

NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP MEETING

December 7, 2016

6:00 PM - Executive Session-Subject to Board Approval

7:00 PM - High School

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
3. AGENDA CHANGES
4. SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM: Lenape Elementary School-*Giving Students a Voice: Election Process and Government in Action in Third Grade*-Students from Jim Longbotham and Jill Christensen's classes
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Because the Board desires to hear the viewpoints of citizens throughout the District, as well as conduct its business in an orderly and efficient manner, it will schedule a period during business meetings for brief comments from the public. The Board may set a time limit on the length of this period and/or for individual speakers. Speakers will be allowed two minutes for their comments. The time limit is meant to ensure that everyone has a chance to speak. Public comments are not meant to be a dialogue, rather a time for the board to hear comments from the public.

6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT
7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS
 - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS
 - State of the District Report-Leadership Team
8. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS
 - Capital Project Update: Bill Wisbauer, Tetra Tech Architects and Louis Rodriquez, The Palombo Group
 - 2017-2018 School Calendar
 - Multicultural Conference: Sophia Skiles
 - Indigenous Peoples Day Intent Resolution

8.1 Indigenous Peoples Day Intent Resolution

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS, Columbus Day was originally proclaimed as a federal holiday in 1937 and is recognized as a public holiday in New York State on the second Monday in Octoberⁱ; and

WHEREAS, there is a nationwide movement to recognize the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day instead of Columbus Day, including cities, town and school districtsⁱⁱ; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District ("Board") believes that the version of history that has been, and continues to be taught to our children, regarding the discovery of America needs to be closely examined, to ensure that what we our teaching our children presents an accurate picture of the colonization, conquest and exploitation of America and its Indigenous Peoples; and

WHEREAS, the geographic region that comprises New Paltz Central School District was the original home of the Lenni-Lenape peoplesⁱⁱⁱ, who contributed to the culture, history and uniqueness of this region, as recognized and honored by the Board in naming a school building in honor of the Lenape, the local Indigenous Peoples; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that the students of the New Paltz Central School District should have the opportunity to re-examine American history as it is currently told regarding the "discovery" of America, the violence and injustice

committed against Indigenous Peoples, and the accomplishments and contribution of all people that helped shape America; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Vision^{iv} encourages a passion for learning by activating the unique history of this region, creating citizens of the world by connecting the past struggle for indigenous sovereignty to that of the present, committing to empowered students who are equipped to fight for environmental justice and resource protection that is the legacy of Indigenous Peoples; and

WHEREAS, the Board has a proactive history of approving resolutions that have sought to defend and empower the students of this District and the school community, and to address injustice at the local, state and federal levels^v; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that consideration should be given to renaming the second Monday in October as Indigenous Peoples Day;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District hereby declares its intent to carefully explore and consider renaming the second Monday in October as Indigenous People’s Day, with a focus on the time period marked by what has historically been recognized as Columbus Day through Thanksgiving, both recognized as legal holidays in New York State and required observances in the State and School District.

(See supporting references and footnotes at the end of this document)

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Facilities Committee-Steven Greenfield, Chair
- Policy Committee-Brian Cournoyer, Chair
- Legislative Committee-Michael O’Donnell, Chair

10. MINUTES OF MEETING

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education accept the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of November 16, 2016.

11. PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

11.1 Request for Approval of Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District/Location Code 75103 hereby establishes the following as standard work days for appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System based on the time keeping system records or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the District Clerk:

Title	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 Digits)	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (Hrs/Day)	Term Begins/Ends	Participates In Employer’s Time Keeping System (Yes/No)	Days/ Month (Based on Record of Activities)	Tier 1 (Check only if member is Tier 1)	Not Submitted (Check box if no record of activities completed or if participates in timekeeping system)
APPOINTED OFFICIALS									
District Clerk	Dusti Callo	█	█	6	7/1/16-6/30/17	Yes	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
District Treasurer	Tina Long	█	█	6	7/1/16 – 6/30/17	Yes	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
School Tax Collector	Starleen Shirk	█	█	6	7/1/16 – 6/30/17	Yes	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
School Claims Auditor	Amy Ludwigson	█	█	0.4	7/1/16 – 6/30/17	Yes	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

11.2 Instructional Appointment-Substitutes

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following substitute teachers with remuneration as per rates established at the July 13, 2016 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Effective Dates
Cynthia Hacker	12/8/16 – 6/30/17
Maureen Mahoney	12/8/16 – 6/30/17
John Murphy	12/8/16 – 6/30/17

11.3 Instructional Appointment – Probationary

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints

Ashley Cortes to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Special Education Teacher in the tenure area of Special Education at an annual salary of \$52,230 (BA Step 1), effective 1/8/2017 through 1/7/2021, subject to receipt of composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the probationer receives an ineffective composite in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

11.4 Instructional Leave of Absence - Extension

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve an extended unpaid leave of absence for the following instructional employee:

Name	Title	Original Effective Dates	Extension
Stacie Erceg	Teacher	9/15/16 – 12/16/16	12/17/16 – 1/26/17 (unpaid)

11.5 Non-Instructional Resignation

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of the following non-instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Andrew Ladouceur	School Monitor	01/20/2017
Jane Kotalik	Food Service Helper	12/06/2016

11.6 Non-Instructional Appointments

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following employees:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary
Barbara Pine	Teacher Aide	12/08/2016	\$13.50/hr
Rachell Smith	Teacher Aide	12/08/2016	\$13.50/hr

11.7 Advisorships

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following advisors for the 2016/2017 school year, with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

Name	Title	Stipend
David Finch	All-County Band- Lenape	\$1,480
Laura Faure	All-County Chorus – Lenape	\$1,480

11.8 Chaperones/Ticket Takers/Downs and Chains Operators/Shot Clock/Scoreboard Operator

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following as chaperones/ticket takers/downs and chains operators/shot clock/scoreboard operator for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name	Title	Rate
Henry Vance	Shot Clock	\$30.00 per event
Henry Vance	Scoreboard Operator	\$40.00 per event
Henry Vance	Chaperone	\$30.00 per event

12. OLD BUSINESS

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Request for Approval of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District approve the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE) recommendations and student placements. 14541, 13616, 14002, 12180, 10256, 14435, 10259, 12541, 14544, 13228, 12378, 14508, 14011, 14310, 13717, 14509, 14223, 14223, 12833, 13477

13.2 Approval to Award Bid

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby award the bid for a Seven Passenger Vehicle to L.T. Begnal Motor Co. Inc. at a price of \$29,777.50

13.3 Science Lab Initiative

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved:

WHEREAS the New Paltz Central School District is situated within the 103rd assembly district of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS the School District has agreed to participate in the Science Lab Initiative, which aims to encourage scientific curiosity and creativity, build student interest in science, and promote science education in middle and high schools in the 103rd Legislative Assembly District through the creation of state-of-the-art science labs and accompanying programming; and

WHEREAS the Science Lab Initiative will provide up to \$50,000 toward the creation of such a science lab, and funds can be used for the renovation of space appropriate for a science lab and/or the purchase of science-related equipment; and

WHEREAS The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz will coordinate this effort and be the liaison to all school districts; and

WHEREAS The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz is responsible for purchasing all equipment and for supporting construction related to the Science Lab Initiative and thus SUNY New Paltz shall maintain ownership over said equipment, but agrees to loan such equipment to the School District for as long as such equipment is useable by the School District;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District understands this arrangement and, with grateful appreciation, agrees to participate in the Science Lab Initiative.

14. OTHER DISCUSSION

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION – SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

17. ADJOURN

Supporting References and Endnotes for Resolution Item 8.1:

ⁱ Section 24, NYS General Construction Law; *Attendance and the School Calendar*, New York State Education Department, https://stateaid.nysed.gov/attendance/attendance_memo.htm

ⁱⁱ *City of Berkeley, CA City Council Proclamations* (2015/2016): ;

http://www.ci.berkeley.ca.us/Clerk/City_Council/City_Council_Proclamations.aspx

Resolution #31538, City of Seattle, WA. October 6, 2014:

http://clerk.seattle.gov/~legislativeItems/Resolutions/Resn_31538.pdf

The City of Minneapolis Resolution of the Mayor and City Council Recognizing the Second Monday of October as Indigenous People's Day, April 25, 2014:

<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/www/groups/public/@clerk/documents/webcontent/wcms1p-123839.pdf>

SL 1990, ch 7, § 2. South Dakota State Legislature/Legislative Research Council,

http://www.sdlegislature.gov/Statutes/Codified_Laws/DisplayStatute.aspx?Type=Statute&Statute=1-5-1.2

State of Vermont State Proclamation, October 6, 2016: <http://governor.vermont.gov/sites/shumlin/files/documents/16-140%20Indigenous%20People%27s%20Day.pdf>

Akron Central School District (Akron, NY) *BOE Minutes, August 19, 2015*:

<http://www.akronschools.org/cms/lib/NY19000426/Centricity/Domain/3/BOE%20Regular%20Business%20Meeting%20Minutes%208-19-15.pdf>

Plattsburgh, NY BOE, *Minutes, February 25, 2016*: <http://www.plattscsd.org/BOE/documents/minutes/2015-16/2-25-16%20Board%20Minutes.pdf>

Niagara Wheatfield, NY BOE, *Minutes of September 26, 2016*:

<http://www.nwcsd.k12.ny.us/cms/lib/NY19000569/Centricity/Domain/22/BOE%20Minutes%20Regular%20Meeting%209.21.16.pdf>

ⁱⁱⁱ Alfieri, J., Berardis, A., Smith, E., Mackin, J., Muller, W., Lake, R., Lehmkuhl, P. *The Lenapes: A study of Hudson Valley Indians*. June 3, 1999: <http://www.localarchives.org/nahc/themes/native-americans/NAHC%20Lenapes%20in%20the%20Hudson%20River%20Valley.pdf>, p. 1

^{iv} *Our Vision*. New Paltz Central School District:

http://www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us/cms/lib/NY01000611/Centricity/shared/districtwidedocuments/2015-2016schoolyear/NP_Standards.pdf

^v *Resolution Highlights*. New Paltz Central School District Board of Education: <http://www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us/Page/9101>