

The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in executive session on March 17, 2020, via an online Zoom Meeting at 7:34 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.

In addition a notice was posted on the Entrances of Grandview Elementary School and on Board of Education Website that March 17, 2020 meeting would be done via the Zoom Online Meeting Platform.

Roll call by the Business Administrator:

Present: Mr. Robert Projansky, President  
Mrs. Mary Mokris, Vice President  
Mrs. Jordan Shumofsky  
Mrs. Mindy Opper  
Mr. Matt Atlas

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

**BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Projansky, on behalf of the Board, thanked Dr. Freda and her administration and staff for coming together as true professionals during this unprecedented time. He thanked staff and everyone in the community for their understanding. He also specifically thanked the custodians for their hard work.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Freda thanked all parents for their patience and cooperation. She praised everyone for working together during the transition to online distance learning, which has never been done before. Dr. Freda also thanked faculty and staff for all efforts to be able to close the District without impacting the education of students. She especially thanked Ian Adlon for going above and beyond during this unprecedented event. Dr. Freda also thanked the custodians for scrubbing down buildings, and all teachers for working diligently as teams. She reminded staff to please contact district administration by email with day by day information. Dr. Freda mentioned that the District could be possibly closed until April 20th.





**PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS**

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Workshop</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Travel</b>
Silva, T.	5/13/2020	Changing the ADHD Brain	\$219.99	
Sibilia, T.	4/23-4/24	NJSHA	\$275.00	
Socci, D.	4/23-4/24	NJSHA	\$275.00	

Moved: Mrs. Mokris                      Seconded: Mrs. Opper  
 Yes: 5    No: 0

**P2. RESOLVED** that he Board of Education rescind resolution **P9** from the February 25, 2020 Board meeting.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris                      Seconded: Mrs. Opper  
 Yes: 4    No: 0  
 Abstain: 1    Mr. Atlas

**P3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Gianna De Frank** as a third grade maternity leave replacement teacher at a prorated salary of \$48,172.00 (BA Step 2-3) effective March 16, 2020 to June 30, 2020.

Moved: Mrs. Mokris                      Seconded: Mrs. Opper  
 Yes: 5    No: 0

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Board briefly discussed a potential Referendum at West Essex in March 2021.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

The following resolution was called at approximately 8:03 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: Staff Issues and Resources amid COVID 19 Crisis. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.

Moved: Mrs. Opper                      Seconded: Mrs. Shumofsky

Yes: 5    No: 0

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 8:24p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael W. Halik  
Business Administrator / Board Secretary