NORTH CALDWELL BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SESSION
GOULD SCHOOL-BUSINESS OFFICE
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VIA ZOOM MEETING
March 28, 2024
9:00 A.M.
AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**
   In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been properly advertised in the designated newspaper and the agenda has been posted at the appropriate locations.
4. **ROLL CALL**
5. **BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**
7. **PUBLIC RECOGNITION**
8. **ACTION ITEMS**
   - **General Resolutions**

   G1. Approve Facilities use application
   - **Business Resolutions**

   B1. Approve Public and Confidential Minutes
   B2. Approve Bills and Claims
   B3. Approve Boiler Replacement Project
   B4. Approve Form DOE-130
   B5. Approve Notice To Bidders -Boiler Replacement Gould School
   - **Personnel Resolutions**

   P1. Approve Professional Development for listed staff
9. **OLD BUSINESS**
10. **NEW BUSINESS**
11. **ADJOURN TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION (IF NECESSARY)**
    ☐ Legal ☐ Attorney-Client Privilege ☐ Personnel
    ☐ Negotiations ☐ School Security/Public Safety ☐ Student Matter

The next scheduled public meetings of the Board will be held on:

- **Wednesday April 24th, 2024 at 7:30 pm.**

Posting: Board Members, Principals, NCPE Co-Presidents, NCEA Co-Presidents, Caldwell Progress Press Member, Board Office, Schools, and Town Hall.

The Board of Education of the Borough of North Caldwell in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in public session on March 28, 2024 in person at the Business Office in Gould School as well as via an online Zoom Meeting at 9:01 a.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: Mrs. Johanna Stroever, Vice-President
Mr. Eric Finkelstein
Mr. David Ved

Absent: Mrs. Mindy Opper, President
Mrs. Sapna Malige

Also Present: Dr. Linda Freda, Superintendent
Mr. Michael Halik, Business Administrator / Board Secretary

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mrs. Stroever reported that seven (7) people attended the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Dr. Freda reported that Administration and teachers attended CPR training during the professional development period of the one session day and wished everyone a great spring break.

PUBLIC COMMENT
NONE

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

G1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the following facilities use application as per North Caldwell Board of Education Policy 7510:

Organization:	**North Caldwell Recreation Department**
User Class:	**Class 6**
Activity:	**Summer Fun**
Facility:	**Gould Gym, Cafeteria, Classrooms,**
Dates:	**6-24-24 through 7-25-24 Monday-Thursday**
Time:	**8:00 am – 1:00 pm**
Fee:	**$2,000.00**

Moved: Mr. Finkelstein Seconded: Mr. Ved

Yes: 3 No: 0

BUSINESS RESOLUTIONS

B1. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the **Public and Confidential Minutes of March 12, 2024**

Moved: Mr. Finkelstein Seconded: Mr. Ved

Yes: 3 No: 0

B2. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following **Bills and Claims:**

Date	Starting check #	Ending Check #	Total Amount
March 13, 2024	**001611**	**001626**	**$18,344.30**
March 20, 2024	**001627**	**001627**	**$46,956.48**

Moved: Mr. Finkelstein Seconded: Mr. Ved

Yes: 3 No: 0

B3. **WHEREAS**, The Board of Education of North Caldwell School District in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Board"), desires to proceed with a school facilities project consisting generally of:

BOILER REPLACEMENT
AT
GOULD SCHOOL

WHEREAS, the Board now seeks to take the initial steps in order to proceed with the Project:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by The North Caldwell Board of Education of North Caldwell Public Schools in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with the requirements of Section 6A:26-3 of the New Jersey Administrative Code, the Board hereby approves the Schematic Plans prepared in connection with the Project and the Board further authorizes the submission of same to the Essex County Superintendent of Schools and the New Jersey Department of Education for approval.

Section 2. The Board hereby authorizes the amendment to its Long-Range Facilities Plan in order to reflect the proposed Project(s).

Section 3. The School Administration and such other officers and agents of the Board as are necessary, including the Board attorney, bond counsel and architect, are hereby authorized to perform such other acts, to execute such other documents and to do such other things as are necessary to implement the determinations of the Board set forth in this resolution.

Section 4. This project is being funded as an "other capital project" and will not require state funding and the District is not seeking a Grant.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved:	Mr. Finkelstein	Seconded:	Mr. Ved
Yes:	3	No:	0

B4. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the Form DOE-130 for Project 3630-050-13-3630 Boiler Replacement at Gould School project costs as attached.

Moved: Mr. Finkelstein Seconded: Mr. Ved

Yes: 3 No: 0

B5. **RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approve the following Notice to Bidders for the Boiler Replacement at Gould School.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
North Caldwell Public Schools Board of Education
132A Gould Avenue
North Caldwell, New Jersey 07006

Notice is hereby given that the North Caldwell School District Board of Education will be receiving sealed bids at the board offices located at North Caldwell School District Board of Education, 132 Gould Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ 07006, for the **Boiler Replacement at Gould School**.

The Bidding Documents have been prepared by The Board's Architect, Di Cara | Rubino Architects with an office at 30 Galesi Drive, West Wing, Wayne, NJ, 07470, telephone number (973) 256-0202, e-mail eayers@dicararubino.com. The bidding documents will be available **Monday, April 8, 2024**. Bidders can preview and purchase the full bid package for a non-refundable fee of $175.00 directly from the architect's website **www.dicararubinoplans.com. No documents shall be mailed, via US mail or overnight mail.**

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on April 11, 2024 at 10:00 AM at the Front Entrance at the Gould School at 132 Gould Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ 07006. All bidders are strongly encouraged to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting.

Bids must be submitted to the North Caldwell School District Board of Education no later than **2:00 PM on May 2, 2024**. All bids will be opened and read to the public at that time by the School Business Administrator at the board offices. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days from the opening of the bids.

All bidders must use and complete all bid forms and must comply with every requirement contained in the instructions and specifications. Bids are to be marked in a sealed envelope and hand delivered, sent UPS or Federal Express or similar courier service to the North Caldwell School District Board of Education at 132 Gould Avenue, North Caldwell, NJ 07006, with the name of the project, **"Boiler Replacement at Gould School"**, plainly marked on the

front of the envelope. Every bid must be accompanied by a certified check or a bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, but not in excess of $20,000.00.

All bidders and their subcontractors shall be registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor, pursuant to the Public Works Contractor Registration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. All bids must be accompanied by a Certificate issued by the New Jersey Department of Labor, pursuant to the Public Works Contractor Registration Act as to the Bidder and all subcontractors.

Pursuant to P.L. 2004 c.57, all bids must be accompanied by a New Jersey Business Registration Certificate issued by the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue. The Bidder must include with its bid its own Business Registration Certificate and that of all subcontractors.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 et seq., "The Law Against Discrimination" and Affirmative Action, N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq.

No bidder who is on the State Treasurer's or the Federal Government's List of Debarred, Suspended or Disqualified Bidders shall be eligible to bid on this project.

The North Caldwell School District Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids and waive any informality in the bidding process in accordance with the law if it is in the best interest of the Board of Education. The contract, if awarded, shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder whose bid is responsive in all material respects to the bid requirements. No bid shall be deemed accepted until the adoption of a formal resolution by the North Caldwell School District Board of Education.

Moved: Mr. Finkelstein Seconded: Mr. Ved

Yes: 3 No: 0

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

P1. RESOLVED that the Board of Education , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the Professional Development Workshops/Conferences costs for the following teachers:

Name	Date	Workshop	Cost
Cecere, G.	4/22/2024	OG Academy	$300.00
Newman, T.	4/22/2024	OG Academy	$300.00

Moved:	Mr. Finkelstein	Seconded:	Mr. Ved
Yes:	3	No:	0

OLD BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Freda discussed the proposed changes to the 2023-2024 school calendar due to 3 unused snow days. They would tentatively be placed at the end of the school year, as well as changing Friday 24th, to a one session day. This would bring the last day of school for students and staff to June 14th, 2023. This will be voted on during the next Board Meeting.

The following resolution was called at approximately 9:05 a.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.

Moved:	Mr. Finkelstein	Seconded:	Mr. Ved
Yes:	3	No:	0

As there was no further business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Halik

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Business Administrator / Board Secretary