

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 20, 2008

PRESENT:

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

Charles A. Leunig
Superintendent of Schools

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

ABSENT:

Brian J. Sales

Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 20 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was preceded by Board Recognition.

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by Mrs. Laura Gavey, Vice President, in the West Cafeteria of 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. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting and the Regular Board of Education Meeting of September 22, 2008.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

2. Resignations – Mathematics, Annual Per Diem Substitute, School Nurse, Custodial Worker (Part time)

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to accept the following resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Charles Jappen	Custodial Worker (PT) High School	9/8/99 – Present	10/31/08	Retirement
Karen Wiebke	Mathematics Teacher Middle School	2005 – Present	9/19/08	Personal
Mark Canonica	Annual Per Diem Middle School	9/24/08 – Present	9/29/08	Personal
Anjana Abrole	School Nurse (PT) High School	9/1/07 – Present	10/14/08	Personal

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

3. Request for Leave of Absence – Teaching Assistant

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Laurie Carr	Teaching Assistant Middle School	9/28/99 – Present	9/2/08 terminating on or before 6/26/09	Medical

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

4. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Copiague Supervisory Services Unit

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Copiague Supervisory Services Unit which allows members of the Supervisory Services Unit to convert sick leave payout into a non-elective IRS 403(b) contribution.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

5. 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>
Ancrum, Mamie	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	10/21/08
Artis, Etonia	Substitute Security Aide	10/21/08
Baloga, Steve	Band Volunteer	10/21/08
daSilva, Elizabeth	Substitute Food Service Worker	10/21/08
Harper-Hankerson, Shelby	Student Teacher	10/21/08
Klein, Mary	Director of Guidance	10/21/08
McCalmont, Peggy	Piano Accompanist	10/21/08
Sherdon, Sara	Student Teacher	10/21/08
Tafari, Maria	Student Teacher	10/21/08
Thomas, Jasmin	Student Observer	10/21/08
Watson, Desiree	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	10/21/08

b. Appointment – Teaching: Probationary – Mathematics

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Probationary Period</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Matthew	NYS Initial Cert.	Mathematics 7-12	10/21/08	10/21/08
Pelletier	Mathematics 7-12 eff. 9/1/08	Middle School	terminating 10/20/11	Salary: Step 1 Column BA \$49,259 of the 2008/09 Teachers' Salary Schedule

c. Appointment – Teaching: (.4) Mathematics/(.6) Annual Per Diem Substitute

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Lance Lohman	NYS Initial Cert. Mathematics 7-12 eff. 9/1/06	Mathematics 7-12 Middle School	10/21/08 and terminating on or before 1/30/09 Salary: Step 1 Column BA \$49,259 @ .4 (\$19,703.60) of the 2008/09 Teachers' Salary Schedule Annual Per Diem Substitute \$120 per day @ .6 (\$72)

d. Appointments – Teaching: Annual Per Diem Substitutes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Amanda White	High School NYS Initial Certificate Mathematics 7-12 eff. 9/1/08	\$120 per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/30/09
Brittany Patterson	Middle School NYS Initial Certificate Social Studies 7-12 eff. 9/1/08	\$120 per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/30/09
Alison Gangemella	Great Neck Road NYS Initial Certificates: Students w/Disabilities Birth – Grade 6 eff. 9/1/08 Childhood Education Birth – Grade 6 eff. 9/1/07	\$120 per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/30/09
Brittany Corton	Susan E. Wiley NYS Initial Certificate Childhood Education Grades 1-6 eff. 9/1/08	\$120 per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/30/09
Kelly Edelman	High School NYS Initial Certificate English Language Arts 7-12 eff. 9/1/08	\$120 per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/30/09

e. Appointment – Teaching: Per Diem Substitute

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Aliash Ramirez	Elementary Ed. NYS Initial Certificate Childhood Ed. 1-6	\$100 per day 10/21/08

f. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Food Service Worker

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Marina DiSclafani	Food Service Worker Deauville Gardens	Step 5 - \$17,538 6 hours per day 10/21/08 Probationary period to end 4/20/09

g. Compensation for Additional Work

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Days Worked</u>
Francine Buchheim	Mathematics Teacher Middle School	9/29/08, 10/3/08, 10/6/08, 10/7/08, 10/8/08 1 extra period per day

Ms. Bucchheim taught one additional period per day for five days to cover one of Mr. Leibowitz' classes so Mr. Leibowitz could begin his duties as the new Coordinator of Mathematics K-12.

Linda Walsh	Special Education Teacher High School	11/3/08 – 6/15/09
Corrine Myer	Special Education Teacher High School	11/3/08 – 6/15/09

Janet Guzowski Social Studies Teacher 11/3/08 – 6/15/09
High School

Jean-Marie Fortunato Special Education Teacher 11/3/08 – 6/15/09
High School

This request is being made to support the nine students currently identified for the Credit Recovery program via Nova Net in the Walter G. O'Connell Copiague High School complete their training graduate with their class in June of 2009. The four teachers being recommended will be assigned to room 223 Computer labs during periods 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The rate of pay for one additional teaching period per day is one-eighth of the daily rate for the teacher.

h. Appointments – Teaching: Grant Programs – 2008/09 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Sandra Apergis	Title III ESL Home Visits High School	\$35 per hour
Sarah Rowan	Title III ESL Home Visits Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour
Suzanne Scotti	Title III ESL Home Visits Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour
Nidia Vaz	Title III ESL Newcomer Program Great Neck Road	\$17.50 per ½ hour
Helen Harris	Title III ESL Saturday Program Teacher	\$35 per hour 10/11/08
Eileen Plaskon	Character Education Curriculum Writer Deauville Gardens	10 hours @ \$32.50 per hour
Janice Grillo	Character Education Curriculum Writer Deauville Gardens	10 hours @ \$32.50 per hour
Dawn Riley-Shepetuk	Character Education Advisory/Service Learning Teacher Middle School	\$35 per hour
Tomasz Banach	Character Education Advisory/Service Learning Teacher Middle School	\$35 per hour
Christine Barteldt	Character Education Advisory/Service Learning Substitute Teacher Middle School	\$35 per hour
Michele Bonaventura	Character Education Physical Education Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 10/21/08

John Sack	Character Education Physical Education Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
Pamela Atlas	Character Education Physical Education Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
Stephen Rebholz	Character Education Physical Education Program Susan E. Wiley	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
Wendy Hrzich	Character Education Physical Education Program Susan E. Wiley	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
William Bennett	Character Education Physical Education Program Great Neck Road	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
Barbara Olsen	Character Education Physical Education Program Great Neck Road	\$35 per hour 10/21/08
Meghan Haughney	Character Education Art Club Advisor Great Neck Road	\$35 per hour 10/21/08 – 4/09
Deirdre Whiston	Curriculum Writer On-line/Credit Recovery Art History Course	\$32.50 per hour 15 hours
Warren Bender	Curriculum Writer On-line/Credit Recovery Art History Course	\$32.50 per hour 15 hours
Martiza Benavides- Winkler	Character Education Curriculum Writer Deauville Gardens	\$32.50 per hour 10 hours
Mary Monica Jordan	Bilingual Supplementary Grant ESL & Technology Parent Academy	\$35 per hour 10/2/08
Michelle Budion	Bilingual Supplementary Grant Extended Day Middle School	\$35 per hour 10/2/08 – 3/19/09
Nicole Burke	Extended Day Conflict Resolution	\$35 per hour 10/6/08 – 4/09
Cynthia Perez	Extended Day Middle School	\$35 per hour 10/6/08 – 4/09
James Travis	Extended Day High School	\$35 per hour 10/6/08 – 4/09

Terrance Jablanski	Extended Day High School	\$35 per hour 10/14/08
Lizet Mandriota	Extended Day High School	\$35 per hour 11/1/08
Sal Cimino	Extended Day High School	\$35 per hour 11/3/08
Denise Raimondi	Ecology Club Co-Advisor High School	\$705
Cassie Mazlin	Ecology Club Co-Advisor High School	\$705
JoAnn Erwin	One Mind Club Co-Advisor High School	\$705
Geraldine Tornambene	One Mind Club Co-Advisor High School	\$705
Meredith Wanzer	Middle School Play Costuming Advisor	\$250
Toni Clemens	ESL Extended Day Teaching Assistant Great Neck Road	Contractual
Aribelys Taveras	ESL Extended Day Teaching Assistant Deauville Gardens	Contractual
Ophelia Hines	ESL Extended Day Teaching Assistant Susan E. Wiley	Contractual

i. Appointment – Annual - Co-Curricular – 2008/09 School Year

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

j. Appointment – Annual – Chaperone – 2008/09 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Tracy Wenzler	Teacher

k. Appointments – Annual – Teaching Assistants – 2008/09 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>School & Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Angelina Bracco	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Catherine Ehnle	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hour per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09

Carla Jones	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Regina Kelly	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Frances Keogan	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Nicole Antz	Deauville Gardens Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Joyell Friedman	Deauville Gardens Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Monica Webster	Deauville Gardens Classroom-K	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Christine Wunderlich	Susan E. Wiley Classroom-K	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09

The teaching assistants listed above are certified teachers and, as such, may serve as per diem substitutes. They will receive their current rate of pay for time spent as a teaching assistant, and should they work as a per diem sub, the remainder of the day will be paid at \$100 per day, prorated.

Evelyn Reutter	Susan E. Wiley Special Education	Step 2 - \$17.17 per hour Step 3 – (eff. 2/09) 3.5 hour per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09
Stephanie Alfano	Middle School Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.37 per hour 3.5 hours per day 10/21/08 to on or before 6/26/09

I. Appointments – Home Tutors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Kimberly Henson	Tutor	\$27.50 per hour 10/21/08
Ann Marie Byrnes	Tutor	\$27.50 per hour 10/21/08
Janet Doyle	Tutor	\$27.50 per hour 10/21/08
Jacqueline Zachmann	Tutor	\$27.50 per hour 10/21/08

Alison Gangemella Tutor \$27.50 per hour
10/21/08

m. Appointments – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Elizabeth daSilva	Food Service Worker District	\$9.30 per hour 10/21/08
Charles Jappen	Custodial Worker District	\$9.43 per hour 11/1/08
Richard Besemer	Custodial Worker Mail Clerk District	\$9.43 per hour \$12.25 per hour 10/21/08
Catherine Boyle	Clerk Typist District	\$12.25 per hour 10/21/08
Etonia Artis	Security Aide District	\$16.25 per hour 10/21/08

n. Increase in Hours – Teaching Assistant

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Barbara Gold	Great Neck Road Classroom AIS	Step 2 - \$22.76 per hour 4 hours per day 10/20/08 to on or before 6/26/09

o. Increase in Hours – Food Service Worker

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Tania Almonte- Brown	Food Service Worker High School	Step 1 - \$12.35 per hour 4 hours per day 10/21/08

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

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

Case #7188	Case #7130	Case #7109	Case #7207	Case #7076	Case #7002
Case #6044	Case #7084	Case #7125	Case #7209	Case #7059	Case #7208
Case #7210	Case #5939				

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

7. 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 #5878	Case #7198	Case #7203	Case #4056	Case #5750	Case #7186
Case #4518	Case #5723	Case #5329	Case #5450	Case #4325	Case #7199
Case #5636	Case #6054	Case #4205	Case #4998	Case #5412	Case #7201
Case #5201	Case #4614	Case #7195	Case #5206	Case #7204	Case #7212
Case #7211	Case #5924				

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

8. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the following policy changes:

5000	Goals for Student Policies
5100	Comprehensive Attendance Policy
5110	School Attendance Areas
5140	Entrance Age
5140-R	Entrance Age Regulation

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the District Goals for the 2008-2009 school year.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the Agreement between the Copiague School District and Jared Hollweg and authorize the Board President to sign the Agreement.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the 2008/2009 School District Tax Rate of \$159.45 per \$100 of assessed valuation as projected in the School District Budget (2.93%).

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the tentative calendar for budget development for the 2009/2010 school year.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

5. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to accept the donation of five basic cable testers, one cable and signal tester, and two 100 piece tool kits for pc/networking repairs to the Cisco Academy from donorschoose.org.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to award the bid for the Susan E. Wiley canopy to Stalco Construction, Inc. for their low bid of \$213,700 meeting general conditions and specifications.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

7. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for two high school chorus students to attend the New York State School Music Association Winter Conference in Rochester, New York, on December 4-7, 2008.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:

a. General Fund	- 9/23, 24, 30; 10/8/08
b. School Lunch Fund	- 9/24; 10/8/08
c. Federal Fund	- 9/24; 10/3, 8,08
d. Capital Fund	- 9/24; 10/8/08

2. Treasurer's Report for the Month of July 2008

3. Budget Transfers – July and August 2008
4. Expenditure, Revenue, Investment, and Extracurricular Reports – July and August 2008
5. Dropout Summary and Enrollment Report for the Period Ending September 26, 2008
6. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig spoke about the Focus Group meeting with the Town of Babylon. He also reported on the District Goal's for the 2008/09 school year.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

5152	Admission of Non-Resident Students
5153	Transfers of Students Intra-District
5155	Student Withdrawal from School
5162	Student Dismissal Precautions
5162-R	Student Dismissal Precautions Regulation
6850	School District Credit Cards

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

5182	Released Time for Religious Instruction
5191	Students with HIV-Related Illness
5191-R	Students with HIV-Related Illness Regulation
5200	Cocurricular and Extracurricular Programs
5210	Student Organizations
5230	Student Social Events
5240	Student Performances
5252	Student Activities Funds Management
5260	Student Contests
5280	Interscholastic Athletics

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 3, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room at the Middle School. This will be preceded at 7:00 p.m. by a meeting of the Audit Committee.

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. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiations and a particular person.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive session at 8:10 p.m.

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

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk