

NORTH SALEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
NORTH SALEM, NEW YORK 10560
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 16, 2011

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the North Salem Central School District was called to order at 6:33 PM in the Board Conference Room by Board Vice President Judith Schurmacher.

At 6:33 PM, a motion was made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried (7-0), to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Ms. Schurmacher was appointed Clerk Pro-Tem for this Executive Session.

At 7:26 PM, on a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried (7-0), the Board adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened to the Public Session.

Board Members Present at this Meeting:

Ms. Katherine Daniels, President
Ms. Judith Schurmacher, Vice-President
Mr. Paul Giamundo, Trustee
Mr. Paul Smadbeck, Trustee
Mr. Andrew Brown, Trustee
Mr. Jonathan Freeman, Trustee
Ms. Deborah D'Agostino, Trustee

Also Present:

Dr. Kenneth Freeston, Superintendent
Dr. Michael Hibbard, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Human Resources
Ms. MaryJo Hauser, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services
Ms. Barbara Briganti, Director of Business Administration
Mr. Gary Green, Director of Facilities, Operations, Maintenance and Transportation
Ms. Mary Rhuda, District Clerk
Members of the Public, Faculty & Students

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 PM Katherine Daniels followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Announcements

Board Trustee and Budget Vote

There are two seats open in May 17, 2011 Trustee Election.

To run for the School Board a candidate must be a qualified voter of the district (i.e., a United States citizen); and must have resided in the School District for an uninterrupted period of at least one year prior to the election date. A person who has been convicted of a state or federal felony may not serve on a school board unless: (1) he/she has been pardoned or otherwise restored to the rights

of citizenship by the Governor or the President; or (2) his/her maximum sentence of imprisonment has expired; or (3) he/she has been discharged from parole.

Petition Signatures

In accordance with §2018 of the State Education Law, nominating petitions for the May 18, 2010 election require at least twenty-five (25) qualified signatures. (It is suggested that additional qualified signatures be obtained.)

The filing deadline for filing nominating petitions is 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2010. Petitions must be filed with the District Clerk at her office in the District Office at 230 June Road, North Salem, NY.

Public Comment

None.

Presentations

Dr. Freeston recapped the 2011-2012 proposed budget with no changes as previously presented. Modified sports are still, and have always been funded in this budget. Dr. Freeston explained North Salem's budget history. Dr. Freeston will be checking with legal counsel regarding holding school functions on the day of the budget vote and trustee election. To view all budget presentations please go to the District website.

http://www.northsalem schools.org/board_of_education/annual_budget

Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services

Ms. MaryJo Hauser, Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel Services, presented the proposed 2011-2012 budget for Pupil Personnel Services. In the presentation, the mission, unfunded mandates, number of school age and preschool classified students were discussed. Trends of classified students, as well as staffing and personnel responsibilities for the Special Education Department were presented.

Instructional Technology

Mr. Gary Green presented the Instructional Technology proposed budget for 2011-2012 and discussed highlights and goals of the Technology Department.

Public Comment

A resident asked about salaries for coaches and salaries for summer work, as well as fees & dues for athletics.

Three parents, all having had children in the Walkabout program, told of the successes of their children and the wish for the Board to keep a spot in this program for other children that may need this opportunity.

Three North Salem High School students spoke about the need for clubs in the District, in particular, the Drama Club and the Environmental Club. These clubs provide a family type atmosphere for the participants and a great experience for all involved.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried (7-0) the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Rhuda
District Clerk