was a motion to **TABLE** item #2) **School Physician** by **Mrs. Contegiacomo** which was seconded by **Mrs. Foti**.

Vote:

Ayes: 9

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

Motion: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mrs. Foti

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent. The Board hereby approves motions:

1). Substitute Teachers, 2) School Physician-TABLED 3) Advertising for Vacant Positions 4) Letters of Intent 5). Maternity Leave 6). Certification 7). Establishment of a Vice Principal Position

Vote:

Ayes: 8 (One abstention see below)

Nays: 0

Abstention: Mr. Vaccaro voted yes for items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and abstained from item #7.

1). Substitute Teachers

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the attached list as substitute teachers at the rate fixed by policy.

2) School Physician Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the agreement with Dr. David Vincent Rasa, M.D. for the period of July 1, 2011 – June 30th, 2012 as School Physician as per the solicitation of proposals for professional services. The board hereby approves the agreement for services at a cost of \$1000 for the school year.

3) Advertising for Vacant Positions: Be it resolved: the North Haledon Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to advertise to fill vacant positions, as necessary.

4) Letters of Intent: Be it resolved: the North Haledon Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to provide letters of intent during the months of July and August and during other school holidays to employ staff for the 2011-2012 school year.

5) Maternity Leave: Be it resolved that the Board of Education hereby approves a maternity/child rearing leave of absence for teaching staff member Erica Zisa for the period from September 12, 2011 through December 23, 2011 in accordance with Part Two, Article 3 of the collective negotiations agreement between the Board and the North Haledon Education Association. Ms. Zisa shall utilize 33 paid sick leave days during this leave of absence. Ms. Zisa's unpaid leave shall commence on October 27, 2011 and shall continue through December 23, 2011. Ms. Zisa's unpaid leave will be counted against her entitlement to unpaid leave pursuant to the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §2601 et seq. and the New Jersey Family Leave Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11B-1 et seq., as appropriate, and Ms. Zisa's medical benefits shall

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continue during this unpaid leave. The Superintendent of Schools and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary are hereby authorized to take all necessary steps to implement this action of the Board.

6). Certification

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the request for expedited review of credentials of Annika Ahlstrom to seek P-3 NJ Certification (alternate route) as per request by the Passaic County Superintendent of Schools.

7). Vice Principal

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby established the position of Vice Principal as per the terms and conditions of the attached Job Description.

Curriculum:

The Curriculum Committee recommends the following motions for approval by the Board

Motion: Mr. Vaccaro

Second: Mr. Gorga

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves motions:

1) Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Program 2). Fountas and Pinnell Professional Training

Vote:

Ayes: 9

Nays: 0

Abstention: 0

1). Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Program

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the adoption of the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Program for use in grades K-5.

2). Fountas and Pinnell Professional Training

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves professional training of the Fountas and Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Program for teachers in grades K-5 on September 7, 2011 at a cost not to exceed \$3,600.

Facilities & Services:

The Facilities & Services Committee recommends the following motions for approval by the Board.

Motion: Mr. Gorga

Second: Mr. Vaccaro

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves motions:

1) Use of Facilities 2) Approval of contract with Manchester Regional High School 3) Subscription Busing Fee 4) Agreement with Global Connect 5) Agreement with System Sales Corporation 6) Armando's Cleaning Company

Vote:

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Ayes: 8

Nays: 0

Abstention: 1 (Mrs. Melone voted "yes" on all items except for her abstention on Item#2.)

1). Use of District Facilities

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the following use of district facilities subject to non-conflicting events:

Cub Scouts Pack #70 – Memorial School, Art Classroom, June 1st 3:00pm – 4:30pm.

8th Grade Committee – 7:00pm-9:00pm – HMS Multipurpose Room

June 7, 2011

February 27, 2012

September 14, 2011

March 26, 2012

October 24, 2011

April 30, 2012

November 28, 2011

May 21, 2012

December 19, 2011

June 5, 2012

January 30, 2012

2). Approval of Contract for Technology Services:

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves contract with the **Manchester Regional High School** for technology services for the 2011-2012 school year at a cost of \$45,856.00.

3) Subscription Busing Fee:

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves the following fee for Subscription Busing for elementary students to and from Memorial School for the 2011-2012 school year offered on a first come-first serve basis upon completion of the registration form and submission of the total cost (deadline July 1, 2011): \$200/family

4) Agreement with Global Connect:

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves an agreement with Global Connect for July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012 for a Parent Notification System at a fee of \$1.80 per student/per year.

5) Agreement with System Sales Corporation:

Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby approves an agreement with System Sales Corporation having offices at 1345 Campus Parkway, Neptune, NJ 07753 for June 1, 2011-May 31, 2012 for a Fire Alarm System Testing and Inspections, Burglar and Fire Alarm Monitoring Services for the Memorial and High Mountain Schools for a total cost of \$4734.00.

6) Acceptance of Proposal - Armando's Cleaning Co. L.L.C: Be it resolved: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board hereby accepts the proposal from Armando's Cleaning Co., L.L.C having offices at 475 High Mountain Road, Suite 6, North Haledon, NJ 07508 for

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summer cleaning service at both the Memorial and High Mountain Schools at a total cost not to exceed \$14,645.00.

WHEREAS, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, also known as the Open Public Meetings Act, authorized a public body to meet in executive or private session under certain limited circumstances, and

WHEREAS, said law requires the board to adopt a resolution at a public meeting before it can meet in such an executive or private session,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTH HALEDON BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT:

1. It does hereby determine that it is necessary to meet in Executive Session prior to adjournment of this meeting to obtain attorney advice with regards to student, personnel and legal issues and to conduct a student residency hearing.
2. The matter discussed will be made public when confidentiality is no longer necessary.

PRIVATE SESSION

Motion: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mr. Dudas

Time: 8:25pm

Vote: All in Favor

Present: Mrs. Antropow arrived at 9:00pm, Mrs. Contegiacomo, Mr. Dudas, Mrs. Foti, Mr. Gorga, Mrs. Lampe, Mrs. Melone, Mr. Vaccaro, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Cardiello, Ms. Lordi, Esq., Mrs. Di Bartolo

Others in Attendance: Court Reporter

Re-open Public Meeting

Motion: Mrs. Lampe

Second: Mrs. Foti

Time: 10:45

Vote: All in favor

Roll Call: Mrs. Antropow, Mrs. Contegiacomo, Mr. Dudas, Mrs. Foti, Mr. Gorga, Mrs. Lampe, Mrs. Melone, Mr. Vaccaro, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Cardiello, Ms. Lordi, Esq., Mrs. Di Bartolo

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#1 Be it Resolved by the North Haledon Board of Education that student A.B. shall be removed from the rolls of the North Haledon School District effective at the close of the school day on June 23, 2011 as this student is not entitled to a free public education in the North Haledon School District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1.

Motion: Mr. Vaccaro

Second: Mrs. Contegiacomo

Vote:

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Abstention: 2 (Mrs. Antropow and Mr. Dudas abstained)

#2 Be it Resolved by the North Haledon Board of Education that student B.B. shall be permitted to complete the 8th grade at High Mountain School in June 2011 pursuant to the relevant Board of Education Policy #5111, notwithstanding the fact that this student is not entitled to a free public education in the North Haledon School District pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:38-1.

Motion: Mr. Vaccaro

Second: Mrs. Contegiacomo

Vote:

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Abstention: 2 (Mrs. Antropow and Mr. Dudas abstained)

Unfinished Business

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mrs. Foti

Second: Mrs. Lampe

Time: 10:50pm

Vote: All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,



Nancy Di Bartolo
Board Secretary