

The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened for the annual organization meeting held on January 7, 2020, in the cafeteria of the Grandview School, Hamilton Drive East, North Caldwell, NJ, at 7:40 p.m.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Michael Halik, welcomed everyone to the reorganization meeting of the North Caldwell Board of Education. They recited the Pledge of Allegiance after which Mr. Halik indicated, in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, notice of this meeting had been properly advertised and the agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations.

Mr. Halik then reported to the Board and community the results of the November 5, 2019, General Election for the School Board Election which had one (1) open candidate seat. Mr. Projansky received 980 votes. There were also fifteen (15) write-in votes.

The Board Secretary swore in Mr. Projansky.

The Business Administrator/Board Secretary called the roll.

Roll call by the Board Secretary:

Present: Mr. Robert Projansky
Mrs. Mary Mokris
Mrs. Melinda (Mindy) Opper
Mrs. Jordan Shumofsky
Mr. Matthew Atlas

Absent: None

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

Mr. Halik called for nominations for the office of President of the Board of Education for the term commencing January 2, 2020, to the next reorganization meeting.

RESOLVED that Mr. Robert Projansky be elected as President of the North Caldwell Board of Education.

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

Mr. Halik called for a motion to close nominations for the office of President of the Board of Education.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mr. Mokris
Yes:	5	No:	0

The Board voted 5-0 to elect Mr. Robert Projansky President of the Board of Education.

Mr. Projansky assumed the chair as President of the Board.

Mr. Projansky called for nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board of Education for the term commencing January 2, 2020, to the next reorganization meeting.

RESOLVED that Mrs. Mary Mokris be elected as Vice President of the North Caldwell Board of Education.

Moved:	Mr. Atlas	Seconded:	Mrs. Shumofsky
Yes:	5	No:	0

Mr. Projansky called for a motion to close nominations for the office of Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Moved:	Mr. Atlas	Seconded:	Mrs. Shumofsky
Yes:	5	No:	0

The Board voted 5-0 to elect Mrs. Mary Mokris Vice-President of the Board of Education.

Mr. Projansky announced the Committee Appointments and the Delegate and Liaison Positions.

COMMITTEES

- Buildings & Grounds – Mrs. Opper, Chairperson/Mrs. Mokris, Member
- Community Relations – Mr. Atlas, Chairperson/Mrs. Shumofsky, Member
- Curriculum – Mr. Atlas, Chairperson/Mrs. Mokris, Member
- Finance – Mrs. Mokris, Chairperson/Mr. Projansky, Member
- Negotiations – Mrs. Opper, Chairperson/Mr. Projansky, Member
- Personnel – Committee of the Whole
- Policy – Mrs. Mokris, Chairperson/Mrs. Shumofsky, Member

- Transportation & Safety – Mrs. Shumofsky, Chairperson/Mrs. Opper, Member

Moved: Mr. Atlas Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

LIAISON POSITIONS

- Delegate to NJSBA – Mrs. Shumofsky
- Mayor, Council, Planning Board & Police Department – Mr. Projansky/Mr. Atlas
- Recreation Board & Advisory Department – Mrs. Mokris
- Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts/Girl Scouts – Mr. Atlas
- North Caldwell Partnership in Education – Mr. Atlas/Mrs. Opper

Moved: Mr. Atlas Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Projansky was presented with the School Board Recognition plaque received from Essex County in recognition of his service. He said thank you to everyone on the Board. Mr. Projansky noted it is School Board Member Recognition month and he wanted to thank all the members of the Board for their service.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Freda wished everyone a Happy New Year. She congratulated Mr. Projansky and welcomed him back for his fourth term. She reported that at the next meeting Mrs. Agnellino will be recognized for her years of service and Mr. Barnett, district architect, would be reporting on possible facility expansion due to increased enrollments because of building and housing turn over in town.

Dr. Freda also stated there was no violence or vandalism to be reported.

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Mrs. Projansky, 2 Falcon Point, stated she has eight (8) children, four (4) of which do not know cursive writing because they were never taught. She feels cursive writing should be returned to the curriculum. Dr. Freda stated she will consider how that subject could be included in the school day.

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTIONS

O1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education adopt all existing bylaws and policies of the Board and approve existing administrative rules and regulations, subject to revision, for the forthcoming fiscal school year.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

O2. RESOLVED that all meetings of the Board of Education be conducted according to Robert Rules of Order and Board Policy.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

O3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoint **Jordan Shumofsky** as Delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association for one (1) year, beginning immediately and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the policy authorizing the duties of the delegate to the New Jersey School Board Association be approved as follows:

1. Represent the Board at meetings of the New Jersey School Boards Association.
2. Study and report to the Board all proposed State and Federal Legislature of interest and relevance.
3. At the direction of the Board, prepare proposed resolutions for submission to the State School Boards Association.

The policy shall not prohibit or discourage other Board members from active participation in legislative affairs.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

O4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education re-adopt Code of Ethics, **attached**.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

O5. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the attached list of Committees and Membership for the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

O6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the attached schedule of public and confidential meetings for 2020.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 1642, Earned Sick Leave Law**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 1642, Earned Sick Leave Law**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 3159, Teaching Staff Member/School District Reporting Responsibilities**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 3218, Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G5. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 3218, Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G6. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 4218, Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances** at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G7. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 4218, Use, Possession, or Distribution of Substances**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G8. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Policy 6112, Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

- G9. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 6112, Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 7440, School District Security**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 7440, School District Security**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G12. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 8600, Student Transportation**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G13. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation 8600, Student Transportation**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G14. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 8670, Transportation of Special Needs Students**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G15. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Policy 9400, Media Relations**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G16. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the 2019-2020 Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement between Education and Law Enforcement Officials-School Critical Drills, and Memorandum of Understanding.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G17. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve payment to **Dr. Farrel** in the amount of \$675.00 for a developmental pediatric assessment for **student #8005584**.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G18. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted on behalf of recreation for Explore Science, pending valid insurance certification.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

G19. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Preschool Tuition in the amount of \$3,800 for the 2020-2021 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

Prior to voting, the Board discussed tuition rates throughout the area before approving tuition for the 2020-2021 school year.

G20. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Tuition (Non-Resident) Pupil Agreement with Frank and Maricela Amelio effective January 2, 2020, in the monthly tuition amounts listed therein.

Moved: Mrs. Opper Seconded: Mrs. Mokris

Yes: 5 No: 0

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

- B1. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **Public & Confidential Minutes of December 10, 2019.**

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B2. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 10, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$48,674.27.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 11, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$159.90.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 12, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$24,879.17.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B5. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 12, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$84.00.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B6. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 20, 2019, Payroll** in the amount of \$337,258.84.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B7. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **January 7, 2020, Bills and Claims** in the amount of \$381,617.02.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B8. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 20, 2019, Payroll** in the amount of \$2,068.66.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B9. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 20, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$48,674.27.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B10. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the attached Title I Tutoring additional payments in the amount of \$1,275.00 for **November 2019**.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

- B11. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **December 20, 2019, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$84.00.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5 No: 0

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

- P1. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following teachers:

Name	Date	Workshop	Cost	Travel
Shay, K.	2/1/2020	NJIDA	\$90.00	
Castiglia, A.	2/1/2020	NJIDA	\$90.00	
Adlon, I.	1/30-1/31	TECHSPO	\$475.00	\$345.00
Halik, M.	1/30-1/31	TECHSPO	\$475.00	\$345.00

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

- P2. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following teachers:

Name	Date	Workshop	Cost	Travel
Linden, Lisa	1/14/2020	NJECC	\$110.00	

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

- P3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Susan Roseman** as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

OLD BUSINESS

The Board discussed the regionalization/consolidation resolution to be included for the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

The following resolution was called at 8:10 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 and matters affecting school security. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Halik
Board Secretary