

Newfane Board of Education

November 16, 2010

The November 16, 2010 regular meeting of the Newfane Board of Education was held in Room 121 of the Newfane Early Childhood Center. The meeting was called to order by Board President Reineke at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

J. Reineke, C. Ames, K. Artieri, J. Flagler, P. Kilcullen, M. Malone, F Westgate

MEMBERS PRESENT

C. Tibbetts, P. Young, T. Adams, B. Schuler, D. Connolly, P. Leibring, C. Stieffenhofer, Sue Freeman, Teresa Kam, Nancy Cich, Traci Wayda, Tammy Kelly

OTHERS PRESENT

Trustee Kilcullen read the Newfane Central School District's mission statement.

READING OF DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

Motion made by Trustee Flagler and seconded by Trustee Artieri
RESOLVED, that the proposed agenda for November 16, 2010 be and is approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

C. Stieffenhofer commented on the improvements to the facilities and recognized the hard work of the Facilities Director Dan Connolly and staff as well as the Board of Education.

PUBLIC REMARKS OR COMMENTS

President Reineke addressed the Board regarding an upcoming training to be scheduled in December, date to be confirmed.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

There were no reports from standing committees or boards at this meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

There were no remarks or comments at this meeting, Renee Luck represented.

NTA REMARKS OR COMMENTS

Superintendent Tibbetts, Middle School Principal Thomas Adams, and President Reineke presented Hunter Soles, Nicholas Connolly, and Hannah Duhow with "Do the Right Thing Certificates". These students showed exemplary decision making in helping others and showing compassion towards others.

PRESENTATIONS/SPECIAL ORDER Do the Right Thing Award

Superintendent Tibbetts presented Certificates of Appreciation to the McIntosh family for their generous donation to the Drama Club. Appreciation also went out to the Verheyn family for their donation and to Lisa Fletcher for her continued enthusiasm and effort. Superintendent Tibbetts also outlined the AVID program and discussed the benefits that it could have on our district and student achievements. The conference is in December and a resolution will be presented at the December 7, 2010 Board of Education meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Christine Tibbetts

Peter Young, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Technology briefly outlined the programs to be discussed and introduced the Curriculum Facilitators.

PRESENTATION

Curriculum Facilitators

Pamela Leibring

Sue Freeman

Teresa Kam

Nancy Cich

Traci Wayda

Tammy Kelly

- Pamela Leibring presented for Kathryn DiNardo, Curriculum Facilitator Math grades 1-5. The concept of Curriculum Mapping is working to help the teachers in the curriculum align themselves and to be "on the same page". The teachers are changing the procedure for remedial services, rather than "pulling students out" of their regular class for remedial support they are trying to "push in" to the classrooms.

- Sue Freeman, Curriculum Facilitator Math grades 6-8 presented. Outlined the current Math curriculum and discussed the concerns and achievements within these guidelines. Offered the idea that "just passing is not good enough" and how can we influence the students to have higher expectations and also mentioned the negative impact the lack of attendance has on the student.

-Teresa Kam, Curriculum Facilitator Math grades 9-12 presented. Outlined the progress and the changes in the Math Curriculum. Discussion took place as to what measures could be implemented to help the student perform better and take responsibility for their success.

-Nancy Cich, Curriculum Facilitator Science grades 1-5 presented. Discussed the current trends in Science testing and evaluations of State tests as given. Concerns that the Elementary Science Curriculum is not in alignment and the effects on the students. Suggested that Professional Development is imperative and mentioned that Science could be integrated into other learning areas.

-Traci Wayda, Curriculum Facilitator Science grades 6-8. Outlined concerns such as scheduling problems and lack of technology available which impacts the ability to present information at an appropriate level. They are continuing to evaluate student success with State exams and suggested curriculum realignment along with Professional Development in the subject of Science.

- Tammy Kelly, Curriculum Facilitator Science 9-12. Outlined trends of past performance on Science Regents Exams in all Science areas. Discussed how to help the students who are having difficulty as well as challenging those that are excelling.

The Curriculum Facilitator Information Packets will be included with the approved minutes for a complete overview.

Trustee Malone asked Business Administrator Bart Schuler to clarify what the information in the report consisted of. Mr. Schuler responded specifically with a brief overview and offered that if there are more questions at a later date to forward them to him. There were no other questions.

PRESENTATION
ST-3 Year End
 Financial Report
 Question and Answer
 period

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Westgate
 RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
 that the minutes of the November 02, 2010 regular meeting of the Board of
 Education be and are approved.

CONSENSUS ITEMS
 Approval of
 Board Minutes –
 November 02, 2010

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Westgate
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon reviewing the recommendations of
 the Committee on Special Education and/or the Committee on Preschool Special
 Education for meetings held October 25,26, and 27,2010, will arrange for the
 appropriate special education programs and services to be provided.

Classification,
 Placement and Minutes
 – Special Education

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Westgate
 RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
 that the Board of Education accept and file the School Lunch Profit and
 Loss statement for the months of July 2010 through October 2010.

Treasurer’s Profit &
 Loss Statement

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Westgate
 RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
 that the Board of Education accept and file the July 1, 2010 through
 October 31, 2010 Budget Status Report as submitted.

Budget Status Report

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Westgate
 RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
 that the Board of Education accept and file the following Warrant Reports:

Warrants

<u>Warrant</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
PR	A	General	\$1,098,901.65
PR	F	Federal	72,910.02
PR	C	Lunch	26,213.59
PR	TA	Trust and Agency	514,167.02
DD	TA	Trust and Agency	683,858.31
CD	A	General	\$1,143,642.13
CD	F	Federal	28,876.51
CD	C	Lunch	24,412.59
CD	H	Capital	1,900.80

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

PERSONNEL

Accepted Cafeteria
Personnel resignation
Nancy Plache

Motion made by Trustee Malone and seconded by Trustee Ames
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the retirement resignation of Nancy Plache from the position of food
service helper be and is accepted, with regret, effective December 21,
2010.

Resolution Carried: 7YES 0 NO

Appointment of Food
Service Helper
Diane Steel

Motion made by Trustee Flagler and seconded by Trustee Artieri
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Diane Steel be and is appointed as a Food Service Helper per the
terms and conditions of the Cafeteria Personnel Association Collective
Bargaining Agreement effective November 17, 2010, at the starting rate of
\$8.25 per hour.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointment of After
School Supervisor
Charles Nagel

Motion made by Trustee Kilcullen and seconded by Trustee Westgate
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Charles Nagel, be and is appointed as an After School Supervisor at
the High School effective November 15, 2010 through March 11, 2011, at a
rate of pay of \$12.00/hr.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Approval of Student
Teacher
Kari Wolski

Motion made by Trustee Artieri and seconded by Trustee Ames
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Kari Wolski be and is approved as an unpaid Student Teacher at the
Elementary School, in affiliation with the Education Program at Brockport
State University College from January 24, 2011 to March 17, 2011.
(fingerprint clearance on file)

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointment of
Intramural Advisor
Jennifer Diel

Motion made by Trustee Kilcullen and seconded by Trustee Westgate
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Jennifer Diel be and is appointed as Intramural Advisor for the 2010-
2011 school year at the rate of pay of \$14.00 per hour.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Appointment of
Substitute Cleaner
Melodi Royer

Motion made by Trustee Artieri and seconded by Trustee Kilcullen
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Melodi Royer be and is approved to as a Substitute Cleaner at a rate
of \$8.25 per hour.

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

OLD BUSINESS

Bid Award
-Fitness Room

Motion made by Trustee Artieri and seconded by Trustee Ames
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the bid for the fitness rooms renovation be and is awarded to RB Mac
Construction, as the lowest responsible bidder for such work as described
in the bidding documents for the bid close date of November 1, 2010, in
the base bid amount of \$61,875 and in the alternate bid amount of \$3,500.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

NEW BUSINESS

Building Condition
Survey

Motion made by Trustee Flagler and seconded by Trustee Westgate
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the contract with Cannon Design, Grand Island, NY be increased to
perform a roof scan as part of the building condition survey at a cost not
to exceed \$4,500.00.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Model United Nations
Conference

Motion made by Trustee Malone and seconded by Trustee Kilcullen
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that Donald Yung, after being selected for the 2010-2011 International
Model United Nations Program, is approved to travel January 19 to
February 1, 2011 to the Netherlands for the Hague International Model
United Nations Conference at no cost to the District.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Acceptance of
donations – Student
Dictionaries

Motion made by Trustee Artieri and seconded by Trustee Ames
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools
that the Newfane Central School District accept the donation of
approximately 120 student dictionaries to be distributed to each third
grade student at the Newfane Elementary. Received from the Lockport
Lodge No. 41 as part of their Elks Dictionary Project.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Acceptance of
Donations - Folders

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Malone
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools
that the Newfane Central School District accept the donation of 375 folders
to the Newfane Elementary. Folders were received from the Nicky Folders
Company.
Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Trustee Kilcullen and seconded by Trustee Ames
RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,
that the following items be and are declared as excess property, and
further that the Superintendent of Schools, or her designee, be and is
authorized to dispose said items:

Declaration of Excess
Property

- Seven (7) Microscopes - Broken
Middle School Science Storeroom
- Four (4) Triple Beam Balances - Broken
Model #700/800 series - Middle School
Science Storeroom
- Set of Nine (9) Wildlife Encyclopedias – Old Condition
Funk & Wagnalls – Middle School Auditorium Stage
- Set of Encyclopedias – Old Condition
Compton’s – Middle School Auditorium Stage
- Text books – Building English Skills
(29 green and 27 yellow)
Red Level English Books Thirty Two (32)
Old Condition – Middle School Auditorium Stage
- Master plot Books – Volumes eleven (11) and Twelve (12)
Good Condition – Middle School Auditorium Stage

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

There were no remarks or comments at this meeting.

**PUBLIC REMARKS
OR COMMENTS**

* Trustee Artieri offered a Thank You to those who made the
improvements to Room 121 at NECC.

**ANYTHING FOR THE
GOOD OF THE
ORDER**

*Trustee Westgate shared that the Lion’s Club contacted him and offered
to do a project for the school. Future discussion about what the project
might be will take place.

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Kilcullen
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session for
the purpose of discussing legal and personnel matters.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Meeting recessed at 9:28 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:48 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Ames and seconded by Trustee Kilcullen
Moved, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution Carried: 7 YES 0 NO

Meeting adjourned at 10:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Seymour, District Clerk