

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
Minutes – November 16, 2016 Business Meeting –District Office 6:30 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Aimee Hemminger, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Brian Cournoyer
- Alison Easton
- Steven Greenfield
- Aimee Hemminger
- Michael O'Donnell
- Sophia Skiles
- Matthew Williams

ALSO PRESENT:

Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools

ROLL CALL

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The roll was called as reflected above.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Brian Cournoyer that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:02 PM for the purpose of discussing the school history of particular students in accordance with their FERPA rights, discussing matters made exempt by FERPA, discussing proposed, pending or current litigation, and discussing the employment history of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

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Board President, Aimee Hemminger, appointed Maria C. Rice as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Matthew Williams and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board return to Public Session at 6:30 PM. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

CALL TO ORDER

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 6:36 PM by Aimee Hemminger, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Brian Cournoyer
- Alison Easton
- Steven Greenfield
- Aimee Hemminger
- Michael O'Donnell
- Sophia Skiles
- Matthew Williams

ALSO PRESENT:

- Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools
- Michelle Martoni, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Programs
- Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business
- Dusti Callo, District Clerk
- Members of the Public and Press

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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Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Alison Easton to accept the changes to the agenda as indicated. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Christopher Tanis, resident of New Paltz, read aloud a letter addressed to the Board of Education and Superintendent Maria Rice signed by Mr. Tanis, his wife Bianca Tanis and 79 additional members of the New Paltz community regarding racial equity. A copy of this letter is incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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➤ Indigenous Peoples Day

Board member Sophia Skiles read aloud a statement regarding the possible renaming of Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day and reasons for supporting this change. A copy of this statement is incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. Following a discussion by the members of the board and the Superintendent, members agreed to discuss the matter again at the December 7, 2016 Board of Education meeting and to consider at that time adopting a resolution inclusive of Ms. Skiles statement.

MINUTES OF MEETING

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Motion made by Alison Easton and seconded by Matthew Williams 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 November 2, 2016. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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➤ Treasurer’s Report-October 2016

Motion made by Alison Easton and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Treasurer’s Report for October 2016 be accepted. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Alison Easton and seconded by Brian Cournoyer that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions, items 8.1 through 8.9:

8.1 Instructional Appointment-Substitutes

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following substitute teachers with remuneration as per rates established at the July 13, 2016 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Effective Dates
Madeline O’Sullivan	11/17/16 – 6/30/17
Michelle Primiano	11/17/16 – 6/30/17
Carol Ucci	11/17/16 – 6/30/17

8.2 Instructional Leave of Absence

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

Name	Title	Effective Dates
Stacie Erceg	Teacher	9/15/16 – 12/16/16

8.3 Non-Instructional Resignation

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 non-instructional employee:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Allison Ricci	School Bus Attendant	11/02/2016

8.4 Non-Instructional Appointments - Substitutes

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

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary
Allison Ricci	Substitute School Bus Driver	11/03/2016	\$20.00/hr
Marietta Diamond	Substitute Teacher Aide	10/24/2016	\$11.00/hr
Marietta Diamond	Substitute School Monitor	10/24/2016	\$11.00/hr

8.5 Create New Positions

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

Title	Effective Date
Special Education Teacher 1.0 FTE	11/17/2016
Teacher Aide 2.0 FTE	11/17/2016

8.6 Non-Instructional Appointments

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

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary
Antonio Vona	School Bus Driver	11/17/2016	\$27.00/hr
Christina Wilson	School Bus Driver (part-time)	11/18/2016	\$27.00/hr
April Rabino	School Bus Driver (part-time)	11/17/2016	\$27.00/hr
Dutcharee Bywater	Teacher Aide	11/17/2016	\$13.50/hr

8.7 Coaching Resignation

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent, does hereby accept the resignation for the following employee:

Name	Title
Ryan McAleer	JV Wrestling co-coach
James Baker	JV Wrestling co-coach

8.8 Coaching Appointments

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following coaches for the 2016/2017 school year, with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

Name	Title	Stipend
James Baker	Wrestling Assistant	unpaid
Ryan McAleer	JV Wrestling	\$3,280

8.9 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 employee for the 2016-2017 school year:

Name
Colin Brannen

Motion to approve items 8.1 through 8.9 carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

NEW BUSINESS

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9.1 Request for Approval of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Matthew Williams that the Board of Education approve the following resolution: 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. 12389, 13008, 13026, 11523, 11524, 12312, 14286, 12992, 12504, 13004, 12743, 12578, 13025, 12598, 12158, 14386, 12644, 12383, 14459, 12372, 12922, 12706, 10981, 10933, 10759, 11299, 10447, 10259, 13718, 12524, 12316, 14408, 10955, 14560.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

9.2 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

Motion made by Matthew Williams and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board of Education approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District and Principal Wiesenthal are authorized to execute the document entitled Settlement Agreement and General Release to resolve the litigation commenced in the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York under case number 16-cv-728. In accordance with the subject Settlement Agreement and General Release, it is understood that the agreement to resolve the instant litigation does not constitute any admission of fault or liability on the part of any defendant named in the subject litigation.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

9.3 Request for Approval to Sell/Dispose of Surplus Equipment

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

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

<u>Bus #</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Vehicles:</u>	<u>VIN:</u>
89	2002	International	65 Passenger Bus	4DRBRAAN52A948854
91	2002	International	65 Passenger Bus	4DRBRAAN92A948856
95	2003	International	65 Passenger Bus	4DRBRAANX3A956515
101	2005	International	65 Passenger Bus	4DRBUAAN85B976886

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

ADJOURN

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Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board adjourn at 7:22 PM.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dusti Callo
District Clerk