

PUBLIC MEETING

February 28, 2017

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on February 28, 2017 in the Verona High School Media Center at 5:29 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 7:00 pm.

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

- Mr. Howard Freund, Principal, Ms. Gabrielle San Roman, Music Teacher and Laning Avenue Students, Music Presentation
- Mr. Tom Lancaster, Principal Verona High School, Student of the Month

Superintendent's Report

- Budget meetings
- Fields and baseball bleachers
- Professional Development Days Update
- Brookdale Technology Donation

Committees

Finance

- 2017-2018 Budget

Discussion Items

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolutions #1-20**

Moved by: Mrs. Freschi

Seconded by: Mr. Elliott

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

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

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting February 13, 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.

2.1 Leave of Absence

Name	Reason	Begin Date on or before	Estimated Return Date on or about
Erica McKenna	Extension of Maternity Leave	Sept. 1, 2017	Sept. 1, 2018
#61795522	Medical Leave of Absence	Feb. 7, 2017	Jun. 16, 2017
#61825238	Medical Leave of Absence	Feb. 3, 2017	May 1, 2017

2.2 Substitute Teacher/s/Part Time Staff

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Michelle Ferrara	District	Sub Teacher	\$85/day	Education	SY 16-17
Kristie Heimerle	FNB	Part Time Nurse	\$38/hr.	Education	Mar. 1 - Jun. 16, 2017
Daria Selepouchin	VHS	LOA Sub - Guidance	\$260 per diem	Education	Feb. 21 - Jun.17, 2017

2.3 Resignation

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective
Kathleen Grant	VHS	Guidance Counselor	resignation	Jun. 30, 2017
Jennifer Kirby	Laning	2nd Grade Teacher	resignation	Jun. 30, 2017

#3 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following effective March 1, 2017:

3.1 Movement on Guide

NAME	CURRENT LEVEL/STEP	SALARY	NEW LEVEL/STEP	SALARY
Dana Casale	BA/Step 5	\$52,723	BA+30/Step 5	\$57,326
Sue Conlon	MA/Step 5	\$58,353	MA+30/Step 5	\$62,745

3.2 Without Pay

Name	Location	Date/s	Reason	Notes
#60789583	HBW	Jan. 30, 2017	½ day Personal Illness	Without pay

#4 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Marie Meyer** to be paid at an hourly rate of \$73.57 for 6 ½ hours totaling \$478.21 for her attendance at the Teacher's College at Columbia University on Sunday, January 8, 2017.

EDUCATION/SPECIAL EDUCATION

#5 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the 2nd reading of the following policies/regulations:

- P0134 Board Self Evaluation
- P0152 Board Officers

- P3212 Attendance
- P4212 Attendance (Formerly P4211 Attendance)
- P&R 5200 Attendance
- P5465 Early Graduation

#6 RESOLVED that the Board approve the 1st reading of the following policy:

- P2460 Special Education

#7 RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached District Statistical Report for the month of January 2017.

#8 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

8.1 Student Observer

Name	School	School/teacher/ Grade	Duration	Hours/ days	Assignment
Lesly deGroot	MSU	LAN/Buneo/Pre-K/ Nochimson/Kdg./ Ricci/ 3rd grade	March 1-May 15, 2017	3 hrs. total	Student Observer
Angelica Spano	MSU	FOR/LaStella/1st Grade	March 1- May 10, 2017	3 hrs. total	Student Observer

8.2 Student Home Instruction

Student #	School	Grade	Duration	Beginning on or about
#181025	VHS	11	20 hrs. total	Feb. 3, 2017
#180182	VHS	11	20 hrs. total	Feb. 3, 2017
#272234	Brookdale	2	10 hrs. week/4-6 weeks	Jan. 25, 2017

8.3 Attendance at Conferences

Name	School	Event/Location	Date	Cost
Claire Ma	VHS	NAFME Eastern Division Biennial In-Service Conference/Atlantic City, NJ	Apr. 6-7, 2017	Registration \$180 Mileage 258 mi. x .31 = \$79.98 Hotel 1 night @ \$99.00 Meals \$128.00 Total \$486.98
Kim Ferlauto	VHS	NJACA Conference, Long Branch, NJ	May 22-23, 2017	Registration \$250 Mileage 100 mi. x .31 = \$31.00 Total \$281.00
Julia Albretson	BRK	Intro to Responsive Classroom for K-8/ Temple Univ. Phila., PA	Mar. 13, 2017	Registration \$199

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

Grant Recipients	School	Name of Grant	Grant #	Amount of Grant
Taylor DeMaio/ Robert Merkler	VHS	NFHS School Broadcast Program	2017-01	\$1,500
Verona BOE	District	Chromebooks in the Classroom Google Initiative	2017-02	\$25,000
Jen Kleinknecht/ Tony Saltalamacchia	HBW	Poet and Artist in Resident	2017-03	\$1,400
Julia Harth	VHS	VEX IQ Curriculum Extensions	2017-04	\$1,188

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

HIB Case
VHS 40120
VHS 39737
VHS 39723
HBW CH 40166
HBW OH 39950
HBW OH 39913
BRK 39987

- #11 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following staff as presenters for professional development on February 17, 2017 for a total of 2 hours at \$60 per hour totaling \$120.00 each.

Paula Staudinger	Brian Michalowski
Luisa Hirsch	Max Morden
Rob Hill	Erik Lynch

ATHLETICS/CO-CURRICULAR

- #12 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following:

12.1 Field Trips

Name of Chaperones	School	Club/Destination	Date of Field Trip
Kathleen Smith	HBW	6th Grade/American Museum of Natural	Jun. 12, 2017

		History, NY, NY	
Amy Heckel/Paul Moschella	HBW/Carnegie	8th Grade/New York, NY	Apr. 19, 2017
Amy Heckel/Paul Moschella	HBW/Olmsted	8th Grade/New York, NY	Apr. 20, 2017
Marie Meyer	VHS	Girls Learn International/United Nations, NY, NY	Mar. 11-17, 2017
Christopher Tamburro	VHS	Euro Challenge/NY, NY	Mar. 9, 2017 and Mar. 29, 2017

12.2 Stipend Positions

Advisor	Club Name	Location	Stipend	Term of Employment
Jana Byrnes	VHS Play/Choreographer	VHS	\$1,300	SY 16-17
Claire Ma	VHS Play/Music Director and Orchestra Conductor	VHS	\$1,800	SY 16-17
Joe D'Auguste	VHS Play	VHS	\$450.00	SY 16-17
Tyler Adel	VHS Play	VHS	\$450.00	SY 16-17
Charlie Castiblanco	VHS Play	VHS	\$450.00	SY 16-17
Dave Demair	VHS Play	VHS	\$450.00	SY 16-17
Billy Hughes	VHS Play	VHS	\$450.00	SY 16-17
John Priori	VHS Play - Pianist	VHS	\$1,500	SY 16-17

12.3 Coaches - pending pre-employment paperwork

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Term of Employment
Fay Lonsinger	VHS	Volunteer Girl's Lacrosse Coach	NA	SY 16-17
Mark Rossi	VHS	Girls/Boys Track and Field Coach	Step 2/\$5,305	SY 16-17
Kerrin Goosman	VHS	Head Girls Varsity Soccer Coach	Step 1/ \$7,646	SY 17-18

- #13 RESOLVED** that the Board approve **Bob Maher** as the volunteer Key Club advisor at Verona High School on a trial basis beginning March 1, 2017 to June 16, 2017.

FINANCE

- #14 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following tuition reimbursements in doctoral studies at St. Peter's University for Organizational Behavior and Leadership for the Fall 2017 semester:

Name	Reimbursement
Charlie Miller	\$1,998
Frank Mauriello	\$1,998
Joshua Cogdill	\$1,998

- #15 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the enclosed checklist in the following amounts:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$73,917.83	Cafeteria checks	Feb. 1-23, 2017
\$3,753.900.18	Vendor checks	Feb. 24, 2017

- #16 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached list of individual transfers of line items in the 2016-2017 budget for the month of January 2017.

- #17 RESOLVED** that the Report of the Secretary for January 2017 be approved and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:20-2.13(e), that as of January 31, 2017 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.

- #18 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Report of the Treasurer of School Monies for the month of January 2017.

- #19 RESOLVED** that the Board accept a donation of 24 used 16 GB iPad 2's valued at approximately \$2,400 by CAE Training and Service.

- #20 RESOLVED** that the Board accept an anonymous donation of \$14,400 to be used at Brookdale Elementary School for technology updates to the media center and maker space.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- C.H.I.L.D. will meet on March 6th at 7pm in the VHS Media Center. It is an informal meeting with parents to share thoughts.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl A. Nardino
Board Secretary**