

**PROPOSED  
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**APPROVED MINUTES  
January 20, 2016  
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  
Mr. Ryan Andres  
Mr. Jordan Jicha (6:10)  
Mr. Mark Leighton  
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

MOTION Jicha  
SECONDED Vimislik  
APPROVED 2/17/16

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mrs. Mary Haskell  
Mr. Robert Sullivan

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent  
Dr. Renée Stalma, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk  
Mr. Mark Gorgos, Legal Advisor to the Board  
Mrs. Natalie Brubaker, MS Principal  
Mrs. Jill Rich, Donnelly Interim Principal  
Mrs. Erin Eckert, Brookside Principal  
Mr. David Daniels, HS Principal  
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities  
Mr. Gianni Cordisco, SVTA Representative  
Ms. Marcia Guardia, *Country Courier*  
Mr. Wesley Thompson, Labor Relations Specialist  
Ms. Tracy Parker, *Liberty Partnership*  
Ms. Amy Humphrey, *Liberty Partnership*  
29 Students

Mr. Robert Strick, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE** – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, to accept into record the attendance for the January 20, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2015, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

**VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1** – No Comments

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the December financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Doig

**Liberty Partnership Presentation** – Tracy Parker, representative of the Liberty Partnership for over eleven years, spoke on behalf of the program and presented a video regarding Liberty Partnership at Susquehanna Valley and what it does for the students in the program. Tracy explained that the program's mission was to help some students prepare for college while other students use the program to help them get through the day. Amy Humphrey, Director of Liberty Partnership at Binghamton University, stated that Susquehanna Valley, Binghamton, Owego, Union-Endicott and

Windsor participate in this program, which is supported by Title I funds and paid for by a grant. Tracy told the Board that they do a lot of community service, many times partnering with other schools on projects emphasizing the importance on giving back to the community.

**AP Calculus Student Presentation** – Lexi Stettinius, Joe Osgood and Lucas Sutton showed their YouTube video on AP calculus Review. Last semester the three students, along with Christina Waite who wasn't present, took an online Calculus II course offered by Monroe Community College and decided to share what they learned by making review videos and posting them online. Their first video posted 86 views to date.

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

Special Education Recommendations – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education:

- Authorize the **18** services recommended on the CPSE list dated 1/8/16
- Authorize the **4** services recommended on the CSE list dated 12/6/15 – 1/5/16

Resignation – that the following resignation be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Wendy Morgan	Food Service Worker High School	12/16/15

Leave of Absence – that Amy Cortes, Brookside Elementary teacher, be granted a medical leave of absence from January 27 through February 19, 2016, using FMLA.

Non-Instructional Appointment – that the following non-instructional appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Julie Stocks	Food Service Helper Brookside	\$9.00 Per Hour	1/21/15

Instructional Substitute Appointments – that the following instructional substitute appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Cathy Lipski	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	1/21/16
Susan Jones	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	1/21/16

Activity Advisor – that the appointment of paid activity advisor be approved as listed:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name(s)</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Gianni Cordisco	Boys' Volleyball Club Team	\$375.00

Donation – that the Board of Education hereby accept the donation of \$500 from Jack Sherman, Inc. for a scholarship to an outstanding graduating senior at Susquehanna Valley High School. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends its sincere appreciation for this generous donation.

Bid Award – that the following bids be approved:

- Meat and Cheese Bid for the months of January – February, and that it be awarded to the following vendors: Sysco, Ginsberg, Maines, Renzi Brothers, US Foodservice, Lupos, Behlogs.
- Paper Bid for the months of January – August and that it be awarded to the following vendors: Sysco, US Foodservice, Hill & Markes, Maines, Sanico, LJC.

Budget Transfers – that the following budget transfers be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A2110.120-04-201	A2110.121-04-201	\$90,762.00
A2110.120-01-200	A2110.154-05-202	\$6,103.00
A2250.160-01-400	A2110.160-01-200	\$15,000.00
A2250.160-04-400	A2110.160-01-200	\$20,166.00

Tuition Rates – The 2015-16 tuition rates have been determined in accordance with the formula established by Part 174 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education. The Superintendent recommends the rates for 2015-16 be approved as follows:

<u>Grade Level of Pupil</u>	<u>Tuition for Regular Education Pupil</u>	<u>Tuition for Special Ed Pupil</u>
Full Day K-5	\$7,114	\$19,381
Full Day 6-12	\$10,657	\$22,924

Retirements – that the following retirements be approved with much regret:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Don Blenco	Teacher	Middle School	22	6/30/16
Teddi Black	Teacher	Donnelly	29	6/30/16
David Snitchler	Bus Driver	Transportation	16	6/30/16
Gail Gal	Bus Driver	Transportation	36	6/30/16

**Administrative Regulations** – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the following administrative regulations be reviewed. The second reading/adoption of these regulations to be recommended at the February 17, 2016, Board of Education Meeting:

- Revision to Administrative Regulation #7513R, Guidelines for Administering Medication in Schools
- New Administrative Regulation #7521R Opioid Overdose Prevention

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

**Interim Athletic Director/Assistant Principal** – Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, to appoint Donald Gerlach as Interim Athletic Director/Assistant Principal of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District, effective as of January 4, 2016, in accordance with a contract with approved terms between the District and Mr. Gerlach, and the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contract in a form approved by legal counsel to the District.

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

#### **ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** – Dr. Stalma

Dr. Stalma gave an update on the Professional Development Plan stating that the committee was working on the plan for the summer of 2016. They have adopted the initiatives for 2016-17 and proposals will be reviewed by the PDP Committee during the first two weeks in March.

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – None.

**VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS** – Mr. Schuldt, Director of Facilities, reported that Phase I of the Capital Project was complete. He stated that his staff worked hard over the holiday break.

Ms. Rich reported that Donnelly’s Holiday Concert was wonderful and everyone worked very hard. Ms. Rich stated that the High School Peer Leaders came to visit the fifth graders, and that Donnelly had two teams for Odyssey of the Mind.

Mrs. Eckert, Brookside Principal reported that their Fit Kid Program was underway, and that the High School Peer Leaders came to visit the fifth graders.

Mrs. Brubaker, Middle School Principal, welcomed Scott Snyder, new Athletic Director and Middle School Assistant Principal. She stated that Mr. Snyder was getting familiar with the district with the help of Don Gerlach, Interim Athletic Director and Assistant Principal. She stated that the Middle School teachers were learning about computer-based testing, and recently participated in work sessions sharing information regarding iPads.

Mr. Daniels, High School Principal, reported that the High School Drama Club was rehearsing for their production, Little Shop of Horrors, which will take place February 26, 27 and 28. The Dollar for Scholars Phone-a-Thon will be taking place, and since the start of the SV program, will have raised over \$200,000 for SV student scholarships.

Mrs. Kline, Director of Special Services, reported that she and her department are studying online testing. Fifteen students are doing NYS Alternate Assessments. She stated that she met with a state representative to review Medicaid

claims stating that we passed with flying colors, and that she was cleaning up the 2011-12 and 2012-13 Medicaid Cost Reports.

SVTA Representative Gianni Cordisco reported that Stephen Potter, AIS teacher, and Anita Barry, School Social Worker, started a behavior system for Brookside similar to the High School.

**VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – None**

**Executive Session** – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session for personnel reasons. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

At 6:42 p.m. the Board recessed

At 6:48 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

At 8:04 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

There being no further business, Mr. Strick adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins  
School District Clerk