

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education  
July 24, 2019 Business Meeting – District Office 6:00 PM  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Kathy Preston, Board President.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

- Diana Armstead
- Glenn LaPolt
- Michael O'Donnell
- Kathy Preston
- Sophia Skiles-joined via phone 5:36 PM
- Bianca Tanis
- Teresa Thompson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

David Shaw

**ROLL CALL**

ROLL CALL

The roll was called as reflected above.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Motion made by Glenn LaPolt and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 5:32 PM for the purpose of discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE**

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Board President, Kathy Preston, served as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board return to Public Session at 6:05 PM. Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Kathy Preston, Board President.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

- Diana Armstead
- Glenn LaPolt
- Michael O'Donnell
- Kathy Preston
- Sophia Skiles-excused
- Bianca Tanis
- Teresa Thompson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

- Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools
- Michelle Martoni, Deputy Superintendent
- 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**

PLEDGE

**AGENDA CHANGES**

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Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Teresa Thompson to accept the changes to the agenda as noted. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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Paul Ibsen, Milton, NY-commented on St. Joseph’s Parish CYO Basketball Program and practice space.  
Father Salvatore Cordero of St. Joseph’s Parish, New Paltz-addressed the board about using practice space for the CYO Basketball Program.

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

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➤ BOE Committee Appointments – Kathy Preston, Board President

**Audit Committee**

Diana Armstead, Chair  
Michael O’Donnell  
Bianca Tanis

**Facilities Committee**

Teresa Thompson, Chair  
Glenn LaPolt  
Kathy Preston

**Health Advisory Committee (HAC)**

Sophia Skiles, BOE Representative

**Legislative Action Committee**

Glenn LaPolt, Chair  
Sophia Skiles  
Bianca Tanis

**Policy Committee**

Michael O’Donnell, Chair  
Kathy Preston  
Teresa Thompson

**Racial Equity Initiative Advisory Committee**

Sophia Skiles, BOE Representative  
Diana Armstead, Alternate BOE Representative

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

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Motion made by Michael O’Donnell and seconded by Bianca Tanis 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 Annual Organizational Meeting of July 10, 2019 and the Regular Business Meeting of July 10, 2019.  
Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)**

**PERSONNEL**

Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Michael O’Donnell that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions, items 7.1 through 7.6:

**7.1 Instructional Appointment-Substitutes**

BE IT RESOLVED, 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 10, 2019 Organizational Meeting:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Effective Dates</b>
Katrina Czajkowski	9/01/2019 – 6/30/2020
Jonathan Mills	9/01/2019 – 6/30/2020
Mark Pekar	9/01/2019 – 6/30/2020

**7.2 Appointment of School Social Work Intern**

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint Olivia Profaci as a non-paid Duzine Elementary School Social Work Intern effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

**7.3 Correcting Resolution - Non-Instructional Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement**

BE IT RESOLVED, 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 non-instructional employee for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Years in District
Geraldine Maloney	Library Clerk	07/30/2019	17

**7.4 Non-Instructional Appointment**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the appointment of the following non-instructional employee with remuneration as per rates established at the July 10, 2019 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Title	Effective Date
Daniel Curci	Videographer	July 1, 2019

**7.5 Non-Instructional Appointment - Substitute**

BE IT RESOLVED, 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:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Salary
Gerard McGowan	Substitute Custodial Worker	07/01/2019	\$15.00/hr

**7.6 Request for Approval to Appointment Members to Change Order Board**

Recommendation – that the following resolution be approved: BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of Board President Kathy Preston, the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, in accordance with Board of Education Policy 5580, does hereby approve the appointment of Jacob Lawrence, Michael Domitrovits, and Alison Easton to the Change Order Board.

Motion to approve items 7.1 through 7.6 carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Teresa Thompson that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

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

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. 15068, 15064, 14845, 14567, 15008, 14639, 14936, 14552, 13757, 13728, 14763, 14447, 12868, 14585, 13821, 12992, 13824, 13832, 14812, 14620, 14797, 14563, 14598, 12708, 10304, 10922, 15089, 12498, 14232, 12596, 10471, 10346, 10359, 13567, 10579, 10554, 10403, 14174, 10430, 10417, 9913, 14182, 10637, 11131, 10738, 9312, 10452, 12147, 10466, 13226, 10874, 12951, 14857, 10715, 11412, 11500

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**8.2 Approval of Change Order**

Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Teresa Thompson to approve item 8.2 as amended.

**WHEREAS**, when the old drop ceilings were removed in the A Wing at New Paltz Middle School it was determined that the ceilings in four (4) rooms in the A Wing are sagging and require immediate attention for health and safety reasons and to keep the Middle School project on track; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the nature of the work to be performed and unknown conditions with respect to the old ceilings, General Contractor, Darlind Associates, Inc. (“Darlind) and Electrical Contractor, Sausto Contracting, Inc. (“Sausto), will need to perform the services on a time and materials basis; and

**WHEREAS**, Tom Chesser, Project Superintendent for the Palombo Group, estimates that the cost of the additional scope of work will be approximately \$100,000; and

**WHEREAS**, this additional work must be performed immediately and expeditiously so that at least some of the rooms will be ready for occupancy in September 2019 and the schedule for the Middle School Project is not unduly delayed; and

**WHEREAS**, Board Policy 5580, *Change Order for Capital Projects*, envisions a Change Order Board reviewing all change orders over \$25,000 before any work is commenced;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Construction Manager and the Superintendent of Schools, hereby approves the additional work in replacing the ceilings in the four (4) rooms in the A Wing at New Paltz Middle school and related work, and the immediate commencement of such work by Darlind and Sausto, on a time and materials basis, up to aggregate compensation of \$150,000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute Change Orders on behalf of the Board to the General Construction Contract with Darlind and the Electrical Contract with Sausto for such work after review of invoices for such work by the Construction Manager and Assistant Superintendent for Business; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby suspends that portion of Policy 5580 regarding review by the Change Order Board prior to commencement of work with respect to this health and safety work.  
Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Motion made by Bianca Tanis and seconded by Teresa Thompson to move into Executive Session at 6:19 PM for the purpose of 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 6 to 0 with 6 members voting. Board President, Kathy Preston announced that the Board would return to public session with no action taken.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**QUORUM CHECK**

- Diana Armstead
- Glenn LaPolt
- Michael O'Donnell
- Kathy Preston
- Sophia Skiles-arrived at 7:48 PM
- Bianca Tanis
- Teresa Thompson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

- Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools-entered at 6:22 PM, left at 10:25 PM
- Michelle Martoni, Deputy Superintendent-entered at 6:22 PM, left at 10:25 PM
- Richard Linden, Asst. Superintendent for Business-entered @ 6:35PM, left at 10:25PM
- Connie Hayes-entered at 6:17 PM, left at 6:38 PM
- Adam Rodd-entered at 6:40 PM, left at 7:54 PM
- Ed McCormick-entered at 7:55 PM, left at 10:25 PM
- Ann Horrego-entered at 7:55 PM, left at 8:30 PM

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**RETURN PUBLIC SESSION**

Motion made by Glenn LaPolt and seconded by Sophia Skiles that the Board return to Public Session at 10:56 PM.  
Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

**ADJOURN**

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Motion made by Glenn LaPolt and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board adjourn at 10:58 PM.  
Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dusti Callo  
District Clerk