



Board of Education

Public Meeting
February 15, 2022



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**NORTH CALDWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SESSION
GRANDVIEW SCHOOL CAFETERIA
VIA ZOOM MEETING**

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February 15, 2022

7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been properly advertised in the designated newspaper and the agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations.

4. ROLL CALL

5. BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Covid Committee Report

7. PUBLIC RECOGNITION

8. PUBLIC HEARING ON SUPERINTENDENT'S CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 18A:11-11.

The board will now open the floor to members of the public to comment on the proposed Contract of Employment which received the prior approval of the Essex County Superintendent on January 5, 2022. As with all public comment portions, this is an opportunity for public comment, this is not a Q & A. While members of the public may ask questions, the Board is not required to respond to same.

9. ACTION ITEMS

- General Resolutions

G1. Approve 2022-2023 SEMI Waiver

G2. Approve listed Policy and Regulations at first reading

G3. Approve pediatric assessment for listed student

G4. Approve the facilities use application for NCPE Gould School Play

G5. Approve the facilities use application for Recreation Baseball 2022

G6. Approve Technology Assistant job description

- Business Resolutions

B1. Approve Meeting Minutes of January 18th, 2022

B2. Approve listed payroll(s)

B3. Approve Hand Check Registers

B4. Approve Bills and Claims

B5. Approve Title I Tutoring

- B6. Approve Aide in Lieu Payments for Private Schools**
- B7. Approve American Rescue Plan Act-Homeless Children and Youth Decision**
- Personnel Resolutions**
- P1. Rescind employment contract for Superintendent**
- P2. Approve employment contract for Superintendent**
- P3. Approve 2021-2022 school nurse stipend**
- P4. Approve Summer 2021 Tuition Reimbursement**
- P5. Approve Fall 2021 Tuition Reimbursement**
- P6. Approve lunch aide**
- P7. Approve substitute teacher**
- P8. Approve staff resignation**
- P9. Approve Workshops/Professional Development for listed staff**
- P10. Approve staff resignation**
- 10. OLD BUSINESS**
- 11. NEW BUSINESS**
- 12. ADJOURN TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION (if necessary)**

The next scheduled public meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2022.

Posting: Board Members, Principals, NCPE Co-Presidents, NCEA Co-Presidents, Caldwell Progress Press Member, Board Office, Schools, and Town Hall.



GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. WHEREAS, NJAC 6A:23A-5.3 provides that a school district may request a waiver of compliance with respect to the district's participation in the Special Education Medicaid Initiative (SEMI) Program for the 2022-2023 school year, and

WHEREAS, the North Caldwell Board of Education desires to apply for this waiver due to the fact that we project having fewer than forty (40) Medicaid eligible classified students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Caldwell Board of Education hereby authorizes the Chief School Administrator to submit to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools in the County of Essex an appropriate waiver of the requirements of NJAC 6A23A-5.3 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

G2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following Policies and Regulations, at first reading:

Policy 1648.13 - School Employee Vaccination Requirements

Policy 2425 - Emergency Virtual or Remote Instruction Program

Policy 2467 - Surrogate Parents and Resource Family Parents

Policy 2622 - Student Assessment

Policy 5111 - Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students

Policy 5116 - Education of Homeless Children

Policy & Regulation 5751 - Sexual Harassment of Students

Policy 6115.01 - Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Allowability of Costs

Policy 6115.02 - Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls Mandatory Disclosures

Policy 6115.03 - Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls-Conflict of Interest

Policy 6311 - Contracts for Goods & Services Funded by Federal Grants

Policy 7243 - Supervision of Construction

Policy & Regulation 8220 - School Day

Policy 8420 - Emergency and Crisis Situations

Regulation 8420.1 - Fire and Fire Drills

Regulation 8630 - Emergency School Bus Procedures

Policy 9713 - Recruitment by Special Interest Groups

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

G3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve payment to the **Child Developmental Center** for a developmental pediatric assessment in the amount of \$675.00 for **Student #8005742**.

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

G4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application submitted for the NCPE Gould School Play.

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

G5. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application submitted for the North Caldwell Recreation Baseball/Softball.

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

G6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the **Technology Assistant** job description.

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

B6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following **Aide in Lieu** Payments for transportation in the amount of \$1,000 per student for the 2021-2022 school year for students attending the following private schools:

- Al-Hikman Elementary School
- Aquinas Academy
- Golda Och Academy
- Kent Place School
- Montclair Cooperative School
- Montclair Kimberly Academy
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- Our Lady of the Lake School
- The Peck School
- St. Benedict’s Preparatory School

Total Expected Payment **\$20,500.00**

Moved: Seconded:

Yes: No:

B7. WHEREAS, the North Caldwell Board of Education has been allocated funds through The American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program, and

WHEREAS, North Caldwell was allocated \$1,397.00, and

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the Requirements of ARP-HCY if the district’s allocation is less than \$5,000.00, the Board of Education must select one of the following:

- join a regional consortium to utilize the funding
- choose to decline the funding

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Caldwell Board of Education will decline the American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth (ARP-HCY) II Program funding allocation in the amount of \$1,397.00 and

authorizes the District’s School Business Administrator and Superintendent to complete the process required on the district’s behalf.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education rescinds the Contract of employment between the Board and Dr. Linda Freda for the positions of Superintendent of Schools and Director of Special Services for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024 effective midnight June 30, 2022.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the Contract of Employment Between the Board and Dr. Linda Freda for the positions of Superintendent of Schools and Director of Special Services for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027. The Contract of Employment received the prior approval of the Executive County Superintendent on January 5, 2022.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve a school nurse stipend of \$5,000.00 for the 2021-2022 school year for:

**Danielle Rooney
Patricia Keenan**

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P4. WHEREAS, the below listed staff members have applied for tuition reimbursement in accordance with Article 6, Section C of the negotiated agreement, and have completed requirements in accordance with the same.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Board approve the reimbursement of tuition in the amounts listed for the courses attended during the **Summer of 2021**:

| Name | Course | Grade | School | # of Credits | Reimbursement |
|----------------|--|-------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Smith, C. | Best Practices in Literacy | A | NJCU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Egan, E. | Leadership & the Learning Organization | A | MSU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Egan, E. | Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment | A | MSU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Schlachter, M. | ADD/ADHD Strategies & Interventions | A | Univ of LaVerne | 3 | \$375.00 |
| Schlachter, M. | ABC's of Effective Mainstreaming | A | Univ of LaVerne | 3 | \$375.00 |

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P5. WHEREAS, the below listed staff members have applied for tuition reimbursement in accordance with Article 6, Section C of the negotiated agreement, and have completed requirements in accordance with the same.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Board approve the reimbursement of tuition in the amounts listed for the courses attended during the **Fall of 2021**:

| Name | Course | Grade | School | # of Credits | Reimbursement |
|------------------|--|-------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Christiano, C. | Reading & The Social Curriculum | A | NJCU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Clutterbuck, S. | Bridging the Gap | A | USCD | 3 | \$271.00 |
| Clutterbuck, S. | Comprehension | A- | USCD | 3 | \$290.70 |
| DellaValle, G. | Inservice Supervised Graduate Student Teaching | A | MSU | 6 | \$1,800.00 |
| Egan, E. | Education Law | A | MSU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Egan, E. | Leading Curriculum Change | A | MSU | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Sponzilli, C. | Instructional Strategies for Art Teachers | A | The Art of Education Univ. | 3 | \$900.00 |
| Wanklin-Frey, M. | Learning & Development in Children w/wo Disabilities | A- | MSU | 3 | \$900.00 |

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Michael La Torraca** as a lunch aide effective February 1, 2022.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P7. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Katelyn Barth** as a substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education regretfully accept the resignation of **Karin Cirillo, classroom aide**, effective March 7, 2022.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P9. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following staff member:

| Name | Date | Workshop | Cost | Travel |
|--------------|---------|---|----------|--------|
| Grimaldi, L. | Virtual | The Perfect Storm/Imperfect Solutions | \$60.00 | |
| Silva, T. | 3/14 | Are "Squeaky Wheel" Children a Self-Fulfilling Prophecy | \$100.00 | |

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

P10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education regretfully accept the resignation of **Gale Messier** effective January 31, 2022.

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No: