

Nippersink School District 2
Regular Board of Education Meeting
December 15, 2009

MINUTES

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Nippersink School District 2, was called to order by President Patty Anderson at 7:01 p.m. in the Nippersink Middle School Library.

Members Present: Anderson, Bianchini, Callaby, Samuel, Maurer, Langlois
Absent: Bushing
Also Present: Dr. Oest, Superintendent and Dr. Hain, Business Manager

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda for approval included the following:

- ✓ Regular Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2009
- ✓ Closed Session Meeting Minutes of November 24, 2009
- ✓ Board Bills \$1,088,878.17
- ✓ Treasurer's Report
- ✓ Discard Closed Session Audio Recordings of 5/27/08 and 6/09/08

Motion by Callaby and seconded by Bianchini to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes: Callaby, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Langlois, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Public Input

None

Reports

- Revenue/Expenditure Report, Special Education Revenue/Expenditure Report, Imprest Account Report, Impact Fee Report, ISDLAF Report, Transportation Report
- Administrative Reports

Superintendent

Dr. Oest had the opportunity to have some conversation with Representative Tryon and Senator Althoff at the recent MCSO meeting. The legislators do not anticipate any bills related to the money stream for education or property tax relief due to the bipartisan relationship and the upcoming gubernatorial election. Whispers of the foundation level decreasing in the General State Aid calculation are also being heard. This legislative session will be an interesting one to monitor. Senator Althoff did mention that she was aware of a bill for a reprieve on unfunded mandates, which could be a significant piece of legislation. She also mentioned that school consolidation talk is gaining more attention, though no word on where the money stream will come from.

Business Manager

Dr. Hain reported on the streamlining of the lunch program with respect to money handling and the re-structuring of job descriptions for more efficiency over all. He also gave an update/heads up on facility needs:

NMS – A 62 year old building with a new boiler system, but old “artery” problems, broken radiators, etc., which will require continued upkeep and repairs.

RGS – The next oldest building has calcification in its old pipes that will likely require re-tubing. Aggressive attempts are being made to chemically treat the calcification problems. Flooring and asphalt issues are pending concerns.

SGE – Gutters, downspouts, roofing and flooring issues causing outdoor drainage problems. Eventually, the Village of Spring Grove will want SGE to hook up to city water and sewer.

Inquiry was made about the windows at NMS. Dr. Hain mentioned that the architect was working on merging the items listed on the Decennial Report with those listed in the report from the Performance Contract, for priority, timelines and costs. The slowdown in the housing market has greatly slowed down the District’s ability to make building improvements. Options to mobile classrooms continue to be a priority and will possibly be ready for review in February.

Student Board Member

Eric Papparigian reported on the middle school students current activities. The following items were addressed in his report:

- The 7th-8th grade Boys Basketball teams have finished a successful season and tournament.
- The Toys for Tots drive and Support the Troops of RB will be concluding along with the Candy Cane fundraiser.
- The Geography Bee was won by Henry Stark (6th grade).
- The Band Concert will take place on Thursday. A Soup and Salad fundraiser will be held in advance of the concert.
- The Student Council meeting focused on planning the upcoming holiday dance. Ping Pong in the Commons and the movie “Elf” will be options.

RGS Principal

Mrs. Jones reported on the Raising Student Achievement Conference held at Pheasant Run. Colleen Koscielniak , Jill Peterson (RGS Kindergarten teachers) and Chris Colosimo (school psychologist) represented District 2 as presenters at the conference, sharing work they’ve been doing using data and interventions with kindergarteners needing help with early literacy skills. Mrs. Anderson requested that they be thanked on behalf of the Board for representing the District in such a positive way.

SGE Principal

Mr. Pittman spoke of the recent holiday concerts held at SGE, praising Mrs. Olson and Mrs. Moran for their many hours of hard work in preparing the students for the programs. He also invited all to attend the 4th graders’ Christmas Around the World.

NMS Principal

Mr. Molitor spoke of the ongoing articulation with RB teachers. Tomorrow, RB teachers will be meeting with middle school teachers to discuss the course selection process. The results of the recent Explore Test given to the 8th graders by RB Guidance and Administration will be used to determine appropriate class placement in the areas of Language Arts, Reading, Math, Science, and Writing. Some individual registrations for high school will also take place. Mr. Molitor told of the recent food drive held by the 7th

grade as part of their upcoming incentive day. Students transported the food to the food pantry.

Special Education Coordinator

Mrs. May-Zelle was unable to attend the meeting. Her report was included in the Board packet.

Curriculum Director

Mrs. Veillon spoke of the upcoming articulation scheduled for January 4th, commenting that it would be very different from previous meetings. 7th and 8th grade L/A Teachers will meet with the Freshman Language teachers to discuss expectations and process instead of curriculum and content. Current testing systems in each school will also be reviewed. The second round of Universal Screening will begin this month at each school to measure growth. The District Level RtI team continues to investigate interventions.

Old Business

D2/D157 Consolidation

Dr. Oest mentioned that the Committee of Ten is expected to have their first meeting in January.

Board Goals

A special meeting was held earlier this evening to focus on Board Goals; much was accomplished. A second meeting will take place in January. Board members were directed to contact Ms Miller prior to Friday with their availability during the 2nd full week of January. An update to the goals, including items discussed at the special meeting will be provided to Board Members in the next few days.

New Business

Pre-approval of remaining December/January customary bills

Due to the time frame caused by the upcoming holidays, request was made by the business department to have pre-approval to pay the remaining December/January customary bills in order to avoid late fees.

Motion by Maurer and seconded by Langlois to approve the remaining December 2009 and upcoming January 2010 ordinary and customary monthly bills in order to avoid late fee charges.

Roll Call

Ayes: Callaby, Langlois, Maurer, Bianchini, Samuel, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

2009 Levy Resolution

Dr. Hain stated that no changes had occurred since the approval of the 2009 Intent to Levy at the November Board Meeting.

Motion by Bianchini and seconded by Maurer to authorize the 2009 Property Tax Levy Resolutions and Certificate of Tax Levy as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes: Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Langlois, Callaby, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

2010 Board of Education Meeting Dates

Motion by Langlois and seconded by Callaby to approve the District 2 2010 Board of Education Regular Meeting date schedule as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes: Maurer, Samuel, Bianchini, Langlois, Callaby, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Appointment of FOIA/OMA Officer

Motion by Maurer and seconded by Samuel to appoint Julie Miller and Dr. Oest as District 2 FOIA/OMA officers.

Roll Call

Ayes: Samuel, Maurer, Langlois, Callaby, Bianchini, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

WWAN Lease Proposal

Detail of the proposal was given at the November meeting as well as further discussed during the special meeting earlier in the evening.

Motion by Langlois and seconded by Samuel to authorize administration to proceed with the plan from Wishcom Wireless to provide and install the wireless network system with the payment option to be determined.

Roll Call

Ayes: Langlois, Bianchini, Samuel, Callaby, Maurer, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Board Policy – 2nd Reading

As recommended by IASB PRESS Policy Services, the following policies were reviewed by Dr. Oest and presented for a 1st reading at the November Board of Education Meeting. Dr. Oest spoke with the IASB Legal Counsel regarding 7:190 (student discipline off school grounds). While not many schools enforce this piece of policy, legal counsel suggested that the option to impose the policy gives school districts the latitude.

Motion by Maurer and seconded by Langlois to adopt the following policies as presented:

- a. 2:20 Powers and Duties of the School Board
- b. 2:40 Board Member Qualifications
- c. 2:110 Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers
- d. 3:40 Superintendent
- e. 4:30 Revenue and Investments
- f. 4:40 Incurring Debt
- g. 4:100 Insurance Management
- h. 4:110 Transportation
- i. 4:140 Waiver of Student Fees
- j. 5:30 Hiring Process Criteria
- k. 5:90 Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
- l. 5:100 Staff Development Program
- m. 5:120 Ethics
- n. 5:250 Professional Personnel – Leaves of Absence
- o. 5:280 Educational Support Personnel – Duties & Qualifications
- p. 5:330 Educational Support Personnel – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and
- q. Leaves
- r. 7:190 Student Discipline

s. 8:100 Relations with other Organizations and Agencies

Roll Call

Ayes: Langlois, Callaby, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Public Input 2

Cindy Gardner – expressed appreciation on behalf of all staff for the Board’s support and stated that they were having a fantastic year.

Closed Session

Motion by Samuel and seconded by Callaby to move into Closed Session at 7:50 p.m. to consider information pertaining to the appointment, employment, dismissal, performance, discipline and compensation of employees of the district , collective bargaining matters, and consideration of public release of Closed Session Minutes.

Roll Call

Ayes: Callaby, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Langlois, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Return to Open Session at 9:44 p.m.

Action After Closed Session

Motion by Callaby and seconded by Langlois to approve the public release of the Closed Session Minutes of October 20, 2009 and to keep all other existing District Closed Session Minutes closed, due to their remaining need for confidentiality.

Roll Call

Ayes: Callaby, Bianchini, Maurer, Samuel, Langlois, Anderson

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Adjournment

Motion by Bianchini and seconded by Samuel to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Roll Call

Ayes: Callaby, Langlois, Maurer, Bianchini, Samuel, Anderson

Nays: None

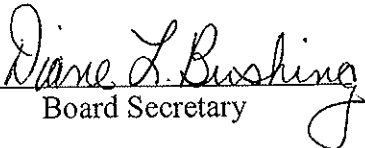
Motion Carried: 6 - 0

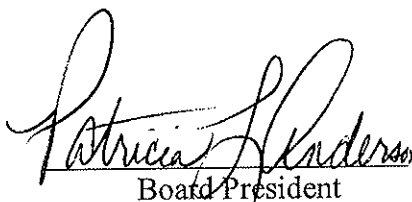
Next Regular Meeting, January 26, 2010

Board of Education of Nippersink

School District #2

ATTEST:


Board Secretary

 January 26, 2010
Board President