

NORTH SALEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
NORTH SALEM, NEW YORK 10560
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BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 22, 2009

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the North Salem Central School District was called to order at 6:34 PM in the Board Conference Room by Board President Katherine Daniels.

At 6:34 PM, a motion was made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Jonathan Freeman and carried (7-0), to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and specific matters of personnel. Judith Schurmacher was appointed Clerk Pro-Tem for this Executive Session.

At 7: 33 PM, on a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Jonathan Freeman 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. Jonathan Freeman, Trustee
Mr. Stephen Bobolia, Trustee
Mr. Andrew Brown, 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. Elizabeth Joyce, Interim Director of Business Administration
Mr. Gary Green, Director of Facilities, Operations, Maintenance and Transportation
Ms. Danelle Perillo, District Treasurer
Ms. Rebecca Narvaez, District Clerk
Mr. John White, Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Fiscal Planning
Members of North Salem Staff
Members of the Public

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Katherine Daniels and followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Citizens Advisory Committee on Fiscal Planning-Chair Mr. John White

John White presented a brief history of the committee and presented the Board with the recommendations from the committee including:

- The formalization of documentation, using tracked monthly actuals, to build the budget.
- Unallocated Fund Balance no change in recommendations from last year.
- No change in recommendations from last year with regard to Tax Certs.
- Liability insurance recommendations were adopted by the Board in December.

- Medical insurance at level proposed in the budget.
- Cut bus replacements from budget and move \$200,000 to building capital and remainder to bus expense and maintenance.

Undistributed Expenses and Revenue and Tax Rate Forecasts – Ms. Elizabeth Joyce

Elizabeth Joyce, Interim Director of Business Administration and Danelle Perillo, Treasurer, presented the Board with spreadsheets relative to undistributed expenses and revenue, as well as the tax rate forecasts.

Budget Considerations

Discussion took place regarding score card items to be added, deleted or modified on the proposed 2009-2010 budget.

Bus replacement, body work and refurbishing were included in the discussion as was the question of a transportation study.

The board members voted on scorecard issues relative to the 2009-2010 proposed budget item by item-

1. Reduce Board Conference and Travel by \$5,000, carried (7-0).
2. Keep District Publications at its current level, carried (7-0).
3. Keep Security Professional Contract at its current level, carried (7-0).
4. Add \$15,000 to Security Contractual for summer guards, carried 6 ayes-1 nay (Andrew Brown).
5. Keep Aides Salaries at its current level, carried (7-0).
6. Reduce Aides Special Ed by \$10,040, carried (7-0).
7. Reduce Contractual System Admin, carried (7-0).
8. Reduce Contractual Maintenance, carried (7-0).
9. Keep Contractual Web Admin at its current level, carried (7-0).
10. Keep Games Supervision at its current level, carried (7-0).
11. Keep Athletic Supervision at its current level, carried (7-0).
- 12a Keep Replacement Buses at its current level, defeated 4 nays-3 ayes (Paul Giamundo, Stephen Bobolia, and Andrew Brown).
- 12b Reduce Replacement Buses by \$200,000 and leave in \$39,000 for maintenance carried 6 ayes-1 nay (Stephen Bobolia).
- 12c Add \$94,000 for the purchase of two vans, carried 4 ayes-3 nays (Katherine Daniels, Paul Smadbeck and Jon Freeman).
- 12d Reduce Replacement Buses by \$39,000 for maintenance carried (7-0).
13. Keep Bus Painting/Body Work \$10,500, carried (7-0).
14. Reduce Social Security by \$41,212, carried (7-0).
15. Reduce Hospitalization Insurance by \$274,393, carried (7-0).
16. Add \$200,000 to Transfer to Capital Funds, carried (7-0).
17. Reduce \$40,000 from Tran to Capital Funds, carried (7-0).

After the score card was completed the proposed budget was further decreased by \$463,635 making the budget line to be voted on by the public, \$37,616,948.

Action Items

On a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried 7-0 the Board approved the following resolution:

Adoption of proposed 2009-2010 School Budget in the amount of \$37,616,948.

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the proposed 2009-2010 School Budget in the total amount of \$ 37,616,948.

Said amount of \$ 37,616,948 to be proposed to the District's voters on May 19, 2009.

Approval of Property Tax Report Card for the 2009-2010 school year

On a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried 7-0 the Board approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Property Tax Report Card.

Approval of Exemptions for the Elderly/Disabled Persons

On a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried 7-0 the Board approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Exemptions for Elderly/Disabled Persons.

For the period commencing July 1, 2009

Percent of Assessed Value Exempt from Taxation

Annual Income Eligibility

\$ 0.00 to \$ 29,000.00	50%
\$ 29,000.01 to \$ 29,999.99	45%
\$ 30,000.00 to \$ 30,999.99	40%
\$ 31,000.00 to \$ 31,999.99	35%
\$ 32,000.00 to \$ 32,899.99	30%
\$ 32,900.00 to \$ 33,799.99	25%
\$ 33,800.00 to \$ 34,699.99	20%

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

On a motion made by Judith Schurmacher, seconded by Paul Giamundo and carried 7-0 the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Narvaez

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District Clerk