

Minisink Valley Central School District  
Board Meeting – April 5, 2018

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in middle school room 108 on April 5, 2018.

BOE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Flaherty, President  
Mr. William Cooper, Vice-president  
Mrs. Kathlee DeRose  
Mr. James Emery, Jr.  
Mr. Alfred Gibbs  
Mr. John Odland  
Mrs. Catherine Prezioso  
Mr. Thomas Salamone

BOE MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Shawn Cahill

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Mr. Brian C. Monahan, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Christian Ranaudo, Ass. Supt. for Curr. and Instruction  
Mr. Matthew Bourgeois, Asst. Supt. for Business  
Ms. Elizabeth Law, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 2  
PRESS: 0

President Flaherty called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Pledge

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education of March 22, 2018. (7-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. There were none.

Visitors

MR. ODLAND ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:11 P.M.

Mr. Monahan introduced Mrs. Colleen Fitzgerald, elementary school’s principal. Mrs. Fitzgerald gave a brief Power Point presentation regarding the district-wide recycle program organized by Mrs. Kimberly McDermott, first grade teacher, and her class. President Flaherty presented a certificate and thanked Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. McDermott and her class for their work in beginning this Green Initiative.

Kudos

President Flaherty announced that Mr. Monahan has been chosen to receive Mid-Hudson School Study Council’s Educational Leadership Award. Mr. Monahan thanked everyone for their support and announced that Mr. Michael Sirico, intermediate school teacher, was also chosen by Mid-Hudson School Study Council and he will be receiving the Teaching Excellence Award. Those in attendance congratulated the award winners.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Gibbs and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the resignation of Michael Giannini, school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective at the close of business on 4/6/18. (8-0)

Resign

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, amends the leave of absence previously approved at the February 26, 2018 board of education meeting for Jonathan Brooks, JROTC Senior Army Instructor, to reflect the withdrawal of the second leave period of on or about 4/9/18 to on or about 4/20/18. (8-0)

Amend

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves following appointments: (8-0)

Appt.

Substitute teacher, aide and nurse appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

Katie Bendykowski, probationary appointment as an English as a New Language teacher, assigned districtwide, for a four year probationary term, effective 9/4/18 with probation ending 9/3/22, except to the extent required by educational law section 3012. In order to be granted tenure, a classroom teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law § 3012-c and/or § 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. Further, if the classroom teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he/she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time, in which case the Board of Education, in its discretion, may extend the teacher’s probationary term for an additional year. Special Subject Tenure Area: English as a Second Language. Certification: English to Speakers of Other Languages professional certificate. Step 7 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Kellie Lindenberger, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 4/6/18 with probation ending 4/5/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Jolene Struble, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 4/6/18 with probation ending 4/5/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Substitute bus monitor appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

Tutor appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

Mr. Ranaudo discussed the administration of the 2018 NYSED Grades 3-8 ELA and Math Assessments. He said all exams are computer based and he thanked the building principals for all their hard work in preparing these exams.

C & I

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on March 16, 19, 20, 23, 27 and April 4, 2018 pertaining to student #24863, 24657, 24573, 25223, 25235, 24931, 25415, 25657, 24731, 24759, 25467, 25182, 25602, 24179, 24595 and 23896 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (8-0)

CPSE  
CSE

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on February 9, 13, 14, 20, 22, March 1, 6, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23, 27, 28, April 3 and 4, 2018 pertaining to student #22749, 24855, 22274, 23513, 23225, 22241, 23343, 20764, 22919, 25468, 21670, 24848, 22811, 22471, 20584, 18571, 19891, 22498, 22119, 24049, 17036, 21601, 19349, 25431, 19334, 19946, 17156, 25053, 25053, 25065, 22720, 23535, 23088, 22218, 22218, 22899, 24297, 19530, 24093, 22844, 20728, 21227, 20084, 23798, 21820, 21164, 23808, 20944, 22398, 22752, 23360, 23266, 22841, 25168, 22939, 22939, 21283, 18808, 20680, 24749, 22038, 20018, 24702, 25417, 23897, 24766, 21170, 18166, 25497, 23187, 24285, 23529, 21170, 20762, 22071,

24482, 19343 and 19343 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts the claims auditor's report for the following warrants: (8-0)

Finance

- General Fund Warrant # 30
- Capital Fund Warrant # 10
- Special Aid-U Fund Warrant # 7
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 20

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Odland, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves a contract with the Valley Central School District for the 2017-18 school year for the provision of health services to eleven (11) Minisink-resident students who attend private school within the Valley Central School District, and approves payment in the amount of \$13,077.90. (8-0)

President Flaherty, Mrs. DeRose and Mr. Monahan attended the OU BOCES Budget Presentation and Dinner. They spoke about the various programs offered to our students and the benefits of those programs.

OU BOCES

An audit committee meeting was tentative set for April 19, 2018.

Audit

Mr. Monahan said that part of the Capital Project has been approved by SED and the bids will be sent out soon.

Capital Project

Mr. Cooper reported on the policy committee meeting that was held earlier in the evening. He said that the first have of the 7000's series was reviewed by the school's attorney and now by the committee. The committee set a tentative meeting for May 3.

Policy Comm.

Mrs. DeRose announced that students Tyler Witkowski and Joe Musial came in 5<sup>th</sup> place in the national competition for automotive. Mr. Salamone attended the first modified boys' lacrosse game. Mr. Cooper spoke about our first girls' golf team.

District Events

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 8:52 PM to discuss employment histories of particular persons, a matter of negotiations with AMVA and contracts regarding school safety. (8-0)

Exec.

During executive session, the board discussed employment histories of particular persons, a matter of negotiations with AMVA and contracts regarding school safety.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Salamone and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:49 PM. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, that employee number 00002325 be placed on paid administrative leave effective 4/03/18 through 5/04/18.

Admin. Leave

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 PM. (8-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk