

Date August 4, 2003 Regular VA Board Room Terry Weiner
Kind of meeting *Where held* *Presiding Officer*

Members present: Bertalan, Glendinning, Mathews
Mauro, Weiner

Members absent: Baker, Hudson

Adm: Baughman, Bourgeois, Macan

I. Mr. Weiner called the Regular Meeting of the Niskayuna Board of Education to order at 7 p.m.

Call to Order

President Weiner acknowledged that the Oath of Office had been administered to Lillian Bertalan and Barbara Mauro, newly elected Board of Education members, within the time limits established in law.

Oath of Office

II. The Board of Education was represented by one or more members at the following: NYSSBA Law Conference. Mrs. Glendinning reported that her son had received a phone call from Darryl Gray, volleyball coach, soliciting members for the boys' volleyball team. She was impressed with the coach's enthusiasm for the sport.

Board Report

III. Superintendent Kevin Baughman reported that he discussed with the Board August 18 as a possible date for an additional Board meeting. It was determined that this meeting was not necessary. The tax rate setting meeting has been moved to August 25 at 8 a.m. because of Board member schedules; this meeting will include a small personnel agenda.

Superintendent Report

The alternate-voting representative as delegate at NYSSBA in Rochester will be J.C. Glendinning.

Dr. Baughman stated that New Teacher Orientation will be held August 18-20. Board members are invited to lunch on Tuesday, August 19, at noon in the VA cafeteria.

The planning session for district goals will be held at the regular Board meeting on September 8. September 15 will be a backup date if additional time is needed.

Dr. Baughman stated that the 50th Anniversary Golf Tournament will be held Monday, August 18, at the Edison Club, beginning at 8 a.m.; proceeds will go towards establishing a scholarship fund for students.

The new format for *Your Schools* was shared with the Board. Dr. Baughman indicated that the new format will be more consistent in format with the new Web site.

He reported that there is a new subdivision of 69 units being built in the Town of Glenville. It is anticipated that during the first phase, 25-30 new homes will be built. The estimated yield of students per house is 1.3.

IV. Mrs. Bertalan moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the actions recommended in the consent agenda of the items listed below as amended:

Approve Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the Regular and Organizational Meetings of July 7

B. that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following personnel actions:

*emergency conditional appointment pending State Education fingerprinting clearance

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1. Instructional Appointments

*Shannon Rogers for a three-year probationary appointment in the elementary tenure area, effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary rate based on step B-2.5-0 of the teachers' salary schedule. Ms. Rogers has provisional NYS certification in Pre-K, K, 1-6.

Instructional Appointments

Rogers

*Carolyn Mayer as part-time (.25) music teacher, effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary based on step M-10-30 of the teachers' salary schedule.

Mayer

Shannon Dessingue as part-time (.7) special education teacher at Iroquois Middle School, effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary rate based on step B-1.48-0 of the teachers' salary schedule.

Dessingue

Nancy Scarselletta as part-time (.4) foreign language teacher at VanAntwerp Middle School (.2) and Iroquois Middle School (.2), effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary rate based on step M-8.2-55.6 of the teachers' salary schedule.

Scarselletta

Helen S. Stori as part-time (.5) special education teacher at Niskayuna High School, effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary rate based on step M-15.31-47.1 of the teachers' salary schedule.

Stori

Susanne Williams as part-time (.5) foreign language teacher at Iroquois Middle School, effective September 1, 2003, at an annual salary based on step M-4.6-42 of the teachers' salary schedule.

Williams

Special Education Summer Program

Name Assignment

Cramer, Grace Speech

Cramer

2. Noninstructional Appointments

Noninstructional Appointments

Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Salary
Campo, Felicia	Instructional Assistant VanAntwerp	9/1/03	Step IA-5, NESPA
Santiago, Migdalia	Executive Sec'y I Student Support Services	7/28/03	per contract
Stone, Michael	Aquatics Coordinator District	8/18/03	Step 1, "A" Schedule NCSDEA
*Tommell, Kelly	Food Service Worker VanAntwerp	9/2/03	Step 1, "B" Schedule NCSDEA
Valero, Karen	Instructional Assistant Rosendale	9/2/03	Step IA-5, NESPA

Campo

Santiago

Stone

Tommell

Valero

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3. Appointment of Approved Staff - These staff have received fingerprint clearance from SED.

Fingerprint Clearance

Part-time Instructional

Name	Assignment	% of Time	Certification Status	Salary Step
Roohan, Marion	Science High School	.75	permanent	M-14-41

Roohan

Other

Name	Assignment
Dorlon, Dana	ESP
Slusarz, Adam	Substitute Food Service Helper
Weiner, Jared	Substitute Teacher
Mazzone, Jennifer	Summer School ESP

Dorlon
Slusarz
Weiner
Mazzone

4. Reappointment of Emergency Conditional Staff - These staff have not yet been cleared by SED.

Reappoint. of Emergency Conditional Staff

Name	Assignment
Barber, Amy	Teacher
McGirr, John	Substitute Teacher
Moore, Judith	Food Service Helper
Pressman, Mary	Substitute ESP
Steadman, Catherine	Substitute Teacher
Stapleton, Linda	Typist
Rohling, Jessica	Tutor

Barber
McGirr
Moore
Pressman
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Stapleton
Rohling

5. Noninstructional Resignation

Noninstructional Resignation

Name	Assignment	Effective Date	Years of Service
Cass, Herbert	School Bus Driver (PT)	5/23/03	27 years
Warner, Lisa	Instructional Assistant	7/21/03	7 months

Cass
Warner

C. . . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, award the 2003-04 Groceries Bid in part per ASM IV C (Attachment #1).

Award Groceries Bid

D. . . . that the Board of Education designate Richard Mathews as Voting Delegate and J. C. Glendinning as Alternate Voting Delegate for the Annual Meeting of the New York State School Boards Association to be held in Rochester, New York, on October 23-26, 2003.

Designate Delegates to NYSSBA Meeting

E. . . . that the Board of Education designate J. C. Glendinning as representative to CDSBA for the 2003-2004 school year.

Designate Glendinning as CDSBA rep.

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F. . . that the Board of Education designate Lillian Bertalan as representative to N-CAP for the 2003-2004 school year.

Designate Bertalan as N-CAP rep.

G. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accept and file the Extra-classroom Activity Fund Report for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, per ASM IV G (Attachment #2).

Accept and File Extra-classroom Activity Fund Report

H. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, review and record the 2003-04 advisor list as amended per ASM IV H (Attachment #3).

Review and Record Advisors

I. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the Board of Education liaison assignments for the 2003-04 school year per ASM IV I (Attachment #4).

Approve BoE Liaison Assignments

J. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint the following individuals to the Committee on Special Education as members or alternate members; including the provision that the psychologist will serve as a standing member of the committee when a student from their respective school is on the CSE agenda.

Appoint Members to the CSE

<u>Member</u>	<u>Role</u>
Dr. Olive Foster	Asst. Administrator/CSE Chairperson
Carol Wall	CSE Chairperson
Dr. Al Loffredo	Physician
Dr. Mary Aiello-Cloutier	Psychologist
Michael Gioia	Psychologist
Dr. Victor Greco	Psychologist
Janell Timmany	Psychologist
Debi Tebano	Parent member
	Child's parents
	Regular Education Teachers
	Special Education Teacher and/or provider (when appropriate)
	Student with Disability (where appropriate, e.g. emancipated minor)

The following people will serve as alternate members of the CSE:

Appoint Alternate Members To CSE

<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Role</u>
John Connolly	Administrator for Student Support Services
Paula Alfeo	Parent Member
Anabela Barbiero	Parent Member
Linda Breault	Parent Member
Laurel Burns	Parent Member
Susan Calarco	Parent Member
Arlene Johnson	Parent Member
Christopher Lindsay	Parent Member
Barbara Litwa	Parent Member
Barbara Mackintosh	Parent Member
Lisa Martinese	Parent Member

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Tom Murphy	Parent Member
Pat Purcell	Parent Member
Patricia Roche	Parent Member
Alfred Temple	Parent Member
Andrew Wisoff	Parent Member

ASM IV J (Attachment #5)

K. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint the following members listed on ASM IV K (Attachment #6) to the Subcommittee of the CSE, in conjunction with changes made to New York State Education Law pursuant to Chapter 82 of the Laws of 1995 regarding the provision of special education programs and services, such subcommittees to make decisions on students placed in programs with and operated by the Niskayuna Central School District only and operated by consensus, and such subcommittee membership shall include the following: the child's special education teacher and/or provider, a regular education teacher, the child's parent, the child with a disability (when appropriate e.g. emancipated minor), a person who is qualified to provide or supervise special education, and the school psychologist (when necessary).

Appoint
Members to
Subcommittees
of the CSE

L. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint the following individuals to the Committee on Preschool Special Education as members:

Appoint CPSE
Members and
Alternate
Members

<u>Member</u>	<u>Role</u>
Dr. Olive Foster	Asst. Administrator/CSE Chairperson
Paula Alfeo	Parent Member
Anabela Barbiero	Parent Member
Linda Breault	Parent Member
Christopher Lindsay	Parent Member
Barbara Mackintosh	Parent Member
Lisa Martinese	Parent Member
Pat Purcell	Parent Member
Alfred Temple	Parent Member
Andrew Wisoff	Parent Member
	Representatives from County Municipality
per individual)	Representatives from Evaluative Agency
meeting requirements)	Child's Parent or Legal Guardian
	Regular Education Teacher
	Special Education Teacher and/or Provider

<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Role</u>
John Connolly	Administrator for Student Support Services

Each student's teacher will be invited to serve as a member when student is being discussed at the CPSE meeting.

ASM IV L (Attachment #7)

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M. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, appoint the following individuals to the Surrogate Parent List for the Committee on Special Education:

Surrogate
Parent
List

Ms. Kirsten Soderling
1529 Keyes Avenue
Niskayuna, NY 12309

Mr. & Mrs. William McPartlon
2446 Jaffrey Street
Schenectady, NY 12309

Mrs. Maria Krause
970 Gloucester Place
Schenectady, NY 12309

Mrs. Nancy Ginsburg
1571 Dean Street
Niskayuna, NY 12309

ASM IV M (Attachment #8)

N. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the continuance of employment of Niskayuna Educational Support Personnel for 2003-04 in accordance with ASM IV N (Attachment #9).

Approve
Continuance
Of Employ-
ment NESP

O. . . that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the substitute rates for the 2003-04 school year for support staff and teachers listed below per ASM IV O (Attachment #10).

Approve
Sub Rates

Mr. Mathews seconded. Carried 5-0.

V. Mrs. Bertalan moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the 2003-04 pool rates for the Niskayuna High School swimming pool. Such rates are subject to change by the Board without notice (Attachment #11). Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0.

Approve
Pool Rates

VI. Mrs. Mauro moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the adoption of *Life Science*, text (Glencoe Company-2002) for use in Grade 7 science (Attachment #12). Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0.

Approve
Science Text

VII. Mrs. Mauro moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve:
1. Adoption of "the Great Body Shop" for health instruction grades 3-5
2. Adoption of the following three videos for use as part of its elementary education program:

Approve
Adoption of
Health Program

- We're Growing Up
- Just Around the Corner-For Boys
- Just Around the Corner-For Girls

(Attachment #13)

Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0.

VIII. Assistant Superintendent for Business Matthew Bourgeois updated the Board on the building projects. The pool is expected to be ready during the first week of September. The fitness center is nearly complete and is also expected to be ready during the first week of September.

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| IX. | Mr. Bourgeois provided an update on the soil contamination issue at the high school. He met with the Department of Environmental Conservation last month. They will allow the district to continue to monitor the site for the next 3-6 months. The situation will be reevaluated at that time. | Soil Contamination Update |
| X. | Mr. Bourgeois reported that the tax rate increase for Niskayuna will be 2.03% instead of 4.51%. The tax rate for the Town of Niskayuna was impacted favorably as a result of better than expected assessment growth. This assessment growth, coupled with equalization rate changes in Clifton Park and Colonie, redistributed the amount of the levy to be raised by each town. | Tax Rate |
| XI. | Mrs. Mauro moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools endorse the attached policy statement and establish the Type A lunch price at \$1.50 for the elementary schools and \$1.60 for the middle schools for the 2003-04 year per ASM VI D (Attachment #14). Mrs. Bertalan seconded. Carried 5-0. | Establish Policy & Type A Lunch Price for Elementary & Middle Schools |
| XII. | Mrs. Glendinning moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, establish the milk price of \$.35 for the 2003-2004 year as per ASM VI E (Attachment #15). Mrs. Bertalan seconded. Carried 5-0. | Establish Milk Price |
| XIII. | Mrs. Glendinning moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, establish the 2003-2004 adult meal prices at \$3.15 (\$2.91 plus \$.24 tax) effective September 1, 2003 per ASM VI F (Attachment #16). Mrs. Bertalan seconded. Carried 5-0. | Establish Adult Meal Price |
| XIV. | Mrs. Mauro moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the Transfer of Funds within the 2002-2003 budget per ASM VI G (Attachment #17). Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0. | Approve Transfer of Funds |
| XV. | Mrs. Bertalan moved, that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the Codes of Conduct as amended for the elementary, middle, and high schools for the 2003-2004 school year (Attachment #18). Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0. | Approve Codes of Conduct |
| XVI. | At 9:02 p.m. Mr. Mathews moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, convene to Executive Session to discuss items related to CSE, 504 and CPSE recommendations, and specific personnel issues. Mrs. Glendinning seconded. Carried 5-0. | Executive Session |
| XVII. | At 10:07 the Board reconvened to Public Session. | Public Session |
| XVIII. | There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 p.m. | Adjourn |