

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**APRIL 20, 2009**

**PRESENT:**

Doris Fischer  
Laura Gavey  
Michael Greb  
Henry Johnson  
Rosemary Natoli  
Everett E. Newman III  
Brian J. Sales

Charles A. Leunig  
Superintendent of Schools  
  
Assistant Superintendents  
Allan W. Frank – Finance & Operations  
  
Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 44 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.

At this time, Mr. Leunig, Mr. Voorneveld, and Mr. Cesare presented a plaque and a certificate to each girl on the Girls Varsity Basketball Team as well as to the coaches.

The Step Team performed two of their routines and were presented with certificates from Mr. Leunig and Mr. Voorneveld.

**FOR ACTION**

**1. Minutes**

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of March 30, 2009 and Special Meeting of April 14, 2009 on behalf of the Copiague Public Library.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

**2. Tenure Recommendations – Professional Staff Members**

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the following professional staff permanent tenure recommendations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment &amp; School</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>End of Probationary Period</u>	<u>Effective Tenure Date</u>
Sheri Droz	Reading Teacher Susan E. Wiley	Reading	6/30/09	7/1/09
Toni McIntosh	Business Education Teacher High School	Business Education	6/30/09	7/1/09
Lisette Persico	School Social Worker Great Neck Road	School Social Worker	6/30/09	7/1/09
Neil Schweitzer	English Teacher Middle School	English 7-12	8/26/09	8/27/09
Amanda Lowry	Elementary Assistant Principal Great Neck Road	Elementary Assistant Principal	8/27/09	8/28/09
Danielle Cioffi	Mathematics Teacher High School	Mathematics 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09

Christopher Coppelli	Science Teacher High School	Science 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09
JoAnn Erwin	Social Studies Teacher High School	Social Studies 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09
Jules Goeke	Science Teacher High School	Science 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09
Linda Haas	Assistant Business Administrator District	Assistant Business Administrator	8/31/09	9/1/09
Geraldine Tornambene	Guidance Counselor High School	School Counseling and Guidance	8/31/09	9/1/09
Joseph Vanasco	Science Teacher High School	Science 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09
Meredith Wanzer	English Teacher High School	English 7-12	8/31/09	9/1/09
Jennifer Wolford	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	Elementary Grades K-6	8/31/09	9/1/09
Kelly Lambert	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	Elementary Grades K-6	8/31/09	9/1/09
Theresa Matulich	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	Elementary Grades K-6	8/31/09	9/1/09
Barbara Olsen	Physical Education Teacher Great Neck Road	Physical Education	8/31/09	9/1/09
Christine Tauss	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	Elementary Grades K-6	9/4/09	9/5/09
Francis Salazar	Special Education Teacher High School	Special Education	9/5/09	9/6/09
Karilyn Fincke	Elementary Teacher Great Neck Road	Elementary Grades K-6	10/9/09	10/10/09
Cynthia Florio	Elementary Assistant Principal Susan E. Wiley	Elementary Assistant Principal	10/24/09	10/25/09
Kristina Desiante	Elementary Teacher Deauville Gardens	Elementary Grades K-6	11/16/09	11/17/09
Pamela Knakal	Elementary Teacher Middle School	Elementary Grades K-6	11/25/09	11/26/09

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

**3. Resignation – Guidance Counselor**

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the following resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment &amp; School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Angelica Hughes	Guidance Counselor High School	9/1/07- Present	5/29/09	Personal

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

**4. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman 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:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>EFF. DATE</u>
Dede, Murielle	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09
DeVito, Juliana	Student Observer	4/21/09
Kurre, Donna	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09
Montalvo, Kattiusca	Student Observer	4/21/09
Nelson, Moira	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09
Taveras, Sonata	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09
Theagene, Jocelyne	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09
Watson, Desiree	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	4/21/09

**b. Appointment – Co-Curricular - Head Chaperone – 2009/10 School Year**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment &amp; School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Ronald Mammola	Head Chaperone Fall Season High School	\$1,500 plus \$60 per athletic event attended

**c. Appointment – Annual – Chaperone – 2008/09 School Year**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Donna Annuziato	Annual Per Diem Substitute Teacher

**d. Continuation of Appointment – Non-Teaching – Food Service Worker**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment &amp; School</u>	<u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u>
Marina DiSclafani	Food Service Worker Deauville Gardens	Step 5 - \$17,538 6 hours per day eff. 4/20/09

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

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

Annual Review of Students

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

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

Case #7329    Case #4635    Case #7265    Case #7338    Case #7331    Case #7214  
Case #7330    Case #7236    Case #5910    Case #7332    Case #7321    Case #7325

Case #3982 Case #7300 Case #7349 Case #5287 Case #5333 Case #7327  
Case #5997 Case #5658 Case #7339 Case #7326

Annual Review of Students

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

7. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the following policy changes:

6240-R Investments Regulation  
6400 Depositories of Funds  
6410 Authorized Signatures

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

### **FOR CONSIDERATION**

1. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to adopt the proposed 2009-2010 School Budget for the Copiague Union Free School District in the amount of \$100,644,451.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

2. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the transfer of \$3,000 from the Vending Machine Fund to the Students Against Drunk Driving club at the high school to defray costs of the after-prom party.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

3. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve rescheduling the date of the Board of Education meeting from June 1 to June 2, 2009.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

4. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey to approve the request for high school students to attend the Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute in Albany from April 4 to 6, 2009.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

5. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for the Deauville Gardens 5<sup>th</sup> grade students to visit Medieval Times in Lyndhurst, New Jersey, on June 19, 2009.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

6. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the following Board members at a retirement function for Mr. Allan Frank, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, on May 26, 2009 as representatives of the governing body of the Copiague School District: Doris Fischer, Laura Gavey, Michael Greb, Henry Johnson, Rosemary Natoli, Everett E. Newman III and Brian J. Sales.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

7. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded Mr. Greb to accept the Auditor's Report for the Contract for Excellence Audit as prepared by Coughlin Foundotos Cullen and Danowski, LLP.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

### **REPORTS**

1. Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:

a. General Fund - 3/11, 17, 24, 31; 4/1/09  
b. School Lunch Fund - 3/24, 31/09  
c. Federal Fund - 3/24, 31/09  
d. Trust & Agency Fund - 4/1/09

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

3. Cafeteria Operating Report for the Month of February 2009
4. Budget Transfers – February 2009
5. Expenditure, Revenue, Investment, Extracurricular, and Trial Balance Reports – February 2009
6. Enrollment Report for the Period Ending March 27, 2009
4. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig reported that the Kiwanis Club in collaboration with the Boy Scouts planted trees on the School District grounds for Earth Day. Mr. Leunig also reported on the Kiwanis Divisional Meeting he attended.

New York State completed their audit of the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. The results of the audit were excellent.

Mr. Leunig mentioned that there would be a letter in the Copiague Weekly from him in response to an anonymous letter that was previously written to the District concerning a potential residency issue.

#### **FIRST POLICY REVIEW**

6700	Purchasing
6700-R	Purchasing Regulation
6700-E.1	Purchasing Exhibit
6700.E.2	Explanations of "Other" Methods of Competition to Be Used for Non-Bid Procurements
6700-E.3	Worksheet for Verbal Quotations
6710	Purchasing Authority
6720	Bidding Requirements
6720-R	Competitive Bidding Procedures Regulation
6730	Cooperative Purchasing
6731	State Contracts

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2009, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room of the Middle School. The primary purpose of this meeting will be to vote on the BOCES Budget and Trustees.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

#### **VOICE OF THE BOARD**

There was no Voice of the Board.

#### **VOICE OF THE PEOPLE**

There was no voice of the people.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Mrs. Natoli, seconded by Mr. Greb to go into Executive Session to discuss particular persons.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

The Board went into Executive session at 8:07 p.m.

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

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.**

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

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Mary Ellen Ruppert  
District Clerk