

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

MARCH 14, 2016

PRESENT:

Doris Fischer

Laura Gavey

Michael L. Greb

Rosemary Natoli

Everett E. Newman III

Peter Robinson

Brian J. Sales

Dr. Kathleen Bannon

Superintendent of Schools

Assistant Superintendents:

Peter H. Michaelsen – Finance & Operations

Karen Sheridan – Student Services

Jeanette Altruda – Curr. & Instruction

Christopher Clayton, Esq.

Approximately 17 Residents and Staff Members

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. Brian Sales, 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. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of February 29, 2016.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Resignations – Teaching Assistant/Per Diem Substitute, Per Diem Substitute, Guidance Counselor

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Service in District</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Reason Given</u>
Amy Mello	Teaching Assistant/ Per Diem Substitute Middle School	9/22/16-3/18/16	3/19/16	Personal
Jenny E. Smith	Per Diem Substitute Deauville Gardens East	11/10/15-3/17/16	3/18/16	Personal
Olga Adame	Guidance Counselor High School	9/1/15-Present	6/30/16	Personal

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Declination of Appointment – Co-curricular

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Reason Given</u>
Nicholas	Co-curricular appointment	Personal
Ashley	Winter Guard Advisor Appointed at the Board of Education Meeting of 8/17/15	

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Copiague Teachers Association

Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Copiague Union Free School District and the Copiague Teachers Association.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

5. Motion by Mrs. Gavey, seconded by Mr. Greb 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>
Foell, Diana	Cafeteria Aide	3/15/16
Greene, Jason	Bus Attendant – Educational Bus	3/15/16
Roeill, William	Substitute Custodian	3/15/16
Szabo, Stacy	Substitute Food Service Worker	3/15/16
Urena, Danisia	Substitute Food Service Worker	3/15/16

b. Appointment – Teaching: Regular Substitute – Foreign Language

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Service Area & Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date & Salary</u>
Ana Diers	NYS Initial Certificate Spanish 7-12 eff. 2/27/16	Foreign Language 7-12 High School	3/15/16 and terminating on or about 4/19/16 Salary: Step 1 Column BA \$46,011 (prorated) of the 2015/16 Teachers’ Salary Schedule

c. Appointment – Annual – Chaperone – 2015/16 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Ivette Jaime-Ruiz	Food Service Worker

d. Appointments – Teaching Assistants – 2015/16 School Year

<u>Name</u>	<u>School/Assignment</u>	<u>Salary/Effective Date</u>
Carole-Anne Diamond	Middle School Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.67 per hour 3.5 hours per day 3/15/16 to on or before 6/23/16
Elisa Guzman	Deauville Gardens West Special Education	Step 1 - \$22.67 per hour 3.5 hours per day 3/28/16 to on or before 6/23/16

Ms. Diamond is a certified teacher and, as such, may serve as a per diem substitute. She will receive her current rate of pay for time spent as a teaching assistant, and should she work as a per diem sub, the remainder of the day will be paid at \$100 per day, prorated.

e. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Continuation – Food Service Worker

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment/School</u>	<u>Salary/Effective Date</u>
Tatiana Cipriani	Food Service Worker High School	Step 12 - \$20,536 6 hours per day eff. 3/21/16

f. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Continuation – Cafeteria Aide

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment/School</u>	<u>Salary/Effective Date</u>
Rosemary Capo	Cafeteria Aide Susan E. Wiley	Step 1 - \$13.43 per hour 2.75 hours per day eff. 3/21/16

g. Appointment – Non-Teaching: Probationary – Cafeteria Aide

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment/School</u>	<u>Salary/Effective Date</u>
Diana Foell	Cafeteria Aide Great Neck Road	Step 1 - \$13.43 per hour 2.5 hours per day eff. 3/15/16 Probationary period to end 11/21/16

h. Appointments – Non-Teaching: Substitute Staff

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment & School</u>	<u>Salary & Effective Date</u>
Stacy Szabo	Food Service Worker District	\$9.30 per hour eff. 3/15/16
Danisia Urena	Food Service Worker District	\$9.30 per hour eff. 3/15/16
William Roeill	Custodial Worker District	\$9.43 per hour eff. 3/15/16

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

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

Case #010060016	Case #010060888	Case #010059808	Case #010061127
Case #010061572	Case #010061446	Case #010061468	

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

7. 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 #010057321	Case #000070463	Case #010060813	Case#010056238
Case #59286	Case #74179	Case #010060333	Case #010061048
Case #000072324	Case #72045	Case #70506	Case #010060619
Case #72809	Case #000069691	Case #010059593	Case #000072505
Case #010061548	Case #000073451	Case #000071563	Case #000072849
Case #000073451	Case #000072849	Case #010058393	Case #010058742
Case #010061147	Case #010059926	Case #010058977	Case #10058132
Case #010061282	Case #010058742	Case #010060129	Case #000074391
Case #000068688	Case #010059418	Case #000066998	Case #010058571
Case #010057412	Case #010060757	Case #010058884	Case #000072512
Case #010058258	Case #010056935	Case #000073370	Case #000072512
Case #010056693	Case #010058258		

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for high school Bilingual Social Studies students to travel to Independence Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 8, 2016.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

2. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for a high school student to participate in the Key Club 2016 Leadership Training Conference on March 18-20, 2016 in Albany, New York.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

3. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Fischer to approve the request for a high school student to travel to Buffalo, New York to participate in the New York State All Star Bowling Tournament on March 3-6, 2016.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

4. Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the request for a high school student to participate in the NYSPHSAA Track and Field Championships at Cornell University on March 3-5, 2016.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

5. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the following resolution regarding modifying the hours of the Annual Budget Vote and Election:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT effective with the 2016 Annual Budget Vote and Election to be held on May 17, 2016, the hours to vote shall be modified from the present time span of 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM to a new time span of 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM; and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the District Clerk is directed to take all necessary steps to implement the change in voting hours, including, but not limited to, notification in the Notice of Annual Election and Budget Vote.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

6. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to approve the closing of school for students in the Middle School on April 18, 2016 due to ELA scoring and Math scoring training.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

7. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to approve the revision of the 2015/2016 School Calendar as follows: If it is not necessary to close school for any reason prior to April 25, school will not be in session on Monday, April 25, 2016. This day pertains to the instructional staff and the non-instructional staff.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

8. Motion by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Greb to accept a donation of \$237.78 from Target REDcard SM School Program to the Great Neck Road Elementary School.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

9. Motion by Mr. Greb, seconded by Mr. Newman to accept a donation of \$500 from the Exxon Mobil Education Alliance Program to the Great Neck Road Elementary School

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

REPORTS

1. Dropout Summary and Enrollment Report for the Period Ending February 26, 2016
2. Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Bannon reported that the Community Summit was a huge success. There were around 300 people in attendance and the presentations by the students were outstanding.

Next, Dr. Bannon announced that the following four teams have won the Sportsmanship Award: Middle School Girls Volleyball, Junior Varsity Boys Basketball, Middle School Boys Basketball and Varsity Boys Basketball.

Dr. Bannon and the Board discussed a survey they received from the New York State Education Department. Maureen Donohue-Whitley, District Superintendent of the Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County and BOCES, has announced her retirement. As a result of the upcoming vacancy, the Department is required to commence the statutory process outlined in Article 45 of Education Law. Part of the process is commencing a survey of the Western Suffolk BOCES component school districts as well as districts contiguous to Western Suffolk BOCES. The Board decided on Option 1 – Make no change in the Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County and BOCES.

Finally, Dr. Bannon gave out the NYSSBA Board Achievement Award to Mr. Robinson and the NYSSBA Board Life Achievement Award to Mr. Sales. To be recognized for the Board Achievement Award, an individual must earn at least 75 points and to be recognized for the Board Lifetime Achievement Award, an individual must earn at least 500 points. Members qualify for recognition points by participating in NYSSBA developmental activities, such as the New Member Academy, Board Officers Academy, NYSSBA Annual Convention, legal conferences, regional workshops or district level custom improvement programs.

3. Presentation:

The presentation this evening highlighted the Hip Hop Club.

4. School Budget 2016/2017 – Work Session

The budget work session provided updates on the rest of the cost centers.

SECOND POLICY REVIEW

6900 Disposal of District Property

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2016, 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 2016/17 school budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VOICE OF THE BOARD

The Board thanked Dr. Bannon for a job well done with regards to the Community Summit. Mr. Sales and other Board members reported on the Boards Day at School. Mr. Sales announced that the N-SSBA's Resolution Dinner is scheduled for September 21.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

A resident commented that the Community Summit was great. She also thanked Dr. Bannon and Mrs. Sheridan for coming out to many of the community meetings. She also invited the Board to next year's Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Celebration at her church, Bethel A.M.E. Finally, she asked if she heard correctly during the budget presentation that it cost \$15,000,000 for 169 students to attend BOCES's programs. Mr. Michaelsen confirmed that she heard correctly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Fischer, seconded by Mr. Greb to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation matter(s), personnel matter(s), negotiations, legal advice.

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:23 p.m.

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Vote: 7 yes. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Mary Ellen Ruppert
District Clerk