

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Edgar Rodriguez, Board of Education Member. Maria C. Rice was appointed District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Bagley  
Brian Cournoyer  
Dominick Profaci  
Ruth Quinn  
Edgar Rodriguez

QUORUM CHECK

EXCUSED: Patrick Rausch

ALSO PRESENT: Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools  
Debora Banner, Assistant Superintendent  
Richard Wiesenthal, Principal, New Paltz Middle School

**ROLL CALL** The roll was called as reflected above.

ROLL CALL

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Motion made by Dr. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Profaci that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:00 PM for the purpose of discussing the employment history of particular persons regarding tenure reviews and discussing collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law. Motion carried 5 - 0 with 5 members voting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Ms. Quinn that the Board return to Public Session at 6:50 PM. Motion carried 5 - 0 with 5 members voting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM by Elena Maskell, District Clerk.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Bagley  
Brian Cournoyer  
Dominick Profaci  
Ruth Quinn  
Edgar Rodriguez  
Timothy Rogers

QUORUM CHECK

EXCUSED: Patrick Rausch

ALSO PRESENT: Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools  
Debora Banner, Assistant Superintendent  
Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Jo-Anne Dobbins, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Barbara Clinton, Principal, New Paltz High School  
Richard Wiesenthal, Principal, New Paltz Middle 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

BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

a.) Administration of Oath to New Board Member

The District Clerk administered the oath to Timothy Rogers, the newly elected member of the Board of Education. Mr. Rogers will take office from May 22, 2013 through June 30, 2013 filling the vacant seat from Robert Rich’s resignation.

b.) Election of Vice President (Ed. Law 1701, 2504, 2563)

The District Clerk called for nominations for the office of Vice President of the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education for the remainder of the 2012-2013 school year. Mr. Profaci nominated Mr. Bagley and Mr. Cournoyer seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

c.) Administration of Oath to New Board Vice President (Ed. Law 1701, 2504, 2563)

The District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Stephen Bagley, the newly elected Board Vice President. Mr. Bagley then took over the meeting.

SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM: Presentation on Literature Symposium

SPOTLIGHT

Randi Rosen, Val Hughes, and Middle School students gave a presentation to the Board Members and the public.

AGENDA CHANGES

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Motion made by Mr. Cournoyer and seconded by Mr. Profaci to accept the following agenda changes:

**PERSONNEL**

**ADD to Personnel Agenda New Item 12.8 Instructional Appointment - Substitute**

**12.8 Instructional Appointment - Substitute**

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent, does hereby appoint the following substitute teacher with remuneration as per rates established at the July 11, 2012 Organizational Meeting.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>
Patricia Steffens	5/21/13 - 6/30/13

**ADD to Personnel Agenda New Item 12.8 Instructional Resignation for Purposes of Retirement**

**12.9 Instructional Resignation for Purposes of Retirement**

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Janet Chapman	Special Education Teacher	7/1/2013

**CHANGE** Current New Business Agenda Item 14.2 to add the following information:

**14.2 Request for Approval to Accept the Results of the Election/Budget Vote Held on May 21, 2013**

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District accept the voting results of the election held on May 21, 2013 as follows:

Proposition #1

Shall the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District be authorized to expend \$52,250,000 which will be required for school district purposes for the year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 (The Budget), and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

YES: 1,316

NO: 579

Proposition #2

(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”), and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$500,000; (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.

YES: 1,227

NO: 620

**Candidates**

**Votes**

Julie Tresco

1098

Timothy Rogers

1100

Max Maurer

746

**CHANGE** Current New Business Agenda **Item 14.3** to read the following:

**14.3 Request to Approve and Fund the New Paltz Bus Attendants and Bus Monitors Contract**

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

WHEREAS, the negotiating teams for the District and the New Paltz Bus Attendants and Bus Monitors reached an Agreement, calling for the creation of a three-year successor Collectively Negotiated Agreement to the one that expires on June 30, 2013;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the Agreement between the District and The New Paltz School Bus Attendants and Bus Monitors covering the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016, and authorizes the funding of those monies necessary to implement the provisions of the 2013-2016 Collectively Negotiated Agreement.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADD** under New Business a New Agenda **Item 14.9**

**14.9 Request for Approval to Establish Student Scholarship Award**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby approve the establishment of the “William R. Freer Scholarship” in the amount of \$1500.00, to be awarded to a graduating senior. The Board also directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation from the Board of Education to Matthew Freer for funding this scholarship.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Code of Conduct

Dr. Wiesenthal gave a brief presentation to the Board Members regarding the changes made to the Code of Conduct for the 2013-2014 year. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments - None

District Safety Plan – Toni Woody gave a presentation on the changes proposed to the Safety Plan for the 2013-2014 school year. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments - None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Devin Zapka                      New Paltz

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

SUPT REPORT

Superintendent Rice thanked the community for coming out and supporting the budget regarding the budget vote yesterday. The budget passed by almost 70%.

Superintendent Rice wanted to alert the public that the District Office will be closed on June 6 and June 7 while the offices are relocated to the Lenape Elementary School. The offices will re-open at 8:00 AM on Monday, June 10.

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS** None

BOARD COMMUNICATION

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer 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 May 8, 2013. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS** None

FINANCIAL REPORTS

**PERSONNEL****PERSONNEL**

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

**12.1 Administrative Resignation for Purposes of Retirement**

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignation of the following administrator for purposes of retirement:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Debora Banner	Assistant Superintendent	7/1/2013

Ms. Banner was thanked for her tireless service to the district. All were in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Mr. Profaci and seconded by Ms. Quinn that the Board of Education approve the following personnel consent agenda Items 12.2 through 12.8:

**12.2 Instructional 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 leave replacement appointment of the following instructional employee:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Step/Salary</b>
Jessica Holter	Music Teacher	5/11/13 – 6/30/13	BA Step C, \$52,780 prorated

**12.3 Recall from Preferred Eligibility List**

WHEREAS, there will be a vacancy in the elementary tenure area and Laura Van Etten is the most senior individual on the elementary tenure area preferred eligibility list;

BE IT RESOLVED that Lauren Van Etten is hereby recalled from the elementary tenure area preferred eligibility list to the full-time position of probationary elementary teacher effective July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2015.

**12.4 Instructional Probationary Appointment**

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, with remuneration as per NPUT contract.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Salary/Step</b>
Valerie Hughes	English Teacher	7/1/13 - 6/30/15	MA Step B (\$64,830)

**12.5 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:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Ann Stickel	School Bus Dispatcher	6/30/2013

**12.6 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:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Stephen Wilson	Substitute School Bus Driver	5/9/2013	\$20.00/hr	as needed
Ann Stickel	School Bus Driver	7/1/2013	\$25.20/hr	per contract

**12.7 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:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Janice Pallus maximum	Technology Assistant Level III	7/1/2013-8/30/2013	\$20.00/hr	300 hrs
Sue Bowers maximum	Technology Assistant Level III	7/1/2013-8/30/2013	\$20.00/hr	300 hrs

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>
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All were in favor with none opposed. Motion carried 6-0.

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

**12.9 Instructional Resignation for Purposes of Retirement**

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Janet Chapman	Special Education Teacher	7/1/2013

Motion carried 6 – 0 with 6 members voting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS

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

**14.1 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: 9828, 12806, 8858, 12975, 12330, 12159, 12945, 11143, 11437, 10947, 11050, 11258, 10889, 12706, 12610, 12896, 12665, 12252, 10515, 10826, 12167, 12141, 11319, 10917, 12965, 10949, 10580, 10850, 11464, 10946, 12741.

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

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

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YES: 1,227

NO: 620

**Candidates**

Julie Tresco  
Timothy Rogers  
Max Maurer

**Votes**

1098  
1100  
746

**Write In Votes**

Don Kerr 1  
Rebecca Rotzler 1

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.3 Request to Approve and Fund the New Paltz Bus Attendants and Bus Monitors Contract**

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All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.4 Request for Approval of Health & Welfare Contract – Kingston City School District 2012-2013**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Health and Welfare Contract, forwarded under separate cover, for Kingston City School District for a total amount of \$6,296.00 for the 2012-2013 school year for eight (8) children who are residents in the New Paltz Central School District attending schools in the Kingston City School District.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.5 Request for Acceptance of A Donation from Brian Tietje and the LinkedIn Corporation**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby accept a donation from the Brian Tietje and the LinkedIn Corporation, in the amount of \$3,000.00 to be in the technology department at the Middle School. The Board of Education further directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Tietje and the LinkedIn Corporation for their donation.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

Motion made by Mr. Rogers and seconded by Dr. Rodriguez to accept the following:

**14.6 Request for Acceptance of A Donation from The World Oyama Karate Organization**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby accept a donation from The World Oyama Karate Organization, in the amount of \$250.00 to be used in the Athletic Department. The Board of Education further directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation to The World Oyama Karate Organization for their donation.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.7 Request for Acceptance of Award from NPCSD Foundation for Student Enhancement**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby accept funds from the New Paltz Central School District Foundation for Student Enhancement (the “Foundation”) in the amount of \$1,760.00 representing a grant awarded by the Foundation to Catherine Law for use by the New Paltz Central School District for the “High School Classroom in the Field” project. The Board of Education further directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation to the Foundation for their donation.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.8 Request for Approval to Establish Student Scholarship Award**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby approve the establishment of the “George and Kathy Weiss Scholarship” in the amount of \$1,000.00, to be awarded to a graduating senior planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning and who has demonstrated considerable effort and success in pursuing the advancement of their education. The Board also directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation from the Board of Education to George and Kathy Weiss for funding this scholarship.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

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

**14.9 Request for Approval to Establish Student Scholarship Award**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Maria C. Rice, does hereby approve the establishment of the “William R. Freer Scholarship” in the amount of \$1500.00, to be awarded to a graduating senior. The Board also directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation from the Board of Education to Matthew Freer for funding this scholarship.

All were in favor with none opposed. Motion passed 6-0.

**OTHER DISCUSSION**

Mr. Profaci wanted to revisit the safety issue with the Department of Transportation and proper signage for the streets on the Middle School. This item will be put on the Comeback List

**OTHER DISCUSSION**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - None**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURN**

Motion made by Ms. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Cournoyer that the Board adjourn at 8:00 PM. Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

**ADJOURN**

Respectfully submitted,

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Elena Rae Maskell  
District Clerk