

**Northport-East Northport Union Free School District Board of Education Regular Meeting -
William J. Brosnan School (Thursday, December 14, 2023)**

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Members present

David Badanes, Victoria Buscareno, Larry Licopoli, Thomas Loughran, Donna McNaughton, Allison C Noonan (left at 6:45 p.m.), Carol A Taylor

Members absent

None

Public Attendance: Approximately 40 people, 56 virtual

1. BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION AND GOALS

Information: 1.01 Board of Education Mission and Goals

The Mission of the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District is to educate and empower all students to pursue their aspirations and contribute as responsible members of society.

Board of Education Goals 2023-2024

*The Purpose of the Northport-East Northport School District Board of Education is to provide oversight and governance to serve our **students, support our staff and District Mission, while being mindful of the community we serve.***

- Recruit a Superintendent of Schools, consistent with the school-community profile, and support conditions for a successful entry plan.
- Advance a long-range financial plan which includes:
 - a) Chartering a Board Financial Planning Committee for the purpose of developing a 3 to 5-year financial plan that factors in the end of the LIPA Glidepath and potential sale/Lease of district property.
 - b) Engaging in a contract analysis of member units for the purpose of advancing possible modifications to existing contracts
 - c) Implementing a plan for the sale/lease of district property for community input and potential referendum.
- Develop and approve a responsible educational plan and budget consistent with the district mission.
- Task the Board Policy Committee to propose recommendations for Policy review with Board input for the 23-24 school year.
- Support the administration in the development of district goals that utilize a data driven approach

Board of Education

Dr. Larry Licopoli, President

Victoria Buscareno, Vice President

David Badanes, Trustee

Thomas Loughran, Trustee

Donna McNaughton, Trustee

Allison Noonan, Trustee

Carol Taylor, Trustee

Central Administration

Robert Banzer, Superintendent of Schools

Robert Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Irene McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Dr. Dana Boshnack, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning

Louis Bonadonna, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Student Support Services

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

President Licopoli called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at William J. Brosnan School.

IF NECESSARY, THE CHAIR MAY ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION - Note: It is anticipated that the Board will meet in public at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at William J. Brosnan School 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 contract negotiations.

Action: 3.01 Motion to convene into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the employment history of particular persons, and matters pertaining to contract negotiations.

Motion by Carol A Taylor, second by David Badanes.

Final Resolution: Motion passes

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

3. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:38 p.m. the Board convened in Public Session in the Cafeteria at William J. Brosnan School.

4. NOTICE OF EMERGENCY EXITS

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Licopoli led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

6. READING OF DISTRICT MISSION

Bob Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Business, read the District Mission.

7. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

8. STUDENT AND STAFF RECOGNITION / STUDENT ORGANIZATION REPORT

Presentations: 8.01 Student and Staff Recognition

STUDENT RECOGNITION

8.01.1 Ms. Riana DiPalma, District Chairperson of English Language Arts and Library K-12, introduced Eleanor Johnson, English Language Arts Department Student of the Month

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Oy1ekly8MgpCxGOhm_VdrG451fX_wK3e/view?usp=sharing

President Licopoli and Superintendent Banzer congratulated Eleanor on her fine accomplishments and presented her with a commendation from the Board.

STAFF RECOGNITION

8.01.2 The Board of Education and the Louis J. Acompora Memorial Foundation honored the following people for their extraordinary efforts that led to life saving measures on November 17, 2023 at Northport High School:

Mr. Shawn Gallagher, Mr. Andrew D'Eloia, Mr. Michael Greenblatt, Ms. Deidre Pettit, Ms. Tracey Braun, Mr. Shawn Scattergood

Information: 8.02 Student Organization Report

Northport High School Students Charlie Aftel and Nathan Aftel presented the current events happening at the high school. The IB students visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art to view the Degas/Manet exhibit. Business students participated in High School Heroes with 5th graders at both middle schools to share financial literacy lessons. The orchestra performed at Barnes and Noble as part of a book fair featuring seasonal songs. The English Honor Society decorated the commons to feature signs and quote that celebrate literature and reading. The wrestling program hosted their annual holiday tournament. IB students conducted their first IB Fair to share with other students at the high school about the IB courses and diploma program. The girl's basketball program hosted their Score for a Cure game vs. Walt Whitman High School to support fighting cancer. Project Tolerance has a Mitten Tree in the Commons through December 18th. Varsity Cheerleading won the small non-tumbling Game Day Cheer division becoming the Pocono Regional Champions

9. BUSINESS AGENDA

Action: 9.01 Minutes

Recommendation to approve the following minutes:

- 9.01.1 November 9, 2023 - Regular Meeting
- 9.01.2 November 27, 2023 - Special Meeting
- 9.01.3 November 30, 2023 - Regular Meeting

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.02 Personnel Actions Report

Recommendation to approve the Personnel Actions Report dated December 14, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.03 Schedule J - Committee on Special Education

Recommendation to approve Schedule J - Committee on Special Education

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.04 BIDS

Recommendation to take specified action on the following BIDS:

EDUCATIONAL

9.04.1 AWARD: Bid #24-103 Hardcover and Paperback Books

9.04.2 AWARD: Bid #24-104 Kindergarten Through Twelfth Grade Supplies

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/TRANSPORTATION

9.04.3 AWARD: Bid #24-105 Hardware and Plumbing Parts and Supplies

9.04.4 AWARD: Bid #24-106 Automotive and Bus Parts, Repair and Service

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.05 Southampton Public Schools Bid #SPS21-010 for IT Supplies, Equipment, Software & Repairs

Recommendation to approve the following resolution authorizing piggybacking on the Southampton Public Schools Bid #SPS21-010 for IGT Supplies, Equipment, Software and Repairs (for IT purchases to CDW-G and other IT suppliers):

"WHEREAS, the SOUTHAMPTON UFSD has made available to other municipalities a contract for IT supplies, equipment, software & repairs; and

WHEREAS, said contract for IT supplies, equipment, software & repairs was let for bid consistent with the requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103; and

WHEREAS, the Northport-East Northport U.F.S.D. is permitted to utilize said contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the bid and requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchase of IT supplies, equipment, software & repairs from Southampton UFSD contract in accordance with the requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103."

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.06 Transportation Contract - Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Recommendation to approve a Transportation Contract between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Eastern Suffolk BOCES for the Field Trip Transportation Program, in the amount of \$11,000.00 (Transportation)

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.07 Norwood Avenue School Field Trip Donation

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$2,940.00 from Northport-East Northport residents for the purposes of covering costs for the 4th grade students at Norwood Avenue Elementary School to participate in a field trip to Urban Air in Setauket, NY on May 16, 2024 and increase the 2023-2024 budget code A2110.4010.00.2901 by \$2,940.00 for this purpose." (Business)

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.08 Western Suffolk BOCES Multi-Year Service Agreement

Recommendation to a Multi-Year Service Agreement between the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District and Western Suffolk BOCES for hardware purchases throughout the year in the amount of \$697,685 billed over four years (Technology)

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.09 Claims Auditor's Report

Recommendation to approve the Claims Auditor's Reports and Schedule of Claims for payments dated:

October 6, 2023 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), October 16, 2023 (GCG-Comp. Warrant), October 16, 2023 (Accounts Payable Warrant), October 20, 2023 (Payroll Trust & Agency Warrant), October 30, 2023 (GCG-Comp. Warrant), October 31, 2023 (Accounts Payable Warrant), October 2023 (Claims Audit Report)

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.10 Treasurer's Report and Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements

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

9.10.1 Treasurer's Report for the period July 1, 2023 through October 31, 2023

9.10.2 Monthly Summary of Receipts and Disbursements for the Month Ending October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.11 Schedule of Investments

Recommendation to approve the following Schedule of Investments:

9.11.1 Schedule of Investments as of October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.12 Collateral Schedule

Recommendation to approve the following Collateral Schedule:

9.12.1 Collateral Schedule as of October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.13 Bank Reconciliation

Recommendation to approve the following Bank Reconciliation Reports:

9.13.1 Bank Reconciliation Report for the Month Ended October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.14 Projected Cash Flow Statement

Recommendation to approve the following Projected Cash Flow Statement:

9.14.1 Projected Cash Flow Statement, Actual Data July 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023, Estimated Data November 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.15 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - School Lunch Fund

Recommendation to approve the following Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - School Lunch Fund:

9.15.1 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - School Lunch Fund for the period July 1, 2023 - October 21, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.16 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Special Aid Fund

Recommendation to approve the following Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Special Aid Fund:

9.16.1 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Special Aid Fund for the period July 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.17 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - General Fund

Recommendation to approve the following Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - General Fund:

9.17.1 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - General Fund for the period July 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.18 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Capital Fund

Recommendation to approve the following Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Capital Fund:

9.18.1 Monthly Revenue and Budget Status Report - Capital Fund for the period July 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.19 School Lunch Profit and Loss

Recommendation to approve the following School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement:

9.19.1 School Lunch Profit and Loss Statement for the period July 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.20 Transfer of General Fund Appropriations

Recommendation to approve Transfer of General Fund Appropriations in the 2023-2024 fiscal year (\$35,000.00)

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

Action: 9.21 Travel Expense Resolution

Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Education herewith appropriates funds for the reimbursement of the travel expenses of the two (2) finalists candidates for the position of Superintendent of Schools, which reimbursement was previously agreed to be granted by the Board of Education during the summer of 2023, during the interview of applicants, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said reimbursement in the respective amounts of \$199.49 and \$910.10 are herewith approved and the Assistant Superintendent for Business authorized and is to make payments to the appropriate finalists, in the forgoing amounts."

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTS (Focus on 2023-2024 Goals and Planning)

Information: 10.01 Board President Comments

Report: 10.02 Committee/Board Liaison Reports

11. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. NEW BUSINESS

14. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMENT - 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.

Name

Comment

Christina Karman

Commented on Mr. Banzer's retirement.

Tammie Topel Commented on Whole Child Academy lease offer.

Michelle Coggins Commented on Newmark contract and common-sense budgeting.

Teresa Ford Commented on school properties, Newmark contract and lease clarification.

Michael Amendola Commented on Newmark contract, transparency and community involvement.

Lenny Olijnyk Commented on Newmark contract, not selling buildings and repurposing schools.

15. BOARD REFLECTION

16. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Information: 16.01 Schedule H - Use of Facilities

Information: 16.02 Budget Transfers for the period November 21, 2023 to November 30, 2023 - As per Board Policy #6150 all transfers between salary codes up to \$25,000 and transfers between all other codes up to \$10,000 are to be reported to the Board of Education as an information item

Information: 16.03 NASA PDC

Information: 16.04 UTN PDC

17. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Information: 17.01 Upcoming Meetings

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, January 11, 2024

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, January 25, 2024

7:00 p.m.

William J. Brosnan School

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

Action: 18.01 Adjournment

Recommendation to adjourn the meeting

Motion by Victoria Buscareno, second by Carol A Taylor.

Final Resolution: Motion Passes

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

Not Present at Vote: Allison C Noonan

At 9:15 p.m., the chair declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth M. Nystrom
District Clerk