

New Paltz Central School District Board of Education
Minutes – Special Meeting – August 12, 2015 - District Office 6:00 PM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Brian Cournoyer, Board President.

DISTRICT CLERK PRO-TEMPORE

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Board President, Brian Cournoyer, appointed Maria C. Rice as District Clerk Pro-Tempore.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

QUORUM CHECK

- Brian Cournoyer
- Alison Easton
- Steven Greenfield
- Aimee Hemminger
- Michael O'Donnell
- Dominick Profaci-excused
- Julie Tresco

ALSO PRESENT:

- Maria Rice, Superintendent of Schools
- Dusti Callo, District Clerk

ROLL CALL

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The roll was called as reflected above.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Motion made by Julie Tresco and seconded by Steven Greenfield 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, discussing pending litigation, and discussing the employment history of particular persons. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

Out of Executive Session - Motion made by Alison Easton and seconded by Aimee Hemminger that the Board return to Public Session at 7:16 PM. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

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None

PERSONNEL (CONSENT AGENDA)

PERSONNEL

Motion made by Michael O'Donnell and seconded by Alison Easton that the Board of Education approve personnel (consent agenda) resolutions, items 5.1 through 5.8 and New Business Item 6.1:

5.1 Non-Instructional Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

Recommendation - that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby accept the resignations for the following non-instructional employees for the purpose of retirement.

Name	Title	Effective Dates	Years in District
Lori Cozzolino	Teacher Aide	7/1/2015	16
David Dippel	School Bus Driver	8/29/15	21

5.2 Non-Instructional Appointments

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:

Name	Title	Effective Date	Rate/Salary	Hours
Beverly Sickler	Confidential Sub. Clerical	8/3/2015	\$20.00/hr	as needed
Shawn Mesick	Head Cook	8/25/2015	\$34,500 year (pro-rated)	

5.3 Kindergarten Screening Appointment

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 employee to complete kindergarten screenings for incoming kindergarten students with remuneration as per NPUT contract:

Name	Effective Dates
Kerri McIntyre	7/1/15 – 8/31/15

5.4 Instructional Appointment – Probationary

Recommendation that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints **Kristian Anderson** to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Reading Teacher in the tenure area of Remedial Reading at an annual salary of \$64, 830 (MA Step B), effective 8/13/15 through 8/12/19, subject to receipt of composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the probationer receives an ineffective composite in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

5.5 Instructional Appointment – Probationary

Recommendation that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints **Katherine Losee** to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Reading Teacher in the tenure area of Remedial Reading at an annual salary of \$63, 240 (MA Step C), effective 9/1/15 through 8/31/19, subject to receipt of composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the probationer receives an ineffective composite in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

5.6 Instructional Appointments – Part-time

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the appointment of the following instructional employees with remuneration as per NPUT contract, pro-rated:

Name	Title	Effective Dates	Step/Salary
Jessica Fredericks	Social Studies Teacher .6	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.6) BA Step A, \$56,700
Brooke Frey	Physical Education Teacher .5	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.5) BA Step A, \$56,700
Thomas Shanley	Mathematics Teacher .6	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.6) BA Step B, \$55,320
Kieran Bell	Business Teacher .6	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.6) MA Step 10, \$85,070
Ronald Bonagura	Chemistry Teacher .1	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.1) MA Step 21, \$111,610
John Kelly	Blind & Visually Handicapped Teacher .2	9-1-15-6/30/16	(.2) MA Step 4, \$73,360
Emily Abramson	Italian Teacher .4	9/1/15-6/30/16	(.4) BA Step 3, \$61,040

5.7 Probationary Administrative Appointment

Recommendation that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints **Nicole Vitale** to a four (4) year probationary appointment as an Assistant Principal in the tenure area of Building Administrator at an annual salary of \$88,000 pro-rated, effective 9/5/15 through 9/4/19.

5.8 Probationary Administrative Appointment – CORRECTING RESOLUTION

Recommendation that the New Paltz Central Schools Board of Education, upon the recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, does hereby approve the following correcting resolution to change the employee name in Personnel Item 8.1 approved on July 8, 2015 from Audrey H. Roettgers to Audrey H. Wood and to designate a tenure area and an effective date through 7/31/19 as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Maria C. Rice, Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education corrects the appointment of Audrey H. Wood (aka Roettgers) to a four (4) year probationary appointment as a Principal in the tenure area of Building Administrator at an annual salary of \$119,000 (pro-rated), effective 8/1/15 through 7/31/19, subject to receipt of composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years, and if the probationer receives an ineffective composite in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.

NEW BUSINESS

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6.1 Request for Approval to Appoint Special Legal Counsel

Recommendation that the following resolution be approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the New Paltz Central School District hereby appoints Jaspan Schlesinger LLP as special legal counsel to investigate a complaint; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President on behalf of the Board of Education shall be authorized to sign the Retainer Agreement, a copy of which shall be incorporated by reference into the minutes of this meeting.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

Motion made from the floor by Brian Cournoyer and seconded by Aimee Hemminger to add and approve resolution Item 6.2 as amended.

6.2 Request for Approval of Settlement Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the terms of the Release and Settlement Agreements involving Student Number 9833, a copy of which shall be incorporated by reference in the minutes of this meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to execute such release and Settlement Agreement on behalf of the District.

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

ADJOURN

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Motion made by Steven Greenfield and seconded by Julie Tresco that the Board adjourn at 7:21 PM. Motion carried 6 to 0 with 6 members voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria C. Rice
District Clerk Pro-Tempore

Dusti Callo
District Clerk