

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

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in room 108 of the middle school on October 18, 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. James Emery, Jr.

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Mr. Brian C. Monahan, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Christian Ranaudo, Ass. Supt. for Curr. and Instruction
Mr. Matthew Bourgeois, Asst. Supt. for Business
Mr. Michael Giardina, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources
Ms. Elizabeth Law, Director of Pupil Personnel
Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 4
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. DeRose, 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 5, 2017. (6-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. One community member spoke about entrance flags for the high school.

Visitors

President Flaherty introduced Mrs. Julie Fraino from Nugent and Haeussler who presented a summary of the audit report. She said the district has a clean opinion and is in compliance.

Audit

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mr. Gibbs and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts and files the 2016-17 audited financial statements from Nugent and Haeussler, P.C. (6-0)

Mr. Monahan announced that the district received the Merit Award from Capital Region BOCES for the Capital Project newsletter to the community. He gave kudos to Ms. Cunha, Information Specialist, for her hard work with putting the newsletter together.

Merit Award

Mr. Monahan also announced that Senator Bonacic presented the framed signed proclamation and pen for the health care reserve legislation that was passed. Mr. Monahan thanked Senator Bonacic for all his help and support with the bill.

Health Care Reserve

Mr. Monahan said that October 23 - October 27 has been designated as School Board Recognition Week by Governor Cuomo for the Empire State. He thanked the board members for their commitment to the students, parents, and community and then showed a video of students reading the declaration from Governor Cuomo. Mr. Monahan presented each board member with a gift of appreciation.

Board Recog.

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 are hereby granted tenure by the Board of Education to the following positions in the tenure areas designated: (6-0)

Tenure

Catina Brooks –Tenure Area: Special Education, effective tenure date 11/21/17.
Nicole Saunders – Tenure Area: Art, effective tenure date 11/1/17.

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 the following retirements: (6-0)

Retire

Delos Luther, supervisor of transportation, effective at the close of business on 11/30/17.

Robert Sklar, custodial worker, assigned to the buildings and grounds department, effective at the close of business on 10/13/17.

Shirley Snook, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 2/28/18.

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 resignations: (6-0)

Resign

Catherine Paris, part-time teacher aide, assigned to the Elementary School, effective at the close of business on 10/13/17.

Alison McCaffrey, part-time teacher aide, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, effective at the close of business on 10/19/17.

Danielle Cornacchio, high school musical director, effective 10/13/17.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Gibbs and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following agreements: (6-0)

Agree-
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The terms and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Separation Agreement between the District and Employee No. 101817 dated September 29, 2017. A copy of said Separation Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

The terms and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Separation Agreement between the District and Employee No. 1018172 dated October 3, 2017. A copy of said Separation Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

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: (6-0)

Leaves

Denise Alston, part-time teacher aide, assigned to the Middle School, unpaid leave of absence effective 10/3/17 and ending on or about 11/3/17.

Jessica Dickman, English teacher, assigned to the Middle School, childcare leave of absence effective on or about 1/9/18 and ending on or about 2/26/18.

Kasi Wang, Spanish teacher, assigned to the Middle School, unpaid leave of absence effective the second half of 10/19/17 and ending on 10/27/17.

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 amendments: (6-0)

Amend-
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Extracurricular appointment adopted at the September 14, 2017 board of education meeting for Corrine Yanis, middle school odyssey of the mind coach, to reflect a change in capacity served to shared.

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Extracurricular appointment adopted at the September 14, 2017 board of education meeting for Andrew Hulle, high school musical director, to reflect a change in capacity served to unshared.

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: (6-0)

Alison McCaffrey, probationary appointment as a library clerk, assigned to Otisville Elementary School, for a one year probationary term, effective 10/20/17 with probation ending 10/19/18. Step 2, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Peter Murray, probationary appointment as a school security aide, assigned to the High School, for a one year probationary term, effective 10/19/17 with probation ending 10/18/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Substitute teacher, aide and security appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

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

Tutor appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

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Greeter appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

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Substitute greeter appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

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Extracurricular appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

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Mr. Ranaudo gave a *Power Point* presentation regarding the college course offerings in the high school.

C & I

Ms. Law gave *Power Point* presentation of the district's updated two-year special education plan.

Sp. Ed. Plan

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 district's updated two-year special education plan dated 2017 through 2019. (6-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on October 3, 2017 pertaining to student #24954 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (6-0)

CPSE
CSE

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 September 26, 28, 29, October 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11 and 12, 2017 pertaining to students #22752, 16048, 21952, 23776, 21513, 18598, 25417, 19356, 16660, 18632, 17156, 17925, 23904, 24303, 25295, 24761, 25279, 25002, 21843, 25427, 20803, 25445, 25375, 25382, 25396, 25308, 23497, 23216, 22559, 20980, 16285, 23230, 25109, 18633, 18571, 19261, 19530 and 24946 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (6-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Odland, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts the claims auditor's report for the following warrants: (6-0)

Finance

General Fund Warrant # 9, 13
Trust & Agency Warrant # 7

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, awards the Route 6 Perimeter Fence Installation bid to WBE Fencing Company, Inc. in the amount of \$59,898 as part of the EXCEL III-B project.

MR. SALAMONE ENTERED THE MEETING AT 9:02 PM.

Various board members reported on the New York State School Board Association's 97th Annual Convention & Education Expo that they attended. Mr. Cooper congratulated Coach Ellen Lain on her 300th win in volleyball. President Flaherty and Mr. Monahan attended senior nights for girls' swim, girls' volleyball and girls' soccer. Mr. Odland attended the Harvest Concert and a youth lacrosse game. Mr. Salamone attended homecoming.

District Events

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 9:15 PM to discuss employment histories of particular persons, a matter of negotiations with AMVA and a matter made exempt under federal law, FERPA. (7-0)

Exec.

During executive session, the board discussed employment histories of particular persons, a matter of negotiations with AMVA and a matter made exempt under federal law, FERPA.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried to resume public session at 9:50 PM. (7-0)

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM. (7-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk