

**PROPOSED
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**APPROVED MINUTES
August 19, 2015
REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD OF EDUCATION
of the
SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Held in the Senior High School, Room 11
Conklin, New York, County of Broome**

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:** Mr. Robert Strick
Mrs. Mary Haskell
Mr. Mark Leighton
Mr. Robert Sullivan

MOTION Leighton

SECONDED Haskell

APPROVED 10/21/15

**MEMBERS
ABSENT:** Mr. Ryan Andres
Mr. Jordan Jicha
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent
Dr. Renée Stalma, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities
Mrs. Maureen Kline
Mrs. Jill Rich
Mr. David Daniels
Ms. Lisa Tuttle, Teacher
Mr. Tim Weber, C & S
Ms. Mary Rader, Resident

Mr. Robert Strick, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to accept into record the attendance for the August 19, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1 – No Comments

NEW BUSINESS – Mr. Strick proposed moving the September Board of Education Meeting to Tuesday, September 15, 2015. He will canvas the board members for their availability.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the July financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Doig

Mr. Doig presented a new Susquehanna Valley promotional video which is currently in the final stages and should be complete and ready to roll out in the next two weeks.

Biennial Special Education District Plan – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the Biennial Special Education Plan: September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2017, be reviewed and approved. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Resolutions – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, to approve the following resolutions:

Special Education Recommendations – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education authorize the 4 services recommended on the CSE list dated 7/30/15

Resignations – that the following resignations be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>		<u>Effective Date</u>
Scott Giraud	Teacher	Middle School	8/17/15
Lisa Chavez	Teacher	High School	8/25/15
Natalie Niles	Secretary	Facilities	7/31/15

Instructional Appointments – that the following instructional appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certified</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Tenure Date</u>
Lisa Tuttle	Teacher	Prof. – Child Ed 1-6	\$44,348	9/8/15	9/8/19
Elisha Kelly	Teacher	Initial – FACS	\$42,348	9/8/15	9/8/19

Non-Instructional Appointments – that the following non-instructional appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>		<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Sherri Wilcox	Cook	High School	\$12.53 Per Hour	9/2/15
Amy Tarbox	Computer Lab Aide	Donnelly	\$10.25 Per Hour	9/8/15
Mildred Hawk	Bus Driver	Transportation	\$13.00 Per Hour	8/20/15

Substitute Appointments – that the substitute appointments for the 2015-16 School Year on Schedule A: substitute Teachers and Schedule B: Substitute Support Staff be approved.

Athletic Department Appointments – that the following athletic department appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nathanael Dingman	Head Varsity Girls' Swim & Dive	As Per Contract	2015-16 School Year
Wayne Chidester	Assistant Modified Wrestling	As Per Contract	2015-16 School Year
Matthew Davern	Assistant JV Football	As Per Contract	2015-16 School Year
Eric Lipski			
Nathanael Dingman	Substitute Lifeguard Supervisor		
Daniel Kosick	for Aquatics	\$12.00 Per Hour	8/20/15
Teresa Steflik			
Lorraine Buckley			
Lia Frank	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2015-16 School Year
Hannah Kuhnke	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2015-16 School Year

2015-16 Literacy Leaders – that the following appointments for the following personnel for the 2015-16 school year be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
Amy Cortes	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract
Sharon Wahl	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract
Christine Titus	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract
Erin Foster	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract
Sara Gorton	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract
Margaret Collins	Literacy Leader	As Per Contract

2015-16 Math Leaders – that the following appointments for the following personnel for the 2015-16 school year be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
Cathie Ayres	Math Leader	As Per Contract
Kate Tokos	Math Leader	As Per Contract
Laura Pilotti	Math Leader	As Per Contract
Steve Potter	Math Leader	As Per Contract
Shawn Baldwin	Math Leader	As Per Contract
Marcy Herrick	Math Leader	As Per Contract

Equipment Disposal –hereas, the Susquehanna Valley School District has a number of iMACS and Macbook computers that no longer have value to the district since they are no longer needed for classroom use, let it be resolved that the Board of Education directs the district Purchasing Agent to remove these items. Futhermore, via this resolution the Board of Education authorizes the Purchasing Agent to: first sell the items to the party willing to pay the highest price; second, if these items cannot be sold, to donate them to another public school or charitable organization; and, third, if these items cannot be sold or donated to dispose of them as trash.

Bid Award – that Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve bid SV2015-2016:05 for Special Ed - Regular Transportation for the 2015-2016 school year and that it be awarded to Serafini Transportation Corporation of PO Box 978, Vestal, New York 13850 at a total bid price of \$44.86 for daily one way transportation, and \$89.72 for daily round trip transportation.

Confidential Managerial Increase – that a salary increase of 2.75% plus \$105 for Confidential Managerial Employees for the 2015-16 school year, together with fringe benefits as outlined in the 2015-16 Description of Fringe Benefits be approved.

2015-16 Professional Services Agreement –that the District enter into a contract with Joseph J. Toman, LCSW-R to provide supervision of Licensed Master Social Work at an hourly rate of \$60.00 per hour effective September 9, 2015, through June 24, 2016.

Budget Transfer – that the following budget transfer be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 2250,490-99-400	A 2110,490-99-990	\$35,011.00

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeses)

2015-16 Tax Warrant – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, , that the sum of \$16,291,330 represents the amount needed to balance the 2015-16 budget and that this amount be raised by levying taxes upon the taxable properties of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District, which have been certified by the Board of Assessors of the Towns of Binghamton, Conklin, Kirkwood, Vestal and Windsor, and be it further resolved that the District Clerk of this School District be and is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Assessors of the County of Broome, Binghamton, New York.

WHEREAS: Chapter 73 of the Laws of 1977, amended 1318, subdivision 1 of the Real Property Tax Law:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Education apply \$500,000 to the reduction of the tax levy;

BE IT ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED: To the tax collector of the Susquehanna Valley CSD, Towns of Binghamton, Conklin, Kirkwood, Vestal, and Windsor, County of Broome, New York State, you are hereby commanded:

1. To give notice and start collection on September 1, 2015 in accordance with the provisions of 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.
2. To give notice that the tax collection will end on October 31, 2015.
3. To collect taxes in the total sum of \$16,291,330 in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with the provisions of 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law.
4. To make no changes or alterations in the tax warrant or the attached tax rolls but shall return the same to the Board of Education. The Board may recall its warrant and tax roll for correction of errors or omissions in accordance with the provisions of 553 and 556 of the Real Property Tax Law.
5. To forward by mail to each owner of the real property listed on the tax rolls within 10 days after the start of the collection a statement of taxes due his/her property on press-numbered tax bill forms provided by the school district in accordance with the provisions of 922 of the Real Property Tax Law. To forward by mail, without interest penalties, to the Office of the County Treasurer a detailed tax bill of all state land parcels liable for taxes on the school tax rolls in accordance with provisions of 540 and 544 of the Real Property Tax Law.
6. To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons the sums listed on the attached tax rolls without interest penalties when such sums are paid before the end of the first month of the tax collection

period. To add two percent interest penalties to all taxes collected during the second month of the tax collection and to account for such sums as income due to the school district.

7. To issue receipts in acknowledgement of receipt of payments of taxes and to retain, preserve and file exact copies of all receipts issued as required by 986 of the Real Property Tax Law.
8. To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and if any taxes on the attached tax rolls shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting thereof on forms showing by Town the total assessed valuation, tax rate, the total tax levy, the total amounts remaining uncollected as required by 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.

This warrant is issued and delivered in accordance with 1306 and 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law. It is effective immediately after it is properly signed by a majority of the Board of Education. This warrant shall expire on the date stated above unless a renewal or extension has been endorsed on the face of this warrant in writing in accordance with 1318, subdivision 3 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Resignation – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, that the following resignation be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Tammy Clapper	Bus Driver Transportation	8/17/15

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Non-Instructional Appointment – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, that the following non-instructional appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Margaret Gnad	Teacher Aide Donnelly	As Per Contract	9/8/15

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Long-Term Substitute Instructional Appointment – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the following long-term substitute instructional appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject / Position</u>	<u>Long-Term Assignment</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
Heather Benning	LTS – Elementary	2015-16 School Year (Jill Rich)	As Per Board Policy

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Opioid Overdose Prevention Program – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the Board of Education endorses in concept the adoption of and the participation in an opioid overdose prevention program and directs the Superintendent to develop a draft policy for this program for further review and consideration by the Board of Education.

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

Extension of Probationary Service – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the expiration date for the probationary appointment of Denise Wickham, Director of Athletics, PE & Health/Assistant Principal in the tenure area of School District Leader, is extended from September 24, 2015 to September 24, 2016, and the Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute an agreement confirming the extension of the said probationary period in a form approved by legal counsel for the District.

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeases)

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Stalma

Dr. Stalma reported that professional development work is coming to an end, and that the teachers worked very hard this year. The consolidated grant is complete for this year, and almost all of the hiring is complete.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – None

Tim Weber, C & S Construction, reported that the lockers were to be shipped August 24 and would be installed as soon as they were received. All wall tile and base would be wrapped up by next week. Brookside roofing would be complete by August 27.

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Ms. Rich reported that the Binghamton Elks Club has provided school supplies for Donnelly. Everyone at Donnelly has been busy getting ready for the first day of school.

Mrs. Kline reported that there were new state requirements regarding graduation rates for special education students. The State graduation target rate is 60 percent and we had a 67 percent graduation rate; higher than the target. This past year, we had 8 students that received a Regents diploma, eight students received a local diploma, 2 students received skills and achievement credentials, and 16 students received curriculum development and occupational development credentials. She reported that Mr. Pixley, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Swingle, Mr. Tio and herself were busy reviewing IEP's to ensure that we are in compliance. DCMO BOCES is coming in once a month to help support us with Medicaid.

Mr. Doig stated that Ms. Kline reviews the APPR scores to figure out how our district did; she is the guru in figuring out each building every year.

Mr. Daniels thanked Mr. Schuldt's department in getting the High School in shape. He is excited about all the new teachers starting this year in the High School. Tracy Parker with the Liberty Partnership program is currently doing a promotional video for Liberty Partnership.

Mr. Schuldt stated that his staff has been busy and would like to thank them for all their hard work in getting the buildings ready for the start of the school year. Mr. Sullivan agreed that the buildings looked great!

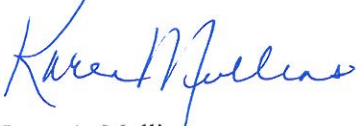
VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – Ms. Mary Rader, resident, came to meet the board members and congratulate Mr. Doig as the new superintendent of schools. She stated that she has heard many good things over the last couple of months and people are happy to have Mr. Doig as the superintendent.

Executive Session – None

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (4 yeses)

There being no further business, Mr. Strick adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk

