Minisink Valley Central School District Board Meeting – February 2, 2017

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in the auditorium of the middle school on February 2, 2017.

BOE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Flaherty, President

Mr. William Cooper, Vice-president

Mrs. Kathlee DeRose Mr. Alfred Gibbs Mr. John Odland Mrs. Catherine Prezioso Mr. Thomas Salamone

BOE MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Shawn Cahill

Mr. Paul Rickard

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Mr. Brian C. Monahan, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Christian Ranaudo, Asst. Supt. for Curr. & Instr Mr. Matthew Bourgeois, Asst. Supt. for Business Mr. Michael Giardina, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources Mrs. Elizabeth Law, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 67 PRESS: 0

President Flaherty called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited by a moment of silence in remembrance of former superintendent, Dr. Joseph Iraci, who passed away recently. Dr. Iraci was superintendent from 1977-1988.

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 January 5, 2017. (7-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. One community member spoke about the upcoming changes to take place at the old Otisville Elementary School. One member thanked the district for the Minisink app that is available.

Visitors

Mr. Monahan introduced Mr. Mike Larsen, middle school principal, who gave a brief overview of the ukulele program. He then introduced middle school teacher, Mr. Shane Peters, who provided further information regarding the program and then had several students perform on the instrument. Mr. Peters thanked the board of education for their support. President Flaherty congratulated the students on their performance and thanked Mr. Larsen for his presentation.

MS Present

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the retirement resignation of Jeanne Dowling, typist, assigned to the High School, effective 6/30/17. (7-0)

Retire

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the resignation of Rosalie Gillen, part time teacher aide, assigned to the Elementary School, effective 1/23/17. (7-0)

Resign

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the unpaid leave of absence for Susan Manzie, full time teacher aide, assigned to the Intermediate School, effective on or about 2/6/17 and ending on or about 2/17/17. (7-0)

Leave

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following appointments: (7-0)

Appoint

Krystine Boedeker, temporary appointment as an art teacher, assigned to the High School, effective 10/4/16 and ending 6/23/17. Subject Tenure Area: Art. Certification: Visual Arts initial certificate. Step 1 BA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Substitute teachers for the 2016-2017 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2016 reorganization meeting.

Note: A complete list is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.

Tutor appointments for the 2016-2017 school year, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

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Substitute bus drivers for the 2016-2017 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2016 reorganization meeting.

Note: A complete list is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.

Mr. Ranaudo spoke about the middle school's master schedule and the building changing from a seven-period day to an eight-period day. Mr. Larsen gave a *Power Point* presentation highlighting the various ways that this change would afford more opportunity for student programs and allow for flexibility with scheduling.

Curr. & Instr.

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on January 19 and 25, 2017 pertaining to student #24566, 24303 and 23654 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (7-0)

CPSE CSE

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on January 3, 5, 13, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25 and 26 pertaining to student #21839, 18571, 21930, 24362, 20238, 22920, 22498, 24830, 21670, 22241, 19909, 23534, 22259, 22274, 20044, 22622, 24855, 22621, 21509, 23513, 23225, 21686, 23044, 22865, 21054, 19959, 20043, 19602, 20899, 17824, 20816, 22750, 23791, 22559, 18167, 18609, 19844, 14511, 18106, 15567, 15710, 17755, 23317, 17483, 18409, 15650, 16991, 21784, 18815, 25054, 20557 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Odland, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts the claims auditor's report for the following warrants: (7-0)

Finance

General Fund Warrant #24

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts and files the 2016-17 Second Quarter Financial Reports which include Revenues, Budget Transfers and the Extraclassroom Activity Fund. (7-0)

Mr. Bourgeois led a discussion with the board of education regarding the possibility of implementing a School Tax Disability Exemption. The board requested more information and research.

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, awards the electric work bid for EXCEL Phase IIIB to: (7-0)

Napp Electric Contractor Co., Inc. 249 Cottage Street Middletown, New York 10940

Base Bid \$245,680.00

Total \$245,680.00

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, awards the general work bid for EXCEL Phase IIIB to: (7-0)

Key Construction Services LLC 327-329 Main Street Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Base Bid \$1,153,000.00

Alternate G-1 -Insulated Metal Panels- High School (+) \$20,000.00

Alternate G-2- Entrance Doors I Framing I Vestibule - Middle School (+) \$63,000.00

Total \$1,236,000.00

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, awards the site work bid for EXCEL Phase IIIB to:

Boyce Excavating Co., Inc. 2817 US Route 6, P.O. Box 367 Slate Hill, New York 10973

Base Bid \$1,346,719.00

Alternate S-1 -Alternate Schedule Phase 1 and 2 (+) \$0.00

Alternate S-2 -Additional Road (+) \$60,196.00 Alternate S-3 -Additional Entrance (West) Roadway

(+) \$110,900.00

Alternate S-5 -Additional Storm Piping High School Parking Lot

(+) \$77,260.00

Alternate S-7 - Black Vinyl Fence (+) \$77,428.00 Alternate S-8 - Concrete Walk (+) \$38,373.00

Alternate S-9 - New High School Seat Wall (+) \$135,632.00 Alternate S-10 - Alternate Schedule for Alternate S-2 and S-3

(+) \$0.00

Total \$1,846,508.00

Mr. Cooper reported on the finance committee meeting that was held earlier in the evening. He said the building budgets were reviewed. He announced that the next finance committee meeting will be on February 23rd at 6:30 pm in the middle school auditorium and encouraged the community to attend. Mr. Cooper reminded everyone that there will be a referendum vote on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 with a snow date of February 8, 2017.

Finance Comm.

President Flaherty gave a report on the Orange County School Boards Association meeting he attended. He said the guest speaker was Brian Fessler from New York State School Boards Association who spoke about the governor's budget proposal. President Flaherty said there was a *Power Point* presentation that he will share with the board of education.

Mr. Cooper attended the *Brawl for the Belt* wrestling competition that was held between Minisink Valley and Monroe Woodbury. He said that the display of sportsmanship was top-notch! Mr. Cooper reminded everyone of the intermediate school's drama production to be held on February 7 and 8. Mrs. DeRose announce Project Graduation's Annual Tricky Tray to be held on February 25th and said they are accepting donations. Mr. Monahan attended senior night for the wrestlers and mat maids.

District Events

Mr. Monahan thanked the administration for all of their work in putting together the Capital Project proposal. He thanked the community for their continued support and he thanked Ms. Roda, district clerk, for organizing the vote.

Capital Project

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 9:18 PM to discuss the employment histories of particular persons and a matter made exempt under Federal Law, FERPA. (7-0)

Exec.

During executive session, the board discussed the employment histories of particular persons and a matter made exempt under Federal Law, FERPA.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Salamone and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:12 PM. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education authorizes the Superintendent to execute on behalf of the District the Settlement Agreement and General Release in the action in the U.S. District Court at Civil Action No. 16-CV-6796. (7-0)

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 PM. (7-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk