

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Northport-East Northport
Union Free School District

A G E N D A

Regular Meeting
December 1, 2008
Northport High School

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6:30 pm

- 1. CALL TO ORDER IN THE CAREER COUNSELING CENTER AT NORTHPORT HIGH SCHOOL
MOTION TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS

7:30 pm

- MOTION TO RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION IN THE LIBRARY AT NORTHPORT HIGH SCHOOL
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. NOTICE OF EMERGENCY EXITS
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, TREASURER’S REPORT AND MONTHLY SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
 - 4.1 Minutes
 - *4.1.1 Regular Meeting, November 3, 2008

MOTION REQUIRED

- 5. SPECIAL REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT
 - *5.1 For Information: Mr. David Storch, Coordinator, will give a presentation on the International Baccalaureate Program
 - *5.2 Recommendation to receive the final recommendations for course catalog changes at the middle schools and high school for the 2009-2010 school year.

MOTION REQUIRED

- *5.3 For Information: Upcoming Meetings

6. COMMUNICATIONS

Please Note: This is the opportunity for persons who had written letters to the Board to speak to the Board regarding the issues raised in their communications. Speakers are asked to keep their comments brief, and to speak for no longer than 5 minutes.

There are no letters of communication.

7. PUBLIC 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. 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.

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

8.1 Recommendation to approve the following Personnel Schedules:

- *8.1.1 Schedule A - Certified Staff
- *8.1.2 Schedule B - Non-Instructional Staff
- *8.1.3 Schedule C - Salary Transfers
- *8.1.4 Schedule D - Extra Pay
- *8.1.5 Schedule J - Committee on Special Education

MOTION REQUIRED

8.2 Recommendation to approve the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Board Policy and State Regulation, the Board of Education approve the appointment of Susan Lushing to serve as Impartial Hearing Officer for the purpose of conducting an impartial hearing in accord with Policy 4321, Program for Students with Disabilities Under IDEA.”

MOTION REQUIRED

*8.3 Recommendation to approve a request by Noreen B. Anderson-Digiose, a school psychologist at Northport High School pursuing a Degree of Doctor of Psychology at St. John’s University, to create a Cyberbullying Prevention Program for high school students which will be presented to 9th grade students during the spring 2009 semester as a joint effort with the Social Studies Department - enclosed for Board members.

MOTION REQUIRED

*8.4 Recommendation to approve a Memorandum of Agreement, dated November 17, 2008, between the United Teachers of Northport (Teaching Assistants) and the Northport-East Northport Union Free School District - enclosed for Board members.

MOTION REQUIRED

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

*9.1 The Board of Education Audit Committee has recommended that the Board approve the following resolutions - enclosed for Board members:

9.1.1 Appointing the External Auditor for the 2008-2009 fiscal year:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Coughlin, Foundotos, Cullen and Danowski, LLP as the External Auditors for the 2008-2009 fiscal year with an option to renew for the 2009-2010, 2010-2011, and 2011-2012 fiscal years as per their Request for Proposal dated September 3, 2008.”

9.1.2 Appointing the Internal Auditor for the 2008-2009 fiscal year:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint Sheehan & Co. as the Internal Auditors for the 2008-2009 fiscal year, with an option to renew for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 fiscal years as per their Request for Proposal dated September 26, 2008.”

MOTION REQUIRED

9.2 Recommendation to authorize the administration to apply for the following Starbucks Grant:

*9.2.1 \$1,000 to support the literacy program at Fifth Avenue Elementary School in collaboration with Starbucks.

MOTION REQUIRED

*9.3 Recommendation to approve transfer of general fund appropriations in the 2008-2009 budget.

MOTION REQUIRED

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - FOR INFORMATION ONLY

10.1 Student Activity Account Reports for September, 2008 from:

- *10.1.1 Northport High School
- *10.1.2 East Northport Middle School
- *10.1.3 Northport Middle School

*10.2 Schedule H - Use of Facilities

*10.3 Schedule I - Home Instruction

*10.4 Monthly Revenue & Budget Status Report as of August, 2008

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. ADJOURNMENT

(Board policy requires adjournment by 11:00 p.m. unless meeting is extended by vote.)

ASM:MMcD:bmh