

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
Business Meeting – April 15, 2020 6:30PM via Zoom
MEETING MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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Meeting was called to order at 5:36PM by Michael O’Donnell, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Michael O’Donnell
- Glenn LaPolt
- Diana Armstead
- Sophia Skiles
- Bianca Tanis
- Teresa Thompson-excused

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools

ROLL CALL

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The roll was called as reflected above.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 5:37PM for the purpose of discussing proposed, pending, or current litigation and discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 5 - 0 with 5 members voting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

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

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Glenn LaPolt that the Board return to Public Session at 6:35 PM. Motion carried 5 - 0 with 5 members voting.

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM by Michael O’Donnell, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Michael O’Donnell
- Glenn LaPolt
- Diana Armstead
- Sophia Skiles
- Bianca Tanis
- Teresa Thompson-excused

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Sandra Ermo, District Clerk

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

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PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

PLEDGE

AGENDA CHANGES

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Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the changes as presented. Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

BOARD ITEMS

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

4.1 Board Trustee Resignation

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Dominick Profaci from his position as Board Trustee, effective April 14, 2020.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

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

4.2 Acknowledgement of Oath of Office for District Clerk

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon recommendation of Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the Oath of Office for Sandra Ermo, District Clerk, executed on April 6, 2020.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Proposed Budget: Current Review and Updated Timeline

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Kathy Sanchez-commented on grading policy

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

- Superintendent Search Update

MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Glenn LaPolt that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education accept the minutes of the following Special Meetings: March 23, 2020, March 24, 2020 9:30AM, March 24, 2020 5:30PM, March 25, 2020, March 26, 2020, March 27, 2020, March 30, 2020 and March 31, 2020.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

9. PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions: 9.1 – 9.3

9.1 Instructional Leave of Absence - Extension

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

Name	Title	Original Effective Dates	Extension
Donna Gallo	Science Teacher	9/01/2018 – 4/30/2020	5/01/2020 – 5/31//2020 (unpaid)

9.2 Instructional Leave Replacement Appointment - Extension

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

Name	Title	Original Effective Dates	Extension	Step/Salary
Elizabeth Watts	Science Teacher	9/01/2018 – 4/30/2020	5/01/2020 – 5/31/2020	MA Step 6 \$69,260 (pro-rated)

9.3 Non-Instructional Resignation

Recommendation 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
Kevin Lawrence	Substitute Custodial Worker	3/12/2020

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

10. OLD BUSINESS

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Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Glenn LaPolt that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

10.1 Resolution for the BOE to approve submission of the 2019-21 Professional Development Plan.

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 submission of the 2019-2021 Professional Development Plan to the New York State Education Department (NYSED).

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

11. NEW BUSINESS

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

11.1 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: 14215, 15274, 14259, 15025, 13914, 15289.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

11.2 Request for Approval of the 2020-2021 Ulster BOCES Administrative Budget

Recommendation - that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the proposed 2020-2021 Ulster BOCES Administrative Budget in the amount of \$6,460,298.00.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

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

11.3 Ulster BOCES Board Candidate Vote

Recommendation - that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education exercise their voting rights regarding the nominated candidates for the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Ulster County.

Nominated Candidates are as follows:

Seat #1 – Ellenville (3-year term)

No nomination

Seat #2 – Saugerties (3-year term)

Krista Barringer

1585 Route 212

Saugerties, NY 12477

Seat #3 – “At-Large” (3-year term)

Christopher Farrell

114 Hardenburg Road

Ulster Park, NY 12487

Seat #4 – “At-Large” (3-year term)

Donald Greene
36 Chapel Road
Newburgh, NY 12550

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board of Education approve the following resolutions:

11.4 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves a Settlement Agreement in the Matter of Student No. 13740 dated April 7, 2020; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interim Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement on the District’s behalf.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

OTHER DISCUSSION

➤ Sophia Skiles-commented-thank you for including the pledge

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

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ADJOURN

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Glenn LaPolt that the Board adjourn at 7:08PM.

Motion carried 5-0 with 5 members voting.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ermo
District Clerk