

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
Workshop Meeting –January 6, 2021 via Livestream
6:00 PM Executive Session – 7:00 PM Public Meeting
MEETING MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Glenn LaPolt, Board President.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:04 PM for the purpose of discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

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Board President, Glenn LaPolt, acted as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

Glenn LaPolt
Diana Armstead
Brian Courmoyer
Michael O'Donnell
Bianca Tanis
Teresa Thompson
Matthew Williams

ALSO PRESENT:

Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business

ROLL CALL

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The roll was called as reflected above.

OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Teresa Thompson and seconded by Brian Courmoyer that the Board return to Public Session at 7:10 PM.

Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

CALL TO ORDER/LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:13 PM by Glenn LaPolt, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

Glenn LaPolt
Diana Armstead
Brian Courmoyer
Michael O'Donnell
Bianca Tanis
Teresa Thompson
Matthew Williams

ALSO PRESENT:

Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Sandra Ermo, District Clerk

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

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AGENDA CHANGES

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None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPT REPORT

- COVID Update
- Educational Update

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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- Introduction of BOE Student Representative – Samantha Wong-Pan

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CMTE REPORTS

- Audit Committee - Michael O'Donnell, Chair
- Policy Committee - Brian Cournoyer, Chair
- Facilities Committee - Teresa Thompson, Chair
- Legislative Action Committee - Bianca Tanis, Chair
- Racial Equity Initiative Advisory Committee – Lisa Hasbrouck, REIAC Member

MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES

Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Michael O'Donnell 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 Business Meeting of December 16,2020.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions: 9.1-9.9

9.1 Instructional Appointment-Substitutes

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following substitute teachers with remuneration as per rates established at the July 8, 2020 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Effective Dates
Brooke Harrington	1/07/2021– 6/30/2021

9.2 Non-Instructional Appointment

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby submit the following non-instructional appointments:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary/Rate
Evdokia Kaloudis	School Monitor	1/20/2021	\$13.50/hour
Aaron Sheldon	Teacher Aide	12/14/2020	\$14.00/hour
Maria Sullivan	Teacher Aide	12/15/2020	\$14.00/hour

9.3 Non-Instructional Substitute Appointment

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby submit the following non-instructional substitute appointments:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary/Rate
Gabrielle Schluter-Lozo	Substitute Custodial Worker	1/4/2021	\$15.00 hour
Katrina Thies	Substitute School Monitor	1/20/2021	\$13.50/hour

9.4 Non-Instructional Temporary Appointment

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary/Rate
Brian Loucks	Interim Head Custodian	12/16/2020	Additional 10% differential as per CWA Contract - Article 19, Section 5 - Temporary Out of Title Work

9.5 Non-Instructional Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the following resignation for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Nancy Waddell	Special Ed Aide	2/16/2021

9.6 Non-Instructional Resignation

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the following resignation:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Arlene Hotaling	Food Service Helper	12/28/2020

9.7 Approval of Non-Instructional Leave of Absence Extension

Upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby recommend unpaid leave of absence extension for the following non-instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Diane Potthast	Special Ed Aide	9/14/20 thru 6/30/2021 (unpaid)

9.8 Non-Instructional Probationary Appointment

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby submit the following non-instructional probationary appointments:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary/Rate
Nicole DiPaola	School Program Secretary	1/19/2021	\$39,000/year

9.9 Non-Instructional Resignation

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the following resignation:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Rebecca Fiorese	School Program Secretary	1/4/2021

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

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Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Michael O’Donnell 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:

13971, 12242, 14206, 14178, 14132,12808,14885,11532,14978,14271,14987,12909,14962, 14841, 10949, 14227, 12312, 14730, 15240, 14011, 15000.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following resolution, as amended:

11.2 Request for Approval of Resolution in Support of Senate Bill S7378 and Assembly Bill A10363

WHEREAS: New York State enacted the Foundation Aid Formula in 2007 for the purposes of providing a sound, basic education to all students, and creating equity in school funding; and

WHEREAS: the New Paltz Central School District relies on Foundation Aid funding to meet the educational needs of our students, and ease the property tax burden on local taxpayers; and

WHEREAS: According to a 2019 report by Alliance for Quality Education of New York, the Foundation Aid Formula has not been used to calculate aid for school districts since 2011, and has instead been replaced with temporary aid formulas in the state budget, resulting in New York schools being underfunded by approximately \$4 billion; and

WHEREAS: New Paltz Central School District is owed more than 2.4 million dollars in foundation aid; and

WHEREAS: NYS Senate Bill S7378, and its companion NY State Assembly Bill A10363, propose to extend the top state income tax rate with the goal of fully funding Foundation Aid;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District calls upon the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo to enact Senate Bill S7378 and Assembly Bill A10363; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District calls upon the Governor and State Legislature to commit to fully funding Foundation Aid, including restoring \$4 billion in withheld aid to New York school districts.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

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

11.3 Request for Approval to Establish Extracurricular Activity/Club

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the establishment of the Climate Club - Middle School.

Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

OTHER DISCUSSION

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Comments from the following community members were received and read by the Board President:
Jacqueline Triguero

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Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

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Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board return to Public Session at 8:55 PM.
Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

ADJOURN

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Motion made by Glenn LaPolt and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board adjourn at 8:59 PM.
Motion carried 7-0 with 7 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Ermo
District Clerk