

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
LEGISLATIVE MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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Board Members Present

Phil Little, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Deanna Philpott, Katie Poniatowski, Kathy Reid, Rachael Rennebeck, and Helen Spade. Sandra Kozera was present via telephone.

Board Members Not Present

None

Also Present

Dr. Beth Williams, Jerry Muth, Michael J. Witherel, Esq., Heather Pelat, and Kris Kaufmann.

Persons Signing the Register

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Mathis opened the meeting with a moment of silence and salute to the flag. Mrs. Mathis noted that an Executive Session had taken place on at the Administration Center prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and legal issues.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mannarino stated that the North Hills School District continues to monitor Coronavirus and its spread across our nation. Following the advice of the Allegheny County Health Department, and Governor Wolf, to avoid large gatherings and close contact with individuals, the district has decided to postpone or cancel all field trips, the spring musical, band trips, baseball and soft ball spring training trips, and all other scheduled events of large groups through April 3, 2020. Currently will remain in session. We will continue to follow the directions of the Allegheny County Health Department, the PA Department of Education, the State Health Department and the Centers for Disease Control as this situation evolves and changes.

Board Member Comments

Mrs. Mathis announced that Ms. Kozera was present via telephone. She also stated that the district has been in negotiations with the SEIU Custodial and Maintenance union, and we have reached a tentative agreement. This agreement will be on the April board agenda for board action.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little, and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of February 5, 2020 Committee Meeting with Action and the February 20, 2020 Legislative Meeting.

New Business

1. A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously **passed to Award the Bid for Middle School Selected Sections Roof Replacement to J.M. Young at the low bid of \$648,500** as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. The selected roof sections were not replaced during the 1999 building renovation. The roof selections to be replaced are over 30 years old.
2. A motion was made by Mrs. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously **passed to Temporarily Suspend Board Policy 012 – Use of Teleconferencing for Board Meetings**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. In anticipation of the need to teleconference board meetings due to closures associated with COVID19, the Board voted to suspend this policy to allow the use of teleconferencing without restriction.

AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Dr. Nolish, and unanimously passed to approve the following items via consent agenda, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Education

1. The District's Special Education Plan effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023
2. AIU Program of Services Budget for 2020-21 in the amount of \$2,203,973. The North Hills School District's contribution to the Program of Services Budget is estimated to be \$79,825.14.
3. Agreement with the AIU to Provide Title IIA Professional Development Non-Public Services for Holy Cross Academy and Eden Christian Academy. The Title IIA allocation for non-public students for North Hills is \$12,828.35.
4. Shores Program – Substance Use Disorder Outpatient Program at Holy Family Institute. If needed, this program is billed through the student's insurance.

Personnel - Appointments

April Krivoniak – Boys' Assistant Volleyball Coach at the rate of \$2,332, effective for the 2019-20 school year.

Diana Cravotta – Emergency Certified Substitute Teacher at the rate of \$95/day, effective February 12, 2020

Lynsey Norman – Substitute Teacher at the rate of \$95/day, effective February 14, 2020

Veronica Lopez – Long-Term Substitute Teacher at the rate of \$95/day, effective March 5, 2020

Nichol Dirscoll – Volunteer – Band – effective for the 2019-20 school year

Delmingo Batch – ABC Transit Employee authorized as a bus driver

Martina Gilford – ABC Transit Employee authorized as a bus driver

Personnel – Resignations

Regina Fairley – Food Service Worker, resignation with intent to retire effective May 29, 2020

Personnel – Change of Status

Chad Mueller – From Custodian at Highcliff to Lead Custodian at West View at the rate of \$15.49/hour, effective March 10, 2020.

Personnel – Agreement

Agreement between NHSD and Mary Grimm to transfer from Middle School Assistant Principal to an Elementary Teaching position, at the salary of \$69,262 (Step 16 M+15), effective July 1, 2020.

Policy

1. Revisions to Policy 206 – Assignment Within the District
2. Revisions to Policy 301 – Creating a Position – Administrative Employees
3. Revisions to Policy 401 – Creating a Position – Professional Employees
4. Revisions to Policy 501 – Creating a Position – Classified Employees
5. Revisions to Policy 324 – Personnel Files – Administrative Employees
6. Revisions to Policy 424 – Personnel Files – Professional Employees

7. Revisions to Policy 524 – Personnel Files – Classified Employees
8. Revisions to Policy 802 – School Organization

Finance

1. Audited Financial Statements of the North Hills School District for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019.
2. General Fund Bills, including checks numbered: 59122 through 59186; 59189 through 59217; 59219 through 59222; 59224; 59226; 59233 through 59281; 59301 through 59326; 59330 through 59408; and 59411 through 59437.
3. Capital Project Fund Bills, including checks numbered: 59187 through 59188; 59227 through 59232; 59327 through 59329; and 59409 through 59410.
4. Food Service Fund Bills, including checks numbered: 59282 through 59300
5. Budget Transfers
6. Payroll for the Month of February 2020 in the amount of \$3,331,276.77

Additional Public Comments

None

Announcements

Mrs. Mathis announced that the next School Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 2, 2020, and the Second Cup of Coffee event with Dr. Mannarino is still scheduled for Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at Highcliff Elementary. If changes are made to these events, we will notify the public.

Adjournment

Mrs. Mathis adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger, School Board Secretary