

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Norwalk City School District Board of Education

Minutes of

Regular Meeting

Held

April 10, 2018

The Norwalk City Board of Education met in **REGULAR SESSION** at the Norwalk High School, on April 10, 2018. Board President Lisa Wick called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the following Board members answering roll call: Mr. John Lendrum, Mr. Steve Linder, Mr. Ralph Ritzenthaler, Mrs. Beth Schnellinger and Mrs. Lisa Wick. Board President Wick led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Also in attendance: George Fisk, Superintendent; Joyce Dupont, Treasurer; teachers, community members, students and parents.

ADOPTION OF THE BOARD AGENDA

Mr. Lendrum moved, seconded by Mrs. Schnellinger, to adopt the Board Agenda. On roll call, voting yes: Mr. Lendrum, Mr. Linder, Mr. Ritzenthaler, Mrs. Schnellinger, and Mrs. Wick. MOTION PASSED, 5-0.

EDUCATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

The Main Street School 6th grade Blue Team did a presentation on their student mentoring program. The teachers on the Blue Team, Mr. Kijowski, Mrs. McConnell, Mr. McCoy, Mrs. Riley, and Mrs. Webb, gave examples of how they mentored the students over the school year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Duane Moore read another statement in regards to the upcoming property tax levy that is expiring. Mr. Moore would like the Board to consider changing both the property tax levy and the traditional income tax levy to an earned income tax levy only.

Many parents and students discussed the softball program.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

Upon the recommendation of Mrs. Joyce Dupont, Treasurer, Mr. Lendrum moved, seconded by Mrs. Schnellinger, for approval of the following:

1. March 2018 financial reports.
2. Waive the reading and approve the minutes of the

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3. Participating in the county wide auction for school district items declared obsolete. A list of items will be presented to the Board at a later date.
4. Interim deposits as Certificate of Deposits with Enterprise Bank and The First National Bank of Long Island through Multi Bank Securities.
5. Auxiliary disposal request of obsolete textbooks from Norwalk Catholic Schools.
6. FY17 financial audit.
7. Donations from the Norwalk Eagles of \$1,500 toward the cost of crossing guards and Carol Phillips of \$1,000 toward a student scholarship.

On roll call, voting yes: Mrs. Schnellinger, Mr. Lendrum, Mr. Linder, Mr. Ritzenthaler, and Mrs. Wick. MOTION PASSED, 5-0.

DISCUSSION

The upcoming emergency operating levy was discussed again and the Board members asked for a work session with more detail on all levy options and public input.

PERSONNEL

Upon the recommendation of George Fisk, Superintendent, Mr. Ritzenthaler moved, seconded by Mrs. Schnellinger, to approve the following personnel recommendations:

1. Family Medical Leave Act for **Vivian Clark**, 4/10/2018 through 7/8/2018.
2. The resignation of **Coral Smith**, teacher, effective August 1, 2018.
3. Employment of **Melissa d'Aliberti**, BA150, step 0, 1 year contract on the certified salary schedule, effective August 21, 2018, pending successful completion of all employment requirements.

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4. 1 year contract effective August 21, 2018 for the 2018-2019 school year:

**Cassandra Baker
Emily Barger
Jeffrey Burkett
Heather Byington
Marco Caponi
Nichole Clark
Brenna Davis
Myisha Dotson
Olivia Doughty**

**Katherine Elmlinger
Jordan Frado
Jennifer Garwood
Maria Goodsite
Katherine Hipp
Drew Karnehm
Lauren Manuella
Luke McCoy
Stephanie Pope**

**Stephanie Riggs
Michelle Sandor
Ronda Schmenk
ODell Simpson
David Snell
Ratiba Stillman
Sarah Timmis
Alyanna Tuttle
Tiffany West**

5. 2 year contracts effective August 21, 2018 for the 2018-2019 & 2019-2020 school years:

**Abbey Acierto
Jonathon Kijowski
Carissa Olsen
Samantha Roberts
Hailee Taylor**

6. 3 year contracts effective August 21, 2018 for the 2018-2019 & 2019-2020 & 2020-2021 school years:

**Leslie Alexander
Katherine Frederick
Brock Manlet
Lisa Martin
Amy Mayer
Kristen Michaelis
Lindsay Pigman
Kelly Protzman**

7. Continuing contract effective August 21, 2018 for **Heidi Helgeson**.

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8. Educational assistant contracts for the 2018-2019 school year:

**Kate Brutcher
Carolynn
Ciersezwski
Dolores Cook
Tina Davidson
Alison Doughty
Krista Eden
Kimberly Gentzel
Susan Haas
Laura Hahn
Dawn Hall
Vickie Hemenway
Mary Hinckley
Lucy Hokes**

**Jackie Kelley
Brenda Kraus
Lynne Leber
Jill Lieber
Rebekah Lesch
Kim Leto
Kimberly Lieber
Sophia Link
Kathy Luc
Kristi Minor
Debra Moyer
Sharon Myers
Patricia Nickoli
Beth Osborn**

**Ellen Ostheimer
Sandra Ratliff
Julissa Reyes
Jackie Roth
Rebecca Scheel
Devon Schneiter
Susan K. Silcox
Jacquie Sindlinger
Terry Snyder
Amanda Sorenson
Tracy
Summerland
Robin Thrash
Jessica Ward**

9. Home instruction tutor **Tiffany West**.

10. Supplemental contract for **Robyn Rogers**, Safety Patrol at League Elementary, code16, step 9 for the 2017-2018 school year.

11. The employment of the following as classified substitutes for the 2017-2018 school year:

**Madison Bement
Mary Lynn Ganzhorn, effective April 2, 2018
Brian McKain
Pamela Murphy**

12. The employment of **David Swope** as summer tech help.

On roll call, voting yes: Mr. Ritzenthaler, Mrs. Schnellinger, Mr. Lendrum, Mr. Linder, and Mrs. Wick. MOTION PASSED, 5-0.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Upon the recommendation of George Fisk, Superintendent, Mrs. Schnellinger moved, seconded by Mr. Lendrum, to approve the following:

1. 2018-2019 Permanent improvement list of projects.
2. NHS Band Trip to NYC - March 2019 (2018-2019 school year)
3. Contract for OSBA Board Policy Services contract, effective April 1, 2018 - March 31, 2019.
4. Contract for North Point Educational Service Center - 2018-2019 Multi-Agreement contract - shared costs.
5. Contract for North Point Educational Service Center - 2018-2019 Alternative Learning Center contract.
6. Contract with the Educational Service Center of Lorain County - 2018-2019 Multi-Agreement Contract - shared costs.
7. Memorandum of Agreement with Teaching & Mentoring Communities 2018-2019.
8. HB512 resolution:

WHEREAS, the Ohio House of Representatives is currently considering legislation that would consolidate the Ohio Department of Education, the Ohio Department of Higher Education and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation into a new state agency called the Department of Learning and Achievement; and

WHEREAS, the proposal transfers nearly all the duties and authority of the State Board of Education and the superintendent of public instruction to the new state agency; and

WHEREAS, this proposal was drafted without the input of students, parents, educators, administrators, schools, school districts, superintendents and board members, all of whom would be negatively affected by the bill; and

WHEREAS, this legislation creates an environment in which the unique needs of students, educators, parents and school districts will be lost within an expanded bureaucracy, and the role and authority of the elected members of the State Board of Education would be undermined by stripping the board of nearly all its duties; and

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WHEREAS, supporters of the bill cite a lack of communication among state education agencies as the key source of Ohio's education problems, but effective collaboration and cooperation is already occurring, and each school district strives to effectively prepare its students for college or a career; and

WHEREAS, important decisions on topics like school funding, graduation requirements, report cards and state assessments would be made by politically appointed, unelected staff with little to no accountability and under a process with almost no public input; and

WHEREAS, public education is at its best when the interests of the people are served through publicly elected boards, and the State Board of Education is no exception; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Norwalk City School District Board of Education does express its opposition to this legislation, HB 512; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the board of education.

On roll call, voting yes: Mrs. Schnellinger, Mr. Lendrum, Mr. Linder, Mr. Ritzenthaler and Mrs. Wick. MOTION PASSED, 5-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

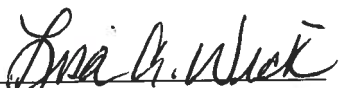
Discussion was held about the Compass Academy and charter/community schools in general.

ADJOURNMENT


There being no other business, Mrs. Wick declared the meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm.

On roll call, voting yes: Mr. Lendrum, Mr. Linder, Mr. Ritzenthaler, Mrs. Schnellinger, and Mrs. Wick. MOTION PASSED, 5-0.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 9:37 PM.



Lisa Wick, President



Joyce Dupont, Treasurer