

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on April 18, 2017 in the Verona High School Media Center at 4:59 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.

The following members of the Board were present: Mr. John Quattrocchi, President, Mrs. Lisa Freschi, Vice President, Mrs. Michele Bernardino, Mr. James Day and Mr. Glenn Elliott. Also present were Mr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent and Ms. Cheryl Nardino, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

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

Public Comment on Agenda Items- None

Presentations-

Mrs. Nicole Stuto, Principal and Brookdale Avenue School 4th Grade Students
Connecting Literature with STEM and Design Challenges

Superintendent's Report

- Baseball bleachers and Referendum Update
- HBW boy's locker room bid
- Sewer line replacement
- Summer assignments
- HBW Band at Water Music Hoboken & VFEE grant
- Orton Gillingham Cohort 1 Congratulations

Committees

Education/Special Education

- Courses offered to students at VHS for next year
- Sensory rooms for students
- Professional development
- Classroom observations

Athletics

- VBSL donations to the baseball and softball field
- Mr. Wayne Looney's retirement
- Euro Challenge field trip

Buildings and Grounds

- Field update and bleacher update
- Need to re-bid HBW locker room repair
- New sewer line behind VHS
- Lead water testing

Community Resources

- Discussion on fields
- Aides and technology negotiations
- Action meetings for mental health and code of conduct committees
- Harlem Wizards fundraiser in May
- BOE and Town Council meeting for the spring

Discussion Items

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolutions #1-6**

Moved by: Mrs. Freschi

Seconded by: Mr. Day

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

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

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting March 28, 2017

PERSONNEL

#2 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2016-2017 school year as per attached.

#3 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

3.1 Leave of Absence

Name	Reason	Begin Date on or before	Estimated Return Date on or before
Erin Coffey	Revised maternity leave of absence	Apr. 17, 2017	Sept. 1, 2017

EDUCATION

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

4.1 Field Trip

Name of Chaperones	School	Club/Destination	Date of Field Trip
Christopher Tamburro	VHS	Euro Challenge/New York, NY	Apr. 26, 2017

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

HIB Case
HBW OH 40938

#6 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the first reading of the following policies/regulations:

- P2320 Independent Study Programs (Abolished)
- P2415.06 Unsafe School Choice Option
- P2464 Gifted and Talented Students
- P2622 Student Assessment
- P5116 Education of Homeless Children
- P5460 High School Graduation
- P5465 Early Graduation (Abolished)
- P7446 School Security Program
- P8350 Record Retention

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolution #7**

Moved by: Mr. Elliott

Seconded by: Mrs. Bernardino

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

**ADDENDUM RESOLUTION
 PERSONNEL**

#7 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following personnel recommendation pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2016-2017 school year.

1.1 Substitutes

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Diane Bartell	Brookdale	MLOA 77% Kindergarten teacher	\$181/day	Education	Apr. 17 to Jun. 16, 2017

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

#8 RESOLVED that the Board meet in private session, from which the public shall be excluded, to discuss the topics of negotiations and personnel or potential litigation which private discussion is being held pursuant to Section 7b and 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act. The matters under discussion will be disclosed to the public as soon as final decisions are made and voted upon.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT- None

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl A. Nardino
 Board Secretary**