

**PROPOSED
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APPROVED MINUTES
March 16, 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
Mr. Robert Sullivan
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

MOTION Sullivan
SECONDED Vimislik
APPROVED 5/18/16

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. Mary Haskell
Mr. Mark Leighton

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mrs. Natalie Brubaker, MS Principal
Ms. Jill Rich, Donnelly Principal
Mrs. Erin Eckert, Brookside Principal
Mr. Scott Snyder, MS Asst. Principal/Athletic Director
Mr. Charles Hutchinson, HS Asst. Principal
Mrs. Maureen Kline, Director of CSE
Mr. Jason Luke, Director of Technology
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities
Mr. John Dancesia, Attendance Officer
Ms. Michele Smith, SVESSA Representative
Mr. Gianni Cordisco, SVTA Representative
Ms. Marcia Guardia, *Country Courier*
13 Students

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

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, to accept into record the attendance for the March 16, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2016, 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 – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the February financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Doig

Autism Presentation – Michele Smith, SVESSA President, reported that eight SVESSA members, Shawna Barrett, Michelle Howland, Kathy Jacobs, Michele Reilly, Kim Tingley, Michele Smith, Kim Wasko and Frank Woodward, attended training on Supporting Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The class focused on addressing various methods for recognizing, addressing and helping students to communicate to further their education and how to express themselves in a learning environment. She then showed a video “My Autism and Me”.

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

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

- Authorize the 3 services recommended on the CPSE list dated 3/4/16
- Authorize the 53 services recommended on the CSE list dated 2/10 – 3/4/16

Retirement – that the following retirement be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Stanley Meleski	Bus Driver	Transportation	12	6/30/15

Resignation – that the following resignation be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jason Ogonosky	Custodian	High School

Leaves of Absence –

- That Colleen Squire, Middle School Counselor, be granted a medical leave of absence from on or about May 22, 2016 through May 22, 2017.
- That Peggy Guyette, High School teacher, be granted a medical leave of absence from March 17 through March 27, 2016.

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>
James Kildare	Bus Driver	Transportation	\$12.45 Per Hour
Nicholas Miller	Lifeguard	Pool	\$9.00 Per Hour

SAT Advisors – that Gianni Cordisco and Alexis Jurena be approved to teach SAT review classes for the 2015-16 school year at stipend of \$1,000 each.

Extra Class Stipends – that the following teachers receive a stipend for additional teaching assignments for the 2015-16 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Margaret Guyette	AIS English	\$1250
Matt Strick	AIS Math	\$1250
Debra Merrell	AIS Algebra	\$1250
Carolyn VanAlstyne	AIS Earth Science	\$1250
Lorraine Buckley	AIS Earth Science	\$1250
Sharon Repp	AIS Living Environment	\$1250
Richard Cleary	AIS Living Environment	\$1250
Chad Freije	AIS Global I	\$1250
Norm Cline	AIS Global II	\$1250

Activity Advisors – that the appointed paid activity advisors as listed for the 2015-16 school year be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>2nd Semester</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Laura Pilotti	Family Math Night Coordinator	\$200.00
Beth Bieber	Science Fair Advisor	As Per Contract

Extended Season Coaching Stipends – approved that the following coaches be paid for an extended fall coaching season:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Timeframe</u>	<u>Total</u>
Chad Freije	2 weeks extended season head coach	As Per Contract
Ray Haskell	2 weeks extended season assistant coach	As Per Contract
Ray Lasky	2 weeks extended season head coach	As Per Contract
Rick Pflanz	2 weeks extended season assistant coach	As Per Contract

2016-2017 School Calendar – that the school calendar for 2016-2017 be approved as proposed.

Bid Awards – that the following bid awards be approved:

- RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Food Services, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the Meat & Cheese Bid for the months of March - April and that it be awarded to the following vendors:

Sysco	US Foodservice	Behlogs
Maines	Lupos	Renzi
Ginsberg		

- RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Food Services, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the Chicken Bid for the 2016-17 school year and that it be awarded to Renzi Foods.
- RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Food Services, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the NOI Bid and that it be awarded to the following vendors:

Renzi	Sysco	Nardone's	Peterson Farms
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School Tax Reimbursements – that the following school tax reimbursement be approved:

- Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, following receipt of an executed order from Broome County Supreme Court, dated August 26, 2015, that the tax amount for the 2014-15 tax year be adjusted as follows:

NAME:	Southern Tier Communities, LLC
ADDRESS:	878 Conklin Rd., Conklin, NY 13748
TAX MAP #:	211.05-2-39
ASSESSMENT 2014-2015	Changed from \$297,350 to \$229,000
REFUND:	\$1,813.04
REASON:	Change in Assessment

Be it further resolved, that the 2015-2016 General Fund Budget be increased by \$1,813.04 (A 1964-400.99.104 Refund of Prior Year

Budget Transfer – that the following budget transfers be approved:

From	To	Amount
A2250.490-99-400	A2110.490-99-990	\$31,573.00
A5510.512-07-650	A5540.515-07-650	\$10,926.00

School Policies – 1st Reading –

- That the revision of School Policy #6170, Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires), be reviewed.
- That the new School Policy #7010, Head Lice, be reviewed.

Second reading/adoption to be recommended at the April 18, 2016, Board of Education Meeting.

External Auditing Services– that Ciaschi, Dietershagen, Little, Mickelson & Company, LLP be authorized to provide External Audit Services for the years ending June 30, 2016, through June 30, 2020.

Technology Equipment for the Instructional Technology Service From BT-BOCES – WHEREAS the Instructional Technology Service (557) requires additional technology equipment to the currently available equipment; WHEREAS the Susquehanna Valley Central School District wishes to finance the cost of the additional equipment on a three (3) year installment schedule; the Broome-Tioga BOCES is hereby authorized to expend annually, on behalf of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District and in conjunction with the IT service, funds to acquire the following equipment:

Quantity	Description	Total Cost
130	Apple iPad Air 2	
	Total Purchase Price	\$59,700.00
	Estimated Financing Costs	1,929.72
	TOTAL COSTS	\$61,629.72

Scheduling Annual District Meeting – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the following proposition be placed before the voters for consideration at an Annual meeting of the District to be held on May 17, 2016, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., and the District Clerk is directed to take all necessary steps to arrange for the publishing of the notice of such meeting and all required actions associated therewith:

Shall the Board of Education purchase three (3) 66 passenger buses, each at a cost not to exceed \$117,519.86; and one (1) 72 passenger bus, at a cost not to exceed 120,340.58, and to expend therefore not to exceed \$472,900.16 after trade-in, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, and said sum of \$472,900.16 is hereby approved and appropriated therefore and serial bonds and statutory installment bonds of the District are authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$472,900.16 in anticipation of a tax to be collected in installments as authorized.

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

BOCES Trustee Nomination – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, that the Board of Education has nominated the following individual to fill the office of BOCES Board of Education member: Joseph Burns, Ursula Hambalek, Sandra Ruffo.

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

SVESSA Contract – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the funds for the contract between the District and the Susquehanna Valley Education Support Staff Association (SVESSA) for the school years July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2019.

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

SVTA Contract – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the funds for the contract between the District and the Susquehanna Valley Teachers' Association (SVTA) for the school years July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2019.

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

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Valerie Davailus	Senior Typist District Office	\$11.34 Per Hour	4/4/16

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

Mr. Doig thanked Jason Luke, Director of Technology, and his staff, along with Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities, and his staff for their help in organizing the NYSCATE ConnectEd Technology Conference on Friday, March 11. SV hosted over 800 people from local school districts for this event. Not only did SV host the conference, many of our staff members were presenters. Mr. Doig stated that he has received numerous emails from those that attended praising the job that our employees did. "This was a large undertaking that went off seamlessly, thank you."

Mr. Doig also stated that he has enjoyed the many events that have taken place over the last few weeks. The Drama Club did a great job with their production. The music department has been performing at many different places for Music in Our Schools Month, and most recently at the Oakdale Mall on several different days. All of the performances have been outstanding, and we have received many compliments from the senior citizens that have attended these performances.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – None

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – None.

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Mrs. Rich reported that Donnelly sent two Odyssey of the Mind teams to BOCES with one team taking third place. Laura Pilotti and Kelly Stewart did a fantastic job with these students, Donnelly had a few teachers attend the Positive Behaviors and Interventions and Supports regional forum a few weeks ago where they learned strategies on how to deal with students with challenging behaviors. Last week was the annual Pasta Palooza where almost 300 meals were served; an increase of 100 meals from last year. Band and chorus attended Music in Our Schools at the Oakdale Mall with orchestra going tomorrow. The Donnelly PTA will be putting on Bingo Night this Friday at 6 p.m. along with the Scholastic Book Fair.

Mrs. Brubaker reported that the Middle School also had an Odyssey of the Mind Team that competed. They were advised by Ashley Feltes and Mrs. Howe who did a wonderful job. For the first time this year, the Middle School had a group of 13 students participate in a program called "You Be The Chemist" at Binghamton University. The only other local school participating was Vestal Central Schools. Out of that competition, we were able to send four of our students to the state competition to Tarrytown coming up in mid-April. These students were advised by Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Feltes. Mrs. Brubaker gave accolades to our Music Department where the Middle and High School hosted the BCMEA Festival; hundreds of students participated from districts all around. We also sent our Student Council to Vestal School District to attend the first annual Regional Student Council, which was a great opportunity for our students to meet other Student Council members from around the area. This was also great for the advisors and principals to discuss different ideas. Mrs. Brubaker commended Marcy Herrick and Erin Robertson for presenting at the ConnectEd conference last Friday; they did a great job. She also commended our Technology and Facilities Departments for a great job at that conference. The middle school is getting ready for the state testing coming up; the tests are on their way, so when everyone gets back from break we will quickly be shifting into testing gear. The Middle School is hosting a Fun Night in between the ELA and Math testing to give the students a little break.

Mrs. Eckert reported that on March 10, the teachers had an opportunity to work collaboratively looking at the literacy and math modules. The technology conference was on March 11 and was a great success with a very inspiring key note speaker. Brookside also had two teachers present: Mr. Neuberger and Ms. Sumner. The Brookside Science Fair was last night with over 25 projects displayed, and was facilitated by Mrs. Bieber and was a great success. Brookside's band and chorus attend the Music in Our Schools at the Oakdale Mall today with the orchestra attending tomorrow. Our teachers are preparing for next month's testing.

Mr. Hutchinson reported that the High School Mock Trial Team was going on tonight with hopes that they make it to the finals. The High School Concert will be taking place Thursday night at 7 p.m. The High School is getting ready for AP exams which are approximately five weeks away. The AP exams will be taken at the Bridgewater Church, who are nice enough to let us use their facility. The Drama Production was outstanding this year with wonderful performances by the students.

Mr. Schuldt thanked his staff for their work w the technology conference on March 11. He also thanked Marion Foley and several students for volunteering at this conference. Also, the grounds guys did a great job in getting the fields ready for spring sports and helping the Music Department transporting equipment this month.

Mr. Luke reported that the technology conference was held at Chenango Valley last year with approximately 400 attendees. We were asked to host this year and had about 800 attendees. With SV hosting the conference, we were able to send all of our teaching staff for free. He thanked Mr. Schuldt and his staff for their assistance with the conference as well as the student volunteers.

Mr. Snyder reported that spring sports were off to a good start. He thanked Mr. Schuldt's staff for getting the baseball and softball fields ready as well as the track. There is a large turnout this year for sports with 170 athletes at the high school Level and 100 athletes at the middle school level.

Mrs. Kline reported that last week was a busy week for professional development. We had 20 of our teachers and administrators attend Restorative Relationships for Students that Displaying Challenging Behavior. On March 10, we had NYSUT present to our aides and monitors on how to create a positive learning environment.

Mr. Cordisco reported on the Brookside Science Fair with 76 students, eight teachers and 11 judges involved.

Michele Smith reported that for the Superintendent's Conference Day last Friday, the food service department had training on fire safety. It was very informative and they all learned a lot. She thanked John Dancesia for his role with the training and stated that he did an excellent job.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – None

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

At 6:46 p.m. the Board recessed
At 7:05 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session
At 7:45 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Sullivan 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 7:49 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