

Minisink Valley Central School District
Board Meeting – February 4, 2016

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in room 108 of the middle school on February 4, 2016.

BOE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Flaherty, President
Mr. Shawn Cahill
Mr. William Cooper
Mrs. Kathlee DeRose
Mr. Alfred Gibbs
Mr. John Odland
Mrs. Catherine Prezioso
Mr. Paul Rickard
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 Gillespie, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources
Mrs. Debra Wilson, Supervisor of Pupil Personnel Services
Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 26
PRESS: 0

President Flaherty called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence in memory of Christopher Corwin, middle school technology teacher, that has passed away. Mr. Monahan thanked the board of education, the administration, the faculty, staff, and students for their dedication to the district and to one another during this tragedy. He added that, on behalf of everyone, continued thoughts and prayers go out to Mr. Corwin’s family.

Pledge
Moment
of
Silence

MRS. DEROSE ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:02 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Odland and 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 21, 2016. (9-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. Students from the middle school drama club did a skit to invite board members to the upcoming production of *Music Man, Jr.*, to be held on March 10 and 11.

Visitors

Mr. Monahan introduced Mr. Michael Giardina, middle school principal, who introduced Mr. Matthew Moyles and Mrs. Jennifer Pagnanella. A *Power Point* presentation was given regarding the student council in the middle school and how it helps the student body in so many ways.

MS
Pres.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the resignation of Steven James, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 1/19/16. (9-0)

Resign.

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 appointments: (9-0)

Appts.

Debra Carlson, probationary appointment as a speech teacher, assigned to the intermediate school, effective 2/8/16 with probation ending 2/7/20. Special Subject Tenure Area: speech and hearing handicapped children. Certification: speech and hearing handicapped permanent certificate. Step 1 MA, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the MVTA and the BOE as listed.

Kristin Smith, probationary appointment as a typist, assigned to the pupil personnel office, effective 2/8/16 with probation ending 2/7/17. Step 3, compensation in accordance with the negotiated agreement between the CSEA and the BOE as listed.

Mr. Ranaudo reviewed the dates of the spring testing calendars for grades 3-8 and high school.

Curr. & Instruc.

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on January 20 and 21, 2016 pertaining to student #22815, 23098, 24500, 23287 and 23671 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (9-0)

CPSE

A motion was made by Mr. Salamone, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on January 15, 22, 25, 26, and 28, 2016 pertaining to students #19722, 23908, 24343, 24243, 20680, 19903, 24041, 18817, 18170, 18808, 24482, 22737, 24492, 22141, 23911, 22645 and 18733 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (9-0)

CSE

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: (9-0)

Finance

- General Fund Warrant # 21, # 23
- Capital Fund Warrant # 6
- Special Aid – Q Fund Warrant # 5
- Special Aid – U Fund Warrant # 5
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 14, # 15

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, accepts and files the 2015-16 Second Quarter Financial Reports which include Revenues, Budget Transfers and the Extraclassroom Activity Fund. (9-0)

Mr. Monahan said that, in conjunction with Erie I BOCES, the board of education has begun the process of doing a complete policy manual update. He added that the review will take several months but expects a completed copy by the beginning of next school year.

Policy Manual

Mr. Cooper requested that the board of education do a mid-year assessment of their goals that they had set in the beginning of the school year.

BOE Mid-Year Assess.

Mr. Cooper attended the Gene Brigham Wrestling Tournament. He announced the upcoming drama productions for each building as follows: Otisville elementary – February 5th; intermediate school – February 9th and 10th; middle school – March 10th and 11th; and high school – April 14th through 16th. Mr. Cooper also reminded the community of the first finance committee meeting to be held on February 11th at 6:30 pm in the middle school auditorium. President Flaherty attended senior night for the boys' swim team. Mr. Gibbs gave condolences to Mrs. Sue Morley's family, retired teacher from the high school. Mrs. DeRose announced that Project Graduation will be holding a Tricky Tray on February 27th at 5:00 pm at the high school.

District Events

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 8:48 PM to discuss the employment histories of particular persons. (9-0)

Exec.

Mr. Girardina was invited into executive session. During executive session, the board discussed the employment histories of a particular persons.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:27 PM. (9-0)

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 approves the terms and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Settlement Agreement between the District and Employee No. 020416 dated February 4, 2016, in lieu of commencing N.Y.S. Civil Service Law Section 75 proceedings against the employee. A copy of said Settlement Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. (9-0)

Agreement

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 10:29 PM. (9-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk