

**New Paltz Central School District Board of Education**  
**Minutes – May 3, 2017 Workshop Meeting – High School 7:00 PM**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board Vice-President.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

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

**ALSO PRESENT:**

- Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools
- Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business
- Michelle Martoni, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Programs

**ROLL CALL**

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The roll was called as reflected above.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Motion made by Matthew Williams and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:03 PM for the purpose of discussing the school history of particular students in accordance with their FERPA rights and discussing the employment history of a particular person. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE**

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Board Vice-President, Michael O'Donnell, appointed Maria C. Rice as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Steve Greenfield and seconded by Brian Cournoyer that the Board return to Public Session at 7:02 PM. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Michael O'Donnell, Board Vice-President.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

- Brian Cournoyer
- Alison Easton
- Steven Greenfield
- Aimee Hemminger-excused
- 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
- Richard Wiesenthal, Principal, New Paltz Middle School
- Audrey Wood, Principal, Lenape Elementary School
- Ann Sheldon, Assistant Principal, Middle School
- Dusti Callo, District Clerk
- 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 Matthew Williams and seconded by Alison Easton to move the Capital Project Update and the general Public Comments to follow the Spotlight on Program. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**RECOGNITION**

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- Joshua Berry-Valedictorian
- Stephanie Stewart-Hill-Salutatorian

**SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAM**

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- New Paltz Middle School, Drama Club: Song Selections from The Lion King, Laura Bryant and Cast Members

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

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- Capital Project Update: Bill Wisbauer, Tetra Tech Architects and Luis Rodriguez, The Palombo Group

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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Patricia Culp, Gardiner-commented on Racial Equity Curriculum.  
Jonna Rao, Gardiner-commented on Racial Equity Curriculum.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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- **District Safety Plan:** Antonia Woody, Director of Physical Education, Heath, Athletics and School Health Services
  - Public Comments-None

Motion made by Matthew Williams and seconded by Alison Easton to approve the 2017-2018 District Safety Plan. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

- **Code of Conduct:** Dr. Richard Wiesenthal, Middle School Principal
  - Public Comments-None

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Alison Easton to approve the 2017-2018 Code of Conduct as amended. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

- **2017-2018 Budget:** Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools and Richard Linden, Assistant Superintendent for Business
  - Public Comments-None

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

**STUDENT REP**

- Lea Maney

High School Senior Lea Maney reported on the filming of the Student Life Video, the Pickleball Tournament of Champions, National Honor Society blood drive and senior citizens dinner, a dance night workshop by the Language Club, Voter Registration for students, College Fair, NYSSMA Festival for band and choir, Junior Prom at Dutchess Manor, a photography contest at the Elting Library, the start of AP exams this past Monday, the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to Minnewaska, incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation on May 4<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Tuttle's fashion class will attend the Silver Needle Fashion Show at Marist College, the physics classes' trip to Six Flags on May 19<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Ulrich and students Eel count at Black Creek, Mental Health Awareness Month on May 15<sup>th</sup>, college commitment deadline for Seniors, the High School Concert, Art Show and Budget Vote scheduled for May 16<sup>th</sup> at the High School, Movie Night showing Moana, hosted by a PIGLETs group with proceeds going to Grace Smith House, Mock Trial, Interact Club, Youth for Unity, and Spring Sports.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**SUPT REPORT**

- SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS
  - Program Report-Coding and Robotics 6-8: Dr. Richard Wiesenthal-Middle School Principal and Laura Bryant-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CMTE REPORTS**

- FACILITIES COMMITTEE-Steven Greenfield, Chair
- AUDIT COMMITTEE-Alison Easton, Chair

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**MINUTES**

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 Regular Business Meeting of April 19, 2017 and the Special Board Meeting of April 26, 2017.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)**

**PERSONNEL**

Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board of Education approve the following Personnel (consent agenda) resolutions, items 13.1 through 13.4 and New Business item 15.1:

**13.1 Instructional Resignation**

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the board hereby accept the resignation of Music Teacher, Scott Milici, effective on June 30, 2017 as set forth in a letter presented to the Board of Education Clerk on April 27, 2017.

**13.2 CSE Evaluations/Meetings**

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint, as needed, the following employees effective July 1, 2017 – August 31, 2017.

| <u>Name</u>          | <u>Title</u>                     |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Suzanne Bergstein    | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Erin Bulson          | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Amanda DeMaro        | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Stacie Erceg         | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Mary Guirma          | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Lisa Hasbrouck       | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Rebecca Masters      | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Andrea Miele         | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Michelle Olson       | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Melissa Sokota       | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Jacqueline Wild      | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Randa Abdelrahman    | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Angela Bristol       | CSE Meetings/Special Ed. Teacher |
| Rebecca Burdett      | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Elizabeth Burdick    | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Rachel Busher        | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Jennifer Cone        | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Janice Doherty       | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Matthew Elkin        | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Donna Gallo          | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| James Gill           | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Ginger King          | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| James Longbotham     | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Ann Macur            | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Joann Martin         | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Joel Neden           | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Meredith Oppenheimer | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Krista Pachomski     | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Renee Salamone       | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Jill Segal-Belgrave  | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Mary Jo Serrao       | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |
| Kimberly Sturgis     | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator    |

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| Elaine Thomas    | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator                         |
| Alicia Tuttle    | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator                         |
| Nicole Vitale    | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator                         |
| Elayne Zinn      | CSE Meetings/Regular Educator                         |
| Jessica Peterson | CSE Meetings/Guidance Counselor                       |
| Cynthia Valdina  | CSE Meetings/Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant |
| Lara Savelson    | CSE Meetings/Speech/Language                          |
| Meri Lederer     | CSE Meetings/Social Worker                            |
| Renee Reynolds   | CSE Meetings/Social Worker                            |
| Lisa Watkins     | CSE Meetings/Social Worker                            |
| Mary Kay Fiore   | CSE Meetings/Psychologist                             |
| Joy Van Vlack    | CSE Meetings/Nurse                                    |

**13.3 Coaching Appointment**

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

| <b>Name</b>  | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Stipend</b> |
|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| Evan Redmond | Boys LaCrosse | unpaid         |

**13.4 Appointment of Election Inspector**

Recommendation – that the New Paltz Central School District approve the following resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education does hereby appoint Mary Carol Cryer for the 2016-2017 school year at a rate of \$200 for a full day as election inspector certified as Key Master by the Ulster County Board of Elections to operate the electronic voting machines.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS

**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. 14355, 13913, 14011, 13926, 14415, 14389, 14270, 14003, 14176, 12744, 14009, 14030, 14049, 14434, 14600, 14010, 14529, 12845, 10633, 12382, 14050, 11273, 12291, 11173, 12082, 11494, 10786, 11525, 11387, 12422, 14255, 14581, 12252, 10979, 10758, 14450, 10657, 10346, 11127, 14566.

Motion to approve Personnel Items 13.1 through 13.4 and New Business Item 15.1 carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**15.2 Request for Acceptance of Awards from NPCSD Foundation for Student Enhancement**

Motion made by Alison Easton 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, 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 \$1,028.00 representing a grant awarded by the Foundation to Todd Martin and Michael Vance at the New Paltz High School for use by the New Paltz Central School District for the Disc Golf Project. The Board of Education further directs the District Clerk to send a letter of appreciation to the Foundation for their donation.

Members of the board expressed their thanks to the Foundation and the motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**15.3 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board hereby approves a Settlement Agreement dated April 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year in the matter of Student No. 12523; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Superintendent is hereby authorized to sign such Agreement on the District’s behalf.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**OTHER DISCUSSION**

None.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

**ADJOURN**

Motion made by Alison Easton and seconded by Brian Cournoyer that the Board adjourn at 8:42 PM.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

ADJOURN

Respectfully submitted,

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Dusti Callo  
District Clerk