

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 19, 2012

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

Dr. Kathleen Bannon – Curric. & Inst.

Peter H. Michaelsen – Finance & Operations

Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 11 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Michael Greb, 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 Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of March 7, 2012.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Resignations – Teaching Assistant, Clerk Typist

Motion by Mrs. Gavey, 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>
Samantha	Teaching Assistant	10/19/10 – Present	3/6/12	Personal
Clyde	Susan E. Wiley			

Ms. Clyde wishes to resign the 3.5 hour Teaching Assistant portion of her annual appointment to accept full time building substitute position.

Myrna	Clerk Typist	9/2/10 – Present	3/27/12	Personal
Feliciano	(5 hours/day) Great Neck Road			

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion be Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey to approve the Memoranda of Agreements between the Copiague UFSD and the following units:

- a. Copiague Association of Principals
- b. Copiague Teachers' Association
- c. Copiague Educational Secretaries Association
- d. UPSEU Non-Supervisory Services
- e. CSEA Supervisory Services
- f. CSEA Cafeteria Workers

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey 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>
Brown, Peter	Educational Bus Transport, Attendant	3/20/12
Brown, Aycia	Winter Guard Technician	3/20/12
Cavello, Stephen	College Student Teacher	3/20/12
Harris, Dieon	Educational Bus Transport, Attendant	3/20/12
Holmes IV, Ellis	High School Musical Bass Player	3/20/12
Lanham, Nadra	Educational Bus Transport, Attendant	3/20/12
Loffredo, Mariela	Substitute Nurse	3/20/12
Lyon, Jacqueline	Winter Guard Technician	3/20/12
Pinela, Celia	Substitute Nurse	3/20/12
Ressa, Karenn	College Student Observer	3/20/12
Robinson, Kisha	Educational Bus Transport, Attendant	3/20/12

b. **Appointment – Teaching: Regular Substitute - Elementary**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Vanessa Kittilsen	NYS Initial Certificates: Childhood Education Grades 1-6 eff. 9/1/10 Bilingual Education Extension eff. 2/1/11	Elementary Deauville Gardens	On or about 3/19/12 and terminating on or before 6/30/12 Salary: Step 1 Column MA + 30 \$64,669 (prorated) of the 2011/12 Teachers' Salary Schedule

c. **Appointments – Per Diem Substitute School Nurses**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & Certification</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Celia Pinela	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 8/31/14	\$110 per day 3/20/12
Mariela Loffredo	School Nurse District NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 2/28/14	\$110 per day 3/20/12

d. **Appointment – Extended Day – 2011/12**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
James Travis	Extended Day High School	\$35 per hour 3/8/12

e. Appointment – Annual – Teacher Mentor

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>School</u>
Maritza Winkler	Vanessa Kittilsen	Deauville Gardens

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 \$2,200 annual stipend in addition to 120 hours of professional development credit. Ms. Winkler’s stipend will be prorated.

f. Appointment – Home Tutor

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Karen Coyle	Home Tutor	\$27.50 per hour 3/20/12

g. Appointment – Translator

<u>Name</u>	<u>Language</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Anya Newman	Russian	\$15 per hour

h. Appointment – Annual – Chaperone – 2011/2012 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Cassandra Mayosky	Per Diem Substitute Teacher

i. Appointment – Annual – Part-Time School Nurse (Registered Nurse)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Maria Misiano-Ippolito	School Nurse (Part-time) Deauville Gardens NYS Registered Professional Nurse License through 6/30/14	Step 1 - \$22.94 + \$350 BA differential 4 hours per day 3/20/12 terminating 6/30/12

j. Appointments – High School Musical Play – Ancillary Staff – Spring 2012

<u>Name</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Lisa Leonardi	High School Musical Play	\$350*	Violin
Anthony Cornella	High School Musical Play	\$350*	Guitar
Christopher Hale	High School Musical Play	\$350*	Mallet Percussion
Paul Little	High School Musical Play	\$325*	Violin
Anthony Pomponio	High School Musical Play	\$350*	Low Reeds
Ellis Holmes IV	High School Musical Play	\$350*	Bass

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

k. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Deborah Gillespie	Security Aide District	\$16.25 per hour 3/20/12

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

- Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the resolution authorizing the Superintendent of School to submit a section 211 request to the State Civil Service Commission.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to submit to the State Civil Service Commission the request to employ retiree: Joseph Millan as Director of School Safety and Security under section 211 of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

- 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 #57851	Case #57738	Case #57786	Case #57864	Case #56592
Case #57673	Case #74491	Case #74387		

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

- 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 #71219	Case #72192	Case #66482	Case #74093	Case #61661
Case #73586	Case #66642	Case #72840	Case #71879	Case #73801
Case #10057792	Case #70896	Case #55693	Case #10056920	Case #70734
Case #72449	Case #10057455	Case #60627	Case #66522	

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

- Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the following policy changes:

5200	Cocurricular and Extracurricular Programs
5225	Student Personal Expression

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

- Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Gavey to approve the following Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program Resolution (A) from Eastern Suffolk BOCES:

JOINT MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE BIDDING PROGRAM RESOLUTION (A)

WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

WHEREAS, the Copiague Union Free School District, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the "Participant") is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the "Program") in the areas mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES' standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding the bids, and reporting the results to the Participant.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the request for the high school Varsity Club to travel to the Prudential Center for the Liberty Games on May 19, 2012.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the following resolution to amend the 2011-2012 school budget:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves an increase of \$27,148 to the 2011-2012 budget and whereas these funds will be spent in support of additional technology.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve the following resolution to amend the 2011-2012 school budget:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the district has received a State Records Improvement Grant in the amount of \$15,143; and

WHEREAS, these funds need to be spent in the general fund;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the 2011/2012 budget should be increased by the amount of the grant with revenue from state aid.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to approve a revision to the 2011-2012 School Calendar – If it is not necessary to close school for any reason prior to April 5, school will not be in session on Thursday, April 5 and Friday, May 25, 2012 for instructional staff, administrative staff and non-instructional staff.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Reports of the Claims Auditor – February 2012
 - a. General Fund
 - b. School Lunch Fund
 - c. Federal Fund
2. Treasurer’s Report – February 2012
3. Expenditure, Revenue, and Investment Reports – February 2012
4. Cafeteria Operating Report – February 2012
5. Budget Transfers – February 2012
6. Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Leunig reported on the Legislative Breakfast which took place on Saturday, March 17. It began with a performance by the Madrigal Choir, under the direction of Ms. Occhiogrosso. Next there were presentations given by the AP College Board, Pastor Kirton and MANA, and by Senator Fuschillo and Senator Johnson in recognition of the district receiving the National AP Award. Mrs. Gavey and Mr. Sales gave a great presentation entitled, “Advocating for Copiague and Long Island.”

Mr. Leunig announced that the DECA club came home with 8 top ten gold medals and 2 second place trophies from the State DECA Competition in Rochester. Seventeen of our high school students, along with SOUL club advisor Jaime Suarez, were selected to participate in the Dowling College Long Island Youth Summit. They presented their project entitled, “No Friend Left Behind,” which outlined the SOUL program. The group won *Most Innovative Project Idea*. They were awarded with a school certificate and each student received a \$500 scholarship for Dowling College.

7. School Budget 2012/13 – Work Session

The budget work session included a brief update on the expenditure side of the budget, where Mr. Michaelsen showed a reduction in the deficit of around \$499,000 bringing it under \$1 million. The second part of the presentation focused on the revenue forecast update.

8. Presentation: Mid-Year District Goals Report

Mr. Leunig, Dr. Bannon, Mr. Michaelsen, Mrs. Sheridan, Mr. Andrews and Mr. Harris gave a mid-year report to the Board on the District Goals.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

5252	Student Activities Funds Management
5420	Student Health Services

FIRST POLICY REVIEW

5420.2	Requests for Religious Exemption from Immunization
5420.2-R	Requests for Religious Exemption from Immunization Regulation
5420.2-E.1	Request for Religious Exemption to Immunization Form
5420.2-E.2	Result of Principals Review
5430	Student Psychological Services
5430-E.1	Application for Psychological Services – Grades 6-12 Exhibit
5430-E.2	Authorization to Conduct Individual Evaluation Exhibit
5431	Suicide Prevention

5431-R	Suicide Prevention Regulation
5431-E	Suicide Prevention Exhibit
5440	School Social Worker Services
5450	Student Safety
5450-E	Student Accident Report Exhibit
5450.1	Notification of Release of Convicted Sex Offenders
5450.1-E.1	Notification of Sex Offenders to Staff, Parents & Community Members Exhibit
5450.1-E.2	Notification of Sex Offender to Building Principals Exhibit
5453	Student Bicycle Use
5453-R	Student Bicycle Use Regulation
5454	Student Automobile Use
5454-R	Student Automobile Use Regulation

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received an invitation from the Copiague Youth Leagues inviting them to march in their parade on Saturday, April 14, 2012.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, April 2, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the West Cafeteria of the Middle School. The agenda will include a work session for the development of the 2012/13 school budget.

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 Executive Committee Meeting.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

There was no voice of the people.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Natoli to go into Executive Session to discuss particular persons.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:36 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk