

**PROPOSED
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**APPROVED MINUTES
January 20, 2021
REGULAR MEETING of the BOARD OF EDUCATION
of the
SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Held in the RTS Middle School Cafeteria
Conklin, New York, County of Broome**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Robert Strick (*Video Conference*)
Mr. Jack Bell
Mrs. Mary Haskell
Ms. Kelly Howe
Mr. Mark Leighton
Mr. Ryan Remza
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik (*Video Conference*)

MOTION Vimislik

SECONDED Remza

APPROVED 2/17/21

**MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent
Ms. Natalie Brubaker, Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities
Mr. Shannon Hogan, SVTA Representative

Mr. Robert Strick, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, to accept into record the attendance for the January 20, 2021, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Bell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2020, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1 – No Comments

NEW BUSINESS – No Report

FINANCIAL REPORT – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Remza, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the December financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT –

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

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

- Authorize the 1 service recommended on the CPSE list dated 1/8/21
- Authorize the 5 services recommended on the CSE list dated 12/16/20 – 1/6/21

Retirements – that the following retirements be approved:

Name	Position	Years of Service	Effective Date
Albert Plouffe	Teacher	1991 – 2021 (30)	6/30/21
Gail Markstein	Teacher	1989 – 2021 (32)	6/30/21

Leaves of Absence –

- The Superintendent recommends that Denise Miller, RTS Middle School teacher, be granted an extension to

her leave of absence through the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

- The Superintendent recommends that Michael Ford, RTS Middle School teacher, be granted a personal leave of absence from on or about January 21 through February 17, 2021.

Administrative Substitute Appointment – that the following administrative substitute appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Charles Hutchinson	Substitute Administrator – Certified	As Per Contract	3/6/21

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>
Mary Shaw	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	1/21/21
Mohammad Akram	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	1/21/21
Kaitlyn Stewart	Substitute Teacher – Non Certified	As Per Contract	1/21/21

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>
Colin Staiger	Head Varsity Boys Track & Field	As Per Contract	2020-21 School Year
Gianni Cordisco	Asst. Varsity Boys Track & Field	As Per Contract	2020-21 School Year

Insurance Recovery – Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education does and hereby approves an increase to the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$8,462.00 for insurance recoveries associated with damage to a school bus, and hereby appropriates the amount into the General Fund as follows:

Use: \$8,462.00 to A 5510.400-07-65010 (Transportation Bus Repairs)

Source: \$8,462.00 to A 2680 (Revenues-Insurance Recoveries)

Budget Transfer – that the following budget transfer be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 2110.130-06-203	A 2110.130-06-260	\$14,828.00

Bid Award – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the Geo Preference Bid and that it be awarded to the following vendors:

Russel Farms	Lone Maple Farms	Headwater Food Hub
Slate Foods	Catskill Cattle Company	

Tuition Rates – that the tuition rates for 2020-21 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	\$8,040	\$24,423
Full Day 6-12	\$13,894	\$30,277

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

Retirements – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bell, that the following retirements be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Quentin Taylor	Teacher	1998 – 2021 (23)	6/30/21
Eugene Buckley	Custodian	2011 – 2021 (10)	6/30/21

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

Non-Instructional Substitute Appointments – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe, that the following non-instructional substitutes be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kaitlyn Stewart	Substitute Teacher Aide	As Per Contract	1/21/21
Mark Hunsinger	Substitute Bus Driver	As Per Contract	1/20/21

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

Tenure – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe, that the following tenure be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Edwin Swartwout	Director of Athletics/ Assistant Principal	RTS Middle School	3/16/21

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mrs. Brubaker explained how important it was to pay close attention to the mental health of our students and staff. She stated that she met with each of the buildings before winter break to have them come up with a plan to focus on mental health and wellness for our students. She said that the buildings did not disappoint. They put a lot of work into these and came up with great plans for each building, and have already begun implementing them. Mrs. Brubaker reported that SV is still welcoming Binghamton University interns and field work students into our buildings. She said that this is advantageous for us as they are able to fill in when needed, they are a second set of eyes in the classroom, help monitor our GoGuardian during class, etc. She said that we currently have eleven BU students working with us for the spring semester. The last thing Mrs. Brubaker reported on was the graduation rate data, which was released last week for the 2016 cohort students, which were the students expected to graduate in 2020. She said the data shows our graduation rate at 89 percent, but when you look at the senior class, it shows most of them graduated. She explained that the 2016 population was higher, meaning that we were losing students in their sophomore and junior years. We are working with those families, and have the social workers visiting homes to try and keep those kids in school and from dropping out.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – Mr. Doig reported that the Legislative Breakfast will be on February 5, 2021, and will be held via Zoom.

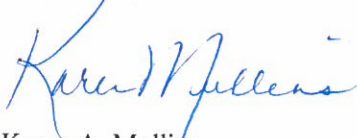
VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Mr. Schuldts reported that his department did extra cleaning over the break. He stated that they also did a NYSEDA energy audit over the break pertaining to a NYSEDA grant.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – None

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Remza, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

There being no further business, Mr. Strick adjourned the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk

