

Members present: Gordon, Hudson, Mauro, Oriola, Members absent: _____
Sosnow, Weiner, Winchester

Admin: Baughman, Bourgeois, Shea Admin Absent: all present

Also: R. Grastorf, J. Rickert, D. Berndt, R. Winkler, E. Jones, R. Panico, ELA Faculty

I. Welcome

Welcome

President Hudson called the Regular Meeting of the Niskayuna Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Reports

Reports

A. Superintendent Baughman: welcomed the public and reminded everyone of the K-5 ELA presentation this evening; Indicated that the NHS Media Center ribbon cutting will be February 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the high school. From the Media Center's "soft opening" last week, students demonstrated excitement. The Center is comfortably climate-controlled 100% by the new geothermal system; The Annual BOCES meeting will be held on April 1 and there will be no charge for attendance; NHS parking lot lighting bid was held today. Light poles will not be received for eight to twelve weeks, but the project is being fast-tracked; NYSPHSAA voted statewide to reduce the playing schedule which will result in a savings of \$12-16,000 from fall through spring; Last week was National School Counselors Week where we recognize and appreciate the assistance counselors provide our students, the community, and staff each day; The Federal Stimulus Package Bill is still developing and it's not yet clear how the money might be divided between K-12 and higher education and any restrictions that may be tied to the aid; We have signed a new five-year lease through BOCES for photocopiers which will save the District approximately \$50,000 annually; the District is now recycling all 'clean' paper to conserve resources.

Superintendent Report

B. The Board was represented by one or more members at the following: Policy Committee meeting; CAPSBA dinner; Jazz Festival; Washington, DC as CAPSBA representative and met with Congressman Paul Tonko and Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand; Audit Committee meeting; NCLB meeting and materials and information were brought back for fellow Board members; boy's modified basketball games; Hillside Boogie Night; Van Antwerp Read-a-Thon, Hillside PTO meeting; "3-D" Art Exhibit opens February 10; NYS Legislative Conference will be held on March 11 and will be offered at no charge.

Board Reports

C. Regina Winkler, K-5 ELA Director, reviewed the K-5 Program with the Board.

K-5 ELA Program Review

III. Community Comments

Community Comments

A. Robert Gardner of Lisha Kill Road, addressed the Board regarding budget limitations.

Gardner

B. Mark Quinn of Mountainwood Drive, addressed the Board regarding his daughters attendance at Tech Valley High School.

Quinn

C. Amber Quinn of Mountainwood Drive, addressed the Board regarding her daughter's attendance at Tech Valley High School.

Quinn

IV. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the actions recommended in the consent agenda of the item(s) listed below:

A. ...minutes of the January 22 and January 26, 2009 Board Meetings per ASM IV, A...

B. ...the following personnel actions per ASM IV, B...

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Recommended Motion: Move that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following personnel actions:

*= emergency conditional appointment pending State Education fingerprint clearance

A. Instructional – Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Malanify, Cheryl	Elem/Glenclyff	9/1/09-6/30/10

Malanify

B. Non-Instructional – Appointment - Probationary

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Yager, Marie	CA/Birchwood	1/27/09	NESPA -CA-Step 6
Martin, Richard	Bus Driver/part time	2/9/09	\$17.47/hr.

Yager
Martin**C. Coach**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Canavan, Kelly	Diving Coach	Winter Sports Program	As per contract

Canavan

D. Appointment of Approved Staff—These staff have received fingerprint clearance from SED

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Boyle, Mark	Substitute Teacher
DeMassio, Kevin	Substitute Teacher
Dudley, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher
Feenan, Tammy	Substitute TA
Fontaine, Christophe	Substitute Teacher
Frank, Susan L. Tvorak	Substitute TA
Glover, Jordan	Substitute Teacher
Gold, Jillian	Substitute TA
Massaroni, Maria	Substitute FSH/CA/TA
McKane, Christine	Substitute Teacher
Nichols, Erica	Substitute Teacher
Pagay, Sue	Substitute Teacher
Petralia, Julie	Substitute TA
Stern, Susan	Substitute RN
Tunny Cheryl	Substitute TA
Wanmer, Katie	Substitute FSH/TA
Warnock, McKenzi	Substitute Teacher
Woods, Nicole	Substitute Teacher

Staff Having
Received NYSED
Fingerprint
Clearance (1/28/08-
2/9/09)**E. Reappointment of Emergency Conditional Staff – 1/28/08 – 2/9/09 These staff have not been cleared by SED**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
Aniolek, Sharon	Substitute Teacher
Arenos, Frieda	Substitute Teacher
Ashline, Joelle	Substitute Teacher
Benson, Mark	Substitute Teacher
Bintz, Jacqueline	Substitute Teacher
Boyer, Paul	Substitute Teacher
Brady, Thomas	Substitute Teacher
Brockmyer, Erica	Substitute Teacher
Campbell, Chase	Substitute Teacher
Cole, Leslie	Substitute Teacher
Cusano, Anna	Substitute Teacher
Dow, Jennifer	Substitute Teacher
DuBois, Julia	Substitute Teacher
Dubreuil, Jill	Substitute Teacher
Emminger, Mary	Substitute Teacher
Flynn, Sharon	Substitute Teacher
Foster, Galen	Substitute Teacher

Staff Awaiting
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Fruscione, Kate	Substitute Teacher
Fusco, Ashley	Substitute Teacher
Fusco, Nicole	Substitute Teacher
Gilbert, Jessica	Substitute Teacher
Gill, Patrick	Substitute Teacher
Goodman, Tavana	Substitute Teacher
Holden, Matthew	Substitute Teacher
Horgan, Patricia	Substitute Teacher
Hughes, Melissa	Substitute Teacher
Hunziker, Joseph	Substitute Teacher
Hutchins, Stephanie	Substitute Teacher
Johnson, Gerald	Substitute Teacher
Klepeis, Pamela	Substitute TA
Kosar, Michael	Substitute Teacher
Kramek, Michael	Substitute Teacher
Langmeyer, Jayne	Substitute Teacher
Larkin, Ruane	Substitute Teacher
LeCours, Elise	Substitute Teacher
Majeed, Aseel	Substitute Teacher
Marino, Amanda	Substitute Teacher
McCraith, Robert	Substitute Teacher
McDonald, Stacey	Substitute Teacher
McLoughlin, Molly	Substitute Teacher
Montalbano, Thomas	Substitute Teacher
Nakhla, Adly	Substitute Teacher
Nosal, John	Substitute Teacher
O'Brien, Pamela	Substitute Teacher
Pelcher, Andrew	Substitute Teacher
Person, George	Substitute Teacher
Piliere, Jesse	Substitute Teacher
Quesnell, David	Substitute Teacher
Rappold, Amanda	Substitute Teacher
Roberts, Ryan	Substitute Teacher
Rourke-Hilt, Anne	Substitute Teacher
Rufer, Julie	Substitute Teacher
Saeed, Namra	Substitute Teacher
Sanchez, Argentina	Substitute Teacher
Saqib, Aali	Substitute Teacher
Sayward, Kelly	Substitute Teacher
Schantz, Eric	Substitute Teacher
Schroeder, GERALYN	Substitute Teacher
Scott, John	Substitute Teacher
Shear, Nicole	Substitute Teacher
Skumurski, Christina	Substitute Teacher
Slagen, Brittany	Substitute Teacher
Smith, Brian	Substitute Teacher
Smith, Daniel	Substitute Teacher
Snover, Christina	Substitute Teacher
Thomas, Ainsley	Substitute Teacher
Tomasone, Danielle	Substitute Teacher
Tower, Pam	Substitute Teacher
Truby, Charles	Substitute Teacher
Vandenbergh, John	Substitute Teacher
Wilkinson, Meghan	Substitute Teacher
Tanatos, Richard	Substitute Teacher
Young, Daniel	Substitute Teacher

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F. Retirement – Non-Instructional

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>
McCormack, Glen	Cust./HS	3/27/09	33+

McCormack

C. ...accept and file Extra Classroom Activity Reports for July-September and October-December 2008 as per ASM IV, C:

Extra-Classroom Activity Reports

D. ...appoint the following individual to the Committee on Special Education (CSE) as a member as per ASM IV, D:

Appoint CSE Member

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>ROLE</u>
Catherine Hillerman	Parent Member

Hillerman

E. ...appoint the following individual to the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) as a member as per ASM IV, E:

Appoint CPSE Member

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>ROLE</u>
Catherine Hillerman	Parent Member

Hillerman

F. ...establish additional petty cash funds in the amount of \$60 for the Iroquois school lunch program for the remainder of the 2008-2009 school year as per ASM IV, F.

Iroquois Petty Cash

Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 7-0.

V. Instruction

Instruction

A. Mrs. Gordon moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the adoption of Gossamer for use at Iroquois and Van Antwerp Middle Schools as per ASM V, A. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 6-0-1 (Winchester).

Approval of Textbook

VI. Business

Business

A. Mrs. Gordon moved that the Board, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accept and file the Treasurer's Report for the months of November and December 2008 as per ASM VI, C. Mrs. Sosnow seconded. Carried 7-0.

Approve Treasurer's Reports

B. The Board reviewed and discussed the 2009-2010 Budget.

Budget Discussion

C. Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, adopt the resolution with all Schenectady County School Districts to participate in a cooperative bid for trash removal covering the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012 as per ASM VI, C. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.

Cooperative Trash Bid

D. Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the transfer of funds for the month of January 2009 as per ASM VI, C. Mrs. Sosnow seconded. Carried 7-0.

Approve Transfer of Funds

E. Mrs. Sosnow summarized and provided the Board with minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held February 5, 2009.

Audit Committee Report Personnel

VII. Personnel

VIII. General

General

IX. Other

Other

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X. Executive Session

Executive Session

Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, convene to Executive Session to discuss items related to CSE, CPSE and 504 Recommendations, specific personnel, contracts and legal matters. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.

XI. The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Adjourn

The meeting reconvened at 10:35 p.m.

Reconvene

XII. Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, authorize the recommendations of the CSE, CPSE and 504 Committee and agreed-upon amendments and approve Executive Session minutes of *January 26, 2009*. Mrs. Sosnow seconded. Carried 7-0.

Authorize
Recommendations

XIII. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Adjourn

