

The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in public session on September 14, 2010, in the cafeteria of the Grandview School, Hamilton Drive East, North Caldwell, NJ, at 7:34 p.m.

Mr. Victor Hayek, Business Administrator, indicated that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting had been properly advertised and the agenda had been posted at the appropriate locations.

Roll call by the Business Administrator:

Present: Mr. Steven Hadley, President
Mrs. Mary Wojtowicz, Vice President

Mrs. Aggie Doolen

Absent: Mr. Robert Projansky
Mr. Robert Kessler

Also Present: Dr. Linda Freda, Superintendent
Mr. Victor Hayek, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Hadley stated that school opening went well and the schools look good.
- He reported the district is still dealing with financial issue and state regulations. Mr. Hadley said busing is something that may be affected and the Board will be conducting a survey from the community (on-line) regarding same.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Freda said the children are happy and excited to be back.
- Busing is coming along with minor adjustment on-going.
- Dr. Freda commented that the classrooms look great. She thanked teachers for working hard to create welcoming classroom environments.
- Dr. Freda said she appreciated the North Caldwell Foundation for Education's funding string music at \$9,000 and for providing a mini-grant to Mrs. Schechter for a "mentor book" program.
- The North Caldwell Foundation for Education will be sponsoring "Green Night" fundraiser to be held November 11, 2010.
- Dr. Freda also reported that the ASK scores are due the last week of September.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted by the North Caldwell Foundation for Education for meeting dates.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted by the North Caldwell Foundation for Education for "Green Night."

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted for Girl Scout Troop 737.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted by Girl Scout Troop 308.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G5. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted by the Caldwell-West Caldwell Boy Scouts troop 856.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use form submitted by the Brownies Troop 20168.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G7. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation #5111, Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Pupils**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation #8420, Fire and Fire Drills**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G9. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation #6422, Budget Transfers**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Regulation #6740, Reserve Accounts**, at second reading.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the below listed vendor:

- Staples – office supplies/equipment
State Contract #77249

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G12. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve disposal of the inventory listed on the attached sheet which is broken or nonfunctioning.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G13. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve receipt of \$2,530.99 from the sale of the following items listed on govdeals.com:

37 Dell Pentium 4 Computers	\$ 811.00
24 Dell Computers	\$ 850.00
25 Dell Computers	\$1,019.00
1 Library Card Catalog	<u>\$ 57.00</u>
	\$2,737.00
Less Auction Fees	<u>-206.01</u>
Total	\$2,530.99

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G14. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the submission of the No Child Left Behind Grant Application for the 2010-2011 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G15. RESOLVED that upon approval of the Fiscal Year 2011 NCLB grant application, the Board of Education accept the following grant award:

Title IIA: \$9,758.00

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

G16. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve payment to **Bergen County Special Services** in the amount of \$835.00 for an augmentative communication evaluation for **student #8003467**.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

- B1. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **Public and Confidential Minutes of July 20, 2010.**

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

WITHDRAWN

- B2. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **Public and Confidential Minutes of August 17, 2010.**

Moved:

Seconded:

Yes:

No:

WITHDRAWN

- B3. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **Public and Confidential Minutes of August 26, 2010.**

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

- B4. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **August 12, 2010, payroll** in the amount of \$71,367.39.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

- B5. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **August 31, 2010, payroll** in the amount of \$42,761.20.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

- B6. RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **August 31, 2010, Hand Check Register** in the amount of \$495,744.74.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

B7. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **September 9, 2010 Bills & Claims** in the amount of \$165,039.67.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

B8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following line item transfers for August 2010:

To Account #	Amount	From Account #	Amount
District Sewer Charge 11-000-262-490-03-00	67.70	Garbage Collect. Gld 11-000-262-420-03-02	(67.70)
Info Tech Admin 11-000-252-110-00-00	12,000	Info Tech Purch Srvcs 11-000-252-340-00-00	(12,000)
	12,067.70		(12,067.70)

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

B9. RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH CALDWELL IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the “Board of Education”) desires to make application to the Local Finance Board for its approval of a refunding bond ordinance authorizing the issuance of not exceeding \$7,500,000 Refunding School Bonds pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61 et seq. in order to provide debt service savings for the school district; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education believes that:

- (a) it is in the public interest to accomplish such purpose;

- (b) the purpose is for the health, the welfare, the convenience or the betterment of the inhabitants of the school district;
- (c) the amounts to be expended for the purpose or the improvements are not unreasonable or exorbitant; and
- (d) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the school district and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the school district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH CALDWELL IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX as follows:

Section 1. The application to the Local Finance Board is hereby approved, and the Board of Education's Bond Counsel, along with other representatives of the Board of Education, are hereby authorized to prepare such application and to represent the Board of Education in matters pertaining thereto.

Section 2. The Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board of Education is hereby directed to prepare and to file a certified copy of the financing documents authorizing the Bonds with the Local Finance Board as part of such application.

Section 3. The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such application and to record its findings and approval as provided by the applicable New Jersey Statute.

Moved:	Mrs. Wojtowicz	Seconded:	Mrs. Doolen
Yes:	3	No:	0

B10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the introduction on first reading of the "Refunding Bond Ordinance," as follows:

REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH CALDWELL IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE REFUNDING OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CALLABLE SCHOOL BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1996, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF

\$3,190,000 AND/OR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE OUTSTANDING CALLABLE SCHOOL BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, DATED DECEMBER 1, 2002, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$8,635,000, APPROPRIATING NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000 REFUNDING BONDS TO PROVIDE FOR SUCH REFUNDING.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH CALDWELL IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Board") is hereby authorized to refund:

(a) all or a portion of the outstanding callable school bonds issued in the original principal amount of \$3,190,000 and dated February 1, 1996 (the "1996 Bonds"). The 1996 Bonds maturing on or after August 1, 2011 may be redeemed at the option of the Board in whole or in part on any date on or after August 1, 2006 at the par amount of such 1996 Bonds to be refunded plus accrued interest, if any, to the date fixed for redemption; and

(b) all or a portion of the outstanding callable school bonds issued in the original principal amount of \$8,635,000 and dated December 1, 2002 (the "2002 Bonds"). The 2002 Bonds maturing on or after January 15, 2013 may be redeemed at the option of the Board in whole or in part on any date on or after January 15, 2012 at the par amount of such 2002 Bonds to be refunded plus accrued interest, if any, to the Redemption Date; and

(c) all or a portion of (a) and/or (b).

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the purpose described in Section 1 hereof, negotiable refunding bonds (the "Refunding Bonds") are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,500,000 pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61 et seq.*

Section 3. An aggregate amount not exceeding \$175,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under *N.J.S.A. 18A:24-61.4* has been included in the aggregate principal amount of Refunding Bonds authorized herein.

Section 4. The purpose of the refunding is to incur an interest cost savings for the Board.

Section 5. A supplemental debt statement has been prepared and filed in the offices of the Borough Clerk and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey as required by law. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law and the school debt of the Board is increased by the amount the Refunding Bond authorization exceeds the amount of the proposed Refunded Bonds.

Section 6. A certified copy of this refunding bond ordinance as adopted on first reading has been filed with the director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey prior to final adoption, together with a complete statement in the form prescribed by the Director and signed by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary or the Board President of the Board as to the indebtedness to be financed by the issuance of the Refunding Bonds authorized herein.

Section 7. The Board President, the Superintendent, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary and other appropriate representatives of the Board are

hereby authorized to prepare such documents, to publish such notices and to take such other actions as are necessary or desirable to enable the Board to prepare for the sale and the issuance of the Refunding Bonds authorized herein and to provide for the redemption of the 1996 and/or 2002 Bonds referred to in Section 1 hereof.

Section 8. This bond ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption and endorsement of the consent of the Local Finance Board upon a certified copy of this ordinance as finally adopted.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

B11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the proposal received from PNC Capital markets to act as underwriters for the "Refunding of Bonds."

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Ian Adlon** as a Computer Systems Technician at an hourly rate of \$20.00 per hour for the 2010-2011 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Randi Marlo** as a part-time classroom aide at a prorated salary of \$17,343.00 (Aide St 1 .83) for the 2010-2011 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P3. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Christina Fede** as a part-time classroom aide at a prorated salary of \$17,343.00 (Aide St 1 .83) for the 2010-2011 school year.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P4. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Jenna Tobia** as a substitute teacher for the 2010-2011 school year pending criminal history review.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P5. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Joann Russo** as a substitute teacher for the 2010-2011 school year pending substitute certification.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P6. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve classroom aides and instructional assistants to work up to thirty (30) minutes per day as lunch/recess aides at a rate of \$13.75 per half hour.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P7. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the below listed individuals as substitute custodians for the 2010-2011 school year, at \$13.00 per hour.

Dominick Barone
Joseph Romano

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen

Yes: 3 No: 0

P8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve **Diana Caggiano** as a substitute teacher for the 2010-2011 school year pending certification.

Moved: Mrs. Wojtowicz Seconded: Mrs. Doolen
Yes: 3 No: 0

PUBLIC RECOGNITION

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- Mrs. Wojtowicz reported minor issues with the bus routes which have improved.
- Mrs. Wojtowicz said a number of requests from parents for route adjustments and/or special arrangements had been received.
- Mr. Hadley expressed his gratitude for the work of the Transportation Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mrs. Doolen thanked the custodial staff for their hard work over the summer which included:
 - Painting
 - Classroom conversions
 - Gym floors refinished
 - Sidewalks installed
 - Chimney work (much needed)
 - Shrubs at Gould

The following resolution was called at approximately 7:55 p.m.

RESOLVED that in accordance with section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, the Board has the authority to adjourn to closed session to discuss matters pertaining to: legal, personnel, and negotiations. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.

Moved: Mr. Projansky Seconded: Mr. Kessler
Yes: 3 No: 0

PUBLIC SESSION

SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board moved to adjourned into confidential session at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victor Hayek,
Business Administrator