

Minutes – Business Meeting – Board of Education – New Paltz Central High School – March 20, 2013 – 7:00 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Patrick Rausch, Board President. Maria C. Rice was appointed District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Bagley
Brian Cournoyer
Roderick Dressel, Jr.
Dominick Profaci
Ruth Quinn
Patrick Rausch
Edgar Rodriguez

QUORUM CHECK

ALSO PRESENT: Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools
Debora Banner, Assistant Superintendent (arrived at 6:15 PM)
Jo-Anne Dobbins, Director of Pupil Personnel Services (arrived at 6:15 PM)
Debra Hogencamp, Principal, Duzine Elementary School (arrived at 6:20 PM)

ROLL CALL The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:05 PM for the purpose of discussing matters made exempt by FERPA, discussing the employment history of a particular person, discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation, and discussing the proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or proposed acquisition, sale, or exchange of securities as per Public Officers Law Section 105(a-h). Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Ms. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Bagley that the Board return to Public Session at 6:52 PM. Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM Patrick Rausch, Board President.

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Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business
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Barbara Clinton, Principal, New Paltz Central High School
Debra Hogencamp, Principal, Duzine Elementary School
Antonia Woody, Director of Physical Education, Health, Athletics & Health Services
Maureen Ryan, Director of Transportation
Michael Robinson, Director of Food Services
Stephen J. Callahan, Director of Facilities & Operations
Elena Maskell, District Clerk
Devin Zapka, 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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Motion made by Ms. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer to accept the following agenda changes:

CHANGE Existing Agenda Item Number 8 to read the following:
BOARD DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BUDGET AND VEHICLE PROPOSITIONS

CHANGE Existing Agenda Item Number 9 to read the following:
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – Devin Zapka

REMOVE under Board Communications the following:
DISCUSSION OF RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT FOR THE MID-HUDSON REGIONAL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

ADD under Board Communications the following:
➤ FACILITIES RESOLUTIONS

11.1 SECURITY AND SAFETY SEQRA RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District is planning a project involving security and safety upgrades to their schools, the Middle School, Duzine Elementary School, the High School, and Lenape Elementary School, and the Bus Garage, as well as various infrastructure upgrades to the buildings; and

Whereas, the Board of Education wishes to comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

Whereas, the Board of Education has reviewed the components, phases and aspects of the Proposed Project; and

Whereas, the Board of Education has reviewed the Proposed Project with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in the SEQRA Regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 and has determined that the Proposed Project is a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(1), (2) & (8) of the SEQRA Regulations;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District is hereby designated Lead Agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for the proposed project; and

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Education hereby determines that the Proposed Project is a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c) (1), (2) & (8) of the SEQRA Regulations and will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and that no further review of the Proposed Project is required.

11.2 BOND PROPOSITION RESOLUTIONS

SECURITY AND SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION

A. Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MARCH 20, 2013, DIRECTING SUBMISSION OF A BOND PROPOSITION AT THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO BE HELD MAY 21, 2013, AND PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SUCH BOND PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE NOTICE OF SUCH ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION.**

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF ULSTER, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Bond Proposition in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election:

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RESOLVED:

(a) That the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, in the County of Ulster, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to construct improvements and alterations to all District school buildings (the “Project”), substantially in accordance with and as described in a plan prepared by the District (the “Plan”), which Plan is available for public inspection at the office of the District Clerk, such Project to include (as and where necessary): fuel tank replacement; improvements to the loading dock and the installation of a loading dock canopy; improvements to the emergency lighting systems; security and building access improvements; and fire safety improvements; of the foregoing to include the original furnishing, equipment, machinery, apparatus and ancillary or related site and other work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not

to exceed the estimated total cost of \$500,000, provided that the estimated costs of the components of the Project as set forth in detail in the Plan may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District;

(b) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$500,000 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$500,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable; and

(c) that the amount of not to exceed \$500,000 currently on hand in the District’s "District-wide Construction and Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund" is hereby authorized to be expended for the Project, and any of such amount so expended shall offset a like amount of the taxes herein authorized to pay for the Project, and such expenditure is hereby approved.

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	<u>BOND PROPOSITION</u>	
YES		NO

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Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$500,000, provided that the estimated costs of the components of the Project as set forth in detail in the Plan may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District; and

(b) that the amount of not to exceed \$500,000 currently on hand in the District’s "District-wide Construction and Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund" approved by the voters on March 17, 2005, is hereby authorized to be expended for the Project, and such expenditure is hereby approved.

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PROPOSITION

YES

NO

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ADD to Existing Personnel Item 15.1 Instructional Appointment - Substitutes the following:

Name	Effective Dates
Lauren Marie Robinson	3/21/13 - 6/30/13

ADD to Existing Personnel Item 15.6 Non-Instructional Appointments the following:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary	Hours
Joanne Ponte	American Sign Language Interpreter	3/21/2013	\$30,000/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Shawn Long	School Driver/Messenger	3/21/2013	\$29,412/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Eric Brandt	Facilities & Operations Worker	3/21/2013	\$40,000/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Marcos Ramos	Substitute Custodial Worker	3/7/2013	\$11.00/hr	as needed

ADD New Personnel Agenda Item 15.8 Certification of Evaluators

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

Be IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District re-certify the following administrators as Evaluators in accordance with Section 30-2.9 of the Rules of the Board of Regents. This re-certification is effective June 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013.

Name

- Kathleen Clark-Simmons
- Dennis DiBari
- Daniel Scherrer
- Anthony Tantillo
- Antonia Woody

ADD New Personnel Agenda Item 15.9 Rescind Non-Instructional Appointment

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Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby rescind the following appointment made on effective February 20, 2013:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Barbara D’Amore	Substitute Typist	9/4/2012

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

RECOGNITION

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Barbara Clinton, Principal of the High School, announced the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the class of 2013. Joshua DeJoy is the Valedictorian, and Cora Butler is the Salutatorian.

TENURE RECOMMENDATION

TENURE

Tenure Recommendation

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept the following:

Recommendation – that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby grant tenure to the following instructional employee:

Name	Tenure Area	Effective Date
Alicia Tuttle	Home Economics	4/5/13

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

BUDGET AND VEHICLE PROPOSAL PRESENTATION – Superintendent Rice & Assistant Superintendent for Business, Rick Linden gave the final budget presentation which will be voted upon this evening by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Donald Kerr	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Leonard Loza	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Bob Gabrielli	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Michael Yukowitz	New Paltz	Budget Comments
Steve Greenfield	New Paltz	Budget Comments and Park Point Project
Rick Bundt	New Paltz	Park Point Project and Budget
Ben Miller	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Paul Brown	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Ed Burke	New Paltz	Budget Comments and Park Point Project
Ben Miller	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Eric Schwartz	Esopus	Park Point Project
John Johnson	New Paltz	Park Point Project
Jim Scaduto	New Paltz	Park Point Project

Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Mr. Profaci to accept the following:

BOARD DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF BUDGET AND VEHICLE PROPOSITIONS

8.1 Request for Approval to Adopt the 2013-2014 School District Budget for Presentation to Voters

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District adopts a budget of fifty two million dollars (\$52,000,000) for school district purposes for the school year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 to be presented to the voters at the Annual Meeting on May 21, 2013.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion made by Ms. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer to accept the following:

8.2 Request for Approval to Place Proposition on Ballot at the Annual Meeting on May 21, 2013 Approving Purchase of Vehicles

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following proposition be placed on the ballot at the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the New Paltz Central School District, to be conducted on May 21, 2013:

Shall the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, Ulster County, New York, be authorized to purchase two 65-passenger or larger school buses at a cost of \$95,000; for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$190,000; and that the sum of \$190,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments, as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law, and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District shall be issued.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the School District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this proposition in the Legal Notice of Annual Meeting, Election and Vote in the designated newspapers.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

STUDENT REP

Devin Zapka was introduced as the new student representative. He extended congratulations to Josh Dejoy and Cora Butler, for being excellent role models for everyone in the high school. Mr. Zapka also congratulated Julia Vogt and Ina Stephenson who recently competed in the poetry out loud competition. He noted that this past Monday there was a 3 vs 3 basketball tournament. It was a big success and raised a lot of money for the senior class. Mr. Zapka reported on the

successes of the scholarship concert and the Mock Trial team. He noted that students went down to NYC to present fiscal policy ideas to the federal reserve today. Mr. Zapka stated that there is an upcoming art show at Ulster Boces, and students Cameron Kucera and Quinn Harlow's artwork will be featured at the Mill Street Lofts. Spring break is next week, and most seniors in the high school are getting ready for college, while preparing for AP exams. Mr. Zapka also stated that NPZ on its 8th season and is getting better every day. Superintendent Rice and Mr. Linden will be doing a show on NPZ regarding the budget as they did last year and it was a big success.

Cole Brownstein stopped by to announce the musical Grease which will start tomorrow and run through the weekend. Mr. Zapka said anyone interested in tickets can call 256-4111.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

SUPT REPORT

Superintendent Rice announced that Devin Zapka works as a producer for NPZ and she and Rick Linden are going to go on the station to talk about the budget. Superintendent Rice also noted that last week was National Social Worker's week. Mrs. Rice thanked the social workers in the district for their hard work and dedication. Mrs. Rice also thanked psychologists and guidance counselors as well. Superintendent Rice stated in addition to the production Grease, Alice in Wonderland was put on by the middle school students, and it was an amazing performance.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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PARK POINT FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION

Mr. Rausch stated in light of the public comments and the information received, he felt the Board Members should look into this issue further before making any decisions. Discussion ensued. As a result, the Board Members asked the Superintendent to speak to the president of SUNY NP, to ask the school attorney how to respond to the issue at hand with regard to the IDA, and for Superintendent Rice and Mr. Linden to go directly to the IDA for information and facts on the process. The Board also agreed to have Superintendent Rice write a letter of clarification to UCIDA so her letter of December 7, 2012 is no longer misused or misinterpreted.

BOCES BOARD SEAT VACANCIES

Mr. Rausch noted that he currently holds the at-large seat, and Barbara Carroll currently holds the New Paltz seat. Both of these seats are up for appointment. Mrs. Rice suggested that the Board nominate Barbara Carroll as the New Paltz District seat and Patrick Rausch as the At-Large seat. Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Ms. Quinn to approve the nominations of Ms. Carroll to the 3-year New Paltz seat and Mr. Rausch to the 3-year At-Large seat. Six Members were in favor with zero opposed. Motion passed 6-0. Mr. Rausch abstained from the vote.

FACILITIES RESOLUTIONS

Motion made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Ms. Quinn to accept the following:

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All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

11.2 BOND PROPOSITION RESOLUTIONS

Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Mr. Profaci to put one of the two security and safety capital project resolutions listed below on the May 21, 2013 ballot. Lengthy discussion ensued. All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Bagley to approve 11.2A Security and Safety Capital Project Resolution to be on the May 21, 2013 ballot:

SECURITY AND SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION

11.2 (A). Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MARCH 20, 2013, DIRECTING SUBMISSION OF A BOND PROPOSITION AT THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO BE HELD MAY 21, 2013, AND PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SUCH BOND PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE NOTICE OF SUCH ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION.**

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Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Discussion ensued and members weighed in on their thoughts between the two resolutions. Six were in favor with one opposed. Ms. Quinn was opposed to the motion. Motion carried.

SECURITY AND SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION

B. Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MARCH 20, 2013, DIRECTING SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION AT THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO BE HELD MAY 21, 2013, AND PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SUCH PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE NOTICE OF SUCH ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION.**

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

CMTE REPORTS

POLICY COMMITTEE – Roderick Dressel, Jr. stated the Policy Committee met on April 11th and there are two policies on the agenda today that the committee discussed. Mr. Dressel explained the reasoning behind the changes to the policies and noted there have been new changes to the Board of Education Meetings Policy since the last time it was on the agenda. Discussion ensued.

MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Ms. Quinn 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 20, 2013, the Regular Business Meeting of March 6, 2013 and the Special Meeting of March 13, 2013. Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer that the Treasurer’s Report for January 2013. Motion carried 7 – 0 with 7 members voting.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

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Motion made by Mr. Bagley and seconded by Mr. Dressel that the Board of Education approve the following consent agenda personnel resolutions 15.1 through 15.9:

15.1 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.

Name	Effective Dates
Justine Heroux	3/21/13 - 6/30/13
Mark Burch	3/21/13 - 6/30/13
Jill Olesker	3/21/13 - 6/30/13
Ashley Piper	3/21/13 - 6/30/13
Carol Ann Reed	3/21/13 - 6/30/13
Lauren Marie Robinson	3/21/13 - 6/30/13

15.2 Instructional Leave of Absence

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve a paid leave of absence for the following instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Dates
Mary Rappleyea	Art Teacher	3/1/13 - 5/1/13

15.3 Instructional Assignment

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that Lauren Papot, at the District’s request and for the continuity of the students’ educational program, is granted an extended unpaid leave of absence from her .3 FTE position as Art teacher during the period from March 1, 2013 - May 1, 2013; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Lauren Papot is hereby appointed to the long-term leave replacement Art teacher position during the extended leave of absence of Mary Rappleyea, effective March 1, 2013 - May 1, 2013 at a salary of BA Step 1, \$56,830 prorated.

15.4 Instructional Part-Time Leave Replacement Appointment

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the part-time leave replacement appointment of the following instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Dates	Step/Salary
Judi Esmond	(.5 FTE) Art Teacher	3/1/13 - 5/1/13	(.5 FTE) MA Step C, \$61,850 prorated

15.5 Home Tutor

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 employee, on an as-needed basis with remuneration as per NPUT contract effective for the 2012-2013 school year:

Name
Celia Cuomo

15.6 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
Marcos Ramos	Substitute Maintenance Worker	3/07/2013	\$15.00/hr	as needed
Philip Gildersleeve	Substitute School Bus Driver	2/20/2013	\$20.00/hr	as needed
Isaac Solano	Substitute Teacher Aide	2/26/2013	\$10.50/hr	as needed
Isaac Solano	Substitute School Monitor	2/26/2013	\$9.00/hr	as needed
Jeanine Ridgeway	Substitute Teacher Aide	1/22/2013	\$10.50/hr	as needed
Jeanine Ridgeway	Substitute School Monitor	1/22/2013	\$9.00/hr	as needed
Jeanine Ridgeway	Substitute Clerical	1/22/2013	\$12.00/hr	as needed
Eric Brandt	Facilities & Operations Worker	3/21/2013	\$40,000/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Joanne Ponte	American Sign Language Interpreter	3/21/2013	\$30,000/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Shawn Long	School Driver/Messenger	3/21/2013	\$29,412/yr (pro-rated)	full-time
Marcos Ramos	Substitute Custodial Worker	3/7/2013	\$11.00/hr	as needed

15.7 Non-Instructional Leave of Absence

Recommendation – that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve an unpaid leave of absence for the following non-instructional employees:

Name	Title	Effective Dates
Jennifer Sutton	School Monitor	3/18/2013 to 4/26/2013

15.8 Certification of Evaluators

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

Be IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District re-certify the following administrators as Evaluators in accordance with Section 30-2.9 of the Rules of the Board of Regents. This certification is effective June 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013.

- Name**
 Kathleen Clark-Simmons
 Dennis DiBari
 Daniel Scherrer
 Anthony Tantillo
 Antonia Woody

15.9 Rescind Non-Instructional Appointment

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby rescind the following appointment made on effective February 20, 2013:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Barbara D'Amore	Substitute Typist	9/4/2012

Motion carried 7 – 0 with 7 members voting.

OLD BUSINESS

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Discussion ensued regarding the Board of Education Meetings policy. Ms. Quinn had some written changes to the policy, which were emailed earlier and handed out to the Members at the table. After discussion it was decided to send this policy back to the Policy Committee for further review.

16.1 Third Reading and Approval of Policy 1510 Board of Education Meetings

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SUBJECT: BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

By-Laws

Board meetings shall be open to the public and conducted in accordance with Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, known as the "Open Meetings Law" and other applicable statutes.

Regular Meetings

The Board of Education shall meet at least one time each month for the purpose of conducting the business of the District. The dates and times of the regular monthly meetings will be established at the annual organizational meeting, but subject to change by the Board as necessary.

Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board may be called on at least 24 hours notice to all Board members at the direction of the Board President or upon the request of any Board member.

Board Retreats

The Board of Education may hold Board development retreats where no School District business is conducted. These retreats are exempt from the requirements of the open meeting rule. (NYS Department of State, Committee on Open Government, OML-AO-#1973, September 13, 1991.)

Notice of Meetings

Notice of meetings scheduled at least one week in advance shall be given to all members of the Board, the Superintendent of Schools and news media, as well as conspicuously posted in one or more designated public places at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. When meetings are scheduled less than one week in advance, the Board shall provide public notice to the extent practicable.

Agenda Setting

The Superintendent and the Board President and/or Vice President, will prepare the agenda for each Board meeting. The order of business will be constructed to help the Board accomplish its business expeditiously.

Items of business may be suggested by Board members, administrators, other faculty and staff members and the public. Such suggestions must be submitted in writing to the District Clerk at least ten (10) days before the meeting.

The agenda and supporting materials, including the minutes of the previous meeting or meetings, will be distributed to Board members during the week preceding the meeting.

Quorum and Voting

A majority of the members of the Board of Education (four members) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a Board meeting. If a quorum is not present within 20 minutes of the time set for a Board meeting, the meeting will be rescheduled. Notice of the rescheduled meeting will be given to all members of the Board, the public and news media to the extent practicable, depending upon the date to which the meeting is rescheduled.

The Board of Education shall take action by voting upon resolutions presented by one Board member and seconded by another. A majority vote of the full Board is required to adopt a resolution, except in circumstances when a super-majority vote is required:

- a) Discontinuing a designated textbook within five years of adoption requires a three-quarters (3/4) vote of the Board;
- b) If a relative, by blood or marriage, of a Board member is employed in a teaching position or appointed to tenure, a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board is required;
- c) Standardization on a particular type of equipment or supplies must be determined to be in the best interests of the District by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board;
- d) A vote to place a proposition before the voters for an object or purpose for which bonds may be issued requires a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the Board.

All actions requiring a vote can be conducted by voice, show of hands or roll call. The vote of each Board member shall be recorded on each action of the Board.

Rules of Order

The Board shall use Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, as a guideline for conducting meetings of the Board of Education, except when such provisions are inconsistent with law or policy, or are suspended by majority vote of the Board. The Board may, at its discretion, waive Robert's Rules and substitute its own procedures by a majority vote of the Board.

Public Participation

Because the Board desires to hear the viewpoints of citizens throughout the District, as well as conduct its business in an orderly and efficient manner, it will schedule a period during business meetings for brief comments and questions from the public. The Board may set a time limit on the length of this period and/or for individual speakers.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the Board meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board should sign in prior to the start of the meeting. At the beginning of the public comment period, the Board President will read the names of speakers, in order, from the sign-in sheet. Each person will come to the podium microphone when his/her name is called and make their comments within the time limit. If a speaker is unable to finish their remarks during the time limit, the comments can be

supplemented by submitting a written statement to the District Clerk. ~~No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than two (2) minutes.~~ Speakers will be allowed two minutes for their comments. A speaker may yield his/her time to another speaker in order to extend the time for comment.

Once all signed in speakers have spoken and as long as time permits, additional speakers who have not signed in may address the Board on a first come basis.

When a Board member attends a Board meeting by videoconference, any individual attending a Board meeting at the videoconference location may address the Board after all signed-in speakers have spoken.

All speakers shall conduct themselves in a civil, respectful and orderly manner. Obscene language, libelous statements, threats of violence, statements advocating racial or other forms of prejudice or discrimination will not be tolerated. Speakers who act or speak in a disrespectful or disruptive manner or who persist in doing so will be directed to cease such behavior. The Board President will be responsible for the orderly conduct of the meeting, for adhering to any time limits and the appropriateness of the subject being presented. The Board President shall have the right to discontinue any presentation which violates this policy. Failure to comply with any such directive may result in the speaker being removed from the building.

Members of the public wishing to make formal presentations before the Board must make ~~arrangements~~ a request at least ten (10) days before the Board Meeting with the District Clerk so that such presentations may be scheduled on the agenda.

The Board reserves the right to reject requests for such presentations and to limit the time for such presentations.

Speakers may comment on matters of public interest involving school operations and programs, ~~but may not identify any person connected with the School District.~~ To protect the privacy rights of the individuals involved, the Board will not permit discussion involving district personnel, ~~or~~ students, or individual members of the Board.

The Board requires that persons wishing to communicate concerns about district personnel or students should begin with the staff member, administrator or other employee closest to the issue in an attempt to resolve issues at the earliest possible stage. If the issue remains unresolved, persons wishing to discuss matters involving individual district personnel or students should present their comments and/or concerns to the Superintendent during regular business hours.

Persons wishing to discuss matters involving individual members of the Board should present their comments and/or concerns to the district clerk, in writing, to be forwarded to the entire Board of Education and Superintendent.

~~The Board welcomes public comment on items before it or other subjects under its jurisdiction. The Board expects this commentary to be orderly, efficient and respectful. The Board President will be responsible for recognizing all speakers, for maintaining proper order and for adhering to any time limits set. Individuals making public comments must identify themselves and their town of residence for the public record and should register in the attendance log. They should note the topic of their comments which will be included in the minutes of the meeting.~~

~~To protect the privacy rights of the individuals involved, neither the Board nor the Administration will engage in a dialogue concerning individual students or personnel matters. This is not an attempt to stifle public comment; rather, it is to protect the privacy rights of the individuals involved. Questions asked by the public will, when possible, be answered by the President or referred to Board members or staff members for reply. Questions requiring investigations will be referred to the Superintendent for consideration and later response. Board members will receive copies of all responses.~~

Members of the public will not be recognized by the President as the Board conducts its official business, unless the Board agrees to waive this provision.

Minutes

Minutes will be taken by the District Clerk (or Clerk Pro-Tem) at all Board meetings in accordance with the Open Meetings Law. All motions, resolutions and any other matters formally voted upon by the Board shall be recorded in the minutes, including the final vote of each Board member.

Executive Sessions

Upon a majority vote of its total membership, taken in an open meeting pursuant to a motion identifying the area or areas of the subject or subjects to be considered, the Board of Education may conduct an executive session for discussion of the below enumerated purposes only, provided, however, that no action by formal vote shall be taken except on an Education Law Section 3020-a probable cause finding. For all other purposes, the action by formal vote shall be taken in open meeting and properly recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

- a) Matters that will imperil the public safety if disclosed;
- b) Any matter that may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;
- c) Information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense that would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed;
- d) Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;
- e) Collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law;
- f) Medical, financial, credit or employment history of any particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of any particular person or corporation;
- g) Preparation, grading or administration of examinations;
- h) Proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

Matters discussed in executive sessions must be treated as confidential; that is, never discussed outside of that executive session.

Superintendent Participation

It is the Board's desire that the Superintendent or his/her designated representative, shall attend all meetings of the Board. However, if the Superintendent or his/her designee is unable to attend a regularly scheduled Board meeting, the Board can still meet at its discretion. The Superintendent or his/her designee shall attend all executive session meetings of the Board except those that concern his/her evaluation and salary determination. The Board may request the attendance of such additional persons as it desires.

Public Officers Law Article 7
Education Law Sections 1708 and 3020-a
General Construction Law Section 41
Public Officers Law Section 106
NYS Department of State, Committee on Open Government,
OML-AO-#1973, September 13, 1991

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #1721 – Minutes
Adopted: 7/16/08

NEW BUSINESS

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

17.1 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: 12333, 9550, 10955, 10964, 11363, 11372, 10979, 12621, 10880, 11081, 10967, 10953, 10981, 11075, 11070, 10883, 12472, 11053, 11495, 11507, 10881, 11091, 10956, 12524, 11020, 11036, 11256, 11011, 11196, 10141, 12954, 8036, 11335, 10811, 12578, 12332, 10932, 10892, 11530, 12367, 11510, 11534, 12076, 12045, 10850, 9127, 9624, 9854, 9565, 10931, 9634, 9651, 10936, 2497, 9615, 9327, 9150, 9165, 8200, 8161, 9317, 11318, 8221, 11322, 8159, 8894, 10804, 11207, 8233, 8818, 8813, 8173, 8270, 8199, 12959, 12350, 9456.

Motion carried 7 – 0 with 7 members voting.

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Dressel to accept the following:

17.2 Request for Approval to Participate in Cooperative Bidding with Other School Districts for 2013-2014

Recommendation - that the following resolution be approved: 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 2013-2014, as provided by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, for the purchase of:

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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 FURTHER 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.

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

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 7-0.

17.3 First Reading and Review of Policy 5702 Scheduling and Routing

Non-Instructional/Business
Operations

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SUBJECT: SCHEDULING AND ROUTING

Bus routes are authorized by the Board of Education and any requests for a change must be submitted to the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Transportation shall be provided to meet the needs of the students of the District within specified limits and areas established by the Board of Education which are as follows:

Busing Limits: Maximum distance to walk to a bus stop or to a school building.

K through 5 ~~3 miles~~ 0.5 miles

6 through 12 1.0 miles

*Middle School students that reside west of State Highways RT 32 and 208 within one (1) mile of the Middle School are transported.

Education Law Sections 3620-3628, 3635 and 3636

Adopted: 7/16/08

OTHER DISCUSSION

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Michael Yukowitz

New Paltz

ADJOURN

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Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer that the Board adjourn at 10:31 PM. Motion carried 7 - 0 with 7 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Elena Rae Maskell
District Clerk