

**Northport-East Northport Union Free School District Regular Meeting of the Board of Education -
Northport High School (Thursday, September 23, 2021)**

Generated by Beth M Nystrom on Friday, September 24, 2021

Members present

Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Members absent

David Badanes

Also present

Mr. Robert Banzer, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Irene McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Dr. Dana Boshnack, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning

Mr. Robert Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Mr. Louis Bonadonna, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Student Services

Public Attendance: Approximately 15 people in person, 115 virtually

1. CALL TO ORDER – President Licopoli called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

2. IF NECESSARY, THE CHAIR MAY ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION - Note: It is anticipated that the Board will meet in public in the Library at Northport High School at 6:30 p.m. to act upon a resolution, upon majority vote, to immediately convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons, and matters pertaining to current litigation.

Action: 2.01 Motion to convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons, and matters pertaining to current litigation.

Motion by Allison C Noonan, second by Thomas Loughran.

Final Resolution: Motion passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

At 7:15 p.m. the Board reconvened in public session in the auditorium at Northport High School.

3. Dr. Licopoli led those present in the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; and

4. Pointed out the EMERGENCY EXITS

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: 5.01 Minutes

Recommendation to approve the following minutes:

5.01.1 August 26, 2021 - Regular Meeting

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Thomas Loughran.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Recommendation to reorder the agenda and move all items under 10., 11., 12., and 13. before item 6.

Motion by Allison C Noonan, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: David Badanes, Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, GENERAL - FOR BOARD ACTION

Action: 10.01 Personnel Actions Report

Recommendation to approve the attached Personnel Actions Report including the addendum.

Motion by Carol A Taylor, second by Allison C Noonan.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, FINANCIAL - FOR BOARD ACTION

Action: 11.01 Agreement and Release

Recommendation to approve a 2021-2022 Agreement and Release between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and parents of a student, known to the Board of Education, regarding a Contemplated Impartial Hearing Pursuant to Education Law 4404 and 8 NYCRR Part 200, regarding placement of a disabled child

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.02 Treasurer's Report and Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements

Recommendation to approve the Treasurer's Report and Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements:

11.02.1 Treasurer's Report for the period June 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021

11.02.2 Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements for June 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.03 Schedule of Investments

Recommendation to approve the Schedule of Investments as of June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.04 Collateral Schedule

Recommendation to approve the Collateral Schedule as of June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.05 Bank Reconciliation

Recommendation to approve the Bank Reconciliation Report for the month ended June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.06 General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statement

Recommendation to approve the General Fund Projected Cash Flow Statement for the year ending 2020-2021, Actual Data July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.07 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - School Lunch Fund

Recommendation to approve the Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - School Lunch Fund for the period July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.08 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Special Aid Fund

Recommendation to approve the Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Special Aid Fund for the period July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.09 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - General Fund

Recommendation to approve the Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - General Fund for the period July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.10 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Capital Fund

Recommendation to approve the Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Capital Fund for the period July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.11 Quarterly Student Activity Account Reports

Recommendation to approve the Quarterly Student Activity Account Reports for the period July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021:

11.11.1 Northport High School

11.11.2 East Northport Middle School

11.11.3 Northport Middle School

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.12 John Perricone

Recommendation to approve a Supplementary Education Services Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and John Perricone for Keynote Speaker for November 2021 Superintendent's Conference Day, in an amount not to exceed \$2,954.00 (T&L)

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.13 BIDS

Recommendation to take specified action on the following BIDS:

TRANSPORTATION

11.13.1 AWARD: Bid #22-102T Transportation for District Students with Disabilities and District Students Attending Out of District Schools

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 11.14 Appropriate Reserves, Confirm Budget and Set Tax Levy for 2021-2022

Recommendation to approve the following resolution to Appropriate Reserves, Confirm Budget and Set Tax Levy for 2021-2022:

"RESOLVED that, pursuant to voter approval on June 15, 2021 of Proposition No. 1, the 2021-2022 Budget Appropriations shall be,

Proposition 1 Annual School District Budget \$174,689,788

Total Budget Appropriation \$174,689,788

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 1318, Subdivision 1, of the Real Property Tax Law, the District shall retain \$6,910,110 of its 2021-2022 total unassigned fund balance, said amount being 4.00% of the

voter approved budget and shall apply to the 2021-2022 tax levy the sum of \$2,411,265, the remainder of the 2021-2022 total unassigned fund balance.

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Subdivision 12 of Section 1604 of the Education Law, the estimated receipts, including the application of the remaining unassigned fund balance as determined above and the required levy of taxes for school district purposes, be established as follows:

Non Tax Revenue \$ 24,972,146

Tax Levy (includes estimated STAR reimbursement of \$6,500,000) \$149,717,642

RESOLVED that, pursuant to 259 and Subdivision 5(a), Section 1804 of the Education Law, the following additional tax levy also be established:

For the School District Library as requested by the Library Trustees \$ 10,033,300

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 8 of the Suffolk County Tax Act and based upon the assessed valuation which has been certified to the District by the Town Assessor, the following computed tax rate per \$100 of assessed valuations be adopted and order certified to the Supervisor of the Town, together with the dollar amounts to be raised by the President of the Board:

Amount to be Levied - Estimated Tax Rate/\$100 AV

For Regular School Purposes \$149,717,642 - \$198.667

For School District Public Library \$10,033,300 - \$13.314"

Motion by Thomas Loughran, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Information: 12.01 Schedule H - Use of Facilities

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. STUDENT AND STAFF RECOGNITION/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

7. SPECIAL REPORTS

Mr. Robert Banzer, Superintendent of Schools, stated that this weekend is homecoming weekend and there have been a lot of festivities this past week and there will be more this weekend. We had the first full week of schools and we continue to report positive cases. Mr. Banzer reminded the community to be mindful of the protocol and social distancing not only in school but also with outside school activities. The goal is to keep all students in schools.

Mr. Banzer stated the following students made the NYSSMA All-State Performing Ensemble:

Nicholas Gilligan, Samantha Libbey, Valentina Masone, Julia Mescallado, Nina Ritter, Benjamin Shea.

The following students were selected as alternates: Charlotte Bingham, Juliette Bonchonsky, Peyton Brill, James Conolly, Abigal Friese, James Graziano, Christopher Lucie, Ruby Nolan, Kate Nye, James Posillico, Clare Vogt

Report: 7.01 Update on School Reopening and Goal Implementation



**Meeting of the Board of Education
District Goals Presentation
September 23, 2021**

District Goal	Deliverables	Board Goal Alignment								
Create a financial plan that sustains the district's Mission, Vision & Core Beliefs, quality facilities and responsive operational services while being fiscally responsible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a budget presentation aligned with the district's educational plan in a format designed to be more user-friendly • Develop a series of "School Budgeting 101" videos / infographics to provide important context regarding the budgeting process for community members • Facilitate the work of a board appointed long range planning committee focused on key financial components such as expenses, revenue, fund balance, reserves and facilities to maintain and enhance the high-quality educational program of the district into the future 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Communication</td> <td>Progress Monitoring</td> <td>Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All</td> <td>Fiscal Planning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>*</td> <td>*</td> <td>+</td> <td>*</td> </tr> </table>	Communication	Progress Monitoring	Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All	Fiscal Planning	*	*	+	*
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District Goal	Deliverables	Board Goal Alignment								
Create a plan for progress monitoring that addresses key measures that are identified and prioritized by the district.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of district wide Progress Monitoring structure. • Identification of key measures for review. • Create/ utilize an online platform to display/ communicate key metrics. 	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Communication</td> <td>Progress Monitoring</td> <td>Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All</td> <td>Fiscal Planning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>*</td> <td>+</td> <td>+</td> <td>*</td> </tr> </table>	Communication	Progress Monitoring	Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All	Fiscal Planning	*	+	+	*
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District Goal	Deliverables	Board Goal Alignment
Provide innovative, engaging and inclusive instructional opportunities to maximize learning outcomes for all students	Implement & communicate initiatives for instructional areas (see schedule)	Communication
	Provide curriculum review in accordance with equity & belonging consultant and board approved committee	Progress Monitoring
	Implement, monitor and assess “enrichment for all” programs for elementary students and expanded opportunities for grade 5 students.	Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All
	Implement, monitor and assess the expanded ICT model.	Fiscal Planning
	Implement an enhanced MTSS (Multi-tiered system of support) structure designed to identify and provide tiered learning support for students.	

Board Meeting Date	UPDATE	Board Meeting Date	UPDATE
Oct. 20, 2021	Responsive Classroom	Feb.10, 2022	Social Studies
Nov. 4, 2021	World Language & ENL	Mar. 17, 2022	FACS & Business
Nov. 18, 202	Special Education	Apr.26, 2022	Physical Education/Health
Dec. 9, 2021	Reading & Math	May 5, 2022	Art & Music
Jan. 13, 2022	STEM	June 2, 2022	ELA/ Writing
Jan.27, 2022	Student Support Services		

District Goal	Deliverables	Board Goal Alignment
Create conditions for a safe and supportive school environment where students possess a sense of belonging and develop the social emotional competencies to navigate a complex world.	• Implement an enhanced MTSS (Multi-tiered system of support) structure designed to identify and provide tiered social emotional support for students (includes results from Panorama Survey)	Communication
	• Review the District's code of conduct	Progress Monitoring
	• Research, investigate and integrate restorative practices	Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All
	• Continue to implement, monitor and assess building health and safety procedures	Fiscal Planning
	• Review resources and support in accordance with equity & belonging consultant and board approved committee	
	• Continue to implement and adjust Back to School Plan	

District Goal	Deliverable	Board Goal Alignment			
<p>Engage communication strategies & protocols to ensure that all members of the school community are informed and included</p>	<p>Enhance partnerships with PTA organizations.</p> <p>Offer relevant Parent Workshop opportunities, providing parents with opportunities to familiarize themselves with district initiatives.</p> <p>Utilize data from Parent Square Application and social media to measure communication engagement.</p> <p>Expand the email database to include residents who do not have students in school.</p> <p>Develop Alumni Relations email database to share exciting school news and updates, as well as to survey for progress monitoring.</p> <p>Provide tools for individuals in need of an alternative means of communication/ languages.</p> <p>Continue to identify and publish relevant information and positive district news through social media platforms and local news outlets.</p>	<p>Communication</p> <p>*</p>	<p>Progress Monitoring</p> <p>+</p>	<p>Belonging, Equity & Dignity for All</p> <p>*</p>	<p>Fiscal Planning</p> <p>*</p>

There was a brief discussion regarding STEM courses, how to measure outcomes, and expanding the database.

8. COMMUNICATIONS - Please Note: This is the opportunity for persons who had written letters to the Board.

There were no communications to the Board requiring Board action.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION - Please Note: Community members are invited to share their questions, comments, or concerns with the School Board. When speaking, citizens should state their name and address for the record and limit their presentation to 5 minutes. If you wish to participate via Zoom please sign up at the following link by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 23rd: <https://forms.gle/7prMXU911WfR4tte8>. Where possible, the Board will answer factual questions immediately. A written response may be provided when information is not available. If a response would involve discussion of Board Policy or decisions which might be of interest to citizens not present at the meeting, the Board may place the item on a future meeting agenda.

President Licopoli stated that the District had a “When in Doubt, Check it Out” reference page with established procedures to respond to questions and suggestions from parents and residents. It is printed in the District Calendar and will be posted to the website.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Christina Karman	Stated that she feels there is a big difference between equity and equality in the district. The kids attending new schools are having a hard time adjusting. The District did not take a look at the big picture before closing two elementary schools with what would happen to the kids.
Kyle Halm	Stated he has concerns about district communication. There should be one form of communication and make it easier for parents.
Nicole Richichi	States she has concerns about the transition for elementary students. Some children are struggling with being ripped out of their home schools. Asked if there was specific funding for the transition and toward the mental health of students.

Tammie Topel Asked about the \$1.9 million COVID aid and if the district had to be in compliance with all mandates. Asked if there is extra mental health counseling especially for the students who attended the schools that closed.

14. NEW BUSINESS

Information: 14.01 Newsday Marching Band Festival

Trustee Loughran drafted a letter to Newsday regarding the cancellation of the Marching Band Festival for the Board's approval.

Recommendation to endorse Trustee Loughran's letter to Newsday regarding the cancellation of the Marching Band Festival

Motion by Carol Taylor, second by Victoria Buscareno.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

Action: 14.02 Board Policy #2300

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

“WHEREAS, the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District Board of Education adopted the 2021-2022 Board Goals on September 9, 2021,

WHEREAS, the 2021-2022 Board Goals included proposed revisions to the agenda,

WHEREAS, Board Policy #2300 – Board of Education Meetings – Types, Agendas, Procedures, and Minutes, determines the order of business at regular meetings,

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to adopt the proposed revisions to the agenda for the October 7, 2021 Regular Meeting,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education suspends the order of business at regular meetings under Board Policy #2300 beginning October 7, 2021”

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Thomas Loughran.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

15. ADJOURNMENT - Board policy requires adjournment by 10:30 pm, unless meeting is extended by vote.

Information: 15.01 Upcoming Meetings

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 7, 2021

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School

Action: 15.02 Adjournment

Recommendation to adjourn the meeting

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Thomas Loughran.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

Yes: Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan, Carol A Taylor

At 8:59 p.m., the Chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth M. Nystrom
District Clerk