

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
March 4, 2020 Workshop Meeting – High School 7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board President.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Diana Armstead
Glenn LaPolt
Michael O'Donnell
Dominick Profaci
Sophia Skiles
Bianca Tanis
Teresa Thompson-excused

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Bob Christmann-entered at 6:30 PM

ROLL CALL

The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Glenn LaPolt that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:02 PM for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person or corporation and discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

Board President, Michael O'Donnell as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board return to Public Session at 6:59 PM. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board President.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Diana Armstead
Glenn LaPolt
Michael O'Donnell
Dominick Profaci
Sophia Skiles
Bianca Tanis
Teresa Thompson-excused

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Michelle Martoni, Deputy Superintendent
Ann Sheldon, Principal, New Paltz Middle School
Ross Hogan, Principal, Duzine Elementary School
Maureen Ryan, Director of Transportation
Michael Robinson, Director of Food Services
District Clerk Pro-Tempore-Jessica Peppers
Student Representative
Members of the Public and Press

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

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Jessica Peppers served as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Public portion of the meeting.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

PLEDGE

AGENDA CHANGES

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None

SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM

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- "Let's Go Hiking! Duzine & the Mill Brook Preserve - A Presentation by Ms. Manning's Kindergarten Class"

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

STUDENT REP

- Jay Patel

New Paltz High School Senior reported on graduation location, winter sports, spring musical, Mathletes, mock trial, student government, senior citizen dinner, senior college selection, and National Merit Scholarships.

PRESENTATION

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- YONDR Representative

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPT REPORT

- SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS-commented on COVID-19 and the response team
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS
 - 2020-2021 Budget Presentation – Superintendent & Assistant Superintendent for Business

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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- Tahlia Elkin & Lakely Davis-commented on climate strike
- Lexi Friedman-commented on walkout on Earth Day
- Michele DiDonna-commented on boys and girls modified lacrosse program
- Cathy Sanchez-commented on YONDR presentation, cell phone use, budget, training for monitors
- Eve Walter, County Legislator-introduced herself

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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- Superintendent Search Update-There are 40 applicants. Executive Committee Meeting to be held next week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- Racial Equity Initiative Advisory Committee
- Facilities Committee
- Policy Committee
- Legislative Action Committee

MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES

Motion made by Dominic Profaci and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED: that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education accept the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of February 19, 2020 and the Special Meeting of February 26, 2020.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

Diana Armstead stepped away from the meeting at this time.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Biana Tanis and seconded by Dominick Profaci that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions, items 12.1 through 12.9:

12.1 Instructional Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation, of the following instructional employee for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Years in District
Michelle Diana	English Teacher	7/01/2020	24

12.2 Non-Instructional Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of the following non-instructional employee for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Years of Service
Karen Volk	School Bus Driver	March 19, 2020	13

12.3 Request for Approval of Leave of Absence - Instructional

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve an unpaid leave of absence for the following instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Dates
Meryle Lederer	School Social Worker	03/02/2020 – 06/30/2020

12.4 Instructional Appointment – Leave Replacement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the leave replacement appointment of the following instructional employee for the 2019/2020 school year:

Name	Title	Effective Dates	Step/Salary
Mary Grace Renella	School Social Worker	TBD - 6/30/2020	MA Step 1, \$61,110 (pro-rated)

12.5 Non-Instructional Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of the following non-instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Daniel Curci	Videographer	03/05/20

12.6 Non-Instructional Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the appointment of the following non-instructional employee with remuneration as per rates established at the July 10, 2019 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Connor Morabito	Videographer	March 18, 2020

12.7 Non-Instructional Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of the following non-instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Cynthia Velez	Custodian	3/4/2020

12.8 Non-Instructional Appointments

The New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following employees:

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Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary
Brittany Chwiki	Food Service Helper	3/5/2020	\$13.50/hr. (3.75 hrs/day)
Cynthia Velez	Account Clerk Typist	3/5/2020	\$38,000/yr

12.9 Coaching Appointments

The New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following coaches for the 2019/2020 school year, with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

Name	Title	Stipend
Jim Malak	Varsity Baseball	\$3980
William Defino	JV Baseball	\$3380
Brooke Graham	Varsity Softball	\$3980
Kerry Malak	JV Softball	\$3380
Brad Gambino	Modified Softball	\$2410
Don Bartlett	Boys Varsity Track & Field	\$4820
Joe Foti	Varsity Assistant	\$3850
Brian Bolstad	Modified Boys Track & Field	\$2410
Ann Gregory	Girls Varsity Track & Field	\$5406
Kathy Rogers-Carroll	Varsity Assistant	\$3850
Kara Seim	Modified Girls Track & Field	\$2410
Thomas Tegeler	Girls Varsity Golf	\$3980
Scott Taylor	Girls Varsity Tennis	\$3980
Ron Constable	Varsity Boys Lacrosse	\$3980
Mark Pizzarello	JV Boys Lacrosse	\$3380
Ryan Cronin	Varsity Girls Lacrosse Co-Coach	\$1990
Doug Thompson	Varsity Girls Lacrosse Co-Coach	\$1990

Volunteers Assistants

Jeff Salt	Varsity Softball	Unpaid
Brian Walsh	Varsity Boys Track & Field	Unpaid
Dylan Scribani	Varsity Boys Track & Field	Unpaid
Angelo Baglieri	Modified Girls Softball	Unpaid
Joanne Metzger	Girls Lacrosse	Unpaid

Motion to approve 12.1 through 12.9 carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Sophia Skiles to approve item 12.10, as amended.

12.10 Appointment of Consultant

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Richard Ten-Eyck as a consultant to the Board for governance procedures at a rate not to exceed \$600 per day, effective February 19, 2020, for one day or intermittent use.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Glenn LaPolt to approve item 12.11, as amended.

12.11 Appointment of Consultant

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Dusti Callo as a consultant for the purpose of training effective February 28, 2020, for a limited number of hours, at a rate not to exceed \$50.00 per hour.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Sophia Skiles to approve items 12.12 and 12.13.

12.12 Administrative Appointment – Interim

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Meryle Lederer as Interim Coordinator of Student Support Services assigned to the Elementary level, effective March 16, 2020 and terminating June 30, 2020 at a salary of \$129,500.00 (pro-rated).

12.13 Instructional Appointment-Substitutes

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following substitute teacher with remuneration as per rates established at the July 10, 2019 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Effective Dates
Kathleen Rafferty	3/10/2020 – 6/30/2020

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Diana Armstead returned to the meeting at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

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Board President, Michael O'Donnell, announced that the review of policies will be table to a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

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Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve items 14.1 through 14.5:

14.1 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. 14061, 15280, 12943, 14161, 15229, 14355, 13971, 12864, 13177, 14376, 14295, 14296, 14416, 12598, 12259

14.2 Request for Approval of Health and Welfare Contract – Kingston City School District 2019-2020

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Health and Welfare Contract, forwarded under separate cover, for Kingston City School District for a total amount of \$3,099.00 for health and welfare services for the 2019-2020 school year for three (3) children who are residents in the New Paltz Central School District attending non-public schools in the Kingston City School District.

14.3 Request for Approval of Health and Welfare Contract – Arlington Central School District 2019-2020

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Health and Welfare Contract, forwarded under separate cover, for Arlington Central School District for a total amount of \$13,639.84 for health and welfare services for the 2019-2020 school year for sixteen (16) children who are residents in the New Paltz Central School District attending non-public schools in the Arlington Central School District.

14.4 Request for Approval to Participate in Cooperative Bidding with Other School Districts for 2020-2021

WHEREAS, it would be in the joint interest of the New Paltz Central School District to participate in cooperative bids with other school districts for the years 2020-2021, as provided by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, for the purchase of DIESEL FUEL; and

WHEREAS each Board retains the legal authority to contract with the successful vendor(s) and shall not be bound by purchase contracts or other agreements made by the other BOARD(s);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said product jointly with the other school districts. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said product; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOARD OF EDUCATION of the New Paltz Central School District hereby agrees to participate in such cooperative bids.

14.5 Request for Approval of Memorandum of Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby ratifies the provisions of a Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”), dated March 4, 2020, setting forth the provisions of a collective bargaining agreement between the District and the New Paltz Pupil Services Administrators’ Association for the period commencing on July 1, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2024, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said MOA shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Motion to approve items 14.1 through 14.5 carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

OTHER DISCUSSION

None.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Board adjourn at 9:59 PM.
Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Kenneda-Peppers
District Clerk Pro-Tempore