

New Paltz Central School District  
Board of Education - Workshop Meeting  
November 4, 2020  
6:00 PM Executive Session – Subject to Board Approval  
7:00 PM Public Meeting – High School/Livestream  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:16 PM by Glenn LaPolt, Board President.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Motion made by Diana Armstead and seconded by Michael O'Donnell that the Board of Education move into Executive Session at 6:17 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 - 0 with 6 members voting.

**DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE**

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Board President, Glenn LaPolt, acted as District Clerk Pro-Tempore for the Executive Session portion of the meeting.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

Glenn LaPolt  
Diana Armstead  
Brian Cournoyer  
Michael O'Donnell  
Bianca Tanis  
Teresa Thompson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent  
Michelle Martoni, Deputy Superintendent  
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business

**ROLL CALL**

ROLL CALL

The roll was called as reflected above.

**OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Brian Cournoyer that the Board return to Public Session at 7:07 PM.  
Motion carried 6 - 0 with 6 members voting.

**CALL TO ORDER/LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Meeting was called to order at 7:14PM by Glenn LaPolt, Board President.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

QUORUM CHECK

Glenn LaPolt  
Diana Armstead  
Brian Cournoyer  
Michael O'Donnell  
Bianca Tanis  
Teresa Thompson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent  
Michelle Martoni, Deputy Superintendent  
Sharifa Carbon, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Janety Encarnacion, Direct of Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education  
Fredericka Butler, Director Of Student Support Services  
Keith Baisley, Director of Integrated Technology

Dr. Mario Fernandez, Principal, New Paltz, High School  
Ann Sheldon, Principal, New Paltz Middle School  
Sean Inglee, Principal, Lenape Elementary School  
Ross Hogan, Principal, Duzine Elementary School  
Sandra Ermo, District Clerk

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

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**PLEDGE**

**AGENDA CHANGES**

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None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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Stephanie Lyons commented on Superintendent’s Conference Day.

Meredith Oppenheimer, Erin Bulson, Tara Crowder, Candice Cramer, Jill Christiansen, Alexandra Majthenyi, Kelly Costello, Nicole Walker and James Longbotham commented on 504 plans.

Heather Harp commented on communication.

Christina Vazquez commented on the reopening plan.

BJ commented on remote learning.

Kim Abrahamsen, Diane Batista, Angela Bristol, Laura Bryant, Tom Chervenak, Kristen Conrad, Ron Constable, Kelly Costello, Jenny Denman, Kathy Eckenroth, Stacie Erceg, Justin Finnegan, Melissa Giordano, Jessica Grey, Mary Guirma, Jennifer Hicks, Mary Holmes, Heather Hopper, Ayesha Ibrahim, Wendy Lockhard, Rebecca Masters, Janine McNamee, Mitchell Mead, Sonja Nosovsky, Erin O’Sullivan, Mark Pizzarello, Randi Rosen, Eric Savelson, Rosemary Sharpe, Nicole Sullivan, Barbara Sunshine, and Nicole Walker commented on the reopening plan.

**BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

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- External Audit Report-Andrew Arias, Cooper Arias, LLP

Motion made by Teresa Thompson and seconded by Michael O’Donnell that the Board of Education approve the 2019-2020 External Audit Report as noted in item 6.1.

**6.1 Request for Approval to Accept the External Audit Report for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accept the 2019-2020 External Audit Report as presented by the accounting firm of Cooper-Arias, LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

Motion carries 6 – 0 with 6 members voting.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- School Reopening Update - Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CMTE REPORTS**

- Audit Committee - Michael O’Donnell, Chair
- Policy Committee - Brian Cournoyer, Chair
- Facilities Committee - Teresa Thompson, Chair
- Legislative Action Committee - Bianca Tanis, Chair

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

MINUTES

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

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education accept the minutes of the Business Meeting of October 21, 2020 and the Special Meeting of October 23, 2020.

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

**PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)**

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Bianca Tanis that the Board of Education approve the following personnel (consent agenda) resolutions: 9.1-9.5

**9.1 Home Tutors**

Recommendation – that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following employees for the 2020-2021 school year:

**Name**

Claudia Battaglia  
Kathleen Eckenroth

**9.2 Correction to Approval of Non-Instructional Leave of Absence**

Upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby recommends unpaid leave of absence for the following non-instructional employees:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Michele Herter	School Bus Attendant	10/27/20 thru 10/26/21 (unpaid)

**9.3 Non-Instructional Appointment**

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Salary/Rate</b>
Ron Weber	School Bus Driver	11/5/2020	\$28.50 hr
Stephen Wilson	School Bus Driver	11/5/2020	\$28.50 hr
Lynette Gros	School Bus Driver	11/6/2020	\$28.50 hr
Joseph Stamatakis	School Bus Driver	11/9/2020	\$28.50 hr

**9.4 Non-Instructional Resignation**

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the following resignation:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Nina Hein	Monitor	10/20/2020

**9.5 Amendment to High School Extra Curricular Activity Advisorships**

Upon the recommendation of Angela Urbina-Medina, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby appoint the following advisors for the 2020/2021 school year with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Stipend</b>
Linda Sutton, Advisor	High School Junior Class	\$3370
Kristen Kiley, Observer	High School Junior Class	N/A

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

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

**11.1 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: 15445, 13429, 10979, 14845, 14602, 14733, 15449, 15451, 15447, 14855, 14341, 11424.

Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

**OTHER DISCUSSION**

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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Christina Vazquez commented on the reopening plan.  
Kathryn Stewart commented on technology problems.  
Casey McCann commented on the reopening plan.

**ADJOURN**

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Motion made by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Diana Armstead that the Board adjourn at 9:15 PM.  
Motion carried 6-0 with 6 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sandra Ermo  
District Clerk