

**PROPOSED
MINUTES
of the**

**APPROVED MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 16, 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
PRESENT:** Mr. Robert Strick
Mrs. Mary Haskell
Mr. Rusty Storm
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik
Mr. Robert Sullivan
Mr. Jordan Jicha

MOTION Haskell
SECONDED Vimislik
APPROVED 10/15/14

**MEMBERS
ABSENT:** Mr. Joseph Walker

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Mr. Gerardo Tagliaferri, Superintendent
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
Mrs. Kathleen Hattala, English Teacher HS; SVTA Representative
Ms. Marcia Guardia, *Country Courier*
Mr. Jerry Michelson, Ciaschi, Dietershagen, Little, Mickelson & Company
3 students

Mr. Robert Strick, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha, to accept into record the attendance for the September 16, 2014, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2014, Special Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

Mr. Storm made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jicha to approve the minutes of the September 2, 2014, Special Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

FINANCIAL REPORT – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the August financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #1 – No Comments

NEW BUSINESS – No Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Tagliaferri

Financial Report – Jerry Michelson, Ciaschi, Dietershagen, Little, Mickelson & Company, reviewed the 2013-2014 External Audit Report and stated that the District was in good financial standing and was transparent in regards to finances, and that there were no non-compliance issues.

External Audit Report – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the 2013-14 External Audit Report submitted by Ciaschi, Dietershagen, Little, Mickelson & Company, LLP, be accepted by the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education.

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

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

- Authorize the 3 service recommended on the CPSE list dated 8/28 – 9/12/14
- Authorize the 2 services recommended on the CSE list dated 9/3/14

Resignation – that the following resignation be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Adrienne Weaver	Food Service Helper	Donnelly
		8/29/14

Leave of Absence – that Jay Vimislik, RTS Middle School teacher, be granted a leave of absence on or about October 3 through October 10, 2014, and from November 17 through December 23, 2014, using FMLA.

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>
Laura Pilotti	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14
Kara Davies	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14
Sarah Charles	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14
Nathaniel Sodeur	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14
Alycia Jones	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14
Shane Baron	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/17/14

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dale Loftus	Substitute Food Service Helper	\$8.00 Per Hour	9/17/14
Eric Lipski	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	9/17/14
Shawna Barrett	Substitute Pool Supervisor	\$12.00 Per Hour	9/17/14

2014-15 Mentors – that the following mentor coordinator and mentors be appointed for the 2014-15 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Stipend</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Margarete Guyette	Mentor Coordinator	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Valerie Hoffman	Mentor	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Gina Rachmaninoff	Mentor	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year
Denise Miller	Mentor	As Per Contract	2014-15 School Year

Budget Transfers – that the following budget transfers be approved:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
A 9731.600-99-900	A 9711.600-99-900	\$246,000.00
A 9731.700-99-900	A 9711.600-99-900	\$15,000.00
A 9731.700-99-900	A 9711.700-99-900	\$113,187.00

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

District-Wide School Safety Plan – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the District-Wide School Safety Plan, updated September 2014 be approved. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

Area 4 Director Election – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the Susquehanna Valley Board of Education casts its vote for 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. (6 yeses)

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>	<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Kimberly Birdsall	Head Bus Driver Transportation	\$15.50	9/29/14

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

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>
Julie Stocks	Substitute Food Service Helper Substitute Teacher Aide Substitute Bus Monitor	\$8.00 Per Hour	9/17/14

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

Substitutes United in Broome Contract – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Storm to hold the resolution on the Substitutes United in Broome Contract for Executive Session. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

Information – Mr. Tagliaferri reminded Mr. Strick, Mrs. Vimislik and Mr. Storm of the NYSSBA Student Achievement Institute seminar on September 18. There will be a decrease in the Employee Retirement System rates for next year. Mr. Tagliaferri, Dr. Stalma and Mr. Berry attended a State Aide workshop where the focus was on the Tax Freeze Legislation and current guidelines for allowable shared services. Mr. Tagliaferri expressed his condolences on the passing of Janice Young, former Board of Education President.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Stalma reported that the district had a smooth opening of school. The kindergarten and beginning kindergarten orientation was successful. She is working with the principals planning the professional development for the upcoming early dismissal and Superintendent's Conference Day.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT – Mr. Strick, Mr. Jicha and Mr. Tagliaferri attended the New Board Member Training in Albany and found it very informative.

VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS – Mrs. Eckert reported the opening of school went well, and the Donnelly PTA provided coffee and Danish for staff. Kindergarten orientation was a positive experience for students where they enjoyed a bus ride, music and parents and students were able to interact with their teacher. The school had their Olweus kickoff with a video prepared by Teddi Black who did a very professional job. Donnelly staff are currently preparing for their Open House at 6:30 p.m. on September 23.

Mr. Schuldt wanted to thank his staff for the nice job that they did in preparing the buildings and grounds for the opening of school.

Mrs. Hatala, SVTA representative, stated that the staff were pleased with the decision to do Right To Know training online this year. She extended an invitation to the Board of Education to attend or participate in Homecoming on October 11. The SVTA Craft Fair will be held on November 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the High School, where the money raised will go toward senior scholarships.

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2 – No Comments

Executive Session – Mr. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, that the Board of Education meet in Executive Session to discuss the held motion, negotiations and a specific personnel matter. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

At 7:14 p.m. the Board recessed

At 7:20 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

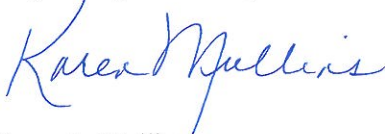
At 9:16 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

Substitutes United in Broome 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 Substitutes United in Broome for the school years July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2017. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

MOTION TO ADJOURN – Mrs. Haskell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the meeting be adjourned. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (6 yeses)

There being no further business, Mr. Strick adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins
School District Clerk