

The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in executive session on July 14, 2015, in the Grandview School Cafeteria, Hamilton Drive East, North Caldwell, NJ, at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Michael Halik, Business Administrator, indicated that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting had been properly advertised and the agenda had been posted at the appropriate locations.

Roll call by the Business Administrator:

Present: Mr. Robert Projansky, President
 Mrs. Marianne Bohrer
 Mrs. Mary Mokris
 Mrs. Jann Skelton

Absent: Mrs. Valerie Buccino, Vice President

Also Present: Dr. Linda Freda, Superintendent
 Mr. Michael Halik, Business Administrator / Board Secretary

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mrs. Wilcomes, 6 Harding Avenue - thanked the Board for their consideration regarding transportation, including the safety issues raised regarding: school dismissal, parents not following pick-up procedures and both schools dismissing at the same time. She also stated she realized her request is neighborhood specific but the Board was helping to address as many town-wide issues as possible within their control.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **By-Law 0134 Board Self Evaluation**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G2. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **By-Law 0152 Board Officers**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 4212, Support Staff Attendance**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 4212, Support Staff Attendance**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G5. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 3212, Attendance**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G6. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 8630, Emergency School Bus Procedures**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

- G7. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 8630, Bus Driver/Bus Aide Responsibility**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 4218, Substance Abuse**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G9. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 4218, Substance Abuse**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 3218, Substance Abuse** at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 3218, Substance Abuse**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G12. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 2622, Student Assessment**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G13. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 2622, Pupil Assessment**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G14. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the submission and acceptance of the following Fiscal 2016 NCLB grant award:

Title IA: \$46,870.00
Title IIA: \$7,170.00

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G15. WHEREAS Michael Halik, School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary possesses a qualified purchasing agent (QPA) certificate;

WHEREAS the Governor, in consultation with the State Treasurer and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (b), on July 1, 2015 has increased the bid threshold amount for school districts with purchasing agents who possess qualified purchasing agent certificates, from \$36,000 to \$40,000;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Caldwell Board of Education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a) and N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.4, establishes and sets the bid threshold amount of \$40,000 for the board of education, and further authorizes Michael Halik to award contracts, in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (a), for those purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate of the newly established bid threshold amount.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G16. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the transportation routes for the 2015-2016 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G17. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve facilities use form submitted on behalf of the West Essex Cowboys.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

G18. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the legal services agreement for general counsel for fiscal year 2015-16 with **Sciarrillo Cornell** of 238 St. Paul Street, Westfield, NJ, at the rate of \$165.00 per hour.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

B1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the **Public & Confidential Minutes of June 30, 2015.**

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 3 No: 0

Abstain: Mrs. Skelton

B2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the **July 15, 2015 payroll** in the amount of \$47,158.06.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

B3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the **June 30, 2015 Bills & Claims** in the amount of \$160,777.53.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- B4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the attached Board Secretary's and Treasurer's **Monthly Financial Reports** for May 2015.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- B5. WHEREAS** pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 3, the Board Secretary does certify that as of May 2015, no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1; therefore be it

RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 4, the Board of Education does certify that as of May 2015, the Board Secretary Monthly Financial Report, did not reflect an over expenditure in any Major Account or Fund, and based on the Appropriation Balances reflected on this report and on the advice of District Officials, that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- B6. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the below listed May 2015 Line Item Transfers.

P2. RESLOVED that the Board of Education approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following staff:

Name	Date	Workshop	Cost	Travel
Burg, A.	7/16/15	Art Education Conf	\$125.00	
Eisinger, L.	10/16/15	NJIDA	\$225.00	
Keenan, P.	10/14/2015	NJAAP	\$175.00	\$24.80
Little, E.	7/21/15	MSR1-2 Scope & Sequence	\$75.00	

Moved: Mrs. Bohrer Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- P3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following as substitutes for the 2015 Summer Program:

**Elieen Little
Carrie Bryer
Angela Castiglia
Allison Mead
Melissa Schlachter
Sarah Veniero**

Moved: Mrs. Bohrer Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- P4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve Family Medical Leave for **Meredith Toth** effective September 1, 2015 to November 20, 2015.

Moved: Mrs. Bohrer Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

- P5. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve Family Medical Leave for **Janel Edwards** effective September 1, 2015 to October 15, 2015.

Moved: Mrs. Bohrer Seconded: Mrs. Skelton

Yes: 4 No: 0

OLD BUSINESS

Due to a change in PARCC testing, it now creates a conflict with spring break and our school calendar. Dr. Freda has spoken with West Essex and they are not planning on changing their calendar. As the community would prefer the calendars align, it has been decided the calendars are not changing.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Freda reported the district qualified for the No Child Left Behind Grant Title 1. This was a surprise as in the past it was based on free and reduced lunch. This year the Federal Government used the census and poverty rate to determine eligibility. Federal Laws require this money be used to close the Educational Achievement Gap. Therefore, it was determined we will use the money for before and after school tutoring programs as long as the funds are available to the district.

The following resolution was called at approximately 7:45 p.m.

RESOLVED that in accordance with section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, the Board has the authority to adjourn to closed session to discuss matters pertaining to: legal, negotiations and personnel. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.

Moved: Mrs. Skelton Seconded: Mrs. Bohrer

Yes: 4 No: 0

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Halik
Business Administrator / Board Secretary