

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 9, 2012

PRESENT:

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

Charles A. Leunig
Superintendent of Schools

Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Kathleen Bannon – Curric. & Inst.
Peter H. Michaelsen – Finance & Operations

Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 6 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Michael Greb, President, in the Board of Education Conference Room at 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. Gavey to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 19, 2011.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Resignations – Senior Account Clerk, Teaching Assistants

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Randa Schreuder	Senior Account Clerk Business Office	3/2/10 – Present	1/13/12	Personal
Jennifer Duran	Teaching Assistant Middle School	12/7/11 – Present	1/13/12	Personal
Joanna Pannell	Teaching Assistant Middle School	12/6/10 – Present	1/6/12	Personal

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Declination of Appointment – Co-curricular

Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to accept the following declination of appointment:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Kenneth Berry	Co-Curricular Students Against Destructive Decisions Co-Advisor High School Appointed at Board of Education Meeting of 7/13/11	Personal

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Request for Leave of Absence – Teaching Assistant

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

Name	Assignment & School	Service in District	Effective Date	Reason
Theresa Simone	Teaching Assistant Middle School	2002 – Present	12/20/11 terminating on or about 3/10/12	Medical

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

5. Requests for Administrative Internships

Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the following requests for administrative internships:

Name	School	Service in District	Effective Dates
Christopher Uccellini	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	2008 – Present	Spring 2012 through Summer 2012
Melanie Diamond	Elementary Teacher Susan E. Wiley	2008 – Present	Spring 2012 through Summer

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Natoli 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:

NAME	ASSIGNMENT	EFF. DATE
Brown, Aycia	Winter Guard	1/10/12
Kanuika, Susan	Senior Account Clerk	1/10/12
Lyon, Jacqueline	Winter Guard	1/10/12
Sans, Christopher	College Student Observer	1/10/12

b. Appointment – Teaching: Regular Substitute - Elementary

Name	Certification	Service Area & Assignment	Effective Date & Salary
Ashley Price	NYS Professional Certificates: Childhood Education Grades 1-6 Literacy, Birth – Grade 6 Early Childhood Education B – Grade 6 eff. 9/1/11	Elementary Deauville Gardens	1/28/12 and terminating on or about 6/30/12 Salary: Step 4 Column MA \$67,356 of the 2011/12 Teachers' Salary Schedule

c. Appointments – Co-Curricular – 2011/12 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
David Abrams	Pit Orchestra	\$2,067
Theresa Bapst	Winter Guard High School	\$3,812
	Winter Guard Middle School	\$2,552

d. Appointments – Ancillary Staff – Spring 2012

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Marc Levenson	High School Musical Play	\$1,000*	Rehearsal Accompanist
Eric Putz	High School Musical Play	\$ 900*	Lighting Designer
Philip Pierre-Louis	High School Musical Play	None	Drums
Christopher Rossi	High School Musical Play	None	Trumpet
Larry Wurtzel	High School Musical Play	None	Trumpet
Michael Zadik	High School Musical Play	None	French Horn
Jennifer Oksenhorn	Winter Guard	\$ 500	Winter Guard Technician
Jacqueline Lyon	Winter Guard	\$ 500	Winter Guard Technician
Alycia Brown	Winter Guard	None	Winter Guard Technician

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

e. Appointments – Adult and Continuing Education Teacher – Spring 2012

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Tom Ophals	SAT Preparation – English SAT Preparation – Math	\$16.51 per hour
Vincent Cirasole	Seminar “Organic Gardening”	No Fee

f. Appointments – Adult and Continuing Education Staff – Spring 2012

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Rita Soukup	Registration	\$17.16 per hour 5 hours total January 10 & 11, 2012
Rosette Verriotto	Registration	\$17.16 per hour 5 hours total January 10 & 11, 2012
Lois Jones	Registration	\$17.16 per hour 5 hours total January 10 & 11, 2012

g. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Probationary – Senior Account Clerk

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Susan Kanuika	Senior Account Clerk Business Office	Step 6 - \$50,456 1/17/12 Probationary period to end 7/23/12

h. Appointments – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Cynthia DeLuna	Food Service Worker District	\$9.30 per hour 1/10/12

Vote: 7 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 as listed below:

Case #60179	Case #69375	Case #73640	Case #70032	Case #71748
Case #73275	Case #72298	Case #70748	Case #74185	Case #70369
Case #10056649	Case #59266	Case #59871	Case #55450	Case #10057543
Case #73171	Case #72324	Case #71987	Case #73548	Case #10057525

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

8. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the following policy changes:

4526	Computer Technology
4710	Grading Systems
4710-R	Grading Systems Regulation

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for pre-approval of a trip for the high school boys and girls varsity track teams to attend the Penn Relays scheduled for April 27 through April 28, 2012.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the request for a program entitled, Curious Creatures, to be presented to the Saturday Bring Your Parents to School Program. The cost of the program will be \$580 and will be paid from Title III grant funds.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to accept the following donations:
- High jump standards and crossbar from the Copiague Fire Department.
 - \$197.52 to Deauville Gardens as part of Target's "Take Charge of Education" program.
 - \$670 from Northrop Grumman Corporation to the middle school to provide funding to the new Science Olympiads Program.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mrs. Natoli, seconded by Mr. Newman to accept \$700 from Target Field Trip Grant in support of a field trip for 31 students to the Bronx Zoo in June 2012.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Dropout Summary and Enrollment Report for the Period Ending December 23, 2011

2. Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Leunig announced that 27 music students have been selected to participate in this year's All-County. Mr. Leunig also reported on the State of the State address that Governor Cuomo gave last week. Once again the Governor is broad siding public education. He is proposing a new commission that will devise a viable way to evaluate educators, as he has conceded that the new APPR law is a failure. Finally, Mr. Leunig shared and commented on an editorial featured in Newsday entitled, "*Teacher evaluations frustrate New York.*"

3. Presentation:

John Grillo, JAG Architect, gave a presentation on the 2010-11 Building Condition Survey, which is completed every five years.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

4740-R	Honor Rolls Regulation
4750-R	Promotion and Retention of Students Regulation
4770	Graduation Requirements

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

4771	Early Graduation
4773	Individualized Education Program Diplomas
4800	Miscellaneous Instructional Policies
4810	Teaching About Controversial Issues
4821	School Ceremonies and Observances
4830	Assemblies
4850	Animals in the Schools
5000	Goals for Student Policies
5020	Equal Educational Opportunities
5020.1	Sexual Harassment and Students
5020.1-R	Sexual Harassment and Students Regulation
5020.1-E.1	Sexual Harassment Formal Complaint Form – Students
5020.1-E.2	Sexual Harassment Complaint Appeal Form – Students
8412	Idling Prohibition for Buses and other School Vehicles

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the West Cafeteria of the Middle School. This meeting will be preceded by Board Recognition of Students at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Auditorium. The agenda will include a work session for the development of the 2012/13 school budget.

All schools and offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2012, 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

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. Newman to go into Executive Session to discuss particular persons.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

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

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:26 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk