

Minutes

Board of Education

2018-2019

Minisink Valley Central School District Board Meeting – January 24, 2019

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in middle school auditorium on January 24, 2019.

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

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
Ms. Elizabeth Law, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

VISITORS: 30
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 Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education appoints Michael Giardina as clerk pro tem for the January 24, 2019 meeting of the board of education. (9-0)

Clerk Pro
Tem

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 10, 2018. (9-0)

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President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. Community member spoke about black history month.

Visitors

Mr. Monahan introduced Mr. Michael Larsen, middle school principal. Mr. Larsen, introduced several members of his Choose Kindness team; assistance principals Steve Caldwell and Tom Rickard, guidance secretary Jodi Jones, guidance counselors JoAnne Westby and Michele Semco. The team spoke about social and emotional learning and that the message to choose kindness is simple and visual as they work to build new relationships.

MS Pres.

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 resignations: (9-0)

Retire

Carolyn Hranitz, special education teacher, assigned to the Middle School, effective 6/30/19.

Iris Stiles, elementary teacher, assigned to Minisink Elementary School, effective 6/30/19.

Kathryn O'Connor, elementary teacher, assigned to Minisink Elementary School, effective 6/30/19.

A motion was made by Mr. Emery, seconded by Mr. Briecke and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following resignations: (9-0)

Resign

Jeremiah Biddle, wrestling program assistant for the winter 2018 athletic season, effective 1/8/19.

Kap Jeon, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective at the close of business on 2/1/19.

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 following leaves of absences: (9-0)

Leaves

Catina Brooks, special education teacher, assigned to the High School, unpaid childcare leave of absence effective on or about 6/5/19 and ending on 6/30/19.

Erica Alders, elementary teacher, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, unpaid childcare leave of absence effective on or about 5/23/19 and ending on 6/30/19.

Lucy Hildenbrand, full-time teacher aide, assigned to the Intermediate School, unpaid leave of absence effective 1/16/19 and ending on or about 2/19/19.

A motion was made by Mr. Briecke, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, amends the winter coaching appointment adopted at the November 8, 2018 board of education meeting for Ross Potter, wrestling program assistant for the winter 2018 athletic season, to reflect a change in capacity served to unshared, effective 1/9/19, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed. (9-0)

Amend.

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 following appointments: (9-0)

Appt.

Gerald Buckley, provisional appointment as school security aide, assigned to the High School, effective 1/25/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Substitute appointments for the 2018-2019 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2018 reorganization meeting.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on January 4 and 11, 2019, pertaining to student #25748, 26064, 25915, 26010 and 25235 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (9-0)

CPSE
CSE

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on January 4, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16 and 17, 2019 pertaining to student #23777, 25308, 20553, 23088, 22471, 23764, 23474, 24134, 25829, 21845, 26066, 18815, 25408, 22881, 23497, 21599 and 25169 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (9-0)

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: (9-0)

Finance

- General Fund Warrant # 19, 22
- School Lunch Fund Warrant # 6
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 13, 14

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves a contract with the Middletown City School District for the 2018-19 school year for the provision of health services to sixteen (16) Minisink-resident students who attend private schools within the Middletown City School District, and approves payment in the amount of \$12,095.84. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, acknowledges receipt of the Treasurer’s Report for the month of November 2018. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accept and award the HVAC/Mechanical Contract to Total Construction Corp. for the base bid amount of \$972,000. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accept and approve change orders GC-03 +\$29,000 and GC-04 credit (\$3,200) for additional exterior work with Total Construction. Change orders authorize use of allowance already established within the original contract. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the expenditure of \$309.00 for Joseph Flaherty, board president, to attend the Capital Conference in Albany from February 10-11, 2019, hosted by New York State School Boards Association; and

BOE
Conf.

Further resolved, that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the reimbursement of district established conference travel mileage costs. (9-0)

Mr. Cooper attended the Section IX duals and congratulated Monroe Woodbury on the win. Mr. Salamone said that youth lacrosse practices are going well. President Flaherty, Mr. Monahan and Mr. Odland attended the boys’ swim senior night.

District
Events

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 8:45 PM to discuss employment histories of particular persons, negotiations with CSEA, a matter made exempt under Federal Law, FERPA, and legal matters. (9-0)

Exec.

President Flaherty invited Mr. Michael Larsen and Mr. Gary Silveira into executive session.

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

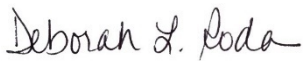
A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Salamone and unanimously carried to resume public session at 9:35 PM. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the Board, upon hearing the matter of the appeal of the Education Law, Section 3214 Student Disciplinary proceeding concerning student #012419, upon written request letter of student's parent, does hereby adopt and affirm the Superintendent of School's determination as to guilt and as to the penalty, dated January 2, 2019, which endorsed the findings and recommendations of Hearing Officer Jeffrey Schiro, dated December 22, 2018; and

Further resolved, that the board of education, hereby authorizes the Board President to sign the board of education's written determination and that such written determination, together with a copy of this resolution, be sent, via regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, to the parents of student #012419 in this matter. (9-0)

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Emery and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 PM. (9-0)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah L. Roda".

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk