

Minisink Valley Central School District
Board Meeting – January 19, 2017

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in room 108 of the middle school auditorium on January 19, 2017.

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

BOE MEMBERS ABSENT: 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: 28
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 January 5, 2017. (5-0)

Minutes

MR. ODLAND AND MR. SALAMONE ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:01 PM.

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

Visitors

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, acknowledges the donation of \$2,100 from Minisink Aquatics to be used for the purchase of two (2) timing pads for the pool timing system. (7-0)

Donation

President Flaherty, on behalf of the board, and Mr. Monahan thanked the aquatics club for this donation and recognized them for the many donations they have made in regards to the pool and its swim program.

Mr. Bourgeois introduced Ms. Marilyn DiGregorio, Aramark Food Service Director, who along with Robert Hirschauer, Aramark Senior District Manager, gave a Power Point presentation regarding the food service program in each of the buildings. They reviewed the new items on the menus and how the participation has gone up. Ms. DiGregorio said that some items are from local vendors and that they are looking to add more local vendors in the future. She added that the coffee bar at the high school opened this week and it was well received. They also spoke about future after school food programs. Mr. Salamone thanked them for their follow through from the committee meetings that were held.

Aramark

Mr. Monahan introduced Mr. Paul Dombal, intermediate school principal, who gave a brief overview of the ENL, English as a New Language, program. He then introduced teachers Mrs. Lisa Abt, Ms.

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Joan Walker and Ms. Jill Stramiello who spoke about how the program helps the students in their classes on a daily basis and the ways of learning a new language. They thanked Mr. Ranaudo for his support of the program and the changes he has made to help the students achieve academic success.

Mr. Monahan reviewed the budget process and announced that the finance committee meetings will begin on February 2, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the middle school auditorium. He encouraged the community to attend.

Budget

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 retirement resignation of Daniel Bradley, music teacher, assigned to the Middle School, effective 6/30/17. (7-0)

Retire

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

Leave

Henry St. Hilaire, school security aide, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, unpaid leave of absence effective 1/9/17 and ending on 2/28/17.

Michael Giannini, school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, unpaid leave of absence effective 1/17/17 and ending on 1/17/18.

Katie Klopchin, special education teacher, assigned to the High School, childcare leave of absence effective 1/31/17 and ending on 3/20/17.

Lisa Yodice, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, unpaid leave of absence extension effective January 12, 2017 and ending on February 24, 2017.

Megan Mead, school nurse, assigned to the High School, unpaid leave of absence effective 2/16/17 and ending on or about April 18, 2017.

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

Amend

Appointment resolution adopted at the June 2, 2016 board of education meeting for Jonathan Clemmons, technology teacher, assigned to the Middle School, to reflect a three year probationary term, effective 9/1/16 with probation ending 8/31/19, 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.

Appointment resolution adopted at the July 14, 2016 board of education meeting for Gina Attinello, special education teacher, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, to reflect a three year probationary term, effective 9/1/16 with probation ending 8/31/19, 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.

Appointment resolution adopted at the July 14, 2016 board of education meeting for Matthew Christy, music teacher, assigned to the High School, to reflect a three year probationary term, effective 9/1/16 with probation ending 8/31/19, 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.

Appointment resolution adopted at the July 27, 2016 board of education meeting for Megan Donnelly, physical education teacher, assigned to the High School, to reflect a three year probationary term, effective 9/1/16 with probation ending 8/31/19, 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.

Appointment resolution adopted at the August 20, 2015 board of education meeting for Elizabeth Van Dunk, elementary teacher, assigned to Minisink Elementary, to reflect a three year probationary term, effective 9/1/15 with probation ending 8/31/18, 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.

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 following appointments: (7-0)

Appoint

Jessica Paglia, probationary appointment as a special education teacher, assigned to Minisink Elementary, for a three and one-half year probationary term, effective 2/2/17 with probation ending 9/1/20, 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. Subject Tenure Area: special education. Certification: Students with Disabilities grades 1-6 professional certificate. Step 3 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Corinne Yanis, probationary appointment as special education (English) teacher, assigned to the Middle School, for a four year probationary term, effective 1/26/17 with probation ending 1/25/21, 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. Subject Tenure Area: special education. Certification: Students with Disabilities grades 7-12 initial certificate, English Language Arts grades 5-9 initial certificate. Step 1 BA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Volunteer varsity cheerleading coaching appointment of Deanna Mann for the winter 2016 athletic season.

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 of appointments is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.

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

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Mr. Ranaudo provided an overview of the Minisink Valley Central School District's Smart School Investment Plan. He distributed a handout showing the various ways the grant can be utilized and the required approval process. Mr. Ranaudo said the district will focus on high-tech security and classroom learning technology.

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 January 5, 2017 pertaining to student #24961 and 23895 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (7-0)

CPSE
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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 January 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12 pertaining to student #22786, 24357, 22785, 19320, 20689, 20084, 23659, 22675, 23087, 20554, 23269, 20003, 19728, 19288, 22575, 18979, 19590, 19221, 21924, 22939, 18633, 20830, 24992, 20688, 19260, 19261, 19310, 20830, 21599, 22889, 19307, 19349, 23939, 19946, 19438 and 21513 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, 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 # 22
School Lunch Fund Warrant # 6
Trust & Agency Warrant # 14

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, acknowledges receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2016. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, dissolve the Ski Club from the Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Club due to inactivity for the past 3 three years and transfer the remaining ski club funds of \$963.62 to the Student Government Club to be used to support the activities and programs of middle school students. (7-0)

Mr. Odland reported that the policy committee meeting scheduled for January 12th was not held due to the public forum regarding the Capital Project Vote. He said the next meeting of the policy committee has not been scheduled.

President Flaherty reported on the round table discussion he attended with the commissioner of education. He said there was about twenty reps there from various schools.

Comm.
Of Ed.

Mr. Cooper announced that theater season is here. He said it will all begin with the intermediate schools production of *Jungle Book* to be held on February 7 and 8. Mr. Cooper said that on February 9 and 10 with be Otisville elementary's production of 101 Dalmatians. Next is Singing in the Rain on March 9 and 10 by the middle school and finishing up the theater season will the high school's production of *Drowsy Chaperone* on March 30, 31 and April 1. President Flaherty, Mr. Monahan, Mr. Hauck and Mr. Bult attended the boys' swim senior night. Mrs. Monahan attended the Otisville elementary band concert. He announced that the Kiwanis Pancake Day is on Saturday and that the proceeds are for scholarships for the graduating seniors. Mrs. DeRose congratulated high school

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Events

senior Ashley DeRose for finishing third place in the skills competition for the CTech Auto Program. Board members congratulated Mr. Odland's son who qualified for sections in boys swim.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 9:25 PM to discuss the employment histories of particular persons, a matter of contract negotiations with MVTA and a matter made exempt under Federal Law, FERPA. (7-0)

Exec.

During executive session, the board discussed the employment histories of particular persons, a matter of contract negotiations with MVTA 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 10:02 PM. (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 10:02 PM. (7-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk