

Regular Meeting

A Meeting of the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District was held on Monday evening, January 13, 2014, beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the Board Conference Room at the William J. Brosnan School, 158 Laurel Avenue, Northport, New York, with Mr. Stephen V. Waldenburg, Jr., Chairperson, opening the meeting and presiding.

Members present: Mr. David Badanes, Ms. Julia Binger, Mr. James Maloney, Mrs. Lori McCue, Mr. Andrew Rapiejko, Mr. Joseph Sabia, Mrs. Jennifer Thompson, Mrs. Tammie Topel, Mr. Stephen V. Waldenburg, Jr.

Members absent: None

Also present: Dr. Marylou McDermott, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Kathleen Molander, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Mr. Matthew Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Administration
Ms. Rosemarie Coletti, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Mr. Christopher Powers, Esq., Ingerman Smith, LLP, District Counsel

1. President Waldenburg called the meeting to order.

Motion was made by Trustee Thompson, seconded by Trustee Sabia, to convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons and matters pertaining to potential litigation.

Unanimously carried.

At 7:18 p.m. the Board reconvened in public session in the Cafeteria at the William J. Brosnan School.

Public attendance: There were approximately 75 persons present.

2. Mr. Waldenburg led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance; and
3. Pointed out the emergency exits.

Motion was made by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee Maloney, to approve all items under 4.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.01 Minutes

- 4.01.1 Regular Meeting, December 9, 2013

Unanimously carried.

5. SPECIAL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

- 5.01 Accomplishments of Staff and Students

- 5.01.1 Mr. Pat DeStefano, East Northport Middle School Principal, introduced East Northport Middle School Music Teachers Ms. Marie Michalopoulos and Mr. Dana Warren. The East Northport Middle School Select Choir performed the National Anthem and a melody of selections from "Guys and Dolls". The members of the Select Choir are Ashleigh Basel, Christopher Cirruzzo, Ryan Dee,

Sophie DeFalco, Halle Devins, Isabella Donneruno, Samantha Downey, Jennie Dworkin, Rafiq Elkiki, Aidan Fee, Taryn Feuer, Kyle Flanagan, Jenna Goz, David Goz, Julia Hahn, Leilani Kaiser, Caitlin Kavanaugh, Joseph LaBua, John LaBua, Brian Leahy, Joseph Mackay, Erica Marill, Christina Medaglia, Zoe Perles, Marisa Piscitelli, Megan Schiede, Dana Schoeps, Jenna Sheinhart, Gabriel Sherman, Benjamin Strait, Matthew Tallman, Madison Tamayo, Gabrielle Teiner, Zoe Warren, Shannon Wines, Simon Wintch, and Atticus Wintch.

Mr. DeStefano also presented a video entitled “Life at ENMS”

5.01.3 Ms. Denise Keenan, Northport High School Assistant Principal, introduced Ms. Alison Schwabish, Academy of Finance Coordinator and Academy of Finance teachers Kristen Cogan, Toni McIntosh, Lisa Pfisterer, and Elizabeth Price. Ms. Schwabish introduced the following AOF student officers: Cassidy Brown, Blake Ferris, Lily Guo, Katherine Kippley, Brian Ludemann, Megan Nogan, Robert Rizzo, Jennifer Ruder, Matthew Sokol and Joshua Sydney. The student officers presented on the program including AOF course offerings, experiential opportunities, business competitions, extracurricular opportunities that support the AOF Program, business partnerships, internship opportunities, and college and career ready skills.

5.02 For Information: Upcoming Meetings

President Waldenburg reviewed the upcoming Board meetings of January 27th and February 10th.

Dr. McDermott asked for a moment of silence in memory of East Northport Middle School Teacher Leslie Spanko, student Frankie Pitti, and Pulaski Road School Custodian William Moschini.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

6.01 Letter from Ms. Allison C. Noonan, received December 20, 2013, re: Protection of students’ privacy and opt-out of inBloom.

Ms. Noonan stated that she would like her letter read into the minutes of the meeting.

President Waldenburg stated that Ms. Noonan’s letter was regarding deleting student data from the inBloom system.

Dr. McDermott stated that the District takes the privacy of student records very seriously, following state law.

Mr. Nelson stated that the District provides certain student data to BOCES which in turn provides that data to the state. Mr. Nelson stated that the state has contract with inBloom to store the data rather than having its own data center.

There was a long discussion regarding demographic data, enrollment data, program data, FERPA, No Child Left Behind, Race to the Top, federal government data requirements, unintentional breach of student data, and IEP Direct.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

<u>Name</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Magister L. John Friia Resident	Requested the Board consider returning Latin to the curriculum and invited the Board and Administration to attend a Latin Certamen on April 9 th at Stony Brook University. Mr. Friia stated that students that take Latin tend to become more proficient in math and science and noted that better than 75% of the Intel semifinalists have Latin as part of their curriculum.

There was a brief discussion regarding the World Language curriculum and how enrollment is driven. Vice President Thompson requested an overview from World Languages Chairperson Nesfield on how students are surveyed regarding future course offerings.

8. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT, GENERAL – FOR BOARD ACTION

Motion was made by Trustee Waldenburg, seconded by Trustee Badanes, to approve item 8.01 including addendum resolution discussed in Executive Session.

8.01 Personnel Action Report, dated January 13, 2014, attached and made part of the official minutes, including addendum resolution.

Unanimously carried.

President Waldenburg announced the following retirements: Ms. Alicia Atlas, Northport High School English Teacher, 34 years of service; Mr. Robert Shertzer, Dickinson Avenue Elementary School Teacher, 43 years of service; Ms. Agnes Caillat, East Northport Middle School Cook, 25 years of service; and Mr. Robert Jones, Districtwide Bus Driver, 35 years of service.

Motion wade made by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee Sabia, to approve the remaining items under 8. and all items under 9.

8.02 Schedule J – Committee on Special Education, dated January 13, 2014, attached and made part of the official minutes

8.03 Adopting the 2014-2015 Schedule of Voting Details

9. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT, FINANCIAL – FOR BOARD ACTION

9.01 Taking specified action on the following BIDS:

EDUCATIONAL:

9.01.1 AWARD: Transportation for District Students with Disabilities and District Students Attending Out-of-District Schools

9.02 Declaring the attached selected equipment as surplus and approving disposal in accordance with Board policy

9.03 Approving the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Board Policy and State Regulations, the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mr. Paul Rosen to serve as Impartial Hearing Officer for the purpose of conducting an impartial hearing in accord with Policy 4321, Program for Students with Disabilities Under IDEA”

9.04 Approving the following donations to the District:

9.04.1 \$300.00 from Charles and Barbara Tragna to the Lt. Commander Christopher Tragna Scholarship

9.04.2 \$200.00 from The Suffolk County Music Educators' Association, Inc. to the Robert and Marjorie Krueger Scholarship

9.04.3 \$500.00 from Home Depot Foundation Matching Gift Program to the Lt. Commander Christopher Tragna Memorial Scholarship

9.04.4 \$200.00 from Gene Madiou to the Rose Ann Madiou Scholarship Fund

9.04.5 A Cannon G-9 digital camera from Peter Lee to the Visual Arts Department at Northport High School, value estimated by the donor to be approximately \$150.00

9.04.6 50 bracelets to support Challenge Day at Northport High School from Mrs. Diane Filingeri, value estimated by the donor to be approximately \$300.00

9.04.7 \$10,000.00 from David James to the Deborah A. Shavalier Memorial Scholarship

9.05 Approving the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$672 from Northport-East Northport residents whose names are more fully set forth in the attached document, for the purpose of the Northport High School Introduction to Dance, Musical Theater and Tri-M trip to New York City on March 12, 2014 and increase the 2013-2014 budget code A2110.4161.30.2903 by \$672 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code A2705 of the 2013-2014 budget by \$672 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of donations from Northport-East Northport residents."

9.06 Approving the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby gratefully accepts a donation of \$855 from Northport-East Northport residents whose names are more fully set forth in the attached document, for the purposes of covering the cost of transportation for a Northport High School Urban Studies class field trip on December 5, 2013, and increase the 2013-2014 budget code A2110.4161.30.2903 by \$855 for this purpose.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase in the revenue code A2705 of the 2013-2014 budget by \$855 with the understanding that this increase in revenue is the result of donations from Northport-East Northport residents."

9.07 Approving a Rider to Agreement between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Jiten Hotel Management, as Owner of Comfort Inn Randolph (NHS Orchestra)

9.08 Approving a License and Operating Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Kaplan K12 Learning Services, LLC (NHS Sat Prep)

9.09 Approving two Riders to Agreements between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and John W. Engeman Theater at Northport (FAS)

9.10 Approving a Rider to Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and John W. Engeman Theater at Northport (OAS)

9.11 Approving a 2013-2014 Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Reach for the Stars Tutoring, Inc.

9.12 Authorizing the Board President to sign a contract with the following school districts to provide health services for Northport-East Northport students attending schools in that district during the 2013-2014 school year:

9.12.1 Jericho Union Free School District, fifteen (15) students attending Long Island Lutheran Middle School/High School # \$952.34, totaling \$14,285.10

9.12.2 Syosset Central School District, sixteen (16) students attending Our Lady of Mercy Academy @ \$936.74, totaling \$14,987.84

9.12.3 West Islip School District, eighteen (18) students attending St. John the Baptist High School @ \$709.56, totaling \$12,772.08

9.13 Approving a 2013-2014 Special Education Services Contract between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and the Board of Education of the West Islip Union Free School District

9.14 Approving a 2013-2014 Special Education Services Contract between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and the Board of Education of the Smithtown Central School District

9.15 Approving a 2013-2014 Special Education Services Contract between the Board of Education of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and the Board of Education of the South Huntington Union Free School District

9.16 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Long Island Aquarium (BAS)

9.17 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Gale Ambrosio (BAS)

9.18 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Long Island Children's Museum (BAS)

9.19 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Jane Ruthkowski, LLC (BAS)

9.20 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and St. James Tutoring/Education at Mather (Spec Ed)

9.21 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and American Arbitration Association (HR)

9.22 Approving a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Positive Behavior Support Consulting & Psychological Resources, P.C. (Spec Ed)

9.23 Approving a Rider to Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Schoolman Transportation System, Inc. d/b/a Classic Coach (NHS)

9.24 Approving a Reservation and Contract for Services between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Sweetbriar Nature Center (OAS)

9.25 Approving the Revenue Budget Status and Appropriation Status Reports for the Special Aid Fund for the period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

9.26 Approving the Quarterly Budget Transfer Report for the period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

9.27 Approving the Appropriation Status Report for the Capital Fund for the period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

9.28 Approving the Claims Auditor's Reports for Warrants and Schedule of Claims for payments dated:

October 11, 2013 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), October 15, 2013 (Accounts Payable Warrant), October 25, 2013 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), October 31, 2013 (Accounts Payable Warrant), October 2013 (Claims Audit Report)

9.29 Approving Claims Auditor's Report – Payroll Audit for the Payroll Distribution/Audit dated October 25, 2013 (NMS)

9.30 Approving Treasurer's Report and Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements:

9.30.1 Treasurer's Report for the period September 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013

9.30.2 Treasurer's Report for the period October 1, 2013 through October 31, 2013

9.30.3 Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements for the month ending September 30, 2013

9.30.4 Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements for the month ending October 31, 2013

9.31 Approving the following Schedule of Investments:

9.31.1 Schedule of Investments as of September 30, 2013

9.31.2 Schedule of Investments as of October 31, 2013

9.32 Approving the following Collateral Schedules:

9.32.1 Collateral Schedule as of September 30, 2013

9.32.2 Collateral Schedule as of October 31, 2013

9.33 Approving the following Bank Reconciliation Reports:

9.33.1 Bank Reconciliation Report for the Month ended September 30, 2013

9.33.2 Bank Reconciliation Report for the Month ended October 31, 2013

9.34 Approving the following General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statements:

9.34.1 General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statement for the year ending 2013-2014, Actual Data July 1, 2013 – September 30, 2013, Estimated Data October 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

9.34.2 General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statement for the year ending 2013-2014, Actual Data July 1, 2013 – October 31, 2013, Estimated Data November 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

9.35 Approving the following School Lunch Profit and Loss Statements:

9.35.1 School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement for the month ending September 30, 2013

9.35.2 School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement for the month ending October 31, 2013

9.36 Approving the following Student Activity Account Reports for July 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013

- 9.36.1 Northport High School
- 9.36.2 East Northport Middle School
- 9.36.3 Northport Middle School

9.37 Approving an Engagement Letter with Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck & Company, PC for the preparation of the District's June 30, 2014 financial statements and provision of monthly accounting services

9.38 Approving Transfer of General Fund Appropriations in the 2013-2014 budget

9.39 Approving the Revenue Budget Status and Appropriation Status Reports for the General Fund for the period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

9.40 Approving the Revenue Budget and Appropriation Status Reports for the School Lunch Fund for the period July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013

Vote on Trustee McCue's motion to approve the remaining items under 8. and all items under 9. was unanimously carried.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

10.01 Schedule H – Use of Facilities

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Badanes stated that the Intel Semifinalists were announced and asked if there was a reason that none of them were from Northport.

Ms. Irene McLaughlin, Northport High School Principal, stated that she has been working very closely with Mr. McGrath, Science Chairperson, Mr. Horan, Science Research Teacher, Mr. Nelson, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Administration, and Dr. McDermott regarding the Science Research Program. Ms. McLaughlin noted that the science research program has been incredibly successful and that research components have been created for living environment and chemistry.

Trustee Badanes requested that the science research students present at a future Board meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Trustee Rapiejko, seconded by Trustee Sabia, to adjourn the meeting

Unanimously carried.

At 9:43 p.m. the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Beth M. Nystrom
District Clerk