

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

Admin: Baughman, Bourgeois, Shea Admin Absent: _____

Also: J. Carrese, C. Delano, R. Grastorf, B. Hakulin, C. Merriman, B. Peek, J. Rickert, J. Samascott, M. Sherman, A. Victoria,

I. President Sosnow called the Regular Meeting of the Niskayuna Board of Education to order at 7:02 p.m.

Welcome

II. Reports

Reports

A. Superintendent Baughman: reviewed important upcoming dates which included winter recess, next BOE meeting, PTO Council, CAPSBA Legislative Breakfast; shared that the District could potentially save \$120,000 annually on the newly-renovated space at NHS based on informal results of an energy study and grant application through NYSERDA; provided the public with an update on the Glencliff sewer project; provided a partial listing of mandates; shared with everyone that the long-term financing rates for the building project are well below what was projects.

Superintendent Report

B. The Board was represented by one or more members at the following: Health Committee meeting; District Jazz Festival; DOT meeting at Niskayuna Town Hall relating to the "Balltown Road Corridor"; Special Education parent meeting for pre-school parents of children with special needs; three modified girls basketball games; high school parent orientation; "Hoops for Haiti" charity basketball game; "Naviance" computer presentation (see also www.naviance.com); National School Boards Federal Relations Network conference in Washington, DC; Dr. Terry Weiner has accepted a position as the provost of the Sage Colleges effective July 1, 2010 and indicated that he will be resigning from his 20-year post on the Niskayuna School Board after the May 2010 School Board elections (see also: http://www.sage.edu/newsevents/news/?story_id=274888).

Board Reports

C. Jackie Carrese, Science Department Director, along with Catie Merriman, Barbara peek and Christopher Delano, presented the Board with a Science Department Program review. The presenters were supported in full by its district-wide department faculty.

Science Department Program review

III. Comments from the Community

There were no community comments.

Community Comments

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IV. Consent Agenda

Mr. Hudson moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following actions ... Mrs. Mauro seconded. Carried 7-0.

A. ...minutes of the Regular meeting of January 25, 2010 per ASM VI, A...

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

*= emergency conditional appointment pending State Education fingerprint clearance

A. Instructional – Appointment – Permanent Status

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Special Tenure Area</u> | <u>Elementary Academic</u> | <u>Probation</u> | <u>Cert. Status</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | | <u>Period</u> | | | |
| Rockwell, Michael | TA/Iroquois | 2/8/10-2/8/13 | | Pending | NESPA-TA Step 6 |

Consent Agenda

Rockwell

B. Instructional – Appointment – Replacement

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>FTE</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Burgher, Cynthia | Chemistry/HS | approx. 2/9/10-6/25/10 | 1.0 | MA-1 |

Burgher

C. Instructional – Temporary Appointment

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Yager, Jennifer | TA/Rosendale | 2/1/10 – 6/24/10 | NESPA-TA Step 6 |
| Carey-Ruona, Christen | TA/VA | 2/3/10 – 6/24/10 | NESPA-TA Step 6 |

Yager
Carey-Ruona

D. Instructional – Leave of Absence

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Palmer, Allison | TA/Craig | 2/8/10 – 5/28/10 |

Palmer

E. Stipend Position

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Tambasco, Jennifer | VA Drama Club/Co-advisor | 2009-2010 | As per contract |
| Hughes, Anne-Marie | VA Drama Club/Co-advisor | 2009-2010 | As per contract |

Tambasco
Hughes

F. Non-Instructional – Appointment – Part-Time

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> | <u>Salary</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| Mansfield, Thea | School Bus Driver | 1/25/10 | \$16.08 |
| Salzmann, Nancy | School Bus Driver | 1/25/10 | \$16.08 |

Mansfield
Salzmann

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| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Adams, Tiffany | Substitute Teacher |
| Amodeo, Christine | Substitute Teacher |
| Anderson, Vanessa | Substitute Teacher |
| Aumand, Maureen | Substitute Teacher |
| Bartholf, Rebecca | Substitute Teacher |
| Beach, Danielle | Substitute Teacher |
| Bianchetto, Robert | Substitute Teacher |
| Blood, Carol | Substitute TA/Clerical |
| Bruni, Michael | Substitute Teacher |
| Bryer, Heather | Substitute Teacher |
| Burns, Kevin | Substitute Teacher |
| Caddell, Katelyn | Substitute Teacher |
| Caesar, Emily | Substitute Teacher |
| Ciccione, Ashley | Substitute Teacher |
| Comstock, Elizabeth | Substitute Teacher |
| Cox, Ruth | Substitute Teacher |
| Coyle, Meagan | Substitute Teacher |
| Cramer, Nicholas | Substitute Teacher |
| Dalton, John | Substitute Teacher |
| Danahy, Alan | Substitute Teacher |
| DellaRocco, Elizabeth | Substitute Teacher |
| DiDonato, Dennis | Substitute Teacher |
| Dollman, Erik | Substitute Teacher |
| Dowden, Sarah | Substitute Teacher |
| English, Ashley | Substitute Teacher |
| Fallacaro, Anthony | Substitute Teacher Assistant |
| Feeley, Kristin | Substitute Teacher |
| Ferree, Katherine | Substitute Counselor |
| Fifield, Ryan | Substitute Teacher |
| Finch, Katie | Substitute Teacher |
| FitzGibbon, Mary | Substitute Teacher |
| Geddes, Thomas | Substitute Teacher |
| Giordano, Wanda | Substitute Teacher |
| Goldstein, Jessica | Substitute Teacher |
| Haldane, Ronan | Substitute Teacher |
| Hale, Katrina | Substitute Teacher |
| Haskins, Amy | Substitute Teacher |
| Hodgkins, Amanda | Substitute Teacher |
| Hopkins, Megan | Substitute Teacher |
| Horne, Field | Substitute Teacher |
| Hoyt, Lindsey | Substitute Teacher |
| Hummel, Kelly | Substitute Teacher |
| Jeppesen, Jennie | Substitute Teacher |
| Kearney, Melody | Substitute Teacher |
| Kniese, Rachel | Substitute Teacher |
| Kozakiewicz, Elizabeth | Substitute Teacher |
| Lashway, Jennifer | Substitute TA/Clerical |
| LoGiudice, Tiffany | Substitute Teacher |
| Magee, Dallas | Substitute Teacher |
| Malone, Joseph | Substitute Teacher |
| Matarazzo, Alexa | Substitute Teacher |
| McCullough-Miller, Leslie | Substitute Teacher |
| McLaughlin, Colleen | Substitute Teacher |
| Mink, Andrew | Substitute Teacher |
| Murphy, Peter | Substitute Teacher |

Those staff having received NYSED Fingerprint Clearance through 2/8/10

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Muscarella, Kathryn | Substitute Teacher |
| Nelson, Nicole | Substitute Teacher |
| O'Connor, Matthew | Substitute Teacher |
| Patterson, Margaret | Substitute Teacher |
| Peltier, Julie | Substitute Teacher |
| Pidgeon, Stella | Substitute Teacher |
| Pulliam, Sharon Rose | Substitute Teacher |
| Purcell, Sara | Substitute Teacher |
| Quinn, Jennifer | Substitute Teacher Assistant |
| Rockwell, Michael | Teacher Assistant |
| Russell, Stephanie | Substitute Teacher |
| Ryan, Meghan | Substitute Teacher |
| Scherzer, Robert | Substitute Teacher |
| Schiappa, Elizabeth | Substitute Teacher |
| Schiesswohl, Peronelle | Substitute Teacher |
| See, Bee Koon | Substitute Teacher Assistant/Clerical |
| Sidoti, Michelle | Substitute Teacher |
| Smith, Susan | Substitute Teacher |
| Spelman, Angela | Substitute Teacher |
| Stevenson, Erica | Substitute Teacher |
| Tamchin, Olga | Substitute Teacher |
| Tario, Jonathan | Substitute Teacher |
| Tateo, Kristine | Substitute Teacher |
| Thiyagarajan, Meenakshi | Substitute Teacher |
| Upchurch, Karen | Substitute Teacher |
| Urbanski, John | Substitute Teacher |
| Walsh, Julie | Substitute Teacher |
| Weires, Amanda | Substitute Teacher |
| Weissman, Micah | Substitute Teacher |
| Wilkerson, George | Substitute Teacher |
| Wood, Bryan | Substitute Teacher |
| Wood, Candis | Substitute Teacher |
| Zaranko, Vanessa | Substitute Teacher |

Those staff having received NYSED Fingerprint Clearance through 2/8/10 (cont'd)

G. Reappointment of Emergency Conditional Staff – 9/1/09 – 2/8/10 These staff have not been cleared by SED

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Assignment</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Assis, Vanessa | Substitute Teacher |
| Aylward, Mary | Substitute Teacher |
| Battaglia, Danielle | Substitute Teacher Assistant |
| Burger, Linda | Substitute Teacher |
| Cass, Renata | Substitute Teacher |
| DeAprix, Albert | Substitute Teacher |
| Deeb, Stephanie | Substitute Teacher |
| Gigante, Gretchen | Substitute Teacher |
| Henderson, Lisa | Substitute Teacher |
| Jojo, Alicia | Substitute Teacher |
| Montgomery-Rinehart, La | Substitute Teacher |
| Stafford, Christine M. | Substitute TA/Clerical |
| Stockwell, Timothy | Substitute Teacher |

Those staff awaiting NYSED Fingerprint Clearance through 2/8/10

- C. ...adopt the resolution with all Schenectady County School Districts to participate in a cooperative bid for 2010-2011 Swimming Pool Chemicals, Misc. Bus Parts, Toner Cartridges, Filters – HVAC and Duplicating Paper as per ASM IV, C (*Attachment #1*)...

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V. Instruction

Instruction

VI. Business

Business

- A. Mrs. Gordon moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accept and file the treasurer's report for the month of December 2009 as per ASM VI, A. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.
- B. The Board reviewed and discussed calendar adjustments to the Multi-Year budget projections and assumptions.
- C. Mr. Winchester moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the transfer of funds for the month of December 2009 as per ASM VI, C. Mrs. Gordon seconded. Carried 7-0.
- D. Mr. Weiner moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, hold the Public Hearing on the annual budget on May 4, 2010, the budget vote and Board of Education Election on May 18, 2010 as per ASM VI, D (*Attachment #2*). Mr. Hudson seconded. Carried 7-0.

Treasurer's Report

Calendar
Adjustments-
Budget Projections

Transfer of Funds

Resolution-Public
Hearing, Budget
Vote & Elections

VII. Personnel

Personnel

- A. Mrs. Gordon moved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the following staff member for tenure, effective per tenure date listed, conditional upon satisfactory completion of his probationary period as per ASM VII, A. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.

Tenure
Recommendation

| NAME | TENURE DATE | TENURE AREA | SUBJECT | EVALUATOR | CERT. AREA |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|------------|
| PANDOORI, Philip | 3/20/2010 | Music | Music, District | Neubert | Music |

Pandoori

VIII. General

General

IX. Other

Other

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X. 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, specific personnel, contracts and legal matters. Mrs. Oriola seconded. Carried 7-0.

Executive Session

XI. Adjourn & Reconvene

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Adjourn

The meeting reconvened at 10:11 p.m.

Reconvene

XII. Authorize Recommendations

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 25, 2010*. Mrs. Mauro seconded. Carried 7-0.

Authorize
Recommendations

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Adjourn

