

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF NORWICH
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Revised

March 12, 2012

The Work Session of the Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Norwich, in the County of Chenango, New York, was held in the District Office Conference Rooms #1 & #2, 89 Midland Drive, Norwich, New York, in said District on Monday, March 12, 2012.

PRESENT: Mrs. Heather Fredenburg, President; Dr. Linda Horovitz, Vice-President; Mr. Joseph McBride; Mr. Thomas Morrone; Mr. Luke Murphy; Mr. Perry Owen; Mr. Joseph Stagliano; Mr. Gerard O'Sullivan, Superintendent; and Mr. Robert Wightman, District Clerk.

ABSENT: None

Mrs. Heather Fredenburg, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

I. ADOPTION OF MINUTES – On a motion by Mr. Owen, seconded by Dr. Horovitz and carried 7-0, the minutes from the February 27, 2012 Regular Meeting and the February 28, 2012 Special Meeting of the Board of Education were approved.

II. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – Mr. O'Sullivan provided Board Members with a copy of the New York State Council of School Superintendents formal review of the Governor's Budget. Mr. O'Sullivan encouraged members to review the document and indicated that there were many nuances contained in the Governor's proposal this year. Mr. O'Sullivan also shared a copy of an existing staff exit survey with the Board and asked for everyone to review and provide feedback to him by Monday, March 19, 2012 so that he could incorporate their comments into the final draft document.

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS -

A. General – Dr. Horovitz spoke about AP Classes and the compensation that Districts receive for hosting and offering classes to students, by expanding class offerings can Norwich take advantage of any available funds? Dr. Horovitz also raised some questions concerning peer mediation and if this model is running in the District, as well as, questions concerning the mechanics of making it work.

Mr. Owen spoke about an idea of involving students from Student Government to be guest chairpersons at Board Meetings periodically.

Mr. Murphy spoke about his concerns for the future fate of the SUNY Morrisville Campus in Norwich and asked if the District could collaborate more with the college.

Mr. O'Sullivan related his discussions to date and said that he will be meeting with Dr. Yeigh and Marsha Cornelious this coming Thursday to discuss the importance of keeping the campus open and opportunities for students.

Mr. McBride stressed the importance of keeping the college here in Norwich and what value it added to the community. He said that the experience was priceless in terms of creating opportunities for our local children, he asked Mr. O'Sullivan and Mrs. Fredenburg to write letters of support to the college to maintain their facility here in our community even though the college may be experiencing tough economic times.

B. Positive Points - Mr. O'Sullivan shared the following positive points: The U.S. Robotics Team is back from competition in Rochester where they performed well. The Winter sports season was officially ended with all teams having a great season, congratulations again, to the Swim Team and Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball in their post season play. Spring sports started today, everyone is looking forward to a great start.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS –

A. Academics – Lisa Schuchman - High School Programming 2012-2013. (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

B. Finance – Rob Wightman – (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

- **Staff Development**
- **BOCES Services**
- **Library, AV & Instructional Technology**

C. Budget Introduction – Gerard O'Sullivan – Budget for 2012/2013 (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

VI. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS – On a motion by Dr. Horovitz, seconded by Mr. Stagliano and carried 7-0, the Board approved the following instructional and support staff recommendations:

Instructional Staff**End of Employment**

Name	Area	Effective
Heather Kogut	Special Education	04/04/12

Appointments - Coaching

Name	Position	Stipend
Shaun Horan	Outdoor Head Track	\$7,574
Gloria Decker	Track Assistant	\$4,989
Phil Curley	Track Assistant	\$4,989
Tom Stoddard	Track Assistant	\$4,989
Doug Costin	Track Assistant	\$4,989
Matt Wilson	Track Assistant	\$4,989

Support Staff**Appointment - Permanent**

Name	Position	Effective
Stacey Roach	LPN	09/06/11

VII. CONSENT AGENDA – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Morrone, seconded by Mr. Stagliano and carried 7-0, the Board of Education approved the following actions within the Consent Agenda:

A. Budget Vote Calendar (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

VIII. ACTION ITEMS -

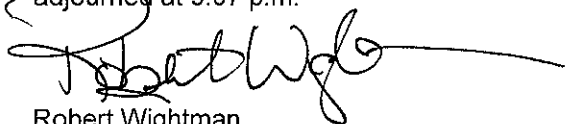
A. FIELD TRIP – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Owen, seconded by Dr. Horovitz and carried 7-0, the Board of Education approved an overnight trip for two students to attend the Liberty Partnership Youth Summit in Latham, NY. (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

B. FIELD TRIP – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. McBride and carried 7-0, the Board of Education approved an overnight trip for the US First Team to attend a tournament in Rochester, NY. (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION - On a motion by Mr. Morrone, seconded by Mr. Owen and carried 7-0, the Board went into Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations and the employment history of an employee.

On a motion by Mr. Morrone, seconded by Mr. Stagliano and carried 7-0, the Board left Executive Session at 9:03 and returned to the Work Session.

On a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. Morrone and carried 7-0, the Work Session of the Board of Education adjourned at 9:07 p.m.



Robert Wightman
District Clerk
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