

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

April 24, 2012

The Regular Meeting 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 Tuesday, April 24, 2012.

PRESENT: Mrs. Heather Fredenburg, 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: Dr. Linda Horovitz, Vice-President.

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. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. McBride and carried 6-0, the minutes from the April 2, 2012 Work Session and April 11, 2012 Special Meeting of the Board of Education were approved.

II. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS – None

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS -

A. General – None

B. Positive Points - Mr. O'Sullivan reported to the Board that he met with Police Chief Angelino and Mayor Mauriano and they are jointly working on sharing municipal services between the City and the School District. The District will receive police assistance and supervision for local school sponsored events and in exchange the District will provide a computer technician on an as needed basis for the police department to assist them with technology issues.

Hillcrest Property – Mr. O'Sullivan provided the Board with a brief update and photo overview of the property with its many recent improvements performed by students in the BOCES Conservation Program. Photos included improved and graded access road, newly installed culverts and pictures of the surrounding ponds, quarry, woods and scenic overlook of Norwich. Mr. O'Sullivan spoke about the many and varied opportunities that the property could serve in educating Norwich students.

SUNY Morrisville – Mr. O'Sullivan reported to the Board that both the District and College are coming together on the initiative and that he is very optimistic about the progress made to date and for the future success of this endeavor.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS –

A. Students - HS Musical – Mark Sands, Breanna Guiffre, Dillan Smith, Justin Sawyer, Mallory Norton, Josh Mahannah, Alyson Morehead & Ryan DeTomi. (All students read their own statements of experiences and paid tribute to Mr. Sands and Ms. Mayo) Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.

B. Academics – Common Core Update (Iraina Gerchman) - Ms. Gerchman presented the Board with (2) handouts and updated the Board on the Common Core Standards. (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

V. PUBLIC COMMENT –

Joshua Mahannah distributed two recent news articles to the Board that supported the need for continued support of the Arts and spoke about recent efforts and letter writing campaign of the "SAME" program that supports the Arts in Norwich.

Pete Smith had a few general questions, but directed by Mrs. Fredenburg to contact Mr. O'Sullivan directly with his questions.

- VI. PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS** – On a motion by Mr. Morrone, seconded by Mr. Owen and carried 6-0, the Board approved the following instructional and support staff recommendations:

Instructional Staff

End of Employment-Change

| Name | Area | Effective |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Heather Kogurt | Special Education | 03/23/12 |
| MC Edwards | Elementary Ed. | 06/22/12 |

Appointments - Substitute

| Name | Effective |
|----------------|-----------|
| Rebeka Keator | 03/26/12 |
| Alyssa Jutting | 03/26/12 |
| Linda Oehme | 04/24/12 |

Appointment – Regular Substitute

| Name | Position | Salary | Effective |
|-----------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Tina Hall | School Counselor | \$42,000 (pro-rated) | 01/03/12 – 6/22/12 |

Unpaid Leave of Absence

| Name | Position | Effective |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Elizabeth Pizzuto | School Counselor | 03/31/12-06/22/12 |
| Deanna Brown | English | 09/01/12-06/30/13 |

Appointments – Coaching

| Name | Position | Salary |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------|
| Nicole Brooks | Modified Boys Tennis | \$4,089 |
| Robert James | Modified Softball | \$4,089 |
| Matthew Dowling | Modified Baseball Co-Coach | \$2,044.50 |
| Mike Rose | Modified Baseball Co-Coach | \$2,044.50 |

Support Staff

End of Employment

| Name | Position | Effective |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Vincent Anthony | Bus Driver | 03/30/12 |
| Betsy Brown | Keyboard Specialist | 04/09/12 |
| Christina Harrison | School Lunch Cashier | 04/16/12 |

Appointment – Temporary Change

| Name | Position | Effective |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Kari Loomis | Teaching Assistant | 11/14/11-03/23/12 |

Appointment

| Name | Position | Rate | Effective |
|---------------|------------|---------|-----------|
| Matthew Bates | Bus Driver | \$11.27 | 04/16/12 |

Appointments - Substitute

| Name | Position | Effective |
|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Greg Grosvenor | Teacher Aide/Asst. | 04/24/12 |
| Cathy Manwarren | Teacher Aide/Asst. | 04/24/12 |
| Michele Goodman | Bus Driver | 04/20/12 |

VII. CONSENT AGENDA - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Owen, seconded by Mr. Stagliano and carried 6-0, the Board of Education approved the following actions within the Consent Agenda:

- A. Treasurer's Report – December 2011 & January 2012**
- B. Quarterly Central Treasurer's Report**
- C. BOCES Monthly Bill**
- D. Special Education and Pre-School Education Reports**

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. BOCES Administrative Budget** – Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Owen, seconded by Mr. Stagliano and carried 6-0, the Board of Education approved the following resolution for the proposed Administrative Budget for the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES for the 2012-2013 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Norwich City School District Board of Education does hereby approve the proposed Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Administrative Budget for the 2012-2013 school year in the amount of \$2,086,925.

- B. Balloting for Members of the BOCES Board** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried 4 - 1 (Stagliano) -1 (McBride), the Board of Education each cast one vote for each of the following two vacancies to be filled by the following two individuals for membership on the BOCES Board consistent with the ballot attached to the official minutes:

Judith Breese, Walton Central School
Leslie Mokay, Delhi Central School

- C. School Calendar** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried 6-0, the Board of Education approve the revised Norwich City School Instructional Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year. (Information attached to the official minutes.)
- D. Overnight Trip** - Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and on a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. Owen and carried 6-0, the Board of Education approve an overnight trip to Syracuse on May 17-20. (Information is attached to the official minutes of the District.)

IX. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE – Gerard O'Sullivan reviewed the updates with the Board.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION -

On a motion by Mr. Stagliano, seconded by Mr. Morrone and carried 6-0, the Board went into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss negotiations & an employee's history.

On a motion by Mr. Morrone, seconded by Mr. Owen and carried 6-0, the Board left Executive Session at 8:20 and returned to the regular meeting.

On a motion by Mr. McBride, seconded by Mr. Morrone and carried 6-0, the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 8:21 p.m.



Robert Wightman
District Clerk

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