The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in executive session on December 14, 2021, via an online Zoom Meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Mr. Michael Halik, 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. Robert Projansky, President
Mrs. Mindy Opper, Vice President
Mrs. Jordan Shumofsky
Mrs. Sapna Malige
Mrs. Johanna Stroever

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Linda Freda, Superintendent
Mr. Michael Halik, Business Administrator / Board Secretary
Mr. Chris Checchetto, Principal – Gould School
Mr. Michael Stefanelli, Principal – Grandview School
Mr. Ian Adlon, Computer Technician

ACTION ITEM

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTION

O1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the use of the Zoom Online Meeting Platform, to conduct the December 14, 2021, Board Meeting in compliance with A-3850 which was signed by Governor Murphy on March 20, 2020, so that Board of Education business can continue, during the State of Emergency for the COVID-19 crisis.

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Projansky reported that forty-eight (48) people were attending the meeting via zoom.

Mr. Projansky congratulated Mrs. Gallo on the birth of her daughter.

Mr. Projansky wished everyone a happy, safe break and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Freda reported that the district had zero reports of violence and vandalism as well as no reports of Harrasment, Intimidation or Bulling.

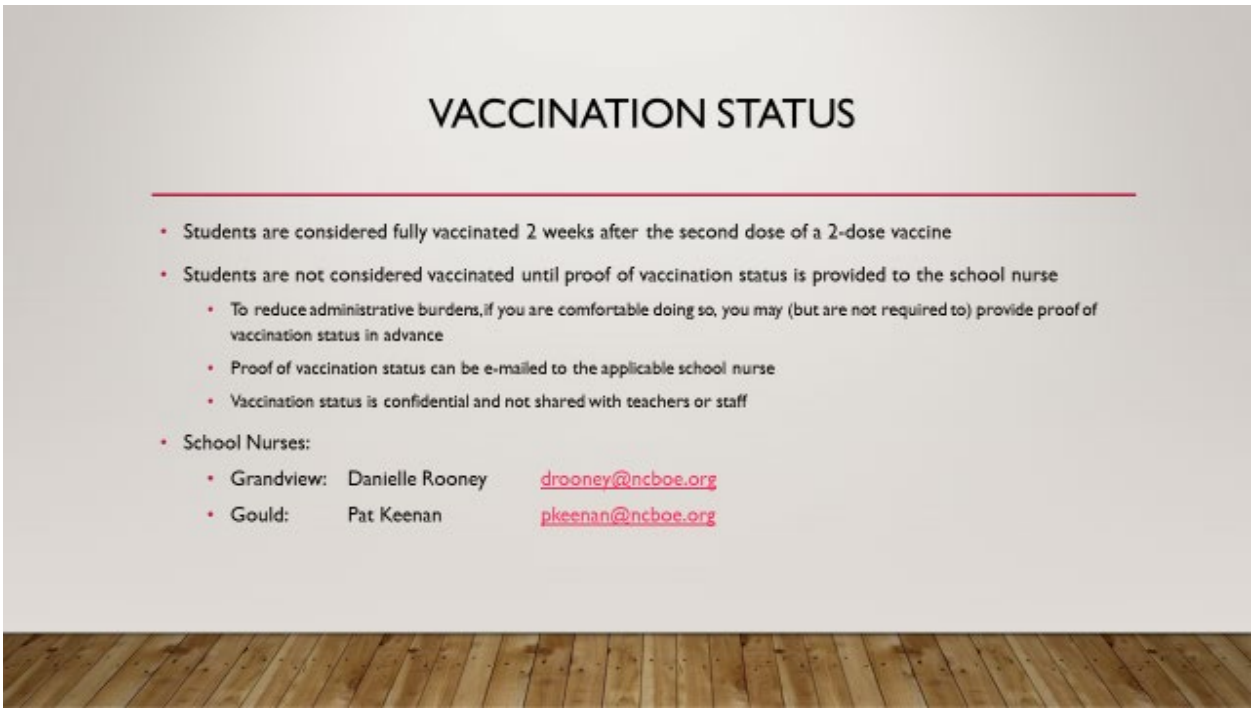
She also congratulated Mrs. Gallo on her child's birth and wished everyone a happy winter break and a Happy and healthy New Year.

COVID COMMITTEE REPORT



	Vaccinated	Unvaccinated
Positive for COVID-19	Quarantine: • 10 days from date of positive COVID-19 test • Return on day 11 if symptom free	Quarantine: • 10 days from date of positive COVID-19 test • Return on day 11 if symptom free

Close Contact: • Exposed to individual who tests positive for COVID-19	No Quarantine Required • Monitor closely for any symptoms over the next 14 days	Quarantine Required: •7 days from date of negative COVID-19 test collected on day 5-7. Return on day 8. Monitor closely for symptoms for 14 days following exposure. •10 days without a test.
International Travel	No Quarantine Required • Self-monitor for symptoms • Wear a mask and take other precautions during travel •You are only considered fully vaccinated if you received your 2nd dose 2 weeks prior to departure date. The 2 week time period following 2nd dose can not occur in the middle of the trip.	Quarantine Required: • 10 days without a test • 8 days if provide negative test results collected at 3-5 days • If diagnosed with COVID-19 within 90 days of travel and are asymptomatic, do not need to quarantine *(Need to provide lab results documenting dates positive for COVID-19)*
All Tests Must be PCR/Molecular **Rapid antigen tests are not accepted for testing out of quarantine**		



PUBLIC RECOGNITION

Rosaline Infusino, 38 Brookside Terrace - inquired about a vaccination pole in the sixth grade homeroom.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve payment to **Dr. Fadden** in the amount of $345.00 for a developmental pediatric assessment for **student #8005595.**

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G2. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application for Girl Scouts.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G3. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application from the North Caldwell Partnership for Education for the Winter After School program.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	4	No:	0
		Abstain:	Mrs. Stroever

G4. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve tuition contract with **P.G. Chambers** effective for the 2021-2022 school year to commence on November 29, 2021 for the following student:

Student #8005990

Tuition:	$55,212.00
Total Contract:	$55,212.00

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G5. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Preschool Tuition Rate for 2022-2023 in the amount of $3,900.00.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G6. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education abolish the following policies:

5114 CHILDREN DISPLACED BY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
8810 RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G7. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application for Girl Scouts Daisy Troop.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G8. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application for Brownies Troop.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G9. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve acceptance of $47,114.73 in final payment through the NJEM Grants for FEMA COVID-19 funding reimbursement under Event #: 4488 N/A and Project #: PW#822.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G10. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application from the North Caldwell Partnership for Education for the Pre-School program.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

G11. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the facilities use application from the Cub Scouts, pending receipt of application fee.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Malige
Yes:	5	No:	0

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

B1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the **Public and Confidential Minutes of November 16, 2021.**

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper
Yes:	5	No:	0

B2. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following **Payroll(s):**

November 30, 2021	**360,955.19**
December 3, 2021	**$ 8,129.42**

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper
Yes:	5	No:	0

B3. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following **Hand Check Register(s):**

November 24, 2021	**$51,677.10**
November 17, 2021	**$ 85.50**

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper
Yes:	5	No:	0

B4. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the attached Board Secretary's and Treasurer's **Monthly Financial Reports** for **October 2021**.

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper
Yes:	5	No:	0

B5. **WHEREAS** pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 3, the Board Secretary does certify that as of **October 2021**, no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8 and 18A:22-8.1; therefore be it

RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(c) 4, the Board of Education does certify that as of **October 2021**, the Board Secretary Monthly Financial Report, did not reflect an over expenditure in any Major Account or Fund, and based on the Appropriation Balances reflected on this report and on the advice of District Officials, that sufficient funds are available to meet the District's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper
Yes:	5	No:	0

B6. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following **Bills and Claims:**

December 2, 2021	**$267,765.33**
December 14, 2021	**$349,275.10**

Moved:	Mrs. Stroever	Seconded:	Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

B7. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following Title 1 Tutoring:

November 2021 **$9,850.00**

Moved: Mrs. Stroever Seconded: Mrs. Opper

Yes: 5 No: 0

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following staff member:

Name	Date	Workshop	Cost	Travel
Clutterbuck, S.	2/9/22	Dyslexia	$259.00	
Cimera, A	Virtual	The Reading League	$199.00	
Freda, L.	1/13/22	Why Diversity Matters	$79.00	
Halik, M.	2/3-2/5/22	ASBO International Leadership Forum	-0-	
Halik, M.	1/20/22	NJASBO Financial Planning	$100.00	
Halik, M.	2/22/22	NJASBO School Law	$100.00	
Halik, M.	3/17/22	NJASBO Purchasing	$100.00	
Halik, M.	4/21/22	NJASBO Audit Review	$100.00	
Schaffert, G.	2/9/22	Dyslexia	$259.00	
Silva, T.	2/3/22	Comforting through Self-Compassion	$60.00	
Thomas, C.	2/9/22	Dyslexia	$259.00	
Veneziano, J.	Virtual	The Reading League	$199.00	
Worrall, S.	1/6,2/8,3/10,4/8	Conquer Math	$640.00	

Moved: Mrs. Shumofsky Seconded: Mrs. Stroever

Yes: 5 No: 0

P2. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Nicole Castiglia** as an Instructional Assistant at a prorated salary of $29,818.00 (Inst. Asst. Step 1) effective December 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Stroever
Yes:	5	No:	0

P3. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve Family Medical Leave for **Leigh Gallo** effective December 13, 2021 to March 17, 2022.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Stroever
Yes:	5	No:	0

P4. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve Child Rearing Leave for **Leigh Gallo** effective March 18, 2022 to May 31, 2022.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Stroever
Yes:	5	No:	0

P5. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Samantha Spero** as a substitute teacher pending favorable criminal history review.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Stroever
Yes:	5	No:	0

P6. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve **Melinda Wanklin-Frey** as a Maternity Leave Replacement teacher at a prorated salary of $54,703.00 (BA30 /St 3) effective January 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

Moved:	Mrs. Shumofsky	Seconded:	Mrs. Stroever
Yes:	5	No:	0

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Halik then stated he wanted to provide a quick update on the next Board meeting, saying the meeting will be held in the Grandview cafeteria on Tuesday, January 4, 2022, at 7:30 pm.

Mr. Halik continued, we will also have a zoom element for that meeting as well. He reported that while we hoped to have a new video conferencing system in place for that meeting, he regrets to inform everyone that a new conferencing system will not be in place for the January meeting.

Mr. Halik explained that over the last couple of months, we have spent countless hours working with vendors to get a solution in place; however, in the last two (2) weeks it fell apart. We want to ensure that we get the correct system to meet the needs of the Board. So, he said, please be patient as we continue to use zoom for our meetings. We will continue to find other vendors so that we get the correct system that meets our needs. We hope to have a new solution in place as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed meeting dates for the upcoming school year.

The following resolution was called at approximately 8:02 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: Personnel. Said matters will be made public upon their disposition.
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> | Moved: | Mrs. Opper | Seconded: | Mrs. Malige |
> | Yes: | 5 | No: | 0 |

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Halik
Business Administrator / Board Secretary