

North Shore Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
Minutes
October 10, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Sara Jones at 6:30 p.m. in the Glenwood Landing School Auditorium. Present were Trustees Commander, Galati, Ludmar, Madden, Russo and Vizza. Also present Superintendent Peter Giarrizzo, and Assistant Superintendents Olivia Buatsi and Christopher Zublionis.

At 6:30 p.m. on motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, the Board moved to convene an executive session in the Principal's Office to consider matters regarding collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law), discussions regarding proposed, pending or currently litigation, and matters leading to the appointment or employment of a particular person or corporation.

At 8:10 p.m. on motion of Trustee Commander and seconded by Trustee Vizza and all in favor, the Board moved to come out of executive session and resumed the regular meeting in the auditorium. There were 10 people in the audience.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Jones led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Galati, with Trustees Commander, Galati, Jones, Ludmar and Russo for and Trustees Madden and Vizza abstaining, the minutes of September 26, 2019 were approved.

Report of the Superintendent

Dr. Giarrizzo reported that much time has been spent on meetings with small groups discussing the scope, rationale and finances regarding the upcoming Bond. He reported that surveys for residents and staff related to district committees have been sent out and are on the website. Homecoming is planned for October 16th. The carnival will begin at 10 am and the football team will play Mineola in the afternoon. In addition to the various games and activities, there will be a Virtual Reality Booth for students this year. PSAT testing is scheduled for next week and all 10th and 11th grade students will participate. Full and complete programming has been put in place for all 9th and 12 graders including a documentary on the solar system and team building activities in the afternoon for freshmen. Seniors will take part in workshops on college interviews, common app, college essay, resume development and a full grade presentation on maintaining healthy relationships, called *Break the Cycle*. Dr. Giarrizzo thanked Albert Cousins, Don Lang, and Dan Doherty for their responsive and thoughtful planning. Dr. Giarrizzo reported that author George Couros was at North Shore this week to work with our teachers on fostering an *Innovator's Mindset* within themselves and their students. Teams from Roslyn, Syosset, Franklin Square, and East Meadow were hosted by North Shore. All of our administrators and teachers are reading this book, and the Board will be provided a copy as well. He thanked Dr. Zublionis for putting the day together and said it was truly terrific. Dr. Giarrizzo wished good luck to our seniors, who are busily putting their early applications and early decision applications together. Finally, he noted a new common *hashtag* for North Shore, *#northshorecsd*, and asked all to start using it.

Report from the SGO

SGO co-presidents Christian Genet and Sam Scordo, reported on events and activities at the high school including: the SGO is working on Homecoming, they are sponsoring fan gear and spirit items such as foam fingers and pom-poms. The junior and senior class board members are working on an intramural ball game for Homecoming. In order to create a less hectic atmosphere at SGO meetings, they are instituting a new format for proposing ideas; students will fill out a form prior to the meeting and these will be brought up at the meeting in a more formal matter. Freshmen delivered their speeches for offices; voting began electronically and will end tomorrow.

Regular Business

Setting Parameters for Future Discussions on External Math Review, Vaping/Wellness and Annual Board Discussion Items

Dr. Giarrizzo reviewed the schedule for the Board meeting discussions throughout the year. He noted the change from previous years in the way the reports on student achievement will be presented. This year the reports will be presented over two meetings with a focus on technology/STEAM and Fine & Performing Arts in the first presentation and a focus on Humanities/World Languages in the second. Another change from years past is the reports will concentrate on all grade levels K-12 rather than three meetings with a focus on elementary, middle school and high school achievements. Trustee Ludmar said he is supportive of the new format as this is how kids experience learning and but wondered how other forms of achievement, beyond the 4 academic areas, will be incorporated. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that they have an obligation to the community, and to the Board, to report on test scores, however a lot of what is a North Shore education goes beyond test scores and that will be folded in.

Also on the Board's schedule is a discussion of the Literacy Review; Ms. Ritter and Ms. Small will review the results with the Board on October 24th. Dr. Giarrizzo noted that a lot of work through the SVOs has been accomplished and he believes it is time to see where we are there; that discussion will take place in January. A discussion on how time is used in the school day is scheduled for March. A block schedule is being considered for the high school, they will discuss whether there is an opportunity to bring older kids to school later and how that would affect things such as athletics, and at the elementary level, the structure of the day will be reviewed. In January Dr. Giarrizzo would like to start talking with the Board about budget drivers, calendars and a general overview of the budget. He would like to get the Board's priorities on the budget at the November 7th meeting. At the end of May, the Board will discuss the results of the external math review.

Trustee Madden asked if there would be an internal review and report on the athletic program, as requested. President Jones concurred that was her understanding and wondered if this will be rolled into the wellness discussion. Dr. Giarrizzo explained they have not dedicated a specific night for reporting on the athletic program. The work will be done in committee, which Dr. Giarrizzo and Mr. Lang will co-chair, and a written report will be completed and presented to the Board.

Trustee Ludmar noted there was a thorough policy review last year, but it seemed compressed. He noted this year only the 6000 series are being reviewed and wondered what the vision is. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that last year the NYSSBA policy service was implemented which added to the work of the committee. In addition, the 2 series of policies reviewed were particularly dense as they involved student and instruction policies which required a lot of follow-up discussion. He went on to explain that the 6000 series are the financial policies and are in good shape, and therefore will probably need fewer changes. He believes the committee will do a better job of sending them to the Board throughout the year and hopes to be done earlier. President Jones noted that the Board has historically tried to review all policies on a 3-year cycle and in doing only the 6000 series this year would put them on a 9-year cycle

which seems long. She went on to say she would appreciate it if Dr. Giarrizzo would map out a plan for completing a review of all policies.

Dr. Giarrizzo asked for direction from the Board on the upcoming discussions on wellness and the review of the math program.

Trustee Vizza asked if any ideas have come up from the Wellness Committee that should be focused on, i.e. improvement for kids both physical and social/emotional, or mental health issues. President Jones said there were a lot of discussions surrounding those issues, they wanted to be sure we are following the Wellness Policy, and a focus on anxiety. Trustee Commander would like to see a new direction this year with a focus on vaping. She noted a lot of time at the Wellness Committee meetings has been spent on nutrition, food in schools, and national policies. Trustee Vizza also suggested that there be some sort of representation from the physical education teachers. Trustee Vizza would like some information on how counseling is provided to our students K-12, from both guidance counselors and social workers. Trustee Commander would like to see a long-term plan, a K-12 approach. She said although she feels there are a lot of good things going on, she thinks things are a bit disconnected and the approach is more reactive instead of pro-active. She would like to see a fuller and sequential program. President Jones responded she feels there is a lot of good things going on right now. She said the current structure allows us to respond to the health crisis, whether it be anxiety and depression or vaping. Dr. Giarrizzo said the program has been intentionally built over the last couple of years as a foundational approach. With putting a health and wellness teacher into place, a new elementary counselor in place, and curriculum work built over the summer, this has already made a difference and this direction is part of the plan. Trustee Vizza added, the state curriculum has been in place for two years, she would like to hear from Mr. Doherty how we are achieving this. Trustee Ludmar said there has been a lot of talk about vaping detection systems. He would like to see what the district's approach to the vaping systems might be. Trustee Ludmar also asked for a legal opinion on the suit brought by the three districts who are suing the JUUL company. President Jones would like to know what we are doing with the Bach Harrison Survey this year and whether it might make sense to do some other type of survey on the off year to focus on anxiety, depression and other real risk factors. Dr. Giarrizzo will put all of this together for the discussion on November 21.

Next the Board discussed the upcoming external review of the math program. Trustee Madden would like to hear how the math program and the extra period every other day at the middle school impacts other programs. He would like to hear whether other comparable school districts are accelerating students to take Algebra in eighth grade and whether they are adding an additional period every other day. He would like to know if there will be a survey of parents and if there will be a question on whether their child is getting tutoring. Trustee Madden also would like information on what happens with students after tenth grade math; do students who were accelerated in math go on to higher level math or do they end their math studies earlier than they would have otherwise. Trustee Russo would like to know who will be conducting the external review. She said many times former superintendents from other districts conduct the review and she does not feel this gives an impartial examination of the program. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that Dr. Zublionis' update listed the possible consultants but they have not determined who will do the review. They will develop the scope of an RFP from the direction received from Trustees this evening. President Jones would like data on whether students take four years of math in high school; whether they take top level math courses; whether they like math; do they take extra-curricular math activities; do math activities extend to summer; how does the district treat math. Trustee Russo asked for information on students who do not do well in the accelerated math program and how that impacts their performance in later years, and how that impacts them in Geometry and Trigonometry. She suggested if those numbers are tracked there may be more students than we know who are in need of eighth grade math. Dr. Giarrizzo will look at the efficacy of the current 8th grade Algebra program, and said he would like to survey our students. Trustee Ludmar would be

interested in a K-12 progression and how the various curricula fit together with the new *Methodology* program for kindergarten and how that feeds into *Singapore Math* and how that fits in to the higher level math as it goes on. He would like to keep an eye on the equity piece as we look at data. Finally, he would like to get information on how our graduates are faring at college level math.

Comments from the Public

Peter Liotta, Glenwood Landing, advocated for lights on the turf field. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that there had been a long discussion about adding lights to the Bond projects but it was decided during the scoping of the bond not to go forward with the project. The project would have cost approximately \$1MM. He further explained that many projects were removed during the scoping phase, projects totaled approximately \$80MM originally and the final bond ended up to be \$39.9MM. There were many reasons why the lighting project was removed, noise, light spread, resident input. He went on to explain that there are conduits at the stadium so if the Board does decide at some point to go forward with that project it is a possibility. He further explained that there may be a path forward to rent lights for one game to see if it works, then look at a long term plan, depending on the cost.

Mr. Liotta asked what the Board is concerned about. He said there is a lot of support in the community for the lights and the majority of school districts have lighted fields so he is not sure why it is a problem here. He said he believes the positives outweigh the negatives. President Jones said the idea behind trying it out would be to see if we would experience the same positive outcome that Glen Cove had. She also noted that lighting technology has changed. Trustee Russo said she feels it is more the cost rather than the technology that is holding the Board back. She said while she feels we should have lights on the field, the issue dates back to when the Town of Oyster Bay offered to fund the field several years ago. The problem was the lack of control over the lights and now residents do not understand the difference. She suggested that if this is important to the community they would need to organize, be present at meetings and get involved in the process in a continuous manner. She noted that it cannot be added to the bond at this point, but it may be able to be done as a capital reserve project. Mr. Liotta said he doesn't feel \$1MM is an expensive project when the whole community can benefit from it, considering the district is spending \$6MM on renovating locker rooms that students feel are not in bad shape. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that the middle school locker rooms are in very bad shape and need to be taken care of. He further explained that the cost of that renovation is \$2MM and is not part of the bond, it will be expensed from the capital reserve fund. The funding for the high school locker rooms is one of the bond projects and will cost \$4MM. He went on to explain that the project may cost less but they must be prepared for unforeseen problems. He said it is unfortunate that the lighting project was dropped from the supplemental list of projects, which means even if there is funding left, it cannot be done within the scope of this bond.

Joe Livoti, Glen Head, explained that he went all through school in the district. He said the athletic program does not seem to be as important as it used to be. He said lighting the field would benefit more than just the sports program, the community uses the track and field as well. He further stated that although there are only 8 people in the audience advocating for the lights, there is a large group of residents who are in favor of this.

John Granelli, Glen Head, said he lives on Plymouth Drive So, which is located behind the high school and no one asked how he felt about the lights. His neighbors also were not asked. He noted that after school kids go to watch games, then they go do their homework. He feels one of the benefits would be to give kids the option of doing their homework before heading out to an evening game. Mr. Granelli also suggested that this could create revenue for the district. Finally, Mr. Granelli questioned why the high school locker rooms are being done again when they were done about 15 years ago. Trustee Russo added a lighted field could also be used for outdoor music concerts.

Tom Kaufman, Glen Head, asked what the realistic time frame is for bringing this project to fruition. Trustee Russo explained that once a capital reserve fund is established, it cannot be added to, therefore a new capital reserve would need to be established and funds would need to be available to fund it. She further explained that the existing capital reserve still has projects that need to be funded. Dr. Giarrizzo explained that the next step would be for the Board to have a discussion to see if they want to move forward. The next logical time for establishing a capital reserve for lighting, and other projects, would be in May. Dr. Giarrizzo then explained how a capital reserve is funded. Dr. Giarrizzo suggested that Mr. Kaufman make an appointment to sit down with him to discuss the process further.

Trustee Commander explained that the decision to remove the lighting project from the bond was in order to include air conditioning in classrooms. She went on to say that she was an athletic director for 25 years and after retirement coordinated playoff games at Hofstra and Adelphi so she understands the enthusiasm for a lighted field. She further explained that the decision made several years ago not to go forward with lights was when the Town of Oyster Bay was going to give the district additional funding for a lighted field, and many people were upset about it. Trustee Commander explained that she lives in the community that would be affected and has concerns about adding lights to the field. She said if the field is lighted she would want all teams to be using it which means it could be utilized 5 to 6 times a week. She further stated that incidents of alcohol and drug problems increase when kids can go home first and come back to the game. She suggested they work backwards; what kind of lighting, how often will it be used, will community groups want to use it. Finally, she said there is the potential for significant problems which need to be addressed.

Mr. Kaufman said he is speaking on the youth level while others were speaking about high school sports. He said there is support in the community on all levels and there is an opportunity to work together. He said there is also potential to get the right people involved early and for community building. President Jones asked if the value is to have a lit field or is it to gain more field use in general by having a lit field. Mr. Kaufman explained that as it gets darker earlier it is harder to find space. He believes it would provide more flexibility all around. He went on to say there seems to be enough models with a good amount of surrounding districts who have lights. He suggested visiting them to get some feedback. He offered his services and those of a group of parents who will be happy to be involved in the process. He will be in touch with Dr. Giarrizzo to set something up. Trustee Commander requested she be included in the meeting.

On motion of President Jones and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, Action Item B (Personnel) was amended, to change the effective date on the overage for Nicole D'Aversa, Special Education to September 1, 2019.

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Ludmar and all in favor, it was:

Personnel

Granting of Tenure – Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby grants tenure to Alana Cavallini, Speech-Language Therapist, effective October 19, 2019

Increments for Advanced Study – Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an increment for advanced study for Steven Burgos, Spanish, from Step 6 of the MA+30 salary schedule to Step 6 of the MA+45 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2019

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an increment for advanced study for Christina Margiore, LOTE (Spanish), from Step 8 of the MA+45 salary schedule to Step 8 of the MA+60 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2019

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an increment for advanced study for Amie Roberts, Elementary from Step 2 of the MA+30 salary schedule to Step 2 of the MA+45 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2019

Leave of Absence for Child Rearing Purposes - Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a leave of absence for child rearing purposes for Samara Chorowski, Special Education, effective November 25, 2019 through June 30, 2020

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a leave of absence for child rearing purposes for Angela Torrance, Teaching Assistant, effective November 25, 2019 through January 31, 2020

Regular Substitute (Leave Replacement) Appointment – Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves a regular substitute (leave replacement) .4 appointment for Karen Starkey, Reading, on Step 1 of the MA salary schedule, effective October 4, 2019 through January 2, 2020

Approval of Teacher Overage

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the following teacher overages:

Amanda Heliko, ENL	.2	effective 10/2/19 - 6/26/20
Nicole D’Aversa, Special Education	.033	effective 9/1/19 – 6/26/20

Resignation for Retirement Purposes – Non-Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation for retirement purposes from Melina Gyi, Food Service Worker, effective December 31, 2019

Resignation – Non-Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the resignation of Kathleen Kapuscinski, School Monitor, effective October 11, 2019

Appointment – Non-Certified

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the appointment of Maria Varrichio, Teacher Aide at North Shore Middle School, effective October 7, 2019

Approval of Additions to the Per Diem Substitute List

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the addition of the following names to the per diem substitute list:

Maria Laoutos	Food Service Substitute
Brian Simmons	Security Substitute
Virginia Carlsen	Food Service Substitute
Maria Thomaidis	School Monitor Substitute
Evmilia Orsino	Teacher Substitute

Evan Miller
 Sharon Fener Pesner
 Stefanie Marx
 Jennifer Unger

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Approval of Extra-Curricular Activity Advisors

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves the addition of the following name to the list of extra-curricular activity advisors:

High School	Advisor	Step
Class Advisor		
Sophomore Class	Jaclyn Etter	1
Clubs - Level 3		
Buddy Program	Michelle Hagan	1
Clubs - Level 2		
Mu Alpha Theta(Math Honor Society)	Thomas Fierro	1
Poetry	Rachel Donnatin	1
Ski Club	Stephen Peroni	1
Tri-M	Jason Domingo Ashley Hahn	1 1
Clubs - Level 1		
French	Eric LePetit	2
Music of the World	Bryce Larsen	1
World Language Honor Society	Steven Burgos Diana Garone	2 1
Dramatics		
Chief Constructioner	Tyler Bianco	1
Choreographer	Audra Boyle	1
Production Advisor	Simone Kuranishi	1
Vocal Musical Director	Ashley Hahn	1
Organizations (Music)		
Elektra	Ashley Hahn	1
Madrigals	Ashley Hahn	1
Men Aloud	Ashley Hahn	1

Appendix 6		
Student Book Manager	Greg Perles	
Audiovisual Coordinator	Marylou Iuvara	
Middle School Clubs - Level 3		
LEGO Robotics Club	Dan Mazz Anthony Facchini	1 1
Clubs-Level 1		
Culture Club	Amanda Haleiko	1
Elementary Schools - Clubs - Level 3		
Bunny Brigade (SC)	Mojdeh Hassani	1
CAD	Ryan Bridgwood Adrien Kaye	1 1
Elementary Schools - Clubs - Level 3		
	Advisor	Step
Design Squad (DW)	Ryan Bridgwood Adrien Kaye	1 1
STEAM Fair (DW)	Ryan Bridgwood Adrien Kaye	1 1
Clubs - Level 2		
4 th Gr. Shared Inquiry Book Club (GH)	Lauren Bienz	1
Clubs - Level 1		
Art Club (GH)	Sarah Rennie	1
Math Olympiad (GH)	Brynn D'Amico	1
Global Connections Club (SC)	Victoria Bader	1
Organizations (Music)		
(GWL) Chamber Chorus	Torrey D'Angelo	1

Athletic Supervision
Perry Giambrund

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor, it was:

Acceptance of Internal Claims Audit Report

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby accepts the internal claims audit report for the period August, 2019 as reviewed and submitted by the internal claims auditor, Denise Longobardi

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, it was:

Appointment of Legislative Action Committee Member

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby appoints Deborah McDermott to the Legislative Action Committee for a term of three (3) years, effective September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2022

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor, it was:

Approval of Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and Nawrocki Smith, LLP

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an agreement between the School District and Nawrocki Smith, LLP to provide internal auditing services for the district during the period October 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, it was:

Approval to Dispose of Inventory

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves of the disposal of the following inventory items:

2 Pianos at Sea Cliff School

1 Cutting Machine at Middle School

1 Computer at Glenwood Landing

48 Student Desks/Chairs Combo at High School

Prior to approval Trustee Russo commented that each year when there is an agreement with Teachers College the Board is told the cost will go down. She stated that she is concerned with the amount that is being spent on this program. She said she feels the program has an issue with grammar. Trustee Russo also expressed concern of having teachers out of the classroom while also paying for substitutes. She asked if other options have been looked at, possibly something internally, to reduce the cost. Dr. Zublionis responded that the TC program deals with grammar in the reading and writing units but he does agree that grammar needs to be built into a separate unit. He went on to say they have seen some student growth in test achievement and internal assessments. He said no program is 100% holistic and we need to adapt it to the needs of the students. He explained that the cost includes the staff developers that come into our school as well as all resources that they provide. What was taken out this year are the calendar days/principal days where staff used to go to Teachers College. Dr. Giarrizzo said the support received from Teachers College is the framework of best practices in reading & writing. He went on to say the staff developers are coming to us rather than sending teachers to Columbia University. We are receiving 5 days of professional development for each grade/grouping (K-2, 3-5, 6-8) per building, or 35 days of professional development plus resources. He further explained that we want to be sure that our professional development matches our needs and he believes this does. Dr.

Zublionis added there is a supplemental grammar program and Ms. Ritter and Ms. Small will speak to the grammar piece in their report on the literacy review.

On motion of Trustee Commander and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and Teachers College, Columbia University

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore CSD hereby approves an agreement between the School District and Teachers College, Columbia University, to provide onsite professional development and site based coaching, at a fee of \$84,000 plus travel expenses, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement during the period September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and Methodology

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore CSD hereby approves an agreement between the School District and Methodology to provide professional development/consulting services to include three full day workshops for all Kindergarten teachers, Math specialists and administrators, at a fee of not to exceed \$5,000, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement during the period October 18, 2019 through June 1, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Madden and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Amendment to an Intermunicipal Agreement Between The North Shore CSD And Roslyn UFSD

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore CSD hereby approves an amendment to the intermunicipal agreement dated June 13, 2019 between the School District and the Roslyn UFSD, for transportation services, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached amendment; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board

On motion of Trustee Vizza and seconded by Trustee Commander and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and Family and Children's Association

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore Central School District hereby approves an agreement dated September 26, 2019 between the School District and Family and Children's Association to provide bilingual counseling services for student with limited English proficiency as directed by the School District, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement during the period September 1, 2019 through August 30, 2020; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Galati and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and S.E.E.D.S. of the Willistons, Inc.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore CSD hereby approves an agreement between the School District and S.E.E.D.S. of The Willistons, Inc., to provide OT, Speech, counseling/Art Therapy, Evaluations, Parent Counseling and Training, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement during the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board

On motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, it was:

Approval of an Agreement Between The North Shore CSD and Family Pediatric Home Care

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Education of the North Shore CSD hereby approves an agreement between the School District and Family Pediatric Home Care, A Division of Tri-Borough Home Care, LTD., to provide skilled nursing services on an as-needed and as-requested basis, as per the terms and conditions set forth in the attached agreement during the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board

On motion of Trustee Russo and seconded by Trustee Commander and all in favor, the Approval of an Agreement with The Coalition for a Drug Free North Shore, Inc. was tabled.

Board Committees

Trustee Russo reported on a meeting of the Construction Steering Committee. She reported that the existing items in the prior bond have been closed out. They discussed some capital reserve projects that will be occurring this summer once SED approval comes through. They discussed how the Victorian House will be repurposed and how to utilize the School House. The Energy Performance Contract was discussed as was the energy audit. The front entrance at the high school will hopefully be done this summer; wiring for the sign has begun. The bond was discussed – building tours have been lightly attended, they discussed alternatives for reaching out to the community and reaching those parts of the community not on the email list and how to get them on the email list. They discussed the drainage issue on the softball field at the middle school; there is runoff from the side streets onto the field and they are looking at different ways to handle the runoff before doing design work on the field. Trustee Commander suggested changing the placement of the field. The committee also discussed the baseball netting at the high school; it is being designed now but because of the height of the netting the footing will be expensive. The draft of the traffic study just came in; once it is determined what will be done with the softball field and if the bond passes where the middle school entrance will be, the new traffic pattern will need to be studied.

Comments from the Public

There was no public in attendance.

Old Business

Trustee Commander expressed concern that the Homecoming celebration is too focused around the football team. She noted that decorations around the school seemed to be centered around the football players. She suggested to makes things equitable all teams should be equally represented with varsity contests beginning Friday and lasting through Saturday. Trustee Russo explained the origins of the football team pictures which came about on the request of high school principal Albert Cousins to create spirit for Homecoming. She went on to explain that the moms of the football players paid out of their own pockets for pictures of the players to be displayed in school. She said most of what happens comes from parent volunteers. Trustee Commander suggested the district help fund decorations if that will make things more equitable. She also suggested better scheduling of games for more team representation.

President Jones discussed the Stop Arm Camera legislation which was passed by the county today. The next step is to negotiate with school districts. Dr. Giarrizzo said this was discussed at his quadrant meeting and no one from the county has reached out to any of the districts in the quadrant. There are a lot of issues to sort through on this. Transportation Supervisor, Michelle Hall is reaching out to surrounding districts and Nassau BOCES to get feedback, once there is information, he will bring it to the Board.

New Business

Trustee Ludmar suggested LAC look into the tax cap law as it relates to school districts and developments in their areas. With several areas in the district potentially slated for development and the possibility of a large influx of students, the concern is remaining under the 2% tax cap. Specifically, he suggested the possibility of having LAC research IDA (Industrial Development Agencies) and PILOTS (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) and the history of exemptions from the tax cap law. Trustee Russo suggested they look at the issue that happened in Valley Stream with an IDA. She believes Carrie Anne Tondo (Ingerman Smith) and the firm of Guercio & Guercio worked on that.

Adjournment

At 10:15 p.m. on motion of Trustee Ludmar and seconded by Trustee Russo and all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Elizabeth Ciampi
District Clerk