

**NORTH SALEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**NORTH SALEM, NEW YORK 10560**  
**www.northsalemsschools.org**  
**October 22, 2008**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**6:30 PM Executive Session Board Conference Room**  
**7:30 PM Public Session North Salem Middle School Cafeteria**

**Agenda (Revisions are in Red)**

- I. Call to Order - 6:30 PM- Board Conference Room**
- II. Motion to Enter Executive Session** – it is anticipated that the Board will enter executive session to discuss matters of specific personnel and contractual negotiations.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Announcements**
- V. Public Comment**
- VI. Acceptance of Minutes**  
October 7, 2008
- VII. Superintendent’s Report**
- VIII. Director of Business Administration’s Report**
- IX. Board Reports**
- X. Discussion Items**  
Priorities and Perspectives for the 2009-2010 Budget
- XI. Presentations**  
**SEQRA Review-Scoping Documents**  
*Process and procedures for setting the public scoping meeting*
- XII. Action Items**
  - A. Supplementary Auditing Services**

***RESOLVED***, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Proposal for Consulting Services for supplementary auditing services not to exceed the amount of \$13,000, based on the hourly rates and estimate dated October 10, 2008 and submitted by SafirRosetti.

***FURTHER RESOLVED***, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to sign the SafirRosetti, dated October 10, 2008.

## **B. Approval New Course**

**RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the addition of an Advanced Placement European History course to the North Salem Central School curriculum; this course will replace the Global History & Geography Honors Class.

## **C. Resolution in Support of Putnam/Northern Westchester Chief School Administrator's Statement regarding Education as a Civil Right**

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the North Salem Central School District endorse the statement of the Putnam/Northern Westchester Chief School Administrators Association which appears herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the District Clerk upon adoption of such resolution, through a certified statement notify the president of the Putnam/Northern Westchester Chief School Administrator's Association of such adoption; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent of Schools review the statement of the Putnam/Northern Westchester Chief School Administrators with building principals and other administrators with the expectation that principals will review the statement with respective faculty groups; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the statement of the Putnam/Northern Westchester Chief School Administrators Association that appears below be incorporated in to the minutes of these proceedings to see the commitment of the North Salem Central School District Board of Education to the principals outlined in the statement.

### **Statement of Putnam/Westchester Chief School Administrators Association**

In the history of our nation and our world, race and religion have been both powerful and motivations for progress, as well as a source of conflict and intolerance. In fact, intolerance often extends to perceived abilities, socio-economic status, life style and beyond.

The Superintendents of the Putnam/Northern Westchester region, in concert with the New York State Council of School Superintendents, believe strongly that education is a civil right, which is essential to the achievement of the fundamental, inalienable right of equality.

We believe:

- All students must have access to a rich and challenging educational experience.
- All students must be provided the necessary support to achieve at a level that prepares them to be successful in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- All students should learn and value their roles as citizens in a global society.
- All students should embrace our differences and distinctiveness and understand that those characteristics contribute to the greater good.

- All students, when confronted with issues of intolerance, should challenge such attitudes appropriately.

We believe that as school district leaders, it is our responsibility to:

- Promote and support open and honest discussion about issues of intolerance.
- Create a climate of respect for all.
- Educate our students to appreciate and celebrate differences.

**D. Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report, Budget Status and Revenue Status, Expenditure Report for the month of September 2008**

*RESOLVED*, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer’s Report, Budget Status and Revenue Status, Expenditure Report for the month of September 2008.

**E. Acceptance Student Activity Report September 2008**

*RESOLVED*, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the Student Activity Report for the month of September 2008.

**F. Budget Transfers**

**09-012**

*RESOLVED*, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the transfer of \$42,700 to A 2110-130-00-000 Regular Day Instruction Salaries 7 – 12 from A 9020-820-90-000 Employee Benefits – Retirement.

**09-013**

*RESOLVED*, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the transfer of \$15,000 to A 1625-400-00-0000 Security of Plant – Professional Consultants from A 9010-810-90-0000 Employee Benefits – NYS Employees Retirement.

**G. Consent Agenda**

*The use of the Consent Agenda permits the Board of Education to make more effective use of its time by adopting a single motion to cover those relatively routine matters, which are included. Any member of the Board who wishes to discuss individually a particular piece of business on the Consent Agenda may so indicate and that item will be considered and voted on separately, thus preserving the right of all Board members to be heard on any issue.*

**XIII. Old Business**

**XIV. New Business**

**XV. Public Comments**

**XVI. Consideration of Executive Session Subject to Board Approval**

**XVII. Adjournment**

**Future Agenda Items**

- Comprehensive Student Performance Report
- Audit Management Letter and Corrective Action Plan
- Welcome Student Representatives-November 12, 2008
- Board Open Forums-December 2008