

**PROPOSED  
MINUTES  
of the**

**APPROVED MINUTES  
May 19, 2021  
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** Mr. Robert Strick  
**PRESENT:** Mr. Jack Bell  
Mrs. Mary Haskell  
Ms. Kelly Howe  
Mr. Mark Leighton  
Mr. Ryan Remza  
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

MOTION

SECONDED

APPROVED

*Vimislik*  
*2/16/21*  
*6/16/21*

**MEMBERS  
ABSENT:**

**ALSO** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent  
**PRESENT:** Ms. Natalie Brubaker, Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk  
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive  
Mr. Ralph Schuldt  
Ms. Shannon Hogan, SVTA Representative  
Ms. Kerry Bullock  
Ms. Shannon Gollette  
Ms. Heather Pufky

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

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE** – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bell, to accept into record the attendance for the May 19, 2021 unanimously. (7 yeses)

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

**NEW BUSINESS** – None

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Mr. Bell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Remza, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the April financial reports.

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

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** –

Mr. Doig reported that the July Reorganizational Meeting would be held on Wednesday, July 14, at 6 p.m. Mrs. Vimislik will not be able to attend that meeting.

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

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

- Authorize the 15 services recommended on the CPSE list dated 4/30 – 5/7/21
- Authorize the 59 services recommended on the CSE list dated 4/14 – 5/5/21

Resignations – that the following resignations be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position/Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Erin Foster	Teacher	Brookside
John Potter	Laborer	Facilities
		6/30/21
		3/1/21

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>
Zachary Cook	Teacher	Initial – PE	As Per Contract	9/7/21	9/7/25
Marjorie DePersis	Teacher	Emergency COVID – Child Ed 1-6	As Per Contract	6/1/21	6/1/25
Zachary Cook	Teacher	Initial – PE	As Per Contract	9/7/21	9/7/25

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>
Justin Tripp	Cleaner Facilities	As Per Contract	5/3/21

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>
Zachary Cook	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	6/1/21
Jacob Kabat	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	5/20/21

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>
Margaret Gnad	Substitute Typist	As Per Contract	5/20/21

Athletic Department Substitute Appointment – that the following athletic department substitute appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Courtney Marris	Substitute Pool Supervisor	As Per Contract	5/20/21

Summer School Appointments – that the following summer school appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Richard Brice	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Michael Ford	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Lauren Gagnon	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Shirley Goodman	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Rachel Heslin	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Terri Howard	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Breanna Ryder	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Jennie Sherman	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Jessica Wright	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Ashley Zietz	Summer School Teacher	Per Diem Hourly Rate of Pay	7/1/21
Norman Cline	Summer School Teacher	Certified Substitute Per Diem	7/1/21
James Guth	Summer School Teacher	Certified Substitute Per Diem	7/1/21

2020-21 Advisor Appointments – that the following activity advisors be approved for the 2020-21 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Diana Angeline	Senior Class	As Per Contract
Gianni Cordisco	Senior Class	As Per Contract
Mickey Rader	Yearbook	As Per Contract
Karen Lyke	Yearbook	As Per Contract

Bid Awards – that the following bid awards be approved:

- RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District participate in Cooperative bidding for the following bids with other school districts in New York State:
  - Grocery– once per school year (2021-2022)
  - Paper Products – twice per school year – (8/2021– 11/2021) – (12/2021– 8/2022)
  - Meat/Cheese/Dairy – every two months (5 times per school year)
    - May 2021 for August 2021– October 2021
    - September 2021 for November 2021– December 2021
    - November 2021 for January 2022– February 2022

- January 2022 for March 2022– April 2022
- March 2022 for May 2022- August 2022
- Processing of U.S.D.A. Commodities (Net Off Invoice) – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Milk & Milk Products/Ice Cream & Other Frozen Desserts – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Bread & Bread Products – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Smart Snack Bid – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Small Wares – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Geographical Fruit/Vegetable – once per school year – (2021-2022)
- Breakfast Bagged Meals – once per school year (2021-2022)
- Chicken Products – once per school year (2021-2022)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Andrea Hudock, Director of Food Services, Broome Tioga BOCES, or Designee be designated to receive and open said bids and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids

Student Health Services –

- that payment of a \$1260.40 invoice be approved for providing health services to two (2) Susquehanna Valley resident students (\$630.20 each) attending non-public schools at Vestal Central School District during the 2020-21 school year.
- that payment of a \$428.99 invoice be approved for providing health services to one (1) Susquehanna Valley resident students (\$428.99 each) attending non-public schools at Chenango Forks Central School District during the 2020-21 school year.

Electrical Services T&M – 2021-22:30 Extension #2 – that the Board of Education does and hereby approve the contract extension #2 for Electrical Services T&M to, Schuler-Haas Electric Corp., 701 Azon Rd., Suite 203E, Johnson City, NY 13790.

HVAC Services T&M Extension #3 for School Year 2021-22 – that the Board of Education does and hereby approve the contract extension #3 for HVAC Services T&M to Air Temp Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc., 1165 Front Street, Binghamton, NY 13905.

Special Summer Transportation – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve bid SV2021-2022:01A for Special Summer Transportation and that it be awarded to Serafini Transportation Corporation of PO Box 2065, Binghamton, New York 13902 at a total bid price of \$59.21 for daily one way transportation, and \$118.42 for daily round trip transportation.

Special School Year Transportation – that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve bid SV2021-2022:01B for Special School Year Transportation for the 2021-2022 school year and that it be awarded to Serafini Transportation Corporation of PO Box 2065, Binghamton, New York 13902 at a total bid price of \$59.21 for daily one way transportation, and \$118.42 for daily round trip transportation.

Budget Transfers – that the following budget transfers be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 2110.120-04-860	A 2110.120-04-201	\$52,153.00
A 2110.121-01-861	A 2110.121-01-200	\$72,485.00
A 2110.121-04-861	A 2110.121-04-201	\$76,793.00
A 2110.130-05-861	A 2110.130-05-202	\$74,095.00
A 2110.130-06-861	A 2110.130-06-203	\$42,942.00
A 2110.130-06-861	A 2110.130-06-260	\$41,411.00
A 9060.800-99-700	A 9060.800-99-703	\$390,000.00
A 9040.800-99-700	A 9080.800-99-700	\$118,000.00
A 9030.800-99-700	A 9080.800-99-700	\$42,000.00
A 2110.142-99-990	A 2110.140-99-990	\$76,000.00
A 2110.130-05-202	A 2110.140-99-990	\$24,000.00
A 1670.490-99-141	A 1621.420-10-130	\$160,000.00
A 1620.432-10-130	A 1621.420-10-130	\$113,000.00
A 1620.431-10-130	A 1620.450-10-130	\$40,000.00



2021-22 Professional Service Agreements – that the following professional service agreements be approved as proposed.

- Recommendation that a professional service agreement with Children's Home of Wyoming Conference, be approved for LEA's allocation of the ASEP's share of federal IDEA Flow-Through Funds and the ASEP's expenditure and record keeping obligations with respect to said funds, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
  - Recommendation that a professional service agreement with the Binghamton University Children's Unit for Treatment and Evaluation, ASEP's expenditure and record keeping obligations with respect to said funds, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
  - Recommendation that a professional service agreement with David Glaser d/b/a/Southern Tier Hearing Services be approved for audiology services at an hourly rate of \$85.00, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
  - Recommendation that the District enter into a contract with G & E Therapies, duly certified, licensed and insured physical therapist in New York State for physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and psychological services at \$65.00 per hour effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
  - Recommendation that a professional service agreement with Family Enrichment Network, Inc. be approved for LEA's allocation of the ASEP's share of federal IDEA Flow-Through Funds and the ASEP's expenditure and record keeping obligations with respect to said funds, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.
- Recommendation that a professional service agreement with Handicapped Children's Association of Southern NY be approved for LEA's allocation of the ASEP's share of federal IDEA Flow-Through Funds and the ASEP's expenditure and record keeping obligations with respect to said funds, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

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

**Appointment Business Executive** – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that Ethan Berry be appointed to the position of Business Executive of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District effective July 1, 2021, in accordance with a contract with approved terms between the District and Mr. Berry, 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. (7 yeses)

**Appointment Senior High School Principal** – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bell, that that Sydelle Steward be appointed to the position of Principal, current assignment at the Senior High School, effective May 20, 2021, with a salary as per contract, with a four-year probationary period, and is eligible for tenure May 20, 2025.

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

**Instructional Appointment** – Mr. Bell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the following instructional appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certified</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Tenure Date</u>
Robert Johnson	Teacher	Permanent – <i>Music</i>	As Per Contract	9/7/21	9/7/25

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

**Distinguished Service Award** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe, that Jim Apicella and Gail Markstein be awarded a 2020-2021 Distinguished Service Award, and that Mary Haskell also be awarded Susquehanna Valley's 2020-2021 Distinguished Service Award.

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

**Certifying Annual Meeting Election** – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe, that the resolution showing tabulation of votes cast and declaration of the results of the ballot at the annual meeting and election of Susquehanna Valley Central School District on May 18, 2021, be approved:

WHEREAS, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Education of Susquehanna Valley Central School District, County of Broome, New York, duly adopted on April 19, 2021, the Annual Meeting and Election was duly called and held on May 18, 2021, for the purpose of voting on the budget and for three (3) members of the Board of Education as set forth in the Notice calling the Annual Meeting and Election;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,  
COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. It is hereby determined that the Annual Meeting and Election held in this School District on May 19, 2021 was held in all respects in the manner prescribed by the Education Law of the State of New York.

Section 2. The Statement of Inspectors of Election has been presented to the Board of Education of said School District and said Board has examined said Certificate and tabulated it.

Section 3. This Board has this day canvassed the returns contained in such Certificate of the Inspectors of Election and HEREBY DETERMINES the number of votes cast "for" and "against" the budget to be as follows:

**RE: 2021-2022 BUDGET**

MACHINE TOTAL FOR:	254
MACHINE TOTAL AGAINST:	46

**ABSENTEE**

FOR:	3
AGAINST:	1

TOTAL FOR:	257
TOTAL AGAINST:	47

Section 4. It is HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that the budget was passed by a majority of votes cast and is hereby declared to be adopted.

Section 5. This Board has this day canvassed the returns as contained in such Certificate of the Inspectors of Election and HEREBY DETERMINES that the number of votes cast for the respective candidates is as follows:

	<u>Machine Total Votes</u>
ROBERT STRICK	253
JACK BELL	289
MARK LEIGHTON	251
WRITE-INS	4

**ABSENTEE**

	<u>Total Votes</u>
ROBERT STRICK	2
JACK BELL	2
MARK LEIGHTON	2
WRITE-INS	0

That the total number of ballots cast for each of the candidates is as follows:

	<u>Total Votes</u>
ROBERT STRICK	255
JACK BELL	291
MARK LEIGHTON	253
WRITE-INS	4

Section 6. It is HEREBY DETERMINED that ROBERT STRICK, JACK BELL and MARK LEIGHTON were elected as members of the Board of Education for a full term of three (3) years, commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2023.

Section 7. This Board has this day canvassed the returns contained in such Certificate of Inspectors of Election and HEREBY DETERMINES the number of votes cast "for" and "against" the Bus Proposition to be as follows:

**RE: BUS PROPOSITION**

MACHINE TOTAL FOR:	250
MACHINE TOTAL AGAINST:	50

**ABSENTEE**

FOR:	4
AGAINST:	0

TOTAL FOR:	254
TOTAL AGAINST:	54



Section 8. It is HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that the bus proposition was passed by a majority of votes cast and is hereby declared to be adopted.

Section 9. As evidence of the several determinations hereinabove made, pursuant to Section 2034 of the Education Law of the State of New York, this Board has adopted this resolution.

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

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mrs. Brubaker reported on the Harvard and National Center for Rural Education Research Network project which was a pilot for absenteeism reduction. She stated that we held our Pre-K, BK and Kindergarten orientations the past two weeks via Zoom with good attendance, and posted the information on our website. We are in the process of doing in-person screenings for BK that we weren't able to do last year. She said that letters have been sent out regarding UPK to the four community based organizations, and they have until June 15 to respond if they are interested in partnering with us to use those funds. If no one responds, we will apply to the state for a waiver. Mrs. Brubaker said that last week she got to sit in on the Bi-Literacy Seal presentations that we have been doing for approximately three years. This is where students who have English as their first language demonstrate proficiency in a second language, which allows them to receive a credential on their diploma to say that they are biliterate. This year we had a student whose first language was Spanish and he demonstrated his proficiency in English. Lastly, she stated that the district-wide remote learning numbers are currently about ten percent. Elementary is at 4 percent and grades 7-12 are 18 percent.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – None

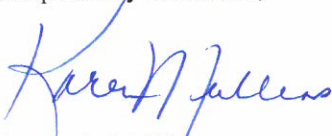
**VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS** – Mr. Schuldt, Director of Facilities, thanked his staff for all their hard work in making the buildings and grounds look great. He congratulated the three incumbent board members on their reappointments, and thanked the board for their service. Mr. Schuldt also thanked John Dancesia and Karen Mullins for their work on the budget vote/election.

**VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2** – None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bell, 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 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins  
School District Clerk