

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on January 26, 2016 in the Verona High School Media Center at 6:59 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Quattrocchi, President. A statement was made that the meeting had been properly advertised in the designated newspapers and the agendas were posted at the appropriate locations. A motion was made to convene to confidential session. All were in favor.

The board reconvened to the regular session at 8pm.

The following members of the Board were present: Mr. John Quattrocchi, President, and Mrs. Lisa Freschi, Vice President, Mrs. Michele Bernardino and Mr. Michael Unis were present. Mr. James Day was absent.

Also present were Mr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent and Ms. Cheryl Nardino, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Approximately fifty citizens were present. One member of the press was present.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items-None**

**Presentations**

- F. N. Brown Students and Dr. Anthony Lanzo, Principal - Standardized Assessment
- Mr. Josh Cogdill, VHS Principal - Recognition of students earning Eagle Scout status and November and December students of the month
- Ms. Sheryl Nicolosi of Lerch, Vinci and Higgins - Presentation of June 30, 2015 Audit
- Mr. Charles Miller, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment- Update and 2015 PARCC Assessment Results

**Superintendent's Report**

- **Snow Removal**
- **PARCC Update**
- **Retirements-Congratulations to Mr. Rampolla, Mrs. Young, and Mrs. Bush**

**Committees**

**Finance**

- Special education cost
- Field referendum costs
- Hockey and lacrosse budgets

**Discussion Items-**

- Planning board meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 7:30. All are encouraged to attend. Board is hoping for approval on the field plans Thursday night.

**RESOLUTIONS**

The following resolutions have been recommended by the Superintendent to the Board of Education:

**RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Resolutions #1-28**

**Moved by: Mr. Unis**

**Seconded by: Mrs. Freschi**

**Ayes: 4**

**Nays: 0**

**#1 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the minutes of the following meetings:

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting      January 5, 2016

**PERSONNEL**

**#2 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2015-2016 school year:

**2.1 Substitutes**

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
<b>Maria Rivera</b>	Spec. Svcs.	Sub teacher aide	\$14.40/hr.	Education	SY 15-16
<b>Katey VanNatten</b>	District	Sub teacher	\$85/day	Education	SY 15-16
<b>Jaime Kolich</b>	Spec. Svcs.	Sub teacher aide	\$14.40/hr.	Education	SY 15-16

**2.2 Retirements with regret**

Name	Position	Location	Reason	Effective Date of Retirement
<b>Richard Rampolla</b>	Principal	Brookdale	Retirement	7/1/2016
<b>Frances Young</b>	English Teacher	VHS	Retirement	7/1/2016

<b>Shirley Bush</b>	School Nurse	VHS	Rescind retirement	4/1/16
<b>Shirley Bush</b>	School Nurse	VHS	approve retirement	7/1/16

**2.3 New Staff**

Name	Location	Assignment	Degree/Step	Salary	Effective on or about	Department	Notes
<b>Kimberly Cardinoza</b>	District-Spec. Svcs.	Behaviorist	MA/Step 11	Pro-rated \$66,431	2/16/2016 - 6/30/16	Education	Repl. S. Shumar

**#3 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Joseph Trause** - Facilities Manager to attend the following conference:

Buildings and Grounds 20th Annual Expo and Conference on March 14, 15 and 16, 2016 in Atlantic City, NJ

Meals	\$127.50
Hotel \$69 per night	\$138.00
Registration	<u>\$125.00</u>
Total	\$390.50

**#4 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Harriette Warshaw** to attend the following conference:

Section 504 in New Jersey on February 8, 2016 in Fort Lee, NJ

Registration	\$199.99
Mileage	\$ 23.00
Legal Guide 504's	<u>\$ 24.99</u>
Total	\$247.98

**#5 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Eltion Ballaj** to attend the following conference:

Techspo 2016 - January 28-29, 2016 in Atlantic city, NJ

Registration	\$420.00
Hotel 1 night X \$117.86	\$117.86
Mileage 250 miles x .31	\$ 77.50
Meals	<u>\$ 23.00</u>
Total	\$638.36

**#6 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Charles Miller** to attend the following conference:

Techspo 2016 - January 28-29, 2016 in Atlantic City, NJ

Registration	\$420.00
Meals	<u>\$ 23.00</u>
Total	\$443.00

**#7 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Rui Dionisio** to attending the following conference:

ASCD annual conference - April 2-4, 2016, Atlanta, Georgia

Registration	\$289.00
Hotel	\$873.76
Meals	<u>\$178.50</u>
Total	\$1,341.26

**#8 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following salaries for District Administrators for the 2015-2016 school year:

Last Name	First Name	2015-2016 Salary
Cesa	Glenn	\$156,019
McNeal	Yvette	\$147,001
Stevenson	Glen	\$108,284
Rampolla	Richard	\$132,961
Lanzo*	Anthony	\$132,506
Monacelli	Jeffrey	\$123,419
Venezia	Gina	\$120,858
Ferlauto	Kimberly	\$109,192
Bangia*	Sumit	\$104,937
*Includes \$2,500 stipend		

**#9 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following:

**9.1 Personal Illness without pay**

Employee #	Location	Date/s	Reason
42817403	VHS	.5 day on 1/11/16 1 day on 1/19/16	Personal Illness Without pay

**EDUCATION/SPECIAL EDUCATION**

**#10 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Superintendent’s presentation of HIB report as follows:

Date	HIB Case
1/5/2016	VHS #22126
1/5/2016	VHS #22521
1/5/2016	VHS #22550

**#11 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following Student Observers:

Name	School	School/teacher/ Grade	Duration	Hours/ days	Assignment
Ryan Muirhead	Rutgers Univ.	VHS/Roshong/ Bus. Ed	1/28/16-5/20/16	24 hrs.	Student Observer
Kathryn VanNatten	Cald.Coll.	FNB/Staranka/ Kdg.	1/27/16-5/20/16	60 hrs.	Student Observer

**#12 RESOLVED** that the Board approve to contract with Brett DiNovi & Associates, LLC for intermittent professionals (BCBA, ABA Aide, one-to-One Aides, Home Instructors, etc.) at the rate of \$40 per hour for Clinical Associates and \$95 per hour for Behavioral Consultants for the 2015-2016 school year as needed.

**#13 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following curriculum:

Grade 5 Literacy and Literacy Workshop  
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VHS Library Media

**#14 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached Statistical Report for the month of December 2015.

**#15 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the 2016 VSEA business plan.

**#16 RESOLVED** that the Board approve an additional \$500 to Leadership Solutions, LLC for leadership consulting for the 2015-2016 school year.

**#17 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following Home Instructors for the 2015-2016 school year:

<b>Name</b>
Mary Ann Halbert
Jessica Barnes
LeAnne Fusaro

**#18 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following Student Home Instruction:

<b>Student #</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Hrs./Week/Duration</b>	<b>Beginning on or about</b>
10302	Out of District	8	10 hrs./week/4-6 weeks	1/5/2016
41502	HBW	8	10 hrs./week/4-6 weeks	1/4/2016
41999	VHS	10	add'l. 10 hrs/week/ 4-8 weeks	additional time
111497	VHS	12	2 hrs./week/remainder of 15-16 school year	1/13/2016
012404	HBW	6	10 hrs./week/4-6 weeks	1/1/16

**#19 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a change of out-of-district placement for Student #060304 to Shepard School in the amount of \$38,251.85. Beginning 1/27/16 for the remainder of the 15-16 school year. (91 days- tuition rate \$290.98 per day, 1:1 aide \$129.37 per day).

**#20 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following movies for the 2015-2016 school year:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Grade</b>
My Neighbor Totoro	Anime Club	G	VHS	9th-12th
Invasion of the Body Snatchers (1956)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	NR	VHS	10th-12th
Rocky (1976)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	PG	VHS	10th-12th
Back to the Future (1985)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	PG	VHS	10th-12th
Wall Street (1987)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	R	VHS	10th-12th
A Trip to the Moon (1902)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	NR	VHS	10th-12th
The Immigrant (1917)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	NR	VHS	10th-12th
Superman (1978)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	PG	VHS	10th-12th
Man of Steel (2013)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	PG	VHS	10th-12th
My Man Godfrey (1936)	History and the Hollywood Cinema	NR	VHS	10th-12th

**CO-CURRICULAR/ATHLETICS**

**#21 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following:

**21.1 Field Trip**

<b>Name of Chaperone</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Club/Destination</b>	<b>Date of Field Trip</b>
<b>Brian Michalowski/ Amanda Hamilton</b>	HBW	Music/New Amsterdam Theater, NY, NY	6/8/2016

**21.2 Clubs**

Name	School	Club	Cost	School Year
<b>Janan Wehbeh</b>	VHS	Exploring the Middle East	Volunteer	2015-16
<b>Melissa Wallerstein</b>	VHS	Progressives' Club	Volunteer	2015-16
<b>Chris Tamburro</b>	VHS	Federalist Society	Volunteer	2015-16

**#22 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached list of Spring coaches for the 2015-2016 school year.

**#23 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following:

**23.1 Coach**

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Term of Employment
<b>Ryan Muirhead</b>	VHS	Volunteer Baseball Coach	NA	SY 15-16
<b>Eltion Ballaj</b>	VHS	Volunteer Basketball Coach	NA	SY 15-16

**#24 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following:

**24.1 VSEA**

Name	Title	Duration	Stipend
<b>Jeffrey Monacelli</b>	Program Director	Summer 2016	\$8,117

**REFERENDUM**

**#25 RESOLVED** that the Board approve Edge Property Maintenance change order #7 for the VHS Vestibule structural steel testing in the amount of \$2,313.00.

**#26 RESOLVED** that the Board approve Edge Property Maintenance change order #8 for the removal of dirt at the VHS music addition in the amount of \$49,848.00.

**#27 RESOLVED** that the Board approve C&M Door Controls change order #1 for new VHS Cafeteria Doors in the amount of \$3,760.00.

**FINANCE**

**#28 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the enclosed checklist in the following amount:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$43,736.45	Cafeteria Checks	January 2016
\$1,492,939.95	Vendor Checks	January 22, 2016

**#29 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached list of individual transfers of line items in the 2015-2016 budget for:

December, 2015

**#30 RESOLVED** that the Report of the Secretary for the period(s) as follows be approved:

December, 2015

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:20-2.13(e), that as of December 31, 2015 after review of the Board Secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund, has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**#31 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the following month:

December, 2015

**#32 RESOLVED** that the Board accept the 2014-2015 CAFRA Report ending June 30, 2015 as prepared by Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, CPA's.

**#33 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Corrective Action Plan for the audit year ended June 30, 2015 as attached.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**The meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Cheryl A. Nardino  
Board Secretary**