

Minisink Valley Central School District  
Board Meeting – May 18, 2017

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in the middle school auditorium on May 18, 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

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  
Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 38  
PRESS: 0

President Flaherty called the meeting to order at 8:02 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 April 20, 2017. (6-1 abstention, Mr. Gibbs)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community.

Visitors

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that in accordance with Section 3012 of the NYS Education Law and upon recommendation of the superintendent, the following probationary teachers and/or administrators are hereby granted tenure by the Board of Education to the following positions in the tenure areas designated:

Tenure

Intermediate School

Stefani Caporlingua –Special Subject Tenure Area: Art, effective tenure date 9/2/17.  
Jennifer Meere –Tenure Area: Elementary, effective tenure date 9/2/17.

Middle School

Jennifer Trim-Bittner – Special Subject Tenure Area: Special Education, effective tenure date 9/2/17.

High School

Nicholas Emanuele – Special Subject Tenure Area: Physical Education, effective tenure date 9/2/17.  
Madeline Ramos – Academic Tenure Area: Foreign Languages, effective tenure date 9/2/17.  
Anthony Muccari – Special Subject Tenure Area: Special Education, effective tenure date 9/2/17.  
Kathleen Jessie – Academic Tenure Area: Mathematics, effective tenure date 10/19/17.

Mr. Monahan congratulated everyone including those previously tenured:

Previously Tenured

Ashley Beairsto – Special Subject Tenure Area: Special Education, effective tenure date 2/1/17.  
Katie Klopchin – Special Subject Tenure Area: Special Education, effective tenure date 1/6/17.

Mary Kelly – Tenure Area: Elementary, effective tenure date 2/17/17.  
Danielle Ulbrich – Special Subject Tenure Area: School Social Worker, effective tenure date 3/21/17.

President Flaherty requested that the meeting recess at 8:06 PM for a brief reception to honor the tenured employees. The meeting resumed at 8:27 PM.

MR. ODLAND ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:27 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the results of the May 16, 2017 Annual Budget Vote and Election. (8-0)

Vote

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the members of the voter registration board for the 2017 - 2018 school year. (8-0)

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

Retire

Richard Schettkoe, automotive mechanic, assigned to the transportation department, effective 6/30/17.

Debra Cambareri, speech/language therapist, assigned to Minisink Elementary, effective 6/30/17.

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 resignation: (8-0)

Resign

Robert Keppler, custodial worker, assigned to the buildings and grounds department, effective 5/19/17.

Douglas Janeczko, science teacher, assigned to the middle school, effective 6/23/17.

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

Leaves

Sandra Macaluso, school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, leave of absence extension effective 5/10/17 and ending on 5/19/17.

Sarah McMonigle, special education teacher, assigned to the high school, childcare leave of absence effective on or about 6/14/17 and ending on 6/30/17.

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: (8-0)

Appoints

Calvin Bailey, probationary appointment as a school security aide, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, effective 5/22/17 with probation ending 5/21/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Robert Keppler, probationary appointment as a custodial leader, assigned to the buildings and grounds department, effective 5/19/17 with probation ending 5/18/18. Step 5, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Claudine Collazo, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 5/19/17 with probation ending 5/18/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

William Schmitt, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 5/19/17 with probation ending 5/18/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Carolina Roman, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 5/19/17 with probation ending 5/18/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Alyson Luscher, probationary appointment as a special education teacher, assigned to the high school, for a four year probationary term, effective 9/1/17 with probation ending 8/31/21, 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. Special Subject Tenure Area: special education. Certification: students with disabilities 7-12 initial certificate. Step 3 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Pasqua Ventre, probationary appointment as a music teacher, assigned to the middle school, for a four year probationary term, effective 9/1/17 with probation ending 8/31/21, 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. Special Subject Tenure Area: music. Certification: music initial certificate. Step 1 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Greeter appointments, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2016 reorganization meeting.

Tutor appointments for the 2016-2017 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the May 4, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

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

Mr. Ranaudo gave a brief *Power Point* presentation regarding the district's Smart School Investment Plan. This plan has been placed on the district's website and is available for review by the public. The board of education will be considering this plan for approval at a future meeting.

Curr. &  
Instr.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on March 8, April 25, 26, 27, May 2 and 3, 2017 pertaining to student #24721, 23709, 24566, 23845, 24238, 24759, 23645, 24303, 24664, 23146, 25167, 24794, 24314, 23634, 23254, 24572, 23484, 24414, 23564, 23749, 24523, 24046, 23370, 24114, 24686, 23728, 24631, 24536, 24218 and 23957 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 Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on February 2, 7, 14, 28, March 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 29, 30, April 3, 4, 5, 6, 18, 20, 21, 25, 27, May 1, 2, 3, 8, 9 and 11, 2017 pertaining to student #21683, 22044, 21095, 21080, 22266, 19544, 20110, 22621, 24277, 23799, 21681, 20001, 22163, 23087, 24237, 21839, 200018, 23269, 24442, 19627, 21930, 21906, 18536, 16196, 24254, 19289, 18979, 19880, 20653, 21642, 21227, 21588, 20590, 21820, 23065, 18980, 20944, 21149, 17157, 14576, 16806, 17634, 20199, 21450, 20830, 24838, 23776, 16303, 18252, 16344, 21402, 20810, 16897, 16991, 17685, 17155, 20584, 19590, 18406, 18808, 20338,

19844, 20046, 18993, 18559, 19744, 16082, 20084, 21703, 19221, 24749, 15647, 19136, 21555, 18329, 19216, 16988, 16309, 17607, 23043, 18149, 18615, 23547, 20728, 22899, 20531, 21784, 18733, 17696, 12855, 19135, 22431, 17948, 19896, 15567, 19288, 15354, 24395, 19427, 17480, 24826, 22515, 18314, 15710, 20132, 24367, 14604, 24303, 24664, 25167, 17350, 17401, 23907, 23254, 13978, 15552, 18632, 16878, 17779, 23317, 24536, 17604, 23497, 25202, 21283, 23230, 25107 and 22516 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Cahill, 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 # 37  
 School Lunch Fund Warrant # 10  
 Trust & Agency Fund Warrant # 22, 23

A motion was made by Mr. Cahill, 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 April 2017. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the district's participation in the 2017-18 Clarkstown Central School District Cooperative Fuel Bid, naming Petroleum Traders Corporation as the lowest responsible bidder to provide diesel fuel and kerosene based on the daily Oil Price Information Service (OPIS) pricing available at the Newburgh Terminal plus, fixed transportation costs for diesel fuel of .0362 per gallon and fixed transportation costs for kerosene of .25 per gallon. (8-0)

Mr. Gibbs reported on the buildings and grounds committee meeting that was held earlier in the evening. He said that the fencing from the EXCEL project has begun as well as lighting and fans in the Otisville Elementary. Mr. Gibbs said that there was a meeting with Aramark to discuss the design of the new cafeteria. He added that many parts of the EXCEL project have been completed.

B & G  
 Comm.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the expenditure of \$90 for board members Joseph Flaherty and Catherine Prezioso to attend the OCSBA Annual Meeting on June 7, 2017. (8-0)

OSCBA

Discussion regarding the NYSSBA 98th Annual Convention and Education Expo to be held on October 12-14, 2017 in Lake Placid. At this time, board members Joseph Flaherty, William Cooper and newly elected James Emery, will be attended the conference as well as Brian Monahan and Matthew Bourgeois.

NYSSBA

Mr. Cooper attended the high school band concert along with various softball games. Mr. Salamone attended the intermediate school band concert. President Flaherty and Mr. Monahan attended the baseball senior night. Mr. Monahan also attended a track meet, softball senior night, jv baseball game and various concerts. Mr. Cahill gave kudos to the Robotics Club for their placement in their first competition. Mr. Gibbs spoke about grandparents day that it held at the elementary building.

District  
 Events

Mr. Monahan congratulated President Flaherty for receiving a Certificate of Excellence in Education from NYSSBA for his many hours of training.

NYSSBA  
 Award

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 9:05 PM to discuss the employment histories of particular persons, a matter made exempt under Federal Law, FERPA and a matter of contract negotiations with MVTA. (8-0)

Exec.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:25 PM. (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, amends the resignation adopted at the April 20, 2017 board of education meeting for Alexander Vignogna, to reflect a change in the resignation effective date from 6/30/17 to 5/31/17. (8-0)

Amend.

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

MVTA

Whereas, the negotiating teams for the District and the Minisink Valley Teachers Association executed a Memorandum of Agreement (Summary of Agreed Upon Proposals) on successor Collectively Negotiated Agreement to the one that will expire on June 30, 2017; and

Whereas, legislative approval is required by the Board of Education in order to implement the funding of said Agreement;

Now, therefore, resolved, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement between the District and Minisink Valley Teachers Association covering the period from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2021 Collectively Negotiated Agreement. A copy of the Memorandum of Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. (8-0)

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 PM. (8-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk