

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MARCH 4, 2009

PRESENT:

Doris Fischer
Laura Gavey
Henry Johnson
Rosemary Natoli
Brian J. Sales

Charles A. Leunig
Superintendent of Schools

Assistant Superintendents
Dr. Kathleen Bannon – Curric. & Instr.
Allan W. Frank – Finance & Operations

ABSENT:

Michael Greb
Everett E. Newman III

Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 18 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Brian J. Sales, President, in the West Cafeteria in the Middle School, with the opening exercises and a moment of silent meditation.

Roll Call of Board Members by the District Clerk.

FOR ACTION

1. Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of February 9, 2009.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the following resignations and termination of appointments:

a. Resignations – Assistant Principal, Coordinator of Attendance and Transportation, Mathematics/Coordinator of C.A.R.E., Science/High School Chairperson

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Theodore Bristol	Assistant Principal High School	1973 – Present	6/30/09	Retirement
Robert Scully	Coordinator of Attendance and Transportation District	1977 – Present	6/30/09	Retirement
Thomas Reeve	Mathematics Teacher/ Coordinator C.A.R.E. High School	1975 – Present	6/30/09	Retirement
Michael Dervin	Science Teacher/ Science Chairperson High School	1978 – Present	6/30/09	Retirement

b. Termination of Appointments – Foreign Language Teacher, Maintenance Mechanic

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Phyllis Bell Lawson	Foreign Language Teacher High School	9/96 – Present	2/10/09
Gerard Fuller	Maintenance Mechanic District	8/18/08 – Present	3/5/09

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

3. Request for Leave of Absence – Custodial Worker

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey to approve the following request for leave of absence, without pay:

Name	Assignment & School	Service in District	Effective Date	Reason
Yolanda Cuadrado	Custodial Worker (Part time) Middle School	12/4/90 – Present	2/23/09 terminating on or before 6/30/09	Family Medical

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

4. Approval of Increase in Per Diem Nurse Substitute Pay

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve increasing the daily rate of pay for a per diem substitute nurse from \$85 per day to \$110 per day.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

5. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Supervisory Association

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the following resolution ratifying the Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Supervisory Association and authorizing the President of the Copiague Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the formal Agreement:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Copiague Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2014) between the negotiating representatives of the Board of Education of the Copiague Union Free School District and the Copiague Supervisory Association entered into on February 5, 2009 and ratified on February 12, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools are authorized to execute the formal Agreement.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the following staff appointments:

a. Approval - Resolution - Emergency Conditional Appointments

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of the Copiague Union Free School District hereby appoints the following individuals on an emergency conditional basis pursuant to applicable provisions of the New York State Education Law:

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFF. DATE
Ancrum, Mamie	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09
Chichetti, Danielle	Student Observer	3/5/09
Koulis, Anthony	Student Observer	3/5/09
Kurre, Donna	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09
Piering, Donna	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09
Richardson, Trina	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09
Taveras, Sonata	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09
Watson, Desiree	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	3/5/09

b. Appointments – Grant Programs – 2008-09 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Alba Zamot	Bilingual Supplementary Saturday ESL Bilingual Parent Seminar	\$35.00 per hour 3/21/09
Armando Marcenaro	Extended Day Middle School	\$35.00 per hour 2/23/09
Jacqueline Kelly	Character Education Deauville Gardens Curriculum Writer	\$32.50 per hour additional 6 hours 1/21/09

c. Appointment – Co-Curricular – 2008-09 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Barbara Kulikowska	Advisor Creative Craft Club Middle School	\$705.00

d. Appointment – Teaching: Per Diem Substitute

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Maria Lindo	Spanish Initial NYS Certificate Spanish 7-12	\$100.00 per day 3/5/09

e. Appointments – Election Workers – Copiague Memorial Public Library Trustee/Budget Vote - 2009

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Roberta Fiore	Chief Inspector of Election	\$10.00 per hour
Norma Cooke	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election Board of Registration	\$8.75 per hour Voluntary
Francine Daubel	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election Board of Registration	\$8.75 per hour Voluntary
Frances Giunta	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election Board of Registration	\$8.75 per hour Voluntary
Joan Hauser	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election Board of Registration	\$8.75 per hour Voluntary
Franki Kelly	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election	\$8.75 per hour
Natalie Linardos	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election	\$8.75 per hour
Victoria Rago	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election	\$8.75 per hour
Lidilia Trujillo	Assistant Clerk/Inspector of Election	\$8.75 per hour
Cecilia Fernandez	Walk-in Voter Registration	
Carmela Hufnagel	Walk-in Voter Registration	
B'Ann Roth	Walk-in Voter Registration	
Rita Soukup	Walk-in Voter Registration	

Alternate

Joan Powers Alternate Poll Worker

Eugene Mitchko Alternate Poll Worker

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

7. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey to approve the Recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for the identification and placement of students with disabilities:

Case #7319 Case #7320 Case #7188 Case #7316 Case #7318 Case #5956

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

8. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the Recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for the identification and placement of students with disabilities:

Case #7289 Case #5776 Case #5950 Case #5548 Case #6007 Case #7287
Case #5375 Case #7304 Case #5504 Case #5615 Case #3746 Case #7085
Case #7220 Case #5262 Case #7298 Case #4529 Case #7299 Case #7027
Case #5493 Case #7281 Case #7007 Case #5077 Case #4208 Case #7290
Case #4518 Case #7283 Case #7292

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed

9. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the following policy changes:

5440 School Social Worker Services
5450 Student Safety
5450.1 Notification of Release of Convicted Sex Offenders
5450.1-E.1 Notification of Sex Offenders Exhibit to Staff, Parents and Community Members
5453 Student Bicycle Use
5453-R Student Bicycle Use Regulation
5454 Student Automobile Use
5454-R Student Automobile Use Regulation
5460 Suspected Child Abuse and Maltreatment
5460-R Suspected Child Abuse, Neglect and Maltreatment Regulation

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to nominate Mr. Sydney Finkelstein and Mr. Salvatore Marinello to run for reelection to the Western Suffolk Board of Cooperative Educational Services for one three year term.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the Letter of Engagement regarding services provided by Coughlin Foundotos Cullen Danowski, LLP to the Copiague Union Free School District for an audit on the Contract for Excellence funds at an estimated fee of \$4,000 - \$5,000.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the decreasing of the mileage reimbursement rate to \$.54 per mile.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:

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| a. General Fund | - 2/11/09 |
| b. School Lunch Fund | - 1/31; 2/3, 11/09 |
| c. Federal Fund | - 2/11/09 |
| d. Capital Fund | - 2/11/09 |
| e. Vending Fund | - 1/28/09 |

2. Treasurer's Report for the Month of January 2009

3. Cafeteria Operating Report for the Month of January 2009

4. Budget Transfers – January 2009

5. Expenditure, Revenue, Investment, Extracurricular, and Trial Balance Reports – January 2009

6. School Budget 2009/2010 – First Draft

7. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig invited the three head cooks from the elementary schools to show the plaques they had received from the USDA. The three elementary cafeterias had won the Gold Award from the USDA. Mr. Leunig also presented a plaque to Mrs. Leonardi, Director of Cafeteria Services, for all that she does in overseeing the operation of our cafeterias.

Mr. Leunig also reported on the State Issues Conference he attended in Albany along with Mrs. Gavey and Mrs. Natoli.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

5220	Student Publications
5225	Student Personal Expression
5300.35	Code of Conduct – Disciplinary Penalties, Procedures and Referrals
5500	Student Records

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

6000	Fiscal Management Goals
6100	Annual Budget
6100-R	Annual Budget Regulation
6110	Budget Planning
6110-R	Budget Planning Regulation
6112	Determination of Budget Priorities
6113	Dissemination of Budget Recommendations
6120	Budget Hearing
6130	Budget Adoption
6135	Contingency Budget
6135-E	Ordinary Contingent Expenses
6140	Budget Implementation
6150	Budget Transfers

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. in the West Cafeteria of the Middle School.

Budget Work Sessions have been scheduled for March 16 and March 30, 2009.

The Legislative Breakfast has been scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the High School Cafeteria.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VOICE OF THE BOARD

Mr. Sales gave a report on the N-SSBA Executive Committee Meeting which he attended.

Mrs. Natoli commented that she was disappointed in the State Issues Conference in Albany.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

There was no voice of the people.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to go into Executive Session to discuss particular persons.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive session at 8:40 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to reconvene the meeting.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk