

CALL TO ORDER

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The Public Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Brian Cournoyer, Board President.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Brian Cournoyer
- Steven Greenfield
- Aimee Hemminger
- Dominick Profaci
- Ruth Quinn
- Timothy Rogers
- Julie Tresco

ALSO PRESENT:

- Maria C. 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

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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Board President Brian Cournoyer announced the following change to the agenda:

9.5 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves and ratifies a Settlement Agreement in the matter of Student No. 12906, effective Monday, October 13, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement on the Board's behalf.

Motion was made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Ruth Quinn to accept the agenda as amended.
Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Tony Osborne, Gardiner, NY-asked the board to consider making certain allowances for younger athletes to test up for varsity sports.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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➤ NYSSBA Resolutions

Members of the board discussed proposed resolutions by NYSSBA to determine how the board's voting delegate would vote on behalf of the board during the NYSSBA Annual Convention scheduled for October 26-28, 2014.

➤ Research and Proposed Resolution-Steven Greenfield

Motion made by Steven Greenfield and seconded by Dominick Profaci to approve the following resolution:

**Resolution Requesting New York State School Boards Association
to Provide Focused Advocacy for its Member School Boards.**

WHEREAS the core function of the New York State School Boards Association is to serve as policy advocates for its member school boards; and

WHEREAS acceptance of any State or Federal funding by the New York State School Boards Association represents a conflict of interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Of Education of the New Paltz Central School District calls upon the New York State School Boards Association to be accountable to its member districts by providing a full disclosure of its funding sources, to focus its advocacy and avoid conflicts of interest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board Of Education of the New Paltz Central School District calls upon the New York State School Boards Association to provide member school districts an annual professional review and accountability of its advocacy performance.

Motion passed 7 to 0 with 7 members voting

Motion made Dominick Profaci and seconded by Aimee Hemminger to approve the following resolution with the intent that the approved resolution will be presented on the floor at the Annual NYSSBA Convention scheduled for October 26-28, 2014.

**Resolution Requesting New York State School Boards Association
to Provide Focused Advocacy for its Member School Boards.**

WHEREAS the core function of New York State School Boards Association is to serve as policy advocates for its member school boards; and

WHEREAS acceptance of any State or Federal funding by New York State School Boards Association represents a conflict of interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the membership of the New York State School Boards Association calls upon the executive board of NYSSBA be accountable to its member districts by providing full disclosure of its funding sources, to focus its advocacy and avoid conflicts of interest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership of New York State School Boards Association calls upon the executive board of the New York State School Boards Association to provide member school districts an annual professional review and accountability of its advocacy performance.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

MINUTES OF MEETING

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Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Aimee Hemminger 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 October 1, 2014 and the Special Meeting of October 8, 2014.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Aimee Hemminger and seconded by Dominick Profaci that the Board of Education approve personnel (consent agenda) resolutions items 7.1 through 7.11:

7.1 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 2014-2015 school year:

Name

Alexis Mallory (retroactive as of October 6, 2014)
Kim Sturgis

7.2 Instructional Appointment - Substitutes

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 substitute teachers with remuneration as per rates established at the July 2, 2014 Organizational Meeting:

Name	Effective Dates
Carol Berliner	10/16/14-6/30/15
Tracy Cullen	10/16/14-6/30/15
Shannon DiValentino	10/16/14-6/30/15
Nicole Fiore	10/16/14-6/30/15
Sean Graham	10/16/14-6/30/15
Colleen Hedrick	10/16/14-6/30/15
Stephanie Paulsen	10/16/14-6/30/15
Rachell Smith	10/16/14-6/30/15
Michelle Tommasi	10/16/14-6/30/15
Lyndsey Wells	10/16/14-6/30/15

7.3 Instructional Leave of Absence - Extension

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

Name	Title	Original Effective Dates	Extension
Kathryn Flanagan	Guidance Counselor	9/1/14 – 1/1/15	1/1/15 – 6/30/15 (unpaid)

7.4 Instructional Leave Replacement Appointment - Extension

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the extended leave replacement appointment of the following instructional employee for the 2014/2015 school year:

Name	Title	Effective Dates	Step/Salary
Sarah Oles	Guidance Counselor	1/1/15 – 6/30/15	MA Step C \$63,240

7.5 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
Chenai Helmich	Sub. School Bus Driver	9/22/2014
Nicole Sochocky	Food Service Helper	10/10/2014

7.6 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:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Hourly Rate
William Hayes	School Bus Driver	10/17/2014	\$26.00/hr
Stephen Wilson	School Bus Driver	10/16/2014	\$26.00/hr
Angelica Dickerson	Lighting and Sound Tech.	10/16/2014	\$15.00/hr
Lamont VanWezemaal	School Bus Driver	10/16/2014	\$26.00/hr
Flor O’Connor	Sub. School Monitor	9/26/2014	\$ 9.00/hr
David Morgan	Sub. Custodial Worker	10/06/2014	\$12.00/hr
David Morgan	Sub. Maintenance Worker	10/06/2014	\$20.00/hr
Fiztalbert Fuller	Sub. Custodial Worker	10/06/2014	\$12.00/hr
Fiztalbert Fuller	Sub. Maintenance Worker	10/06/2014	\$20.00/hr

7.7 Non-Instructional Leave of Absence

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

Name	Title	Effective Dates
Robert Rauch Jr.	School Bus Driver	9/20/2014 to 8/1/2015

7.8 Advisorships

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby appoint the following instructional employees to the following advisorships for the 2014/2014 school year, with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

Name	Title	Stipend
Kim Sturgis	Co-advisor MS Student Council	\$ 740
Kristen Conrad	Co-advisor MS Student Council	\$ 740
Valerie Hughes	MS Newspaper (Mirror)	\$2,050
Randi Rosen	MS Reflections	\$1,480
Kristen Conrad	Co-advisor MS Yearbook	\$1,025
Valerie Hughes	Co-advisor MS Yearbook	\$1,025
Kim Sturgis	MS Art Club	\$2,050
Stella Mouyios	MS Geography Bee	\$ 920
Mary Holmes	MS Drama Club	\$ 920
Laura VanEtten	MS Drama Club Asst.	\$ 920
Scott Milici	Co-advisor MS School of Rock	\$1,585
Sonja Beard	Co-advisor MS School of Rock	\$1,585
Sonja Beard	MS All-County Band	\$2,050
Scott Milici	MS All-County Chorus	\$1,480

7.9 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 employees:

Name	Title	Stipend
Mark Ruoff	Nordic Ski Assistant	unpaid

7.10 Correcting Resolution – Advisor Stipend

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the correction of the advisor stipend for the High School Drama Club for Nancy Owen from \$920.00 to \$3,170.00.

7.11 Request for Approval of Election Inspectors

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education appoint the following individuals as election inspectors for the 2014-2015 school year:

Name

Renee Falanga-Brenner
Sally Rhoads

Motion to approve items 7.1 through 7.11 carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

OLD BUSINESS

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Motion made by Ruth Quinn and seconded by Steven Greenfield that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

8.1 Request for Approval of Bus Bond Resolution

BUS BOND RESOLUTION

DATED: OCTOBER 15, 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SIX (6) SCHOOL BUSES FOR USE BY THE NEW PALTZ CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$482,412.24 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF OBLIGATIONS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$482,412.24 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.

WHEREAS, at the Annual School District Election and Vote on the Budget of the New Paltz Central School District, duly called, held and conducted on May 20, 2014, a majority of the duly qualified voters of said School District voting thereat approved a proposition authorizing the purchase of three 65-passenger or larger school buses at a cost of \$115,000 each, for a maximum estimated cost of \$345,000; and three 20-passenger or smaller school buses at a cost of \$46,667 each, for a maximum estimated cost of \$140,000, for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$485,000; and providing for the levy of a tax therefor to be collected in annual installments, with obligations of said School District to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for the financing thereof and for other matters in connection therewith, in accordance with said proposition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District, Ulster County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase of six (6) school buses for the use of the New Paltz Central School District, which is not an assessable improvement, is hereby authorized as follows:

- Three (3) 65-passenger buses, at a cost of \$114,621.21 each; and
- Three (3) 20-passenger buses, at a cost of \$46,182.87 each.

Section 2. The aggregate maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid specific purchase is \$485,000.00 and the plan for financing thereof is by the issuance of serial bonds of said School District in the amount of \$482,412.24, hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Finance Law and this resolution. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. Such obligations shall be payable from amounts which shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said School District, and the faith and credit of said New Paltz Central School District are hereby pledged for the payment of said obligations and the interest thereon.

Section 3. The bonds, described above, shall be of the denomination of \$482,412.24 and shall bear interest at such rate as may be necessary to sell the same, which rate shall be determined in the manner provided in Section 59.00 of the Local Finance Law. Principal and interest on the obligations shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America, in Federal Funds, at a banking institution to be determined. Such bonds shall be executed in the name of the New Paltz Central School District by the President of its Board of Education, or the Vice-President in the President's absence, and the corporate seal shall be imprinted thereon and attested by the School District Clerk.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness applicable to the aforesaid specific class of objects or purposes is five (5) years, pursuant to subdivision 29 of paragraph (a) of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law. The proposed maturity of the obligations authorized by this resolution will not be in excess of five (5) years.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of said notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the Chief Fiscal Officer, or to the Vice-President of the Board of Education in the President's absence. Such bond anticipation note and any renewals shall bear interest and shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner as may be prescribed by said President of the Board of Education, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law. There are presently no outstanding obligations which have been issued in anticipation of the sale of such obligations.

Section 6. All other matters, except as provided herein, relating to such bonds shall be determined by the President of the Board of Education, including the power to designate such bonds as “qualified tax exempt obligations” pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, if at the time of such designation, such officer is able to certify that: (i) the School District is, and was as of October 23, 1985, a political subdivision of the State of New York; (ii) it is reasonably anticipated that (a) the amount of “qualified tax-exempt obligations”, within the meaning of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code which will be issued by the School District during this calendar year shall not exceed \$10,000,000.00 and (b) the bonds do not constitute part of an issue, and are not part of a series of issues issued for a common purpose, exceeding \$3,000,000.00 in the aggregate; and (iii) the sum of principal amount of the bonds and the principal amount of any other obligations heretofore designated by the School District during the current fiscal year does not exceed \$10,000,000.00. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the President of the Board of Education shall determine.

Section 7. The validity of such obligations may be contested only if:

- (a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which such School District is not authorized to expend money; or
- (b) The provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this resolution or a summary thereof are not substantially complied with and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or
- (c) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, or a summary thereof, shall be published in a newspaper having general circulation in said School District, together with a Notice of the School District Clerk, substantially in the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Brian Cournoyer VOTING Yes
Steven Greenfield VOTING Yes
Aimee Hemminger VOTING Yes
Dominick Profaci VOTING Yes
Ruth Quinn VOTING Yes
Timothy Rogers VOTING Yes
Julies Tresco VOTING Yes

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

Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Julie Tresco 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: 9219, 13121, 13233, 9458 13427, 9123, 11533, 13877, 12210, 12578, 12906, 13373, 11523, 12141, 12496, 13922, 13904.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

9.2 Request for Approval to Award Bid

Motion made by Ruth Quinn and seconded by Steven Greenfield that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

The New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby award the bid for the Duzine burner replacement and water heater burner replacement to Dutchess Tekcon Industries for a total price of \$48,999.00

Board members expressed that prior to voting on this resolution, they have several questions they would like answered:

1. What is the life expectancy of the existing burners?
2. What is the intended disposition of the old burners?
3. Is the district purchasing new burners or just new guns for the burners?
4. What is the analysis of the cost of fuels?
5. What is the efficiency of the old burners versus the new burners?

The board also requested that Steve Callahan, Director of Facilities and Operations, be available at the next board meeting to address some of the questions. The board members agreed to table the resolution until the November 5, 2014 board meeting.

9.3 Request for Approval to Sell/Dispose of Surplus Equipment

Motion made by Ruth Quinn and seconded by Julie Tresco that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education declares the following vehicles and equipment as surplus property and authorizes the sale/disposition of the said equipment.

<u>Bus #</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Passenger:</u>	<u>VIN:</u>
67	1997	Bluebird	65 Passenger - Bus	1HVBBAAN9VH505041
82	2000	Bluebird	65 Passenger - Bus	1HVBBAAN5YH336351
84	2000	Bluebird	65 Passenger - Bus	1HVBBAAN9YH336353
104	2003	Ford	20 Passenger –Van	1FDSE35F63HB90347
108	2004	Ford	20 Passenger – Van	1FDSE35P64HA49434
208	1996	Chevrolet	K3500 Utility – Truck	1GBJK34RITE185681
227	1995	GMC	3500 HD – Van	1GDKH32K85S3505024
235	1995	Chevrolet	G30 –Van	1GBHG21Y0SF135391

Equipment: Hobart Mig Welder, ZEP Steamer/pressure washer, NAP-ON Battery Tester and Campbell Housefield Air Compressor

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

9.4 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

Motion made by Dominick Profaci and seconded by Ruth Quinn that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the New Paltz Central School District Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies a Settlement Agreement in the matter of Student No. 11050 effective Monday, October 13, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement on the Board's behalf.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

9.5 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

Motion made by Ruth Quinn and seconded by Dominick Profaci that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves and ratifies a Settlement Agreement in the matter of Student No. 12906, effective Monday, October 13, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement on the Board's behalf.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

OTHER DISCUSSION

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Tony Osborne, Gardiner-Commented on the cost of maintenance for burners at Duzine.

ADJOURN

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Motion made by Ruth Quinn and seconded by Julie Tresco that the Board adjourn at 8:52 PM.

Motion carried 7 to 0 with 7 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dusti Callo
District Clerk