

**PROPOSED  
MINUTES  
of the**

**APPROVED MINUTES  
September 18, 2019  
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. Jack Bell  
Mrs. Mary Haskell  
Ms. Kelly Howe  
Mr. Mark Leighton  
Mr. Ryan Remza  
Mrs. Suzanne Vimislik

MOTION Howe  
SECONDED Leighton  
APPROVED 10/16/19

**MEMBERS  
ABSENT:**

**ALSO  
PRESENT:** Mr. Roland Doig, Superintendent  
Ms. Natalie Brubaker, Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Karen Mullins, District Clerk  
Mr. Ethan Berry, Business Executive  
Mrs. Jill Rich  
Mr. Charles Hutchinson  
Mr. Ralph Schuldt  
Ms. Tracy Parker, *Liberty Partnership*  
Sarah Masters, *Liberty Partnership*  
Mr. William Dumian, Town of Conklin Supervisor  
18 Students

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

**RECORD OF ATTENDANCE** – Mrs. Howe made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bell, to accept into record the attendance for the September 18, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeases)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Remza made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeases)

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

**NEW BUSINESS** – No Report

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Mr. Bell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Vimislik, that the Board acknowledges receipt of the August financial reports. Upon vote the motion was approved unanimously. (7 yeases)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** –

**Report – Financial Audit** – Mr. Daniel Shoen and Mr. Evan Cleveland, Insero & Co. CPA's, LLP, reviewed the 2018-19 External Audit Report and stated they were providing an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the district and the district's internal control and compliance of regulations. They identified no instances of noncompliance and no material internal control weaknesses in both of these categories. Mr. Shoen stated that the district looked very good financially.

**Liberty Partnership Presentation** – Tracy Parker, representative of the Liberty Partnership with Susquehanna Valley for 16 years, spoke on behalf of the program. This past summer with the help of the district and the Town of Conklin, they held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Conklin Summer Fun Camp held this year on the SV secondary campus. Ms. Parker’s students in the Liberty Partnership program are the counselors for the camp, and are paid through the BOCES Summer Youth Employment Program. Ms. Parker explained that they have 100 students attend the camp. Each student receives a breakfast and lunch for the day, which is also open for all students within the district under 18 years of age.

Mr. Doig announced that tonight was the very first Federation Broadcast of a sporting event at Susquehanna Valley. All sports held on the multi-purpose field or in the High School gymnasium will now be broadcast. He stated that this is a very exciting time for SV sports.

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

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

- Authorize the 4 service recommended on the CPSE list dated 9/13/19
- Authorize the 4 services recommended on the CSE list dated 8/20 – 9/9/19

Resignations – that the following resignations be approved:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>		<u>Effective Date</u>
Tammy Derrick	Teacher Aide	Donnelly	8/26/19
Dennis Rowlands	Bus Monitor	Transportation	8/26/19
Allyson Beauharnois	Receptionist	Brookside	9/11/19

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position / Location</u>		<u>Rate of Pay</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Megan Connis	Teacher Aide	Donnelly	As Per Contract	9/30/19
Laurente Dure	Bus Monitor	Transportation	As Per Contract	9/19/19

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>
Deborah Bunker	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Gary Staiger	Substitute Teacher – Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Violeta Arteaga	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Bethany Maloney	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Michael Carr	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Judy James	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19
Giana Giganti	Substitute Teacher – Non-Certified	As Per Contract	9/19/19

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>
Bette Bado	Substitute Teacher Aide	\$11.10 Per Hour	9/19/19

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

Jack Lawrence	Lifeguard	\$11.10 Per Hour	9/19/19
Daniel Konecny	Lifeguard	\$11.10 Per Hour	9/19/19
Emily Trudell	Lifeguard	\$11.10 Per Hour	9/19/19

Activity Advisors – that the appointment of paid activity advisors be approved as listed:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name(s)</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
	<b><u>Senior High School</u></b>	
Art Show	Jeff Renner	As Per Contract
Art Show	Joyce Russell	As Per Contract
Class of 2020	Sharon Repp	As Per Contract

Class of 2020	Stacey Root	As Per Contract
Class of 2021	Diana Angeline	As Per Contract
Class of 2021	Gianni Cordisco	As Per Contract
Class of 2022	Dan Simonds	As Per Contract
Class of 2022	Elizabeth Strnatka	As Per Contract
Class of 2023	Meggan Olds	As Per Contract
Class of 2023	Carolyn Mann	As Per Contract
HS Drama	Jenn Perkins	As Per Contract
HS Drama	Shirley Goodman	As Per Contract
French	Sharon Rowe	As Per Contract
Games Club	Patricia Westgate	As Per Contract
Honor Society	Jody Butts	As Per Contract
Honor Society	Laura Retzlaff	As Per Contract
Jazz Ensemble	Gail Markstein	As Per Contract
Mathletes	William Egan	As Per Contract
Mock Trial	Jody Butts	As Per Contract
Odyssey of the Mind	Sharon Repp	As Per Contract
Peer Leaders	Heather Fitzgerald	As Per Contract
Peer Leaders	Lauren DiRusso	As Per Contract
Pep Band	Meggan Olds	As Per Contract
Percussion Ensemble	Meggan Olds	As Per Contract
SADD	Karen Lyke	As Per Contract
SADD	Jennifer Potter	As Per Contract
Ski & Board Club	Daniel Kosick	As Per Contract
HS Spirit	Diana Angeline	As Per Contract
HS Spirit	Kara Davies	As Per Contract
String Ensemble	Eileen Miller	As Per Contract
HS Student Council	William Egan	As Per Contract
HS Student Council	Jessica Esperon-Meneilly	As Per Contract
Technology Club	Jeff Neuberger	As Per Contract
Volleyball	Gianni Cordisco	As Per Contract
HS Yearbook	Mickey Rader	As Per Contract
HS Yearbook	Karen Lyke	As Per Contract
	<b><u>RTS Middle School</u></b>	
Yearbook	Terri Howard	As Per Contract
YES! Leads	Dan Kosick	As Per Contract
YES! Leads	Bill Leudemann	As Per Contract
Honor Society	Leslie Lance	As Per Contract
Honor Society	Jennie Sherman	As Per Contract
Mathways to the Stars	Andrea Gresko	As Per Contract
Mathways to the Stars	Lorraine Buckley	As Per Contract
Mathways to the Stars	Mike Pixley	As Per Contract
Art Show	Bassem Eldakar	As Per Contract
News Club	Bassem Eldakar	As Per Contract
Student Council	Jennifer Perkins	As Per Contract
Student Council	Teresa Steflik	As Per Contract
	<b><u>Brookside Elementary</u></b>	
PARP	Beth Bieber	As Per Contract
Art Show	Christine Sumner	As Per Contract
Fitness Club	Melissa Simpson	As Per Contract
Science Fair	Beth Bieber	As Per Contract
	<b><u>Donnelly Elementary</u></b>	
Fitness Club	Diana Homoleski	As Per Contract
PARP Advisor	Cheryl Butcher	As Per Contract
Odyssey of the Mind	Laura Pilotti	As Per Contract



Art Show Advisor  
Family Math Night Coordinator

Bridget Ray  
Laura Pilotti

As Per Contract

Child Study Team Chairpersons – that the following Child Study Team Chairpersons be approved:

Jill Harlow	Brookside	\$618.00	2019-20 School Year
Mary Igo (co-chair)	Donnelly	\$309.00	2019-20 School Year
Kara Mallery (co-chair)	Donnelly	\$309.00	2019-20 School Year

Lead Nurse – that Colleen Lynch be approved as lead nurse at a stipend of \$2000 for the 2019-20 school year.

Substitute Bus Driver/Retiree Increase – approval of a 3% increase for all substitute bus drivers who have retired from Susquehanna Valley Central School District as a bus driver. The increase shall be effective September 19, 2019.

School Policy 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – recommended that School Policy #7511, Immunization of Students, be reviewed and approved effective September 18, 2019.

Budget Transfers – that the following budget transfers be approved:

From	To	Amount
A 2250.490-99-400	A 2330.490-99-990	\$10,000.00
A 2250.490-99-400	A 2250.472-99-400	\$120,000.00

Deputy Treasurer – that Jacob Gallagher (CBO) be and is hereby appointed Deputy Treasurer of the Susquehanna Valley Central School District to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Education for the 2019-20 school year.

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

**Resignation** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Haskell, to approve the following resignation:

Name	Position / Location	Effective Date
Erin Eckert	Principal Brookside	10/11/19

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

**Tax Refund** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Howe, to approve the following tax refund: Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, following receipt of an executed Application for Refund or Credit of Real Property Taxes from David C. Hamlin, Director of Broome County Real Property, dated September 10, 2019, that an error was made in the 2018 tax year and the STAR overpayment should be refunded as follows:

NAME:	Donna Reynolds
PROPERTY ADDRESS:	87 Main Street Kirkwood, NY 13795
TAX MAP #:	211.14-1-7
ASSESSMENT 2018-2019:	\$76,900.00
REFUND:	\$1,736.00
REASON:	Enhanced STAR not applied (tax before STAR \$2,993.23 – STAR savings \$1,736.00 = total tax \$1,257.23) Refund = \$1,736.00

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mrs. Brubaker reported that school was off to a fast and furious start, and the mentoring programs was going strong. She stated that they have been looking at some data and continuing our focus on collaboration. She said they are also continuing to look at our regional and district data from the 3-8 assessments and Regents exams. She displayed the data that the Professional Development Committee Team looks at and explained how they use this data for future professional development.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT REPORT** – Mrs. Haskell reminded the board that homecoming will take place on October 25. Also, Mr. Doig announced that Susquehanna Valley will be hosting the Joint Dinner Meeting on January 22.

**VOICE OF THE ADMINISTRATORS** – Mrs. Rich reported a very smooth opening to school especially with the amount of work the teachers had unpacking boxes and setting up their rooms the first two days. She gave a huge thanks to Mr. Schuldt and his crew for their hard work in making this go smoothly. She said they held their Pre K, BK and Kindergarten Orientation, which was very well attended with only one family missing. She thanked the PTA for providing lunch for all those kids those two days. She announced that Curriculum Night will be held on 9/25, and stated that Donnelly is putting a team together for the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk on 10/20.

Ms. Rich spoke on behalf of Mr. Snyder: RTS kicked off the school year well with the building looking good with the smaller construction projects completed this summer. He gave a special thanks to Mr. Schuldt and his staff for their hard work. The first Tuesday was the Sixth Grade Orientation with 102 students out of 111 attending. A special thanks to Mr. Swartwout, the guidance counselors and all sixth grade teachers and special education teachers for their work on this. He stated they already had their Genius Hour kickoff event, Curriculum Night and school pictures. Coming up soon is Junior Honor Society Induction, sixth grade mini dance and Student Council Spirit Meeting.

Mr. Schuldt reported that Phase II of the Capital Project work is 99 percent wrapped up, with things going very smoothly this summer. He said that the teachers were great and very patient in working with his staff to get the classrooms set back up. He gave a big thanks to Tim Weber and Ethan Gardner, C & S construction managers, for their hard work this summer and keeping things running smoothly. He also thanked his staff for their hard work getting the schools ready for students and staff. He mentioned that they did recently meet about next year's Smart Schools project with the vestibules and security camera installations.

Mr. Hutchinson stated that the start of school and the transition of his position has been very smooth thanks to the students and staff. He said that they had the Ninth Grade Orientation in late August with 90 out of 102 students and families here. The High School currently has 139 out of a possible 315 students who are taking credit bearing courses from SUNY; that's 44 percent, the highest ever. He said that Curriculum Night was last Wednesday and they are looking to make some changes with that next year. He reported that Mr. Swartwout awarded him with a plaque; 22 out of 24 of the varsity teams last year had an 85 grade average or higher.

**VOICE OF THE PUBLIC #2** – None

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

At 7:01 p.m. the Board recessed

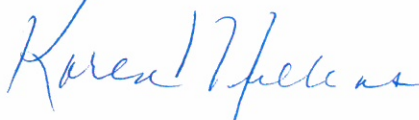
At 7:03 p.m. the Board met in Executive Session

At 7:47 p.m. the Board returned to Regular Session

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** – Mrs. Vimislik made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leighton, 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 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen A. Mullins  
School District Clerk

