

**PROPOSED
MINUTES
of the**

APPROVED MINUTES
August 17, 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. Jordan Jicha
Mr. Ryan Andres
Mr. Mark Leighton
Mr. Robert Sullivan

MOTION Leighton
SECONDED Sullivan
APPROVED 9/21/16

**MEMBERS
ABSENT:** Mrs. Mary Haskell
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent
Dr. Renée Stalma, Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive
Mrs. Natalie Brubaker, MS Principal
Mr. David Daniels, HS Principal
Mr. Ralph Schuldt, Director of Facilities
Ms. Marcia Guardia, *Country Courier*

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

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to accept into record the attendance for the August 17, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2016, Reorganizational Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2016, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1 – No Comments

NEW BUSINESS – No Report

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

Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the July financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (5 yeases)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Doig reported that he recently met with C & S Companies, MATCO Electric and Mr. Schuldt to discuss the current auditorium project. He stated that we were currently ahead of schedule on the work and it looks as though they will remain ahead of schedule throughout the summer.

Resolutions – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, 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 8/3/16

Resignations – that the following resignations be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Carla Miller	Teacher CSE	7/14/16
Kim Birdsall	Head Bus Driver High School	7/7/16

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>
Susan Hull	Head Bus Driver Transportation	\$17.49 Per Hour	8/23/16
Kim Birdsall	Bus Driver Transportation	\$16.26 Per Hour	8/17/16
Shaleen Fortner	Laborer Facilities	\$9.00 Per Hour	8/22/16
Deborah Mohr	Food Service Helper Middle School	\$9.18 Per Hour	8/22/16

Substitute Appointments – that the substitute appointments for the 2016-17 School Year on Schedule A: Substitute Teachers and Schedule B: Substitute Support Staff be approved.

Athletic Department Appointments – that the following athletic department appointments be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Courtney Marris	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Nathanael Dingman	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Daniel Kosick	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Eric Lipski	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Courtney Marris	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Teresa Steflik	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Alyssa Barrett	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Evelyn Bennedum	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Vincent Cooper	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Lia Frank	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Nicholas Miller	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Justin Rosenkrans	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Amy Storti	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year
Shannon Wheeler	Lifeguard	\$9.00 Per Hour	2016-17 School Year

Budget Transfer – that the following budget transfer be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 2110.200-05-270	A 5510.200-07-650	\$11,800.00

Donation– that the Board of Education hereby accept a donation from the Capella University Inspire Giving Program in the amount of \$10.00.

FURTHERMORE, The Board of Education hereby approves an increase of the General Fund 2016-2017 Appropriation in the amount of \$10.00 with the fund source consisting of Gifts & Donations (A 2705). These funds are to be used in budget code A2070.450-99-990 (materials and supplies).

Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

Special Education Recommendations – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education:

- Authorize the 1 service recommended on the CPSE list dated 8/17/16

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

Resignations – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the following resignations be approved:

Christina Radicchi	Senior Typist	CSE	8/29/16
Jon Brandow	Custodian	Facilities	8/8/16

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

Instructional Appointment – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, 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>
Laura Pilotti	Teacher	Perm – PK-12	\$62,912	9/6/16	9/6/20

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

Non-Instructional Appointment – Mr. Leighton 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>
Kelley Stewart	Teacher Aide Donnelly	\$9.31 Per Hour	9/6/16

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

District-Wide School Safety Plan – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the District-Wide School Safety Plan, updated August 2016, be approved.

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

2016-17 Tax Warrant – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andres, that be it RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the sum of \$16,262,294 represents the amount needed to balance the 2016-17 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.

2016-17 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 \$500,000 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 1, 2016 in accordance with the provisions of 1322 of the Real Property Tax Law.
2. To give notice that the tax collection will end on October 31, 2016.
3. To collect taxes in the total sum of \$16,262,294 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.

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8. 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.

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 yeases)

Resolution Providing that no Exemption Pursuant to New York State Real Property Tax Law § 487 Shall be Applicable Within the Boundaries of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District - Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, **BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Education of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District, as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law (hereinafter referred to as the "RPTL"), real property that has been improved in accordance with such section shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of any increase in the value thereof by reason of such improvement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to subdivision 8 of RPTL §487, school districts may provide that the tax exemption offered by RPTL §487 shall not apply within its jurisdiction by adopting a resolution to said effect, and by filing a copy of such resolution with the State Board of Equalization and Assessment (also known as the Office of Real Property Services), and with the President of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Education of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District desire to "opt out" of the tax exemptions afforded by RPTL §487, so that said tax exemptions do not apply within its jurisdiction for any facilities constructed after the effective date of this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District as follows:

1. The exemption from real property taxation granted by RPTL §487 shall not be applicable to any solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system located within the jurisdiction of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District constructed subsequent to the effective date of this resolution.
2. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Susquehanna Valley Central School District reserves any available rights it has to provide for a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement regarding any solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system located within the jurisdiction of the school district.
3. The Clerk of the Board of Education shall ensure that a duly certified copy of this resolution is filed with the Office of Real Property Services and the President of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority.
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Stalma provided a brief update on the district's revised 2016-18 Professional Development Plan. The revision is due to the recent SED changes from 175 hours of professional development to 100 hours every five years for teachers to maintain their certification. It was also required to list PDP providers in the plan which are: Coughlin & Gerhart, Greg Tang and Utica National.

PDP Annual Plan – Revision – Mr. Leighton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, that the Board of Education approve the District's revised 2016-17 Annual Professional Development Plan as submitted and reviewed by the assistant superintendent.

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – None

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Mrs. Brubaker reported that they are getting the school ready for the start of the school year. The Middle School will hold an Open House on August 31 for incoming sixth grade students. This will help alleviate first day jitters for those students.

Mr. Schuldt publicly thanked his staff for all their hard work this summer. The Facilities Advisory Committee met last night. Ed Bernhauer and Bill Sands from BCK reported to the committee regarding the capital project referendum. Presentations regarding the project will be presented at upcoming football games, concerts, etc.

Mr. Daniels stated that high school sports started this week. The High School is in the process of finalizing student schedules, and there will be a ninth grade orientation on August 31, at 7 p.m.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – No Comments

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

At 6:59 p.m. the Board recessed

At 7:06 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

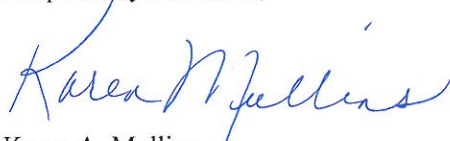
At 8:06 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

Leave of Absence – Mr. Andres made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, that that Elizabeth McGrath, High School teacher, be granted a personal leave of absence for the 2016-17 school year.

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, 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 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk

