

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**December 20, 2010**

**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 Superintendent  
Peter H. Michaelson – Finance & Operations  
Kathleen Bannon – Curriculum & Instruc.  
  
Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 9 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. Laura Gavey, 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.

The Great Neck Road 3<sup>rd</sup> grade chorus performed three holiday selections, under the direction of Mr. Hosza.

**FOR ACTION**

**1. Minutes**

Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 6, 2010.

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

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

Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman 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> |
|----------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Bonnie Burton  | Director of Data and Assessments       | Director of Data and Assessments       | 1/13/11                           | 1/14/11                      |
| Karen Sheridan | Executive Director of Student Services | Executive Director of Student Services | 1/31/11                           | 2/1/11                       |

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

**3. 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> |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Hauser, Joan | Substitute Clerical            | 12/21/10         |
| Koski, Laura | Musician (High School Musical) | 12/21/10         |

**b. Appointments – Teaching: Regular Substitutes – Foreign Language, Elementary**

| <u>Name</u>          | <u>Certification</u>  | <u>Service Area<br/>&amp; Assignment</u>  | <u>Effective Date<br/>&amp; Salary</u>  |
|----------------------|---|---|---|
| Douglas Brickel      | NYS Initial<br>Certificate<br>Spanish 7-12<br>eff. 9/1/08   | Foreign Language<br>7-12<br>Middle School | 1/31/11 and<br>terminating on or<br>before 6/30/11<br>Salary: Step 1<br>Column BA + 15<br>\$54,428 of the 2010/11<br>Teachers' Salary<br>Schedule |
| Christine Wunderlich | NYS Initial<br>Certificates:<br>Early Childhood Ed.<br>(B-2)<br>Students with<br>Disabilities (B-2)<br>Childhood Education<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>Students with Disabilities<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>eff. 9/1/08 | Elementary<br>Deauville Gardens           | 2/1/11 and<br>terminating on or<br>before 6/30/11<br>Salary: Step 1<br>Column MA<br>\$59,914 of the 2010/11<br>Teachers' Salary<br>Schedule       |
| Jamie Nese           | NYS Initial<br>Certificates:<br>Childhood Education<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>Students with Disabilities<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>eff. 9/1/06  | Elementary<br>Deauville Gardens           | 2/1/11 and<br>terminating on or<br>before 6/30/11<br>Salary: Step 1<br>Column MA<br>\$59,914 of the 2010/11<br>Teachers' Salary<br>Schedule       |

**c. Appointment – Teaching: Annual Per Diem Substitute**

| <u>Name</u>   | <u>Assignment &amp; Certification</u>  | <u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u>                   |
|---------------|--|--|
| Gary Anderson | Deauville Gardens<br>NYS Initial Certificates:<br>Childhood Education<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>Students with Disabilities<br>(Grades 1-6)<br>eff. 2/1/09 | \$120 per day<br>12/21/10 to on or<br>before 6/30/11 |

**d. Appointments – Per Diem Substitute Teachers**

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Assignment &amp; Certification</u>   | <u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u> |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Nicole Carrazana   | Per Diem Substitute<br>NYS Initial Certificate<br>Social Studies 7-12<br>eff. 9/1/09        | \$100 per day<br>12/21/10          |
| Laura McCabe       | Per Diem Substitute<br>NYS Provisional<br>Certificate<br>School Psychologist<br>eff. 9/1/10 | \$100 per day<br>12/21/10          |
| Michelle Diasparra | Per Diem Substitute<br>NYS Provisional<br>School Psychologist<br>eff. 2/1/09                | \$100 per day<br>12/21/10          |

**e. Appointments – Grant Programs – Extended Day – 2010/11**

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Assignment</u>                 | <u>Salary/Stipend</u><br><u>Effective Date</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Nicole Antz        | Extended Day<br>Deauville Gardens | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |
| Katherine Azzinaro | Extended Day<br>Susan E. Wiley    | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |
| Orlandina Carter   | Extended Day<br>Middle School     | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |
| Kerry Insardi      | Extended Day<br>Middle School     | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |
| Christina Valenti  | Extended Day<br>Susan E. Wiley    | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |
| Tracy Wenzler      | Extended Day<br>High School       | \$35 per hour<br>12/7/10                       |

**f. Appointment – Grant Programs – Title III – 2010/11**

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u>   | <u>Salary/Stipend</u><br><u>Effective Date</u> |
|-------------|---|--|
| Lisa Amodeo | Teaching Assistant<br>Newcomer Program<br>Great Neck Road | \$17.96 per hour<br>12/14/10                   |

**g. Appointments – NYS Archives Grant – 2010/11**

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Assignment</u>  | <u>Salary/Stipend</u> |
|----------------|--|-----------------------|
| Rose Bell      | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Laura Fox      | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Tara Wilson    | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Allison Weller | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Michelle Penyy | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Monica Jordan  | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Amy Csorny     | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |
| Linda Gordon   | Curriculum Development<br>Work for Centennial<br>Project | \$32.50 per hour      |

**h. Appointments – Annual – Teacher Mentors**

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Assignment</u>    | <u>School</u>     |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Claudia Nakash | Jessica Kurtz        | Susan E. Wiley    |
| Sandra Natal   | Jamie Nese           | Deauville Gardens |
| Sheri Droz     | Christine Wunderlich | Deauville Gardens |
| Julie Walter   | Douglas Brickel      | Middle School     |
| Ruth Flores    | Stephanie Lund       | Middle School     |
| Darwin Ryan    | Kristine Argensio    | High 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 \$2,150 annual stipend in addition to 120 hours of professional development credit.

**i. Appointments – Adult and Continuing Education Teachers – Spring 2011**

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Assignment</u>  | <u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u>   |
|--------------------|--|--|
| Eileen Alley       | Line Dancing   | \$16.51 per hour   |
| William Bennett    | Weight Training  | \$16.51 per hour<br>Certified teacher<br>paid an additional<br>hour each session |
| Gloria Bopp        | Decorative One Stroke<br>Painting  | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Linda Chase        | Forensic Anthropology  | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Elizabeth Coniglio | Ceramics   | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Ralph Espinal      | Volleyball   | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Mary Haughey       | Creative Writing   | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Claudio Salesi     | Stained Glass  | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Donna Schwartz     | Self Defense   | \$16/51 per hour   |
| Tammy E. Straus    | Beginner Computers<br>Microsoft Office   | \$16.51 per hour<br>paid an additional<br>hour each session                      |
| Karissa Sullivan   | Knitting/Crocheting  | \$16.51 per hour<br>paid an additional<br>hour each session                      |
| Jessica Talmage    | SAT Preparation<br>English<br>SAT Preparation<br>Math                                | \$16.51 per hour<br>Certified teacher<br>paid an additional<br>hour each session |
| Frank Tucci        | Italian Conversation<br>Spanish Conversation<br>Spanish Intermediate<br>Conversation | \$16.51 per hour<br>Certified teacher<br>paid an additional<br>hour each session |
| Jane Baldwin       | Yoga Instructor  | \$35 per session   |

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| Loretta Formes   | Zumba Instructor<br>Substitute  | \$30 per session   |
| Carmen Roberts   | Zumba<br>(4 sessions)   | \$30 per session   |
| Megan Gilroy   | Self Defense  | \$16.51 per hour   |
| Percival Dyer II                                       | Careers in the U. S.<br>Foreign Service   | Paid on a contractual<br>basis with Copiague<br>School District<br>(\$12 per student)  |
| Rochelle Green   | Cake Decorating   | Paid on a contractual<br>basis with Copiague<br>School District<br>(\$18 per student)  |
| Richard Knox   | Lights...<br>Camera...Trivia  | Paid on a contractual<br>basis with Copiague<br>School district<br>(\$6 per student)   |
| Professional Training<br>Consultants<br>(Roland Grant) | Defensive Driving<br>Adult CPR<br>Community CPR<br>Infant & Child CPR<br>Pet First Aid<br>Standard First Aid<br>Pediatric First Aid<br>Jetski & Waverunner<br>NYS Approved<br>Watercraft Boating<br>Safety Course<br>Professional Rescuer | \$25 per student<br>\$28 per student<br>\$38 per student<br>\$28 per student<br>\$40 per student<br>\$40 per student<br>\$35 per student<br>\$45 per student<br><br><br><br>\$28 per student |
| BOCES Staff  | ABE/GED<br>English as a<br>Second Language  | Paid on a contractual<br>basis with Copiague<br>School District  |
| Suffolk County<br>Police Department                    | Ident-a-Kid<br>Workshop   | No Fee   |
| Allen Pelkonen   | Sending Your Child<br>To College<br>Financial Strategies<br>During a Job Transition   | No Fee   |
| Jake Caramico  | Money – It’s Not How<br>Much You Make, It’s<br>How Much You Keep!   | No Fee   |

**j. Appointment – Co-curricular – 2010/11 School Year**

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Assignment &amp; School</u> | <u>Stipend</u>                        |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Marisa Perlongo | Cheerleading<br>Middle School  | \$4,961<br>(prorated)<br>eff. 12/8/10 |

**k. Appointments – Annual - Chaperones – 2010/11 School Year**

| <u>Name</u>    | <u>Position</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Toni McIntosh  | Teacher         |
| Peter Robinson | Teacher         |

**I. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Probationary – Senior Clerk Typist**

| <u>Name</u>     | <u>Assignment &amp; School</u>  | <u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u>                                    |
|-----------------|---|---|
| Nanette Grasman | Senior Clerk Typist<br>Confidential Secretary<br>to the Assistant<br>Superintendent for<br>Finance & Operations<br>Central Office | Step 1 - \$47,004<br>1/18/11<br>probationary period<br>to end 7/20/11 |

**m. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff**

| <u>Name</u>        | <u>Assignment &amp; School</u>  | <u>Salary &amp; Effective Date</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Shannon Gustaffsen | Food Service Worker<br>District | \$9.30 per hour<br>12/21/10        |
| Kimberly Ramirez   | Cafeteria Aide<br>District      | \$9.69 per hour<br>12/21/10        |
| Regina Barrett     | Cafeteria Aide<br>District      | \$9.69 per hour<br>12/21/10        |

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

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

|             |             |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Case #04434 | Case #60593 | Case #72475 | Case #59096 | Case #70603 |
| Case #67063 | Case #74039 | Case #69946 | Case #71602 | Case #70716 |
| Case #56444 | Case #56443 | Case #56574 | Case #56520 | Case #73124 |
| Case #72324 | Case #56293 | Case #60555 | Case #55450 | Case #56273 |
| Case #74092 |             |             |             |             |

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

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

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| 1400     | Public Complaints  |
| 1420-R   | Complaints About Curricula or Instructional Materials Regulation |
| 1420-E   | Complaints About Curricula or Instructional Materials Exhibit    |
| 1440     | Complaints About School Personnel                                |
| 1511     | Commercial Use of School Facilities                              |
| 1520     | Public Conduct on School Property                                |
| 1520-R   | Public Conduct on School Property Regulation                     |
| 4531-R   | Field Trip Regulations   |
| 4531-E.1 | Local Field Trip Approval Form                                   |
| 4531-E.2 | Extracurricular Transportation Request Form                      |
| 4531-E.3 | Request for Out of Town and/or Overnight Trip                    |

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

**FOR CONSIDERATION**

1. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the budget transfers that exceed \$10,000.

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

2. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to (a) approve the 2011/12 Budget Calendar; (b) adopt the 2011/12 Mission and Goals for the development of the 2011/12 school budget.

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

3. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for the High School Winter Guard to attend the Color Guard Competition in Bridgeport, Connecticut on January 15, 2011.

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

4. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the Deauville Gardens 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee By-laws in accordance with Board Policy #1222, which allows for the creation of this booster organization.

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

5. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to accept the gift of \$10,000 from PexSupply to be used in a variety of ways in accordance with their wishes as stated in their letter.

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

### **REPORTS**

1. Receipt of Claims Auditor Reports:
  - a. General Fund - 12/7, 8, 9/10
  - b. School Lunch Fund - 12/8/10
  - c. Federal Fund - 12/8/10
2. Treasurer's Report for the Months September and October 2010
3. Expenditure, Revenue and Investment Reports for the Months September and October 2010
4. Dropout Summary and Enrollment Report for the Period Ending November 23, 2010
5. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig gave a brief description of the PexSupply Company and how the partnership with them had evolved.

### **SECOND POLICY REVIEW**

|          |  |
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| 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     |

### **FIRST POLICY REVIEW**

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| 2000     | Board Operational Goals                           |
| 2100     | School Board Legal Status                         |
| 2110     | School Board Powers and Duties                    |
| 2110-R   | School Board Powers and Duties Regulation         |
| 2111     | Board Member Authority                            |
| 2120     | School Board Elections                            |
| 2120-R   | School Board Elections Regulations                |
| 2120-R.1 | School Board Elections – Poll Watcher Regulations |
| 2120.1   | Candidates and Campaigning                        |
| 2120.2   | Voting Procedures                                 |
| 2120.2-R | Voting Procedures Regulations                     |
| 2120.3   | Continuous Voter Registration                     |
| 2121     | Board Member Qualifications                       |
| 2122     | Board Member Oath of Office                       |

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board received several holiday cards.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Conference Room at the Middle School.

All schools will be closed for the holiday recess from December 24, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Offices will be closed December 24 – 28 and December 30 – 31.

**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.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Mary Ellen Ruppert  
District Clerk