

Minutes – Business Meeting – Board of Education – New Paltz Central High School – October 3, 2012 – 7:00 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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Meeting was called to order at -7:00 PM by Patrick Rausch, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Bagley
Brian Cournoyer
Roderick Dressel, Jr.
Dominick Profaci
Ruth Quinn
Patrick Rausch
Edgar Rodriguez (arrived at 7:04 PM)

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT: Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools

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Debora Banner, Assistant Superintendent
Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Jo-Anne Dobbins, Director of Pupil Personnel Services
Barbara Clinton, Principal, New Paltz Central High School
Debra Hogencamp, Principal, Duzine Elementary School
Elena Maskell, District Clerk
Abigail King, Student Representative
Members of the Public and Press

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

PLEDGE

AGENDA CHANGES

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Mrs. Rice proposed that the Board change the External Audit Report and move it up in the agenda in order to allow the auditor to leave for another appointment. Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Mr. Profaci. All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

RECOGNITION – School Board Recognition Week

BOARD RECOGNITION

Mrs. Rice stated the new Board is completely dedicated to doing what is in the best interest of the children. She personally thanked each of the members for all of their hard work. The District Clerk read Governor Cuomo’s proclamation designating October 29, 2012 through November 2, 2012 as School Board Recognition Week. Superintendent Rice handed out the proclamation along with certificates of thanks to each of the Board Members.

SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM

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Principal Debra Hogencamp introduced teachers Joan Cherney and Iva Profaci of Duzine along with the kindergarten class to give a presentation on “Kindergartners Explore Numbers”.

EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT -

AUDIT REPORT

Andrew J. Arias of Cooper, Niemann & Co. came to give the Board a presentation on the External Audit Report for the 2011-2012 school year. Motion made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Mr. Bagley to approve the following resolution:

9.1 Request for Approval to Accept the External Audit Report for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the 2011-2012 External Audit Report as presented by the accounting firm of Cooper, Niemann & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

STUDENT REP

Abigail King is a senior at New Paltz High School. Ms. King stated the AP Environmental Science class took a trip to Minnewaska and the Freshman Night in a Day assembly is coming up. Ms. King stated the varsity football team is 4-1 this year, the varsity girls' soccer team is 6-1, and they are both hoping to make it to sectionals this year. Ms. King stated a lot of students have complaints about the new dietary constraints and selections for school lunches. The school salads have changed, and students don't feel the quality is the same. There are issues with putting cheese on items costing extra, and Ms. King stated a lot of students are talking about this and she was asked to bring this up at the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPT REPORT

CROSSING GUARD – Mrs. Rice gave an update on the Crossing Guard near the middle school. The dilemma is a municipal component that school districts can only hire crossing guards if they are crossing on school property. If the crossing guard is crossing students on municipal properties, the municipality is responsible for paying the employee. Superintendent Rice stated the school district has put away the money to pay for the crossing guard, but the district cannot pay the employee directly. Superintendent Rice and Supervisor Zimet have spoken with the County Comptroller and the Chief of Police to try and come to a resolution. The County is researching it more carefully to try and straighten out the component in the law that states the district cannot pay the crossing guard, and they will be making a recommendation to the school district on how to proceed. Ulster County Civil Service has also been contacted, who said it was not a civil service law, but it is a municipal law. Mrs. Rice stated five different districts have also been contacted, all of which pay their crossing guards via the police department.

Superintendent Rice spoke briefly about the Safe Routes to School Grant and the fact that the district cannot possibly comply at this time due to the time restraints and the research and work that is necessary to submit the grant. Mrs. Rice stated the district was given five days to complete a project that the district couldn't possibly complete in such a short time. Discussion ensued. Ms. Quinn asked to have this put on a comeback list for a later date for discussion. Mr. Rausch stated this could be put on the comeback list.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

K – 12 GUIDANCE PLAN

Superintendent Rice introduced Stephanie Shoemaker, Renee Reynolds, Katie Tracz, Joanne Metzger, Jessica Peterson, Meryl Curry, and Pupil Personnel Services Director Jo-Anne Dobbins gave a presentation on the K-12 Guidance Plan. Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Bagley to approve the following resolution:

8.1 Request for Approval of 2012-2013 K-12 Guidance Plan

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby approve the 2012-2013 K-12 Guidance Plan as presented.

All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 7-0.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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Mr. Bagley was excused from the meeting at 9:08 PM

EDUCATION COMMISSION TESTIMONY FROM NPCSD - Ruth Quinn prepared a statement of testimony for the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education to submit to the New NY State Education Reform Commission. Ms. Quinn asked if any members have any comments. Lengthy discussion ensued.

FACILITIES PLANNING - An RFP has been put out to hire a company to provide informed data to the Board regarding their facilities master plan. They are asking for information regarding possible consolidation to three campuses or two campuses with the data to back it up. The date for submissions for the RFP is October 23rd and the Board will then interview applicants with the goal of appointing a firm in November so they can continue on the facilities master plan. Discussion ensued.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Legislative Action Advisory Committee - Dr. Rodriguez noted the minutes were handed out for the meeting. He asked that volunteers come forward to work as the community members on the community. Dr. Rodriguez noted before the Ulster County School Board Association meets, they will be having a County-Wide Legislative Action Committee meeting, which Dr. Rodriguez and Ms. Quinn will be attending. Dr. Rodriguez has invited Ms. Tobin Flusser to come to the next committee meeting to discuss participating in a public forum regarding funding education. Dr. Rodriguez asked Superintendent Rice about having a legislative link on the district's website. Mrs. Rice said that was possible if she is given the parameters and information.

MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Dr. Rodriguez 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 September 19, 2012. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS - None

FINANCIAL REPORTS

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Mr. Profaci that the Board of Education approve the following personnel consent agenda items 13.1 through 13.4:

13.1 Home Tutors

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following instructional employees, on an as-needed basis with remuneration as per NPUT contract effective for the 2012-2013 school year:

Name

Shawn Doyle
Denise Hoyt
Carol A. Ray
Dora Stack

13.2 Instructional Appointment - Substitutes

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following substitute teachers with remuneration as per rates established at the July 11, 2012 Organizational Meeting, effective 10/4/12 - 6/30/13:

Name

Catherine Anderson
Gina Biegelman
Mary Ann Carpenter
Dana Dalgoutte
Anthony DeStefano
Sunwha Gil
Devin Lamar
Lauren Marz

Name

Karl Mauks-Koepke
Maureen O’Connell
Tammy Perroth
Matthew Petruzzelli
Peter Parrotta
Erza Silverman
Rachel Van Carpels
Kathleen Wilson

13.3 Non-Instructional Resignation

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

Name

Title

Effective Date

Jenny Peters School Monitor 9/18/2012

13.4 Non-Instructional Appointments

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

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary	Hours
Rosalia Stropoli	Substitute Teacher Aide	9/7/2012	\$10.50/hr	as needed
Rosalia Stropoli	Substitute School Monitor	9/7/2012	\$ 9.00/hr	as needed
Adin Gold	Student -Lighting and Sound Technician	9/25/2012	\$15.00.hr	as needed
Connor Morabito	Lighting and Sound Technician	9/25/2012	\$15.00.hr	as needed
Ben Clay	Lighting and Sound Technician	9/25/2012	\$15.00.hr	as needed
Angelica Dickerson	Student -Lighting and Sound Technician	9/25/2012	\$15.00.hr	as needed

MOTION carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

OLD BUSINESS - None

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NEW BUSINESS

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Motion made by Ms. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Profaci that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

15.1 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: 12872, 10956, 12896, 12861, 10755, 12442.

All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Mr. Profaci to approve the following resolution:

15.2 Request for Approval to Sell/Dispose of Surplus Equipment

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education declares the following buses and equipment as excess, unneeded property and authorizes the sale/disposition of the buses.

<u>Bus#</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Passenger</u>
78	1999	International	65 Passenger
85	2000	Ford	15/2 (WC)
93	2002	Ford	15/2 (WC)
98	2000	Ford	20 Passenger

One (1) OTC 10 ton air lift 1590 model

One (1) OTC 4,400 crane 1820 model

All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer to approve the following resolution:

15.3 Request for Approval of Inter-Municipal Transportation agreement between Kingston City School District, Onteora Central School District and New Paltz Central School District

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District that an Inter-Municipal Agreement, dated September 5, 2012, between the Kingston City Schools Board of Education, Onteora Central Schools Board of Education, and New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, regarding cooperative bus runs, is hereby approved. A copy of said Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

All in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

OTHER DISCUSSION

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Susan Zimet New Paltz

ADJOURN

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With no need for an Executive Session, a motion was made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Mr. Profaci that the Board adjourn at 9:57 PM. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Elena Rae Maskell
District Clerk