

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 24, 2009

PRESENT:

Doris Fischer	Charles A. Leunig
Laura Gavey	Superintendent of Schools
Michael Greb	
Henry Johnson	<u>Assistant Superintendents</u>
Rosemary Natoli (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)	Dr. Kathleen Bannon – Curric. & Inst.
Everett E. Newman III (arrived at 7:55 p.m.)	Peter H. Michaelsen – Finance & Operations
Brian J. Sales	
	Christopher Clayton, Esq.
	Approximately 7 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Laura Gavey, President, in the Board of Education Conference Room, 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 Regular Board of Education Meeting of August 10, 2009.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

2. Resignations – Coordinator of ESL, Library Media Specialist, Social Studies

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Vivian Fiallo	Coordinator of ESL	1999 – Present	8/25/09	Personal
Kristina Holzweiss	Library Media Specialist Middle School	2004 – Present	8/10/09	Personal
Julia Wey	Social Studies Teacher High School	2008 – Present	8/19/09	Personal

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

3. Declinations of Appointment

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to accept the following declinations of appointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Reason Given</u>
Denise Tirado	Annual Per Diem Substitute Deauville Gardens Appointed at Board of Education Meeting of 8/10/09	Personal
Kristina Holzweiss	Newspaper Co-Advisor Website Coordinator Middle School SYSOP Great Neck Road Appointed at Board of Education Meeting of 7/7/09	Personal

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

4. Request for Leave of Absence – Custodial Worker

Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Sales 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>
Pamela	Custodial Worker	1996 – Present	8/12/09	Medical
Josephson	Susan E. Wiley		terminating 8/21/09	

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

5. Approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU), Non-Supervisory Services Unit

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the following resolution ratifying the Memorandum of Agreement and Addendum between the Copiague Union Free School District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU) with respect to the Copiague Non-Supervisory Services Unit No. 831000 of Local 870 CSEA:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Copiague Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the negotiating representatives of the Board of Education of the Copiague Union Free School District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU) with respect to the Copiague Non-Supervisory Services Unit No. 831000 of Local 870 CSEA entered into on August 13, 2009 and ratified on August 24, 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. Approval of Employment Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Superintendent of Schools

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the following resolution ratifying the Employment Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Superintendent of Schools:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Copiague Board of Education be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Board of Education, the annexed Employment Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and Charles A. Leunig, Superintendent of Schools.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

7. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mrs. Fischer 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>
Clark, Sean	Student Teacher	8/25/09
Kurre, Donna	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	8/25/09

Mutombo, Anne	Substitute Nurse	8/25/09
Santa Maria, Doris	Temporary Account Clerk	8/25/09
Shirawiwa, Yoko	Substitute Nurse	8/25/09
Taveras, Sonata	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	8/25/09
Watson, Desiree	Educational Bus Transportation Attendant	8/25/09

b. Appointment – Teaching: Temporary - Elementary

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Erica Troiano	NYS Initial Certificate Childhood Education Grades 1-6 eff. 9/1/08	Elementary Grades K-6 Deauville Gardens	9/1/09 and terminating on or before 6/30/10 Salary: Step 2 Column MA \$60,323 of the 2009/10 Teachers' Salary Schedule

c. Appointments – Annual - Mentors

Administrative and Supervisory Mentors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Protégé</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Albert Voorneveld	Andrew Lagnado	Middle School	\$5,000
Robert Donnellan	Joseph Agosta	Great Neck Road	\$5,000
Jeanette Altruda	André Poprilo	High School	\$2,500
Peter Cesare	Jennifer Pierre-Louis	Districtwide	\$2,500
Andrew Lagnado	Michele Budion	High School/ Middle School	\$2,500

Mentors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
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Full Year Assignments:

Sheri Droz	Scott Garofola	Susan E. Wiley
Susan Franzone	Allison Barone	Middle School
Chris Gaudio	Jason Ross	Middle School
Ruth Flores	Rodrigo Elsin	Middle School
Allison Weller	Jacqueline Espinal	High School

Half Year Assignments:

Eileen Plaskon	Danielle Lagnese	Deauville Gardens
Paul Kounadis	Lisa Macchia	Middle School

Mentors are assigned to new teachers holding New York State Initial Certificates in order to provide a one-year mentoring experience during their first year of employment. Mentors receive a \$2,100 annual stipend in addition to 120 hours of professional development credit.

d. Appointment – Adult and Continuing Education Teacher – Fall 2009

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Staci Melnick	SAT Preparation	\$16.51 per hour Certified teacher paid an additional hour each session

e. Appointments – Teaching: Per Diem Substitutes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Dianna Guidone	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificates: Childhood Ed. 1-6 eff. 9/1/07 ELA 7-12 pending	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Danielle Helmke	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificate Mathematics 7-12 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Lisamarie Loor	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificates: Childhood Ed. B-2, 1-6 Students w/Disabilities B-2, 1-6 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Allison Lucchesi	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificate Childhood Ed. 1-6 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Michelle Martin	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificates: Childhood Ed. B-2, 1-6 eff. 9/1/06 Students w/Disabilities B-2, 1-6 eff. 2/1/07 Literacy B-6, 5-12 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Ashlee Ortiz	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificate Mathematics 7-12 eff. 2/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Megan White	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificates: Childhood Ed. 1-6 Students w/Disabilities 1-6 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Melissa Wilson	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificate English 7-12 eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Kristan Nugnes	Per Diem Substitute Initial NYS Certificate Physical Education eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09
Andrea Occhipinti	Per Diem Substitute Great Neck Road Initial NYS Certificates: Childhood Ed. B-2, 1-6 Students w/Disabilities B-2, 1-6 eff. 2/1/09	\$100 per day 9/1/09

f. Appointments – Non-Teaching: Per Diem Substitute – School Nurses

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Deborah Campbell	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 9/30/09	\$110 per day 9/1/09
Noreen Greenberg	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 7/31/11	\$110 per day 9/1/09
Donna Mazzeo	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 8/31/12	\$110 per day 9/1/09
Yoko Shiraiwa	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 9/30/10	\$110 per day 9/1/09
Anne Mutombo	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 6/30/11	\$110 per day 9/1/09

g. Appointments – Annual – Teaching Assistants – 2009/10 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>School & Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Jacqueline Alesi	Middle School Special Education	Step 2 - \$23.50 per hour 3.5 hours per day 9/8/09 to on or before 6/25/10
Barbara Kulikowska	Middle School Special Education	Step 2 - \$23.50 per hour 3.5 hour per day 9/8/09 to on or before 6/25/10
Frances Keogan	Great Neck Road Special Education	Step 2 - \$23.50 per hour 3.5 hour per day 9/8/09 to on or before 6/25/10
Colleen McLinden	Susan E. Wiley Kindergarten	Step 2 - \$23.50 per hour 3.5 hours per day 9/8/09 to on or before 6/25/10

h. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Cafeteria Aide

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Marilyn Caprioli	Cafeteria Aide Great Neck Road	Step 2 - \$16.47 per hour 2.5 hours per day 9/8/09

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

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

Case #7214	Case #7139	Case #4732	Case #7413	Case #7410
Case #4814	Case #7432	Case #4379	Case #7325	Case #5751
Case #4803				

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Sales to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Copiague Board of Education appoint Laura Gavey, a Voting Delegate, and Michael Greb, an Alternate to the Annual Business Meeting of the New York State School Boards Association to be held on October 17, 2009 in New York, New York.

Vote: 5 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mr. Sales, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the request for Dallas Holland, a non-resident student, to attend the Walter G. O’Connell Copiague High School, paying the tuition rate as mandated by New York State for the 2009/2010 school year (estimated at \$9,201.15).

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

- Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:
 - General Fund - 7/31; 8/5, 7/09
 - School Lunch Fund - 8/5/09
 - Federal Fund - 8/5/09
- Annual Report to the Board of Education – Committee on Preschool Special Education
- Annual Report to the Board of Education – Committee on Special Education
- Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig reported that all the buildings are either on schedule or ahead of schedule for the preparation of the opening of school. He further reported that today was the first day of three days of New Staff Orientation and that there were 23 new staff members participating. He also mentioned that Kindergarten enrollment was down but 1st and 3rd grades were up. Mr. Leunig noted that he was in receipt of preliminary information from the State results and they look to be very good. Finally, Mr. Leunig reported that F.E.G.S. (Federation Employment and Guidance Service) has approached the district with the possibility of a potential collaboration with an emotional health survey with our elementary children. The result would be the improvement of services to children in the district.

- Presentation:

Dr. Bannon gave a presentation on Differentiated Accountability.

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

4531	Field Trips and Excursions
4531-R	Field Trip Regulation
4531-E.1	Local Field Trip
4531-E.2	Extracurricular Transportation Request Form
4531-E.3	Request for Out of State and/or Overnight Trip
5100	Comprehensive Attendance Policy
5100-R	Student Attendance Regulation
5300.1	Code of Conduct – Introduction
5300.5	Code of Conduct – Definitions
5300.10	Code of Conduct – Student Rights and Responsibilities
5300.15	Code of Conduct – Essential Partners
5300.20	Code of Conduct – Student Dress Code
5300.25	Code of Conduct – Prohibited Student Conduct
5300.26	Code of Conduct – Drug and Alcohol Abuse
5300.26-R	Code of Conduct – Drug and Alcohol Abuse Regulation
5300.26-E	Code of Conduct – Drug and Alcohol Abuse Exhibit
5300.27	Code of Conduct – Sexual Harassment and Students
5300.30	Code of Conduct – Reporting Violations
5300.35	Code of Conduct – Disciplinary Penalties, Procedures and Referrals
5300.40	Code of Conduct – Alternative Instruction
5300.45	Code of Conduct – Discipline of Students with Disabilities
5300.50	Code of Conduct – Corporal Punishment
5300.55	Code of Conduct – Searches and Interrogations
5300.55-R	Code of Conduct – Student Searches and Interrogations Regulation

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Board of Education Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 3, 2009 at 5:15 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room in the Middle School.

The Board of Education will tour the school buildings and grounds on Wednesday, September 2, and Thursday, September 3, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

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

New York State PTA Region Director, who is a resident, complimented on how the security and custodial staff were such a big help at the Suffolk Region PTA Membership Kickoff held at the High School on August 20, 2009.

A resident had a transportation question regarding mileage distance to the High School. The Superintendent addressed the resident's question.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive session at 8:03 p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to reconvene the meeting.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Natoli, seconded by Mr. Johnson to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk