

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
Business Meeting – June 17, 2020 via Zoom
6:00 PM Executive Session – 7:00 PM Public Meeting
MEETING MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board President.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael O'Donnell
Glenn LaPolt
Diana Armstead
Sophia Skiles-joined at 6:03 PM
Bianca Tanis-joined at 6:03 PM
Teresa Thompson

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Sharifa Carbon

ROLL CALL

The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:01 PM for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 4 - 0 with 4 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 Diana Armstead and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Board return to Public Session at 6:59 PM. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

CALL TO ORDER/LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board President.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael O'Donnell
Glenn LaPolt
Diana Armstead
Brian Cournoyer-Board Member elect
Sophia Skiles
Bianca Tanis
Teresa Thompson

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Fredericka Butler, Director of Student Support Services
Sandra Ermo-District Clerk
Luis Rodriguez, The Palombo Group - left at 7:55 PM
Bill Wibbauer-TetraTech Architects – left at 7:55 PM

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

PLEDGE

AGENDA CHANGES

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Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Diana Armstead to approve the Agenda Changes, adding Items 3A.1, 11.10, 11.11, and 11.12.

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

BOARD APPOINTMENT OF VACANCY

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

3A.1 Board Appointment

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education does hereby appoint Brian Cournoyer to the Board of Education effective June 17, 2020, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Board Trustee, Kathy Preston.

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

a) *Administration of Oath to New Board Member*

The District Clerk administered the oath to the newly appointed member of the Board of Education, Brian Cournoyer.

4. RECOGNITION: RETIREMENT

4.1 Recognition of Retirees

Name	Title	Years of Service
Susan Bowers	Teaching Assistant	21
Geraldine Maloney	Library Clerk	17
Barbara D’Amore	School Monitor	14
Starleen Shirk	Account Clerk/Typist	32
Marianne Mackay	Cook Manager	27
Debra Bender	Cook Manager	18
Wayne Kreuzscher	School Bus Driver	11
Janice Pallus	Library Clerk	27
Connie Hayes	Director of Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education	7
Diana Vilardi	Teachers Aide	25
Lisa St. John	English Teacher	18
Michele Diana	English Teacher	24
Karen Volk	School Bus Driver	13
Patricia Sorrentino	Teachers Aide	13
Barbara Weiner	Special Ed Teacher	20
Kathleen Buley	School Bus Driver	20
James Tracy	Science Teacher	33
Susan Kobza	Elementary Teacher	25
MaryBeth Ferrante	Math Teacher	20
Susan Ehrlich	Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher	10
Karen Borello	School Bus Driver	27
Stella Mouyios	School Library Media Specialist	9
Frances Rymer	School Bus Attendant	7
Amy Walsh	Teahers Aide	16
Kathleen Buboltz	Typist	22

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Code of Conduct: Ricki Butler, Director of Student Support Services and Sophia Skiles, Trustee

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Teresa Thompson to adopt the Code of Conduct, as amended.
 Motion carries 6-0 with 6 members voting. 1 abstention.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPT REPORT

- SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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- Capital Project Presentation – Luis Rodriguez, The Palombo Group; Bill Wisbauer, TetraTech Architects

MINUTES OF MEETING

Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Diana Armstead 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 Workshop Meeting of June 3, 2020.

Motion carries 6-0 with 6 members voting. 1 abstention.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Teresa Thompson and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolution: 10.1

10.1 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
Stella Mouyios	School Library Media Specialist	7/01/2020	9

Motion carries 7-0 with 7 members voting

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolution: 10.2

10.2 Instructional Appointment – Probationary

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Dean Engle to a four (4) year probationary appointment as an English Teacher in the tenure area of English at an annual salary of \$68,390 (MA Step 5), effective 9/01/2020 through 8/31/2024, 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.

Motion carries 7-0 with 7 members voting

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolution: 10.3

10.3 Instructional Appointment – Probationary

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Benjamin Shuchat to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a School Counselor in the tenure area of School Counseling and Guidance at an annual salary of \$63,420 (MA Step 2), effective 9/01/2020 through 8/31/2024, 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.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

Motion made by Teresa Thompson and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolution: 10.4

10.4 Non-Instructional Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

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 employees for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Years in District
Frances Rymer	School Bus Attendant	June 26, 2020	7
Amy Walsh	Teacher Aide	July 1, 2020	16
Kathleen Buboltz	Typist	August 29, 2020	22

Motion carries 7-0 with 7 members voting.

NEW BUSINESS

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Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following resolutions: 11.1 11.9

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:

15021, 15041, 14333, 13815, 14580,13810,13872,14852,14962,11412,11424,13915,13916, 14459, 12598, 12644, 12141, 12213,12210,14232,11496,12424,15003,15011,13821,14923, 14254, 14342, 14310, 14585, 14566,14419,14758,14409,14410,13851,14800,15065,15011, 14418, 15258, 15073, 12427, 15109,14885,14979,14924,14955,14802,15120,15050,14883, 14829, 15075, 15146, 15033, 15118,15267,14886,15000,14855,15281,15052,15053,14818, 14845, 14841, 15064, 15259, 15116,14598,14602,14010,14434,14405,14553,15068,15041, 15050, 14532, 14215, 14813, 15041, 15021.

11.2 Summer CSE Evaluations/Meetings

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School Board of Education upon the recommendation of Dr. Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint, as needed, the following employees effective July 1, 2020 – August 31, 2020.

CSE Evaluations/Meetings:

Name	Title
Erin Bush	CSE Meetings/Nurse
Maria Meoli	CSE Meetings/Nurse
Joy Van Vlack	CSE Meetings/Nurse

11.3 Request for Approval of Educational Consultant and Independent Contractor Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District approve the Educational Consultant and Independent contractor Agreement for the performance of Occupational Therapy Evaluation Services for the period of July 1, 2020 – August 31, 2020 at a cost of \$500 per evaluation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interim Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to sign this Agreement on the District’s behalf.

11.4 Request for Approval of Automotive Diesel Fuel Bid

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education award the Diesel Fuel Bid to Bottini Fuel for marketer differential prices of \$0.0110 for Premium Diesel and \$0.2500 for Kerosene.

11.5 Request for Approval of Student Scholarship Awards

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education approves the New Paltz Central School District Foundation for Student Enhancement Scholarships for the Class of 2020 for the 2019-2020 school year only.

11.6 Request for the Establishment of a Student Scholarship Award

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education approves the establishment of the STEM in America Scholarship Award.

11.7 Request for the Establishment of a Student Scholarship Award

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education approves the establishment of The Robots Overlords Scholarship Award.

11.8 Request for the Establishment of a Student Scholarship Award

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education approves the establishment of The Integral Performer Scholarship Award.

11.9 2020-2021 Board of Education Meetings Calendar

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education does hereby adopt the 2020-2021 Board of Education Meetings Calendar.

Motion carries 7-0 with 7 members voting.

Motion made by Sophia Skiles and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the following resolution: 11.10

11.10 Request for Approval to Ratify the Results of the 2020 Election/Budget Vote

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District ratify the voting results of the 2020 Election and Budget Vote. The official date of the Annual Meeting-Election /Budget Vote is June 9, 2020. The canvassing of ballots commenced on June 16th at 5:00 PM and was completed on June 17, 2020 with results as follows:

Proposition #1

“Shall the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District be authorized to expend \$64,940,103.00 which will be required for school district purposes for the year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 (The Budget), and to levy the necessary tax therefor.”

YES: 2374 NO: 887

<u>CANDIDATES</u>	<u># OF VOTES</u>
Brian Cournoyer	2040
Edgar Rodriguez	1314
Teresa Thompson	2033

Motion carries 7-0 with 7 members voting.

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Theresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following resolution: 11.11

11.11 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the terms of and authorizes its Superintendent of Schools to sign a Settlement Agreement between the District and the New Paltz United Teachers dated June 5, 2020, concerning the payment of additional salary and/or leave time in accordance therewith, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said Settlement Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting. 1 abstention.

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Theresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following resolution: 11.12

11.12 Acceptance of Proposal from The Palombo Group

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Bernard Josefsberg, Interim Superintendent of Schools, hereby accept The Palombo Group Proposal dated June 10, 2020 for Revision to Construction Management Contract for Extended Services.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting

OTHER DISCUSSION

None.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Board adjourn at 8:08 PM.
Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ermo
District Clerk