

# Minutes

Board of Education

2018-2019

## Minisink Valley Central School District Board Meeting – November 8, 2018

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in middle school room 108 on November 8, 2018.

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

BOE MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Shawn Cahill  
Mr. James Emery, Jr.

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: 23  
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 October 11, 2018. (7-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. There were none

Visitors

Mr. Monahan introduced Mr. Vincent Biele, Otisville Elementary principal. Mr. Biele, along with assistant principal Julia Downey, teachers Mrs. Susanne Balfour and Mrs. Linda Lemieux and students Madelyn Giufre, Charlie Curabba, Shannon Devine, Brooke Besson, Ryleigh Jennings and Jalilah Rodd gave an interactive presentation regarding the iPad 1:1 initiative.

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Presentation

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 retirements: (7-0)

Retire

Jean Knoepfel, senior secretary, assigned to the business office, effective at the close of business on 1/31/19.

Barbara Young, school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective at the close of business on 10/31/18.

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

Resign

Denise Alston, part-time teacher aide, assigned to the Middle School, effective at the close of business on 10/26/18.

Michele Drossos-Yorke, payroll clerk, assigned to the business office, effective at the close of business on 11/22/18.

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 amendments: (7-0)

Amend

The appointment adopted at the October 11, 2018 board of education meeting of Shawna Swaine, head bus driver, effective 10/13/18, to reflect that the probation end date of this appointment is 4/12/19.

The winter coaching appointment adopted at the October 11, 2018 board of education meeting of Jeremiah Biddle, wrestling program assistant, to reflect a change in capacity served to shared. Compensation at one-half of the Group 5, Step 8 stipend, in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Odland and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the creation of one senior secretary position, effective 11/9/18. (7-0)

Creation

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: (7-0)

Appts.

Jeanine DeGennaro, probationary appointment as a part-time teacher aide, assigned to the Middle School, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Jessica Fairweather, probationary appointment as a part-time teacher aide, assigned to Minisink Elementary School, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Judy Hoffman, probationary appointment as a school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Joseph Eugene, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Bette Jo Hoffman, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Susan McIlroy, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Maureen Parfitt, probationary appointment as a school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Tammy Doty, probationary appointment as a school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Jacqueline Kumar, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

John Mills, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 11/9/18 with probation ending 11/8/19. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Michele Drossos-Yorke, probationary appointment as an account clerk typist, assigned to the business office, effective 11/23/18 with probation ending 5/22/19. Step 12, 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.*

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

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Fall 2018 coaching appointment of Sandra Kimiecik, volleyball program assistant, retroactive to 10/11/18. Group 5, Step 8, compensation (prorated) in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Winter 2018 coaching appointment of Ross Potter, wrestling program assistant. Compensation at one-half of the Group 5, Step 8 stipend, in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Briecke, and unanimously carried that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the execution by the Board President and Superintendent of Schools of the Independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver Application for the District's Education Law Section 3012-d APPR Plan to the State Education Department for the 2018-19 school year. A copy of said application shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. (7-0)

APPR

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 October 9, 15, 17, 18, 24, 30 and 31, 2018 pertaining to student #25032, 25490, 25770, 25915, 24776, 25056, 25602, 25085, 25978, 25568, 25581, 25955, 25982 and 25005 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (7-0)

CPSE  
CSE

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on September 27, October 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31 and November 1, 2018 pertaining to student #23758, 25898, 25897, 25963, 25973, 23897, 25928, 25929, 25927, 20239, 25279, 25986, 23506, 23597, 21852, 25434, 22881, 24496, 22497, 24595, 24467, 16721, 19547, 19135, 16303, 20934, 23256, 25342, 20042, 19979, 21768, 25278, 25867, 24275, 23396, 25615, 25901, 23254, 22811, 24450, 23373, 20703, 25870, 25169, 22277, 18535, 25809, 23269,

18571, 19301, 25808, 21773, 21686, 19889, 20762, 24395, 19186, 18973, 19259, 24298, 16897, 25707, 21806, 22179, 25994, 19722, 20980, 18538, 16285, 18269, 19994, 18808, 25652, 22006, 23230, 19853, 25993, 15289, 20695, 21513, 25168, 21563, 24124 and 20976 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (7-0)

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: (7-0)

Finance

- General Fund Warrant # 10, 13, 14
- School Lunch Fund Warrant # 3
- Special Aid-D Fund Warrant # 1
- Special Aid-P Fund Warrant # 1
- Special Aid-Q Fund Warrant # 2
- School Aid-U Fund Warrant # 2
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 8

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Briecke, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, acknowledges receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of September 2018. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Odland, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the 2018-19 First Quarter Extraclassroom Activity Fund Report. (7-0)

Mr. Bourgeois discussed the need to hold a special board meeting regarding uncollected taxes. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14, at 9:00 am.

Sp. BOE Mtg.

President Flaherty reported on the Orange County School Boards Association, OCSBA, meeting that he attended on November 7th. He said there were various schools doing presentation on technology.

OCSBA

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, hereby suspends the requirements of Policy #1410, which policy calls for a second reading and second vote, and hereby adopts Policy # 5660 Food Service Program. (7-0)

Policy

Mr. Monahan discussed the Mid-Hudson School Study Council's award's presentation where Mr. William and Mrs. Kathy Cooper were honored for their community service and Mr. Dominick Papa was honored for his support staff work. Congratulations to the award recipients.

MHSSC

Board members reported on the New York State School Boards Association's 99<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Expo and Conference that they attended in New York City. They said attendance is high and the information is extremely helpful and useful.

NYSSBA Conf.

President Flaherty reported on the transportation committee's review of a bus stop in Sullivan County. He said it is the recommendation of the committee for the stop to remain where it is.

Trans. Comm.

Mr. Cooper attended National Honor Society induction, the elementary Halloween parade and the high school's drama production of Super Heros. Mr. Monahan and President Flaherty attended the executive PTO's meeting and reported that President Flaherty will be the liaison between the board of education and the PTO. Mrs. Prezioso also attended the National Honor Society induction. Mr. Monahan reported that all of the senior nights for the fall sports are now complete.

District Events

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 9:09 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 employment histories of particular persons and a matter made exempt under federal law.

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried to resume public session at 9:48 PM. (7-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried that the Board hereby appoints Ira Lobel, Esq. as the Hearing Officer pursuant to Section 75 of the New York Civil Service Law, with respect to Employee No. 1514, and authorizes the Hearing Officer to hear evidence, make a transcript of proceedings and to issue a written report of his findings of fact and recommendations, including a disciplinary penalty, if any; and

Section 75 No. 1514
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Further resolved, that the Board of Education hereby suspends Employee No 1514, without pay, commencing on November 1, 2018, up to the maximum permitted by the New York Civil Service Law during the months of the employee's paid work year and then with pay during the pendency of these proceedings, if during a time when the employee would otherwise be paid. (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 9:50 PM. (7-0)

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk