

**PROPOSED
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**APPROVED MINUTES
November 15, 2017
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
Ms. Kelly Howe
Mr. Mark Leighton
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

MOTION

SECONDED

APPROVED

Vimislik
Leighton
12/20/17

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

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent
Ms. Natalie Brubaker, Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive
Mr. Donald Gerlach
Mrs. Jill Rich
Mrs. Maureen Kline
Mr. Ralph Schuldt
Mr. Gianni Cordisco – SVTA Representative
19 Parents/Residents
18 Students

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

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, to accept into record the attendance for the November 15, 2017, 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 October 18, 2017, 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 – No Report

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Elementary iPads – Mrs. Brubaker reported that the presentation is on what the fourth and fifth graders are experiencing with their One-to-One iPad Initiative. She explained that we had one-to-one iPads in grades six through twelve, but now they have been able to move that focus to fourth and fifth grades as well with each student getting their own iPad in the classroom. Mr. Vavra, Mrs. Pilotti, Mr. Porcari and 18 of their students were present at the meeting and showed a video where students interviewed other students on how they use iPads in the classroom.

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

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

- Authorize the 2 services recommended on the CPSE list dated 11/3/17
- Authorize the 27 services recommended on the CSE list dated 10/18 – 11/8/17

Termination – that the following termination be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Casey O'Dell	Custodian Facilities	11/3/17

Resignations – that the following resignations be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Maureen Allen	Teacher Aide Brookside	11/30/17
Henry Bowell	Custodian Facilities	10/20/17

Leaves of Absence – that the following leave of absences be approved:

- That Sharleen Vascello, Director of Transportation, be granted a personal leave of absence on an as need basis from October 19, 2017, until on or about June 30, 2018.
- That Margaret Collins, High School teacher, be granted a medical leave of absence from on or about October 25 through November 3, 2017.
- That Jennie Sherman, Middle School teacher, be granted a personal leave of absence from September 25 to October 6, 2017.

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>
Sherman Brown	Custodian – Night Foreman Middle School	As Per Contract	10/30/17
Charlotte Spencer	Teacher Aide Brookside	As Per Contract	11/16/17
Vincent Cooper	Lifeguard Athletics	\$9.70 Per Hour	11/16/17
Brooke Holmberg	Lifeguard Athletics	\$9.70 Per Hour	11/16/17
Andrew Bendick	Custodian Facilities	As Per Contract	11/20/17

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>
Hannah Merell	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	11/19/17
Kevin Rakas	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	11/16/17
Jessica Washnis	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	11/16/17

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Brook Moelder	Substitute Teacher Aide	\$9.70 Per Hour	11/16/17

Bid Award – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the Meat & Cheese Bid for the months of November – December and that it be awarded to the following vendors: Behlogs, Ginsberg, Lupos, Maines, Renzi, and Sysco.

Budget Transfers – that the following budget transfers be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 1621.200-10-130	A 2855.200-99-264	\$15,873.00
A 2110.130-05-202	A 2110.121-04-201	\$50,990.00
A 2110.120-04-201	A 2110.121-04-201	\$18,245.00
A 2110.142-99-990	A 2110.121-04-201	\$33,765.00
A 1240.150-99-103	A 2020.150-05-202	\$6,916.00

School Policies – 1st Reading – that the following school policy revisions be reviewed:

- School Policy #5640, Smoking/Tobacco Use, be reviewed. Second reading/adoption to be recommended at the December 20, 2017, Board of Education Meeting.
- School Policy #7320, Alcohol, Tobacco, Drugs, and Other Substances, be reviewed. Second reading/adoption to be recommended at the December 20, 2017, Board of Education Meeting.

- School Policy #7520, Accidents and Medical Emergencies, be reviewed. Second reading/adoption to be recommended at the December 20, 2017, Board of Education Meeting.
- School Policy #7670, Due Process Complaints: Selection and Board Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers, be reviewed. Second reading/adoption to be recommended at the December 20, 2017, Board of Education Meeting.

Memorandum of Agreement - The Superintendent recommends the approval of the Memorandum of Agreement By and Between the Susquehanna Valley Central School District and the Susquehanna Valley District Office Managerial/Confidential Employees, allowing for a \$.30 wage adjustment for eligible employees outlined in the MOA with an effective date of December 31, 2017.

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

2018-19 BOCES Services – Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the unit cost methodology is hereby approved for shared services with the Broome-Tioga Board of Cooperative Educational Services for the 2018-19 school year.

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

Professional Services/SEQR Resolution – Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to proceed with Phase V of the Energy Performance Contract being lead by C&S Companies of Syracuse, NY as the Energy Performance Contractor Provider.

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

Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent: Regarding the Energy Project being implemented by C&S Companies, the Susquehanna Valley School Board intends to act as lead agency for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process. Pursuant to this process, based on §617.5 (c)(8): {“*routine access of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings;*”}, the Board deems this project to be a Type II action requiring no further environmental reviews.

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Judy Evans	Bus Monitor Transportation	11/14/17

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

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Mrs. Brubaker thanked the students and staff from Donnelly for the iPad presentation. She said that the students enjoy working with the iPads and the staff underwent professional development this past summer to prepare them in working with the students with the iPads. Mrs. Brubaker reported that in the past month, the district level has been examining the ELA data and how the new standards will be impacting that data. She said that the next shift will be looking at the math data from the prior year and how the new math standards will have an impact and vice versa. She stated that they had their first district level PDP meeting looking at student performance setting some initiatives and looking at where we want to set our professional development needs. She reported that last month two of our social workers, Dan Kosick and Anita Barry, provided youth mental health and first aid training to 14 of our staff members comprised of nurses, administrators and teachers. She said that we were awarded a grant to train Mr. Kosick and Ms. Barry to then train the staff to provide that first level response to students who may be in some mental health crisis. That training will be ongoing as the year proceeds. She reported that the Broome-Tioga BOCES Library Association publishes a newsletter, and on one of the newsletters the RTS Middle School was spotlighted. This past September, the middle school librarian Rita Foran hosted a Girls Who Code program and invited girls who were interested to come in and watch the movie Hidden Figures and spent another portion of the day involved in STEM activities and learning how to code. This was spearheaded by Donna Lupardo’s office, and a representative from her office came and spoke to the girls who attended.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – Mr. Andres reported that on October 20 the first Safety and Crisis Response meeting was held by Mr. Snyder. Several different topics were discussed including all building reports, crisis response, fire and lock down drills, etc. He stated that all in all it was very informative. Mr. Leighton reported that on October 25 several people attended the BOCES Business Meeting with guest speaker Dawn Shannon presenting on ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act). Mrs. Vimislik reported that she attended the Health Consortium Meeting where the new rates for next year were approved.

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Mr. Gerlach reported that on October 25 they sent five Middle School teams to a BOCES Engineering Day for a day of problem solving. With Mr. Rezucha as the team coach, our teams placed first and second out of the fourteen local schools in attendance. On November 2 the Middle School inducted 21 new National Junior Honor Society members with Ms. Sherman and Mr. Holmberg as the advisors. Mathways to the Stars had their wrap up ceremony on November 8 with Ms. Gresko, Mr. Pixley and Ms. Buckley as the advisors. Eight Student Council members went to Vestal for a Regional Leadership Council Day with Mr. Eldakar and Mrs. Hardy. Mr. Kosick, Middle School Social Worker, was the Key Note Speaker for that workshop. The Annual Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Luncheon was very successful with 170 meals served that day.

Mrs. Kline reported that the Special Education Department is in full gear doing the annual reviews and working on the Medicaid Cost Report. She stated that they have also been working with data and submitting the information to the State. Mrs. Kline said that she is doing a lot of observations in the classrooms where it is nice to see the teachers and students firsthand.

Mrs. Rich reported that on October 31 they had their annual Halloween Parade welcoming over 200 extra guests that day in the building for the activities. Donnelly kicked off the PARP program in the beginning of November which will now go through May this year making it a full year push for reading. They welcomed author Kevin Kurtz for the PARP program introducing some of the books that he has written and discussing the process of writing. They recently had students from Binghamton University come in from the Asian Outreach Program. She said that this was very well received by the students and look forward to them returning to Donnelly. Ms. Rich attended the PTA Regional Dinner getting a chance to meet with other PTA members and swap ideas regarding PARP. One of the Donnelly fourth grade classes won the Red Ribbon Contest so they will be celebrating with a pizza party. Math and Movement will be held November 16, the Binghamton Devils hockey team will be visiting on November 20, and the Winter Concert will be on December 7.

Mr. Schuldt mentioned that he has been working with BCK refining the prints for the Capital Project and touring the buildings with engineers. All of the design work is done and submitted to SED for review. He stated that they are hoping for a quick review and approval to get things out to bid early next year. He said that waiting to hear from the State is a frustrating process as it is out of our hands at that point.

Mr. Cordisco reported that Mrs. Butts wanted to remind everyone of the SVTA Craft Fair on November 18. This event helps raise money for two SVTA scholarships each year.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – Mrs. Sandra Ruffo spoke in regards to New York State School Boards Association and a couple of NYSSBA workshops that will be taking place in Binghamton in the upcoming months.

Executive Session – Mrs. Howe made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session to discuss personnel. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

At 6:46 p.m. the Board recessed

At 6:46 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

At 7:27 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, 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 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen A. Mullins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'K'.

Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk

