

NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 09-24
Special Meeting of December 14, 2009

President Farmer called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. in the High School Library.

Those present:

Mrs. Diane Farmer, President
Mrs. Elisa Worthington, Vice President
Mr. Jim Bennett, Member
Mrs. Laura Leonti, Member
Mrs. Cindy Webel, Member
Mr. David Dunn, Superintendent
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

EXECUTIVE SESSION

09-234

Mrs. Webel moved that the Board of Education enter Executive Session to discuss the evaluations of the Superintendent and the Treasurer.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

Mrs. Hagenbush entered Executive Session at 5:40 p.m. and left at 6:00 p.m.
Mr. Dunn entered Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. and left at 6:25 p.m.

Present Farmer called the meeting back to public session at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Amy Panchumarti – Primary Teacher read the following letter:

Dear Norton School Board, Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Hagenbush and people of Norton,

As many of you know, I have been battling cancer for the past eight months. This terrible disease consumes your life and challenges both body and soul.

I am here tonight to thank you.

Thank you for my health insurance. I realize this is a benefit, but until you need-really need-your insurance, one never realizes the gift it truly is. I had the freedom to worry about my health and not my health care. Thank you Norton School Board, Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Hagenbush, and the people of Norton.

Thank you for permitting sick leave donation. Without these donated days I would have been back in September and would not have been able to complete my last six weeks of chemotherapy, follow-up testing, and receive the rest I desperately needed. Thank you.

Finally, I thank you all for you emotional support. Each card, email, visit, and casserole brightened my dark path. I would vote our administration, teachers, and staff as Excellent with Distinction of the heart.

Thank you Norton School Board, Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Hagenbush, and the people of Norton.

Yours in Teaching.

Amy Panchumarti

Second Grade, Norton Primary

BOARD BUSINESS

09- 235 **Mr. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education approve Elisa Worthington as President Pro Tempore for the Organizational Meeting on January 4, 2010.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mr.Bennett
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 4-0-1
ABSTAIN: Mrs.Worthington

MINUTES

09- 236 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 2009.

Mrs. Worthington seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

09-237 **Mrs. Leonti** moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 7, 2009.

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

WARRANTS

09-238 **Mr. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education approve the warrants for the month of November, 2009.

Mrs. Worthington seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

09-239 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education approve the Financial Statement for the month of November, 2009.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

PERSONNEL

09-240

Mrs. Worthington moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve following

1. Michelle Eberhardt, Primary Teacher, paid and unpaid Family Medical Leave, effective November 9, 2009 – February 16, 2010.
2. Sara Brooks, Cornerstone Teacher, paid and unpaid extension of Family Medical Leave Act returning June 7, 2010.
3. Kristi Lockhart, High School Cook, paid and unpaid Family Medical Leave effective November 23, 2009 for approximately 6 weeks.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett

NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL (Certified) – Pending background and license check

09-241

Mrs. Weibel moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following:

1. Michael Adams
2. Dawn Braken
3. Valerie Filipowicz
4. Jill Mendicino
5. Karen Moore
6. Leslie Neice
7. John Snyder
8. Brittany Tortorete
9. Susan Walker

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer

NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL (Classified) – Pending background and license check

09-242

Mr. Bennett moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following:

1. Angela Radvansky
2. Candida Riffle
3. Cinthia Stukovsky

Mrs. Worthington seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti

NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

INCREASE IN HOURS

09-243 **Mrs. Leonti** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve an additional 45 minutes/day to the Special Education I position at Cornerstone.

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

ELMINATION OF POSITION

09-244 **Mrs. Worthington** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the elimination of the 4 hr/day Educational Assistant II position at the Middle School currently held by Melissa Tomasik, effective December 28, 2009.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

NEW POSITION

09-245 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve a Special Education II Aide position for 4 hr/day at Norton Primary.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

INCREASED COOKS' HOURS

09-246 **Mrs. Leonti** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve an increase in the following hours due to the breakfast program:

1. Cornerstone Head Cook from 6 hrs to 6 ½ hrs.
2. Grill Head Cook from 6 hrs to 6 ½ hrs.
3. Primary Head Cook from 6 hrs. to 6 ¼ hrs.
4. Primary Cook from 5 hrs to 5 ¼ hrs.

Mrs. Worthington seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

SUMMIT COUNTY EDUCATIONAL CENTER

09-247 **Mr. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the contract with Summit County Educational Service Center to provide an Intervention Consultant at a rate of \$400/day not to exceed \$12,000 to be funded from Federal Funds.

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs. Webel, Mrs. Worthington, Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Leonti
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

STIPEND

09-248 **Mrs. Leonti** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve a stipend of \$500 for Tom Chiera, Pep Band for the 2009/10 school year.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs. Worthington, Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Leonti, Mrs. Webel
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

VOLUNTEERS

09-249 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following volunteers (Pending background and license check):

1. Fritz Gisewhite – Varsity Swimming
2. Stephan Whyde – M. S. Wrestling
3. Mike Primovero – Varsity Wrestling
4. Ben McAviney – Varsity Wrestling

Mrs. Worthington seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Leonti, Mrs. Webel, Mrs. Worthington
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA

09-250 **Mr. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Consent Agenda:

Donations

Accept the following donation:

1. Mobi Interwrite Tablet valued at \$395 from CIM Technologies to be used at the Middle School.
2. Monetary donation of \$750 from Verizon Wireless to be used for education and instructional supplies at Grill School.
3. Video Camera, Laptop, DVD player to be used for Boys' Basketball and Baseball Programs valued at \$1,849.91 donated by PPABC.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

09-250 cont. **ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett**
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

PSI AFFILIATES

09-251 **Mrs. Worthington** moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the contract with PSI Affiliates, Inc. for medical assistance to cover a special needs student.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

09-252 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Special Meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Mrs. Leonti seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Leonti,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Worthington,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

“Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Policy and Regulations of the Board of Education which was adopted in accordance with §121.11 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Procedures Act.”

Diane Farmer, President

Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer