

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 10, 2011

PRESENT:

Doris Fischer	Charles A. Leunig
Laura Gavey	Superintendent of Schools
Henry Johnson	
Rosemary Natoli	<u>Assistant Superintendent</u>
Everett E. Newman III	Peter H. Michaelsen – Finance & Operations
Brian J. Sales	Kathleen Bannon – Curriculum & Instruc.

ABSENT:

	Christopher Clayton, Esq.
Michael Greb	Approximately 12 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 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 Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 20, 2010.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Sales 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>
Jordan, Tiffany	HS Musical (Pit Musician)	1/11/11
McInerney, Nancy	Home Tutor – Wilson Reading	1/11/11
Pitt, Linwood	College Student Teacher	1/11/11
Tramontana, Anthony	HS Musical (Pit Musician)	1/11/11
Walsh, Devon	College Student Observer	1/11/11
Williamson-Price, Ronnett	Substitute Food Service Worker	1/11/11

b. Appointment – Teaching: Regular Substitute – Elementary

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Kerilyn Rossini	NYS Initial Certificate Childhood Education Grades 1-6 eff. 9/1/07	Elementary Susan E. Wiley	1/31/11 and terminating on or before 6/30/11 Salary: Step 1 Column MA \$59,914 (prorated) of the 2010/11 Teachers' Salary Schedule

c. Appointments – Grant Programs – Extended Day – 2010/11

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary/Stipend Effective Date</u>
Kerilyn Rossini	Extended Day Susan E. Wiley	\$35 per hour 12/21/10
Kelly Lech	Extended Day Susan E. Wiley	\$35 per hour 12/21/10
Timothy Gavin	Extended Day Middle School	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Barbara Mayo	Extended Day Middle School	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Gary Anderson	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Katianne Brosnan	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Brittany Corton	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Nicole Gigante	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Nicole Jaworowski	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Yvonne Pino	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Danielle Sulyma	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Patricia Caputo	Extended Day Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11

d. Appointments – Grant Programs – Title III – 2010/11

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary/Stipend Effective Date</u>
Brittany Corton	Newcomer Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Nicole Jaworowski	Newcomer Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11
Yvonne Pino	Newcomer Program Deauville Gardens	\$35 per hour 1/10/11

e. Appointments – Compensation for Additional Work

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Days Worker</u>
Louise Curci	Business Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 1)
Janet Guzowski	Social Studies Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 2)
Linda Walsh	Special Education Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 3)

Kerri Costadura	Science Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 4)
Lisa Wandling	Special Education Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 5)
Kurt Allen	Business Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 6)
Jean-Marie Fortunato	Special Education Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 7)
Deborah Delaney	Special Education Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 8)
Veronica Kolbasuk	English Teacher High School	11/29/10 – 6/15/11 (period 9)

This request is being made to support the students currently identified for the Credit Recovery Program via Nova Net in the Walter G. O'Connell Copiague High School complete their training and graduate with their class in June of 2011. The nine teachers being recommended are assigned one period a day. The rate of pay for one additional teaching period per day is one-eighth of the daily rate for the teacher.

f. Appointments – High School Musical Play Ancillary Staff – Spring 2011

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Tiffany Jordan	High School Musical Play	\$300*	Cello
Anthony Tramontana	High School Musical Play	\$300*	Violin
Michael Zadik	High School Musical Play	\$300*	French Horn
Megan Sylvester	High School Musical Play	\$300*	Viola

*These stipends will be paid out of the student activity fund from the proceeds of the ticket sales of the High School Musical.

g. Appointments – Per Diem Substitute Teachers

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Elizabeth O'Connor	Per Diem Substitute NYS Provisional Certificate School Psychologist eff. 9/1/09	\$100 per day 1/11/11
Maria Russo	Per Diem Substitute NYS Provisional Certificate School Psychologist eff. 9/1/10	\$100 per day 1/11/11
Lakisha Wilkins	Per Diem Substitute NYS Provisional Certificate School Psychologist eff. 9/1/10	\$100 per day 1/11/11

Jessica Sneider	Per Diem Substitute NYS Initial Certificate Family & Consumer Science eff. 9/1/08	\$100 per day (prorated) 1/11/11
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h. Appointment – Increase in Hours: Non-Teaching – Food Service Worker

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Esther Scott	Food Service Worker (Part-time) Middle School	Step 2 - \$13.75 per hour 4 hours per day eff. 1/11/11 (Step 3 - \$14.27 per hour eff. 2/1/11)

i. Appointment – Non-Teaching – Continuation of Appointment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Christopher Geackel	Part-time Food Service High School	Step 1 - \$13.17 per hour 3 hours per day 1/24/11

j. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Rosaeanna Guella	Clerk Typist Cafeteria Aide District	\$12.25 per hour \$9.69 per hour 1/11/11
Mascia Esposito	Food Service Worker Cafeteria Aide District	\$9.30 per hour \$9.69 per hour 1/11/11
Ronnett Williamson- Price	Food Service Worker District	\$9.30 per hour 1/11/11

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

3. 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 as listed below:

Case #56511	Case #56757	Case #56488	Case #74392	Case #74471
Case #56628	Case #56711	Case #56689	Case #56627	Case #56749
Case #56748	Case #56733	Case #56691	Case #56690	Case #56478
Case #73468	Case #74424	Case #56672	Case #74428	Case #56496
Case #74387	Case #56491	Case #74416	Case #56757	Case #56692
Case #56761	Case #56711	Case #56605	Case #74236	Case #56693
Case #74347				

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

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

Case #68038	Case #56117	Case #68969	Case #66543	Case #72909
Case #72165	Case #70748	Case #72430	Case #71963	Case #73801

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

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

1500	Public Use of School Facilities
1740	Relationship with Nonpublic Schools
1741	Relations with "Home Schools"
1920	Relations with Parents with Disabilities
1920-R	Relations with Parents with Disabilities Regulations
1920-E.1	Relations with Parents with Disabilities Exhibit
1920-E.2	Relations with Parents with Disabilities Exhibit

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve proposed trip for the High School Boys Varsity Track team to participate in the Penn Relays scheduled for April 29 and 30, 2011 at the University of Pennsylvania.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the proposed trip for the Madrigal Choir to participate in the Fiesta-Val Competition in Scranton, Pennsylvania scheduled for May 20-22, 2011.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to accept the donation of furniture from the Copiague Memorial Public Library.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the Susan E. Wiley 5th Grade Committee By-laws in accordance with Board Policy #1222, which allows for the creation of this booster organization.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:
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| a. General Fund | - 12/20/10; 1/1/11 |
| b. School Lunch Fund | - 12/20/10 |
| c. Federal Fund | - 12/20/10 |

2. Budget Transfers – December 2010

3. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig shared that Mr. Wevers was featured as one of the 50 band directors who make a difference, across the country, in the December issue of School Band & Orchestra. Additionally, the district was informed by SCMEA that 20 students have been selected to participate in this Spring's annual All-County Festival. Mr. Leunig also reported on the State of the State address that Governor Cuomo gave last week. It does not look good for education. There will most likely be a cap on property tax increases and state aid could be further cut. Understanding the stress the community of Copiague is under and the difficult state of the economy, Mr. Leunig shared with the Board that the six Central Office administrators, Dr. Bannon, Mr. Michaelson, Mrs. Sheridan, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Harris and himself, will forgo any increase in base salary for the 2011-12 school year, in keeping with the fact that the teachers have accepted a 0% increase next year.

Mrs. Gavey, on behalf of the Board of Education, thanked Mr. Leunig and the Central Office Administrators for this very important step.

4. Presentation:

Dr. Klein, Director of Guidance K-12, gave a presentation on the second annual College Day.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

2120 School Board Elections

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

2130 Board Member Resignation
2140 Board Member Removal from Office
2150 Unexpired Term Fulfillment
2160 School Board Member Ethics
2160-R School Board Member Ethics Regulation
2170 Board Member Conflict of Interest
2210 Annual School Board Reorganizational Meeting
2220 Board Officers
2230 Appointed Board Officials
2240 Board-Superintendent Relationship
2250 Board Committees
2260 Ad-Hoc Advisory Committees to the Board
2270.1 Litigation Procedures

CORRESPONDENCE

Several Board members received an anonymous letter about students who do not live in our neighborhood but attend our schools. Since there is no person to contact, a letter will be sent to the Copiague Weekly in response covering the district's policy and procedures about residency.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, January 24, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room at the Middle School. This meeting will be preceded by an Audit Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room and Board Recognition of Students at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium.

All schools and offices will be closed on Monday, January 17, 2011, in commemoration of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VOICE OF THE BOARD

Mr. Sales reported on the N-SSBA Joint Finance/Legislation Meeting he attended.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

There was no voice of the people.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiation updates.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:20 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Sales to reconvene the meeting.

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:16 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: 6 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk