

**PROPOSED
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**APPROVED MINUTES
AUGUST 13, 2014
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. Rusty Storm
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik
Mr. Joseph Walker
Mr. Jordan Jicha

MOTION

SECONDED

APPROVED

Walker
Vimislik
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MEMBERS Mrs. Mary Haskell
ABSENT: Mr. Robert Sullivan

ALSO Mr. Gerardo Tagliaferri, Superintendent
PRESENT: Dr. Renée Stalma, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Mark Gorgos, Legal Advisor to the Board
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of School Facilities
Ms. Erin Eckert, Donnelly Principal
Mr. Michael Genute, DCMO BOCES Labor Relations

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

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha to accept into record the attendance for the August 13, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2014, Reorganizational Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

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

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1 – No Comments

NEW BUSINESS – No Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Tagliaferri

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

Retirement – that the following retirement be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Jude Park	Bus Driver	Transportation	24	8/31/14

Instructional Appointment – 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>
Carolyn VanAlstyne	Teacher	Initial – <i>Earth Science 7-12</i>	\$44,348	9/2/14	9/2/17

Non-Instructional Appointments – that the following non-instructional appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Joan Lucress	Secretary - <i>Permanent</i>	District Office	\$14.83 Per Hour	7/22/14
Kristy Hill	Secretary - <i>Permanent</i>	AD/AP MS	\$14.83 Per Hour	7/22/14
Donna Miele	Secretary - <i>Permanent</i>	Donnelly	\$14.83 Per Hour	8/12/14
Natalie Niles	Secretary – <i>Second Provisional</i>	Facilities	\$14.83 Per Hour	8/12/14
Melissa Karpiak	Computer Lab Aide	Donnelly	\$8.18 Per Hour	9/2/14
Larry Kozak	Bus Driver	Transportation	\$10.29 Per Hour	9/4/14
Anthony Marascia	Bus Driver	Transportation	\$10.29 Per Hour	9/4/14

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>
Erin Robertson	Assistant JV Cheerleading	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Tori Zurn	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Megan Labosky	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Marisa Fiorentino	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Kaitlyn Petryszyn	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Amy Storti	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Kashawn Stroman	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Jonathan Schultze	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Tyler Miller	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year
Maura Hanrahan	Lifeguard	\$8.00 Per Hour	2014-15 School Year

Long-Term Substitute Instructional Appointment – that the following long-term substitute instructional appointment be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Subject / Position</u>	<u>Long-Term Assignment</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>
Jennifer Johnson	LTS – Special Education	9/2/14 – 1/16/15 (Mark Glazer)	As Per Board Policy

Substitute Appointments – that the substitute appointments for the 2013-14 School Year on Schedule A: substitute Teachers and Schedule B: Substitute Support Staff be approved.

Tenure – that the following personnel be granted tenure:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Sydelle Steward	Chemistry	High School	11/17/14

BOCES Claim Auditor – that Joan Lucress be approved the auditor of BOCES claims at an annual stipend of \$200 during the 2014-15 school year.

Transitional Work Duties – that Karen Mullins be approved to receive a one-time stipend in the amount of \$440 as compensation for her transitional work duties in preparation for assumption of the District Clerk position.

Food Service Bids – that it be RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Food Services, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education approve the Snack Bid for the 2014-15 school year and that it be awarded to the following vendors:

Sysco, Renzi, US Food Service, Ginsberg, Maines

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

2014-15 Tax Warrant – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, that it be RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the sum of \$16,012,298 represents the amount needed to balance the 2014-15 budget and that this amount be raised by levying taxes upon the taxable properties of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District, which have been certified by the Board of Assessors of the Towns of Binghamton, Conklin, Kirkwood, Vestal and Windsor, and be it further resolved that the District Clerk of this School District be and is hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Assessors of the County of Broome, Binghamton, New York.

2014-15 Tax Warrant – that WHEREAS: Chapter 73 of the Laws of 1977, amended 1318, subdivision 1 of the Real Property Tax Law:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Education apply \$750,000 to the reduction of the tax levy;

BE IT ADDITIONALLY RESOLVED: To the tax collector of the Susquehanna Valley CSD, Towns of Binghamton, Conklin, Kirkwood, Vestal, and Windsor, County of Broome, New York State, you are hereby commanded:

1. To give notice and start collection on September 2, 2014 in accordance with the provisions of 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.
2. To give notice that the tax collection will end on November 3, 2014. To collect taxes in the total sum of \$16,012,298 in the same manner that collectors are authorized to collect town and county taxes in accordance with the provisions of 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law.
3. To make no changes or alterations in the tax warrant or the attached tax rolls but shall return the same to the Board of Education. The Board may recall its warrant and tax roll for correction of errors or omissions in accordance with the provisions of 553 and 556 of the Real Property Tax Law.
4. To forward by mail to each owner of the real property listed on the tax rolls within 10 days after the start of the collection a statement of taxes due his/her property on press-numbered tax bill forms provided by the school district in accordance with the provisions of 922 of the Real Property Tax Law. To forward by mail, without interest penalties, to the Office of the County Treasurer a detailed tax bill of all state land parcels liable for taxes on the school tax rolls in accordance with provisions of 540 and 544 of the Real Property Tax Law.
5. To receive from each of the taxable corporations and natural persons the sums listed on the attached tax rolls without interest penalties when such sums are paid before the end of the first month of the tax collection period. To add two percent interest penalties to all taxes collected during the second month of the tax collection and to account for such sums as income due to the school district.
6. To issue receipts in acknowledgement of receipt of payments of taxes and to retain, preserve and file exact copies of all receipts issued as required by 986 of the Real Property Tax Law.
7. To promptly return the warrant at its expiration and if any taxes on the attached tax rolls shall be unpaid at that time, deliver an accounting thereof on forms showing by Town the total assessed valuation, tax rate, the total tax levy, the total amounts remaining uncollected as required by 1330 of the Real Property Tax Law.
8. This warrant is issued and delivered in accordance with 1306 and 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law. It is effective immediately after it is properly signed by a majority of the Board of Education. This warrant shall expire on the date stated above unless a renewal or extension has been endorsed on the face of this warrant in writing in accordance with 1318, subdivision 3 of the Real Property Tax Law.

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

Energy Performance Provider – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, to continue C&S Companies of Syracuse, NY as the Energy Performance Contractor Provider for the Susquehanna Valley School District for future energy performance project(s).

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

SEQRA Determination – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, to approve the following SEQRA Determination:

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 yeses)

Area 4 Director Nomination – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education endorse the candidacy of Sandra Ruffo as Area 4 Director of The NYS School Boards Association for a two year term effective January 1, 2015:

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

Revenue Recognition Period – Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Storm, that Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, following a recommendation from the Central Business Office, that the revenue recognition period for financial accounting reporting purposes be changed from 60 days to 90 days. This change will be effective for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. However, it will not apply to the September BOCES aid payments.

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

Athletic Department Appointments – Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, to approve the following athletic department appointments:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Nathanael Dingman	Co-Head Varsity Girls' Swim & Dive	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Teresa Steflik	Co-Head Varsity Girls' Swim & Dive	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Debra Hartley	Assistant Modified Girls' Swim & Dive	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year

Upon poll vote the motion was approved. (4 yeses, 1 abstain) (Storm, abstain; Strick, yes; Walker, yes; Jicha, yes; Vimislik, yes)

Information – If necessary, there will be a Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on August 27 at 6:00 pm. The Board tours of the buildings have been scheduled: Donnelly on August 25; Brookside on August 26; and the Middle and High Schools on August 27. The Board of Education picture will be taken at the August 27 meeting. The Facilities Advisory Committee met on July 28 wrapping up the 2008 Capital Improvement Project, discussing the design aspects of the 2013 Capital Project and are awaiting SED approval for possible November bids. The APPR Plan was submitted to SED and is awaiting approval. The Audit Committee will meet on August 20 at 6 p.m. A reminder to the Board of Education that they are invited to attend the Superintendent's Conference Days on September 2 and 3.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Stalma

Dr. Stalma is continuing to review the professional development plans that have been submitted. She has been busy hiring personnel, and is working on the Consolidated Title I and Title II Grants. The district had 28 teachers attend the Eric Jensen Workshop -Teaching with Poverty in Mind.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – No Report

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS –Mrs. Eckert reported that they are busy getting the building ready for the opening of school, and are dispersing supplies and books to classrooms.

Mr. Schuldt reported that his staff is turning the buildings “inside out and upside down” preparing for the opening of school.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – No Comments

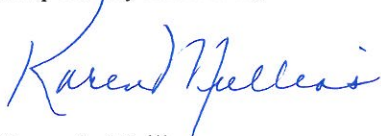
Executive Session – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session to discuss negotiations and a specific personnel matter. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeses)

At 6:33 p.m. the Board recessed
At 6:41 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session
At 9:31 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mrs. Vimislik 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 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk