

**PROPOSED  
MINUTES  
of the**

**APPROVED MINUTES  
AUGUST 27, 2014  
SPECIAL 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  
Mrs. Mary Haskell  
Mr. Robert Sullivan

MOTION \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

**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  
Mrs. Maureen Kline, Director of Special Services (CSE)  
Mrs. Erin Eckert, Donnelly Principal  
Mr s. Natalie Brubaker, Brookside Principal  
Ms. Marcia Guardia, *Country Courier*

Mr. Robert Strick, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE** – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik to accept into record the attendance for the August 27, 2014, Special Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Jicha made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2014, Special Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the July financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

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

**NEW BUSINESS** – No Report

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Tagliaferri

**Resolutions** – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to approve the following resolutions:

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

- Authorize the 6 services recommended on the CPSE list 7/31/14

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Michele Reilly	Teacher Aide	Brookside	\$8.08 Per Hour	9/2/14

Budget Transfer – that the following budget transfer be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 9060.800-99-700	A 1621.450-10-130	\$12,560.40

Insurance Recovery – Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education does and hereby approves an increase to the 2014-15 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$17,212.70 for insurance recoveries associated with damages due to a power outage/lighting strike, and hereby appropriates the amount into the General Fund as follows:

\$11,340.00	A 1620 420 10 130	Operations Contract Building & Grounds
\$ 5,224.70	A 1621 400 10 130	Maintenance Contract Exp
\$ 648.00	A 1621 420 10 130	Maintenance Contract Building & Grounds

Source: \$17,212.70 to A 2680 (Revenues-Insurance Recoveries)

Bus Bond – At a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Susquehanna Valley Central School District held in the Board Room at the Susquehanna Valley Senior High School, 1040 Conklin Road, Conklin, New York, on August 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

BOND RESOLUTION OF SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED AUGUST 27, 2014, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 66 PASSENGER BUSES, EACH AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$119,250.00 AND TO EXPEND THEREFORE NOT TO EXCEED THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF \$231,500.00 AFTER TRADE-IN, AS ABOVE ITEMIZED, INCLUDING PRELIMINARY COSTS AND COSTS INCIDENTAL THERETO AND THE FINANCING THEREOF, AND SAID SUM OF \$231,500.00 IS HEREBY APPROVED AND APPROPRIATED THEREFORE AND SERIAL BONDS AND/OR STATUTORY INSTALLMENT BONDS OF THE DISTRICT ARE AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$231,500.00 IN ANTICIPATION OF A TAX TO BE COLLECTED IN INSTALLMENTS AS AUTHORIZED.

Recital

WHEREAS at the Annual Meeting and Election duly called and held on May 20, 2014 in Susquehanna Valley Central School District, New York (herein called "District"), the qualified voters of the District approved a Proposition (a) authorizing the Board of Education to purchase two (2) 66 passenger buses at a cost not to exceed \$119,250.00 each and to expend therefore not to exceed the estimated total of \$231,500.00 and totaling \$231,500.00 after trade-in, and authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$231,500.00; (b) voting a tax in the amount of \$231,500.00 to be levied by and collected in installments; and (c) in anticipation of said tax, authorizing the issuance of bonds of the District in a principal amount not to exceed \$231,500.00 and voting a tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable; be it

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the District shall purchase two (2) 66 passenger buses at a cost not to exceed \$119,250.00 each, and to expend therefore not to exceed the estimated total of \$231,500.00 after trade-in, and authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$231,500.00, and said sum is hereby appropriated therefore.

Section 2. Pursuant to the provisions of the Proposition above referred to and approved by the voters and in anticipation of a tax in the amount of \$231,500.00 thereby voted to be levied by and collected in annual installments, serial bonds and statutory installment bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$231,500.00, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York, for the purchase of the vehicles as described in Section 1 hereof. The plan of financing is the levy and collection of general taxes for the payment of the serial bonds and statutory installment bonds herein authorized and the interest thereon.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and stated:

(a) The period of probable usefulness of the specific object or purpose for which the bonds authorized by this resolution are to be issued within the limitations of Section 11.00 a (29) of the Local Finance Law is five (5) years.

(b) Current funds are not required to be provided prior to the issuance of the bonds authorized by this resolution pursuant to Section 107 (d) (5) of the Local Finance Law.

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

**Internal Audit Report** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to accept the 2013-14 internal audit report submitted by Ernie Skadias, Internal Auditor.

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

**Resignation** – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the following resignation:

Name	Position / Location	Effective Date
Kyra Crawford	Bus Attendant Transportation	9/4/14

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

**Athletic Department Resignation** – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, to approve the following athletic department resignation:

Name	Position / Location	Effective Date
Debra Hartley	Asst. Girls' Swimming & Diving Coach Athletics	8/23/14

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

**Non-Instructional Appointment - Revision** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the following non-instructional appointment revision:

Name	Position / Location	Rate of Pay	Effective Date
Larry Kozak	Bus Driver Transportation	\$10.67 Per Hour	9/4/14

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

**Information** – Mr. Tagliaferri stated that JV and varsity athletes are back, the buildings are in good shape and school is ready to open. The Superintendent's Conference Days will be on September 2 and 3; all Board of Education members are invited to attend. The District has received written confirmation of our APPR Plan for the 2014-15 school year. There will be a meeting of the Audit Committee on September 11 where they will be receiving a copy of our external audit report. Mr. Tagliaferri, Mr. Strick and Mr. Jicha will be attending New Board Member training in Albany on September 12. A reminder that Mr. Strick, Mrs. Vimislik and Mr. Storm will be attending a NYSSBA Student Achievement Institute seminar on September 18.

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Dr. Stalma

Dr. Stalma stated that the district is ready for teachers to arrive September 2 and students to arrive September 4. All professional development plans are complete and the teachers did an excellent job. The Consolidated Grant is complete and was sent to Albany. We have received the accountability status from the State Education Department and SV and all our schools are all in good standing.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – No Report. Mr. Strick asked the board to move the September Board of Education Meeting to Tuesday, September 16. It was agreed unanimously to move the meeting.

**VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS** – Mrs. Brubaker stated that Brookside's enrollment is currently 371 with 82 students in BK and kindergarten. Kindergarten orientation will be Tuesday, September 2 where the students will visit their classrooms and will get a chance to ride a school bus.

Mrs. Kline is reviewing information from iData and iExam which will let us look at data to tell us how the students are learning with the Common Core Standards. Mrs. Kline and Sharon Wahl met with representatives of BOCES on Clear Track which will help align students to the Common Core and help improve student performance.

Mr. Schuldt wanted to thank his staff for all their hard work this summer in getting the buildings and grounds ready.

Mr. Tagliaferri stated that Mrs. Kline and Mrs. Brubaker were part of the APPR Small Group and he extended his appreciation for their contributions to the group.

**VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – No Comments**

**Executive Session** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session to discuss negotiations and a specific personnel matter. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeses)

At 6:37 p.m. the Board recessed

At 6:42 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

At 8:28 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. (7 yeses)

There being no further business, Mr. Strick adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins  
School District Clerk