

Minisink Valley Central School District
Board Meeting – September 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in room 108 of the middle school on September 14, 2017.

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

BOE MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Joseph Flaherty, President

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Mr. Brian C. Monahan, Superintendent of Schools
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: 5
PRESS: 0

Vice-president Cooper called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

Pledge

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 minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education of August 24, 2017. (8-0)

Minutes

Vice-president Cooper welcomed comments from the community. There were none.

Visitors

Mr. Monahan reported on the Meet the Board Ice Cream Social that was held earlier in the evening. He thanked Mr. Giardina and Ms. Roda for organizing the event. Mr. Monahan said the event was well attended and it gave new employees and employees in new positions the opportunity to meet the board of education members.

Meet the BOE

Mr. Monahan reviewed the schedule for the upcoming open houses and those that had already taken place. He said that there will be shuttle busses available during the high school open house. Mr. Monahan encouraged parents to attend open house for their child(ren).

Open House

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education casts one vote for John Redman for the New York State Boards Association Area 9 Director. (8-0)

NYSSBA Director Area 9

Mr. Monahan discussed the need to change the board meeting date of October 19th to October 18th. He announced that the district has several Award of Excellence recipients being honored by Mid-Hudson School Study Council and the presentation is being held on October 19th. Mr. Monahan congratulated the following award winners: Alfred Gibbs, Deborah Roda, David Roda, Michelle McCoy, Nick Boffemmyer, Rosemary Marcolina, Erin Natalizio and Morgan Torres.

MHSSC Award BOE Date Change

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 retirement of Patrick O'Hara, school security aide, assigned to the High School, effective at the close of business on 9/15/17. (8-0)

Retire

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: (8-0)

Resign

Kerwin Mack, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 8/24/17.

Diane Wilson, part-time teacher aide, assigned to Otisville Elementary, effective 8/31/17.

Alice Williams, greeter, assigned to Minisink Elementary/Intermediate School, effective 8/28/17.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, amends the appointment adopted at the August 24, 2017 Board of Education meeting for Joann Noone, districtwide physical therapy assistant, to reflect a change in the appointment effective date from 9/1/17 to 9/11/17 with probation ending 9/10/18. (8-0)

Amend

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

Appt

Venicia Salguero, probationary appointment as a Spanish 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: secondary foreign languages. Certification: Spanish 7-12 initial certificate. Step 3 BA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Amy Maher, probationary appointment as an AIS math teacher, assigned to the Middle School, for a three and one-half year probationary term, effective 9/1/17 with probation ending 1/29/21, 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: secondary mathematics. Certification: mathematics 7-12 initial certificate. Step 2 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Samantha Petrosi, temporary appointment as an art teacher, assigned to the High School, effective 9/1/17 and ending 1/26/18. Special Subject Tenure Area: art. Certification: visual arts initial certificate. Step 1 BA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Tracey Sanok, probationary appointment as a part-time teacher aide, assigned to Minisink Elementary, effective 9/1/17 with probation ending 8/31/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Diane Wilson, full-time teacher aide, assigned to Otisville Elementary, effective 9/1/17. Step 8, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Dianna Cherry, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 10/02/17 with probation ending 10/01/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

John Del Regno, probationary appointment as a school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 9/15/17 with probation ending 9/14/18. Step 1, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Greeter 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.

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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Substitute teachers 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 bus monitor/driver appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the amount specified at the July 2017 reorganization meeting.

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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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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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The School Student Climate Survey *Power Point* presentation was tabled until the October 5th board meeting.

C & I

A motion was made by Mr. Odland, seconded by Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on August 29, September 6 and 8, 2017 pertaining to student #24713, 25083, 25299, 23896 and 25235 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (8-0)

CPSE
CSE

A motion was made by Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Gibbs, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on August 28, 31 and September 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 2017 pertaining to student #22071, 18269, 23776, 23571, 18140, 18176, 20814, 18869, 19328, 19159, 24822, 24694, 20640, 21852, 24946, 23904 and 18033 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts the claims auditor's report for the following warrants: (8-0)

Finance

- General Fund Warrant # 6, 8
- School Lunch Fund # 2
- Capital Fund Warrant # 2
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 4, 5

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 receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2017. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. Prezioso, seconded by Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts the donation of used science equipment and new laboratory glassware from Bell Flavors and Fragrances, Inc. The donated items are estimated to have an approximate value of \$2,700. (8-0)

Mr. Monahan reported on the OCSBA meeting that he attended. He said the agenda included the review of Mr. Redman's presentation for Area 9 Director for NYSSBA and information regarding the NYSSBA conference that will be held in Lake Placid in October.

OCSBA

Board members reported on the building tours that they took of each of the buildings and departments on opening day. They said that the schools were very inviting with a great welcome back feeling. Board members also said that the faculty and staff were excited to start a new year. They thanked the employees for their enthusiasm and all that they do for the students.

Building
Tours

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Odland, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, appoints Joseph Flaherty as the Voting Delegate and William Cooper as the alternate voting delegate for the purpose of the NYSSBA 98th Annual Convention and Education Expo from October 12 – 14, 2017. (8-0)

NYSSBA
Voting
Delegate

Board members set an audit committee meeting for October 5, 2017 to meet with the external auditor as they do each year at this time.

Audit
Comm.

Board members discussed setting the next policy committee meeting, however, a date has not been decided at this time. They also discussed that NYSED is requiring that the district put a policy in place regarding school lunch charges.

Policy
Comm.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, 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 # 5650, School Lunch Program. (8-0)

Mrs. DeRose spoke about Project Graduation and the need for high school parent volunteers. She said anyone wishing to help should contact the committee via their Facebook page. Mr. Emery attended a football game. Mr. Gibbs spoke about the privatization of the transportation department and said that the district has looked into this in past and that he wanted it noted that he would never support privatizing because the district needs to take care of our students and privatizing has many problems. Several board members agreed.

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 8:52 PM to discuss employment histories of particular persons and a matter of negotiations with AMVA. (8-0)

Exec.

Mr. Hauck was invited into executive session.

During executive session, the board discussed employment histories of particular persons and a matter of negotiations with AMVA.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Salamone and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:25 PM. (8-0)

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 attached list of extracurricular appointments for the 2017-2018 school year, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed. (8-0)

Appts

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, appoints Jean Knoepfel as the district's Affordable Care Act coordinator with a stipend of \$6,000 for the 2017-2018 school year. (8-0)

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

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk