

**NORTH HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION - LEGISLATIVE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2019 ~ 7:00 P.M.
NORTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL – LGI ROOM
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Sandra Kozera, Phil Little, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Deanna Philpott, Kathryn Poniatowski, Kathy Reid, Rachael Rennebeck and Helen Spade.

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

None

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Dr. Beth Williams, David Hall, Gerard Muth, Michael Witherel, Esq., Heather Pelat, Kris Kaufmann, and student representative Hannah Sciulli.

PERSONS SIGNING THE REGISTER

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Mrs. Mathis noted that an Executive Session had taken place this evening from 5:00 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal issues. In attendance were Board Members Sandra Kozera, Phil Little, Allison Mathis, Annette Giovengo Nolish, Deanna Philpott, Kathryn Poniatowski, Kathy Reid, Rachael Rennebeck and Helen Spade. Also present were Dr. Patrick Mannarino, Michael Witherel, Esq. and Lori Rieger.

Public Recognition

Mr. Kevin McKiernan and Mr. Matt Simon introduced the winner of the Annual Holiday Art Contest, 10th grade student Hanlin Zhang.

Board Member Comments

Ms. Kozera announced that Friday, January 10, 2020 is a Teacher In-Service Day, and there is no school for students.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously passed **to approve the minutes from the November 7, 2019 Work Session/Legislative Meeting.**

Points of Pride

Dr. Mannarino presented his Points of Pride for December 2019. Student Representatives, Ellie Fleischer and Hannah Sciulli presented reports on Athletics and Activities. District Students reported on the Spirit of Giving - charitable events held at the schools throughout the holiday season.

AGENDA ITEMS:

EDUCATION

Dr. Mannarino provided information on the district’s Flexible Instruction Day program which may be implemented, if needed, during the second semester of the 2019-20 school year. Student Rep, Hannah Sciulli assisted Dr. Mannarino in the presentation and Mrs. Amy Mathieu answered questions related to the elementary program.

ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

None

A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER

The A.W. Beattie Students of the Month for October/November were announced: Marisa White for Advertising Design, Richard McAllister for Automotive Collision Technology, Autumn Adamiak for Carpentry/Building Construction, Nicholas Swab for Computer Systems Technology, Sabrina Teetzel for Cosmetology, Gracie Gary for Cosmetology and Julie Addink for Sports Medicine/Rehab Therapy.

PERSONNEL

RESIGNATIONS

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Ms. Kozera and unanimously passed to approve **Resignations**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Erin Traynor – GATE Teacher at the high school, effective January 10, 2020.
Corey Holl – Computer Technician at the middle school, effective November 12, 2019.
Natalie Mosbacher - Paraprofessional at the middle school, effective November 26, 2019.
Susanna Hesch – Paraprofessional at McIntyre Elementary, effective November 11, 2019.

Mary McGrath – Substitute teacher, effective October 30, 2019.
Diane Spadafore – Substitute lunchroom/playground aide, effective November 8, 2019.

APPOINTMENTS

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Ms. Kozera and unanimously passed to approve Appointments, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent:

Charles Bossong – Middle School Asst. Wrestling Coach, at the rate of \$3,308, effective November 18, 2019.

Christy Redman – Volunteer – HS/MS Chorus and Drama, effective for the 2019-20 school year.
Lawrence Wessel – Volunteer – CADD Club, effective for the 2019-20 school year.

The following employees of ABC Transit were approved as bus drivers:

Louis Gibson
Richard Russell
Shardaya Brown

CHANGES OF STATUS

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Ms. Kozera and unanimously passed to approve **Changes of Status**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

Coleman Mazur – from 9th grade assistant baseball coach to varsity assistant baseball coach at the rate of \$3,234, effective November 18, 2019.

Samantha Jenkins – from LTS English teacher at the middle school, to LTS GATE teacher at the high school, at the rate of \$35,000 (pro-rated), effective January 6, 2020 through the end of the 2019-20 school year.

Tyler Estabrook – from teaching assistant to LTS English teacher at the middle school, at the rate of \$35,000 (pro-rated), effective January 13, 2020 through the end of the 2019-20 school year.

Shelly Wild – from LTS at Ross to LTS reading specialist at the middle school, at the rate of \$35,000 (pro-rated), effective December 3, 2019 through the end of the 2019-20 school year.

Shilpi Dhussa – Sub paraprofessional to paraprofessional at the middle school, at the rate of \$12.75/hour, effective December 3, 2019.

COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

A motion was made by Mrs. Reid, seconded by Dr. Nolish and unanimously passed **to approve the Agreement with Optimal Performance by Design, LLC**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. Dr. John DiSanti will facilitate a Team of Ten retreat session with the members of the Board and the Superintendent.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

None

POLICY

A motion was made by Ms. Kozera and seconded by Mr. Little to add the following item to the January 2, 2020 Committee Meeting with Action agenda for second reading:

New Policy 013 – Social Media and Electronic Communications – School Board

FINANCE

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **ratify General Fund Bills**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 58149 through 58215; 58215 through 58222; 58225 through 58327; and 58330 through 58416.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **ratify Capital Project Fund Bills**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. These include checks numbered: 58217; 58223; 58224; 58328 and 58329.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve Budget Transfers**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve Payroll for the Month of November 2019 in the amount of \$3,303,140.29**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve Resolution 2019-17 Authorizing Participation In and Appointment of Representatives to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Program**, as per document 5, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Dr. Nolish, seconded by Mrs. Spade and unanimously passed to **approve Resolution 2019-18 Limiting Authority to Increase the Real Estate Tax Rate for 2020-2021**, as per document 6, as recommended by the Superintendent.

SUPPORT SERVICES

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously passed to **approve the Bid Award for Carpeting Replacement at the Middle School to DeGol Carpet in the amount of \$47,576**, as per document 1, as recommended by the Superintendent.

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously passed to **approve Architect Services for the Warehouse Roof Replacement and Administration Building Roof Maintenance to Florida Consulting, LLC**, as per document 2, as recommended by the Superintendent. The budget impact on architectural and construction administration services is \$19,000. The estimated cost of the project is \$300,000 to \$450,000 not including soft costs.

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously passed to **approve Architect Services for the Middle School Roof Replacement to Florida Consulting, LLC**, as per document 3, as recommended by the Superintendent. The budget impact on architectural and construction administration services is \$28,000. The estimated cost of the project is \$750,000 to \$900,000 not including soft costs.

A motion was made by Mrs. Spade, seconded by Mr. Little and unanimously passed to **approve Change Order G701-002 for High School Roof Replacement**, as per document 4, as recommended by the Superintendent. This change order results in a net decrease of \$14,322.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Barr, 200 Frankfort Avenue, West View, PA

Mr. Barr asked if the Board meeting dates are published in some format other than electronic. He also wanted to know when the budget talks will begin, and to remind the board members that he is not in favor of raising the tax millage rate.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was adjourned by Mrs. Mathis at 8:53 p.m.

Loretta J. Rieger
School Board Secretary