



CONFIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION – 5:30 pm  
VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE  
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA – 7:00 pm  
VIA ZOOM WEBINAR  
February 23, 2021

Based on the recent attention with COVID-19, also known as Coronavirus, and the potential impact on our community, the Verona Public Schools will be conducting the Verona Board of Education meeting remotely via Zoom webinar. There will also be limited in person seating up to ten members of the public on a first come, first serve basis. This meeting is scheduled to occur with public access and participation availability to ensure the continued regular operation of government and the health, safety, and well-being of our community members. **The next meeting of the Verona Board of Education will be held via zoom webinar. The public shall utilize the following instructions to call into the meeting:**

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The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs recently stated that “the Division of Local Government Services reminds local units that, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6, et seq., (the “Open Public Meetings Act,” or “Act”), public meetings may be held in person or by means of communication equipment, N.J.S.A. 10:4-8(b), to include streaming services and other online meeting platforms. All meetings, including those held using communications equipment, must be noticed in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Act, unless the meeting is for emergent circumstances and held in a manner consistent with the requirements set forth at N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b). Local units should also provide guidance to the public for remotely accessing and providing comment at a meeting. Local units should still have an advertised meeting place, which is connected to the meeting through communications equipment, unless otherwise directed by state or local emergency management or health officials, consistent with Executive Order 103 (Murphy 3/9/2020).”

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**February 23, 2021**

**The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on February 23, 2021 via ZOOM webinar at 7:03 p.m.**

**The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ernest Turner. 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: Mrs. Lisa Freschi, President, Vice President, Mr. Jim Day, Mr. Timothy Alworth, Mrs. Pamela Priscoe and Mrs. Sara Drappi. Also present was Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent and Mr. Ernest Turner, Acting Board Secretary.**

**There were 208 members of the public present. There was 1 member of the press present.**



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1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Reading of Meeting Notice
4. Roll Call Attendance
5. Superintendent Report - Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools
6. Presentations -
  - Reopening Committee - Elementary Update
7. Committee Reports -
  - Finance
8. Public Comments on Agenda Action Items to be Approved
9. Discussion Items
10. Roll Call Vote on Resolutions
11. Public Comments

NOTE: The next scheduled Public Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 9, 2021** beginning with a Confidential Session at 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm Public Session **via ZOOM webinar** pending the evolving nature of COVID-19.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Reading of Meeting Notice**

This meeting is being conducted in compliance with the open meeting session that the Verona Board of Education passed a resolution at its annual reorganization meeting held on January 5, 2021. The meeting set forth the schedule of its regular meetings which resolution was within 7 days of passage. The schedule was sent to the Verona Cedar Grove Times, the Star Ledger, the Township of Verona and the VEA. Postings of this meeting setting forth the time location and agenda were posted at the Verona Board of Education Office and on the Verona Public Schools district website. The Verona Board of Education operates under a consent agenda format, any board member has the right to have an item pulled to be voted upon or discussed separately. Copies of tonight's agenda and resolutions have been made available to the public and press.

4. **Roll Call Attendance**

Mr. Alworth	<u>  X  </u>	Mr. Day	<u>  X  </u>
Mrs. Drappi	<u>  X  </u>	Mrs. Freschi	<u>  X  </u>
		Mrs. Priscoe	<u>  X  </u>

5. **Superintendent Report - Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools**

Good evening everyone. We have one presentation this evening on an elementary update on the school reopening schedule. But before we turn it over to our administrators, I have a number of important updates to provide to the Board and public this evening. First, we were fortunate to have Vincent Delucia of the New Jersey School Boards Association present last meeting on implicit bias and microaggressions. I thought it was an excellent training and transition into the work our Board and District is committed to in the areas of diversity, equity and inclusion. We are proud to share that we will be moving ahead with this important work with our diversity committee which will be facilitated by Mr. David Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz comes to us with experience in education and implementing culturally responsive and culturally relevant teaching methods with an emphasis on understanding of implicit biases and how they can affect the teaching and learning environment. He also has experience working on Holocaust and Genocide education as well as work with LGBTQ+. Mr Schels and Dr. Miller will be sending out a communication to committee members to save the date for late March and April as we kick off our work together. We will provide updates to the Board through our Education Committee. Today, Governor Murphy gave his state budget address which seemed

promising. School districts expect to receive our new State aid numbers for the budgeting process by this Thursday. This seems to be good news and we remain hopeful that it will help us develop our budget during these difficult times. Mr. Turner will provide an update when we know more information. Our District was also notified this past Friday that ESSER fund numbers were released. These federal funds are Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief based on the current pandemic. Verona will receive approximately \$600,000 that we may allocate toward improvements such as addressing learning loss, preparing schools for reopening, and upgrading projects to improve air quality in school buildings as soon as possible, but likely for September with the duration of time it will take to implement at this point. We will receive \$38,000 for Learning Acceleration and \$45,000 toward Mental Health Supports & Services. Dr. Miller and Mr. Mauriello will review with their teams how we can best utilize these funds for this year and next year.

Shifting gears. Last night I sent out an email providing some District Updates that I would like to summarize for us this evening. The first is in the area of vaccinations, we have heard the news of more people finally being able to receive vaccines which is wonderful. But there is still much work to do in order to scale up the administration of vaccines to keep our communities safe. There seemed to be some misinformation circulating around on social media last week where some parents wondered why Verona was not part of the vaccination program with Vanguard Medical Group. This is not true. We informed our staff via email and in our public Board meetings that we have been working on partnering with a medical provider. On January 27th, our District partnered with Dr. McCarrick and the Vanguard Medical Group in Verona for an employee vaccination program to

vaccinate

our faculty and staff. As District we decided to hold off on official notification because of the possibility that it may not come to fruition. It was our hope that vaccinations for staff would be imminent and that we would be able to communicate this information when it became a reality. Unfortunately, Vanguard Medical Group contacted us last week to inform us that the State is NOT providing vaccination to schools at this time based on prioritization of vaccines for specific groups. Our District administration and health office has the registration process ready to go and we await approval from the State to Vanguard as well as providing the vaccine supply to administer to our staff. There are travel restrictions that are important to reiterate as we approach Spring Break which is scheduled from March 27th - April 4th. As of today, the District will continue to operate

in a hybrid, in-person schedule upon return from Spring Break on April 5, 2021. We made

this decision after reviewing the availability of our staff who will have to self-quarantine after travel in April. In our consultation with the Montclair Department of Health, we believe that in-person hybrid is possible at this time barring any adverse change in the transmission rate and changes to the trend of the current public health status. If circumstances do change, we will inform the staff and families as soon as we are aware. Self-quarantine for students and staff will be required following travel to a location outside of the immediate region. At this time, self-quarantine also applies to individuals who have been vaccinated against COVID-19. New Jersey strongly discourages all non-essential interstate travel at this time. Travelers and residents returning from any U.S. state or territory beyond the immediate region (New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Delaware). The email parents and staff received yesterday outlines the CDC recommendations for self-quarantine and viral testing. We encourage parents and staff to closely review those details and contact the school nurse directly with any questions and to report any travel plans.

We recognize the frustration that students, parents, and our staff are experiencing. I speak on behalf of the Board and the many dedicated teachers and staff we have when I share that we want to return our students back to as much in-person learning as soon as possible. We have been able to make progress this year evolving our schedules as we continue to garner feedback from stakeholders and continue to follow the public health guidance. The administrative team has had and will continue to have discussions as we review our schedules moving into the Spring and make plans for what September may look like. Scheduling is an ongoing, complex process and we have begun working on plans for September. Many of these areas we are looking at will hinge on minimum requirements from the New Jersey Department of Education and executive orders from Governor Murphy. The Department of Education has coordinated both short term and long term focus groups to discuss the areas of schooling during the pandemic. We do not yet have all of the answers to these questions but we are hopeful that more guidance will be coming in the near future. In the meantime, we will continue to plan for multiple scenarios as we deal with the evolving nature of this pandemic and continue to make thoughtful decisions maintaining safety of staff and students. The District continues to

review feedback from reopening committees as we look ahead to the Spring and next

school year. We will continue to review school reopening committee feedback in conjunction with guidance from the Governor's Office, New Jersey Department of Education, and New Jersey Department of Health. We have some good news that was shared yesterday with Verona High School parents. VHS will move to a 2-day cohort model (instead of 3 day cohort) for the remainder of the 3rd marking period. Students and staff will continue to maintain 6 feet of social distancing protocols. The reason this change was possible is because of the number of students requesting to be in school in-person allows for less cohorts while maintaining 6 feet of distancing. The higher the number of students requesting in-person the greater the number of cohorts. The lower the number of students requesting in-person, the greater the likelihood of the school bringing in students in-person more frequently. This is simply a matter of classroom population density as we maintain the 6 feet guidance from the health department. VHS, as well as HBW, will send out surveys to parents as we get into March to re-evaluate the interest of in-person versus remote learning so the number of cohorts can be developed for marking period 4 while maintaining 6 feet of social distancing. I will allow our elementary principals to provide an update in their presentation as far as the elementary status. The CDC released recent School Guidance, however the NJ Department of Health is still in the process of reviewing this Guidance. The local health department has not yet received the updated guidance from the NJDOH and we are still following the NJDOH Recommendations K – 12 (January 19, 2021). 6 feet of distancing still applies. We are also still following the Regional Risk Matrix – 14 day quarantine for close contacts. Hopefully, when our Regional Risk Matrix moves into the yellow/ green zone, we will receive additional guidance that we will use for decision making.

Weekly COVID-19 Activity Reports ending the week of Feb 13th for our region still list our area in the orange zone. Numbers are declining but we are still in orange and protocols and mitigation strategies have not changed. It is critical for schools to open as safely and as soon as possible, and remain open, to achieve the benefits of in-person learning and key support services. To enable schools to open and remain open, it is important to adopt and consistently implement actions to slow the spread of SARS-CoV-2. The five key mitigation strategies outlined by the CDC remain the same and are essential to safe delivery of in-person instruction and help to mitigate COVID-19

transmission in schools: Universal and correct use of masks, physical distancing - stay at

least 6 feet (about 2 arm lengths) from other people who are not from your household in both indoor and outdoor spaces. - In hybrid instruction, scheduling should be planned to ensure physical distancing, Handwashing and respiratory etiquette, Cleaning and maintaining healthy facilities, Contact tracing in combination with isolation and quarantine, in collaboration with the health department.

Scheduling is an intensive, complex process. Some parents have inquired how some other school districts are able to have students in school every day. Each school and school district is different. I speak with other superintendents on a regular basis. There are a variety of reasons why some school districts can do so and others cannot. In some instances, people are comparing Verona, a district of 2300 students and 350 staff across 6 buildings in K-4 neighborhood schools to school districts with 250 students across 2 buildings. Our typical elementary class size is 20-24. These other schools have class sizes of 15-18 pre-pandemic. Once you remove approximately 20% of students who select the full remote option, these other schools have so few students that they are able to accommodate 6 feet of distancing. Verona is not in that position. There are some districts that have a high percentage of students selecting full remote, which then allows for a smaller percentage of students requesting in-person making in-person every day possible in those schools. That has not been the case in Verona. There are some other districts that have students in every day on an AM/PM schedule which presents pros and cons. This is something our elementary committee explored and our principals will discuss in their update. Other districts have additional staff built into their budget as well as enough empty classrooms and they repurposed those staff to make smaller classes. Others have enough money in their budget to hire additional teachers on short notice. That is not the case in Verona with our already lean and efficient budget. In other instances, some districts are not following the public health guidance. In Verona, we are abiding by the NJ Department of Health recommendations including the 6 feet of physical distancing guidance. It is important to note that the Montclair Health Department has been clear that adding plexiglass to classrooms will not alter their recommendation on the 6 feet physical distancing requirement. Every district has unique challenges and constraints. We all want the same thing. We want to get kids into school more often. None of these reasons are for anyone to believe that we can't find new solutions, especially as we remain hopeful that

circumstances may improve (vaccinations, reduced transmission, change in guidance) and

the department of health guidance may potentially change in time. We know that K-12 schools should be the last settings to close after all other mitigation measures in the community have been employed, and the first to reopen when they can do so safely. The Verona Public Schools have been open and we have been successful in accomplishing this

goal in our hybrid plan while maintaining the guidance of 6 feet to mitigate the spread of COVID. Hybrid learning or reduced attendance is intended to maximize physical distance between students. We will await an update on guidance from the health department related to updated direction and use that to drive our schedule. We are thankful for the participation of our parents, teachers, and administrators who volunteered their time on these committees. The purpose of committees is consultative and advisory, with the feedback provided to be used to make decisions to be weighed by the building principals and administration as to what modifications can be made as we move forward to the future. I want everyone to know that we will continue to look at the facts and conditions that will inform sound and safe decision-making as we explore all possibilities in planning for the spring and next school year. Thank you everyone for sharing your perspective on how we may further improve our schedule. That completes my Superintendent Report. At this time, I will turn it over to our Board President Mrs. Freschi.

**6. Presentations - Reopening Committee - Elementary Update**

**7. Committee Reports**

**8. Public Comments on Agenda only -**

**Carine Zemokhol - 88 Fairview Ave.** - Parent of 3 children. What is the feedback from teachers? **Dr. Lanzo** responded

**Colleen Sheridan - 38 Forest Ave.**- Question on the Fall time period. Keeping K-2 full time? How to address the learning deficit.

**Lauren Giasone - 100 Linden Ave.** - Who would be part of the Pilot Program? Would waivers be allowed for kids that want to stay in school? **Mr. Freund** responded.

**Jessie Dressel - 14 Mountain Rd.** - What would be obstacles to opening school more fully? **Dr. Lanzo** responded.

**Julia Allen - 116 Elmwood Rd.** - Explore parents working as lunch aides. Can kids go home for lunch? Mr. Freund responded.

**Joanna Gagis - 22 Otis Pl.** - How soon can Pilot Program begin after teachers are vaccinated? **Dr. Dionisio** responded.

**Scott Weston - 6 Peckman Ct.** - How will determinations be made going forward? **Dr. Dionisio** responded.

**Shannon Curtin - 25 Howell Dr.** - Frustrating as a parent that there are no goals. Need firm dates. **Mr. Monacelli** responded.

**Amy Minier - 4 Valhalla Way** - What are other schools doing? should we evaluate what is possible. **Dr. Dionisio** responded.

**Mike Dupree - 47 Cypress Ave.**- Elementary level is very dire. Clarity is lacking. Could additional ESSER Funds be used for additional cleaning and staffing. **Dr. Dionisio** responded.

**Cynthia Holland - 109 So. Prospect St.** - Has two daughters. Will

**Sean Carey- 10 Upland Way** - Supports sending kids home for lunch.

**Lynn Halsey - 53 Linden Ave.** - Socialization Is important. Why are children being restricted?

**Chris Wacha - 85 Lynwood Rd.** - BOE vote separately on reopening plan. Include in Superintendent's goals. Internalize contact training. Reach out to N.J. School Boards representative.

**Christopher Kiel - 129 Personette Ave.** - Can we bring in an outside consultant to advise on reopening?

**Gabrielle Zebrowski - 1 Valhalla Way-** Would like to hear from a Public Health official.

**Thuy-An Wilkins - 105 Fairway Ave.** - Have other school districts been contacted? **Dr. Dionisio** responded.

**Anya Singleton - 33 Brookdale Ave.** - Would like to hear from a Public Health official.

**Laura Siligato - 31 Grove Ave.** - Wants all students back full time in September. When can 6 ft. guideline be eliminated? Wants to hear from a Health official.

**Nancy Ziebert - 40 Birdseye Glen** - Psychologist - she has evaluated numerous students. A mental health epidemic is occurring. Schools must open in

September. Dr. Dionisio responded.

**Ron Mueller - 21 Linden Ave.** - Trying to set up a Town Hall meeting with Health officials.

**Erin Dean - 17 Hathaway Lane** - Wants schools open in September.

**Diana Ferrera - 49 Fells Rd.** - Children are being severely affected.

**Yen-Tyng Chen - 26 Fellswood Rd.** - Specialist in infectious diseases. There are opportunities to going back.

**Jackie Fricke - 65 Grove Ave.** - Community will do whatever it takes to get back to school. Board needs to demonstrate their responsibility.

**9. Discussion Items**

**10. Roll Call Vote on Resolutions**

**11. Public Comments -**

**Kristen Donohue - 31 So. Prospect St.** - Seems to be a lack of empathy for the children from the Board. **Mrs. Priscoe** responded. **Mr. Alworth** responded.

**Mike Dupree - 47 Cypress Ave.** - The situation is not going well. Has the Board done enough? What will they do to move forward?

**Joanna Breitenbach - 14 Woodland Ave.**- Thanked everyone for all their work.

**Laurie Radigan - 17 Malvern Pl.** - on the reopening committee.

Questioned presentation at last meeting.

**Ian MacKenzie - 151 Park Ave.** - Thanked everyone for their work.

**Chris Wacha - 85 Lynwood Rd.** - Recognized Tim Alworth and Pam Priscoe.

**Ron Mueller - 21 Linden Ave.** - Need information from the Board.

**Cassie Farmer - 229 Grove Ave.** - Does county share who has been vaccinated? How close are we to herd immunity?

**Motion by:** Mr. Alworth

**Seconded by:** Mr. Day

**Be it RESOLVED the approval of Resolutions #1 - 16.**

Mr. Alworth   X                        Mr. Day   X

Mrs. Drappi   X                        Mrs. Freschi   X    
 Mrs. Priscoe   X  

**VERONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**RESOLUTIONS**  
**February 23, 2021**

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

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

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting    February 9, 2021

**PERSONNEL**

#2     **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following pending pre-employment paperwork:

**2.1    New Hires**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Term of Employment on or about</b>
<b>Kaitlyn O'Neill</b>	VHS	Permanent Substitute Teacher	\$120/per diem	Education	SY 20-21
<b>John Irwin</b>	VHS	Permanent Substitute Teacher	\$120/per diem	Education	SY 20-21
<b>John Irwin</b>	District	Substitute Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 20-21
<b>Taylor Barrett</b>	District	Sub Secretary	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 20-21

**2.2    Resignation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Effective on or About</b>
Sopheavy Chhieng	LAN	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Feb. 26, 2021

**2.3    Reallocation of Days**

<b>Employee #</b>	<b>Explanation</b>

#105208	Reclassify 5 PI days to 5 Paternity Days
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**2.4 Leave of Absence**

Name	Reason	Begin Date	Estimated Return Date on or about
#102465	504 Accommodation	Feb. 16, 2021	Feb. 22, 2021

**EDUCATION**

- #3 **RESOLVED** that the Board approves the Superintendent’s presentation of HIB report as follows:

<b>HIB Case</b>
VHS 220502

- #4 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached District Statistical Report for the month of January 2021.

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

**5.1 Movement on the Guide**

NAME	CURRENT LEVEL/STEP	SALARY	NEW LEVEL/STEP	SALARY
Lynn Schussel	MA+30/Step 8	\$65,801	MA+45/Step 8	\$67,126
Dan Halpern	MA/Step 17	\$91,135	MA+30/Step 17	\$98,818

- #6 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve Creative Options for Progressive Educators, LLC as consultant for the Verona Public Schools Diversity Task Force at a cost of \$2,500.

- #7 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Affiliation Agreement for Clinical Experience and/or Clinical Practice between Caldwell University and Verona Board of Education for the 2020-2021 school year.

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

**8.1 Student Observer**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>School/Teacher/ Grade</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Assignment</b>
Stephanie Verdi	HBW	Caldwell Univ./ Stacy Smith, Mary Anne Halbert, Julia Albretsen, and Meredith Bielen	Feb. 24 - May 15, 2021	60 hour Google Classroom observation

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

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

**9.1 Student Home Instruction**

<b>Student #</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Hrs./Week/Duration</b>	<b>Beginning on or about</b>
#292196	LAN	4	10 hrs. wk/4 weeks	Feb. 10, 2021

**ATHLETICS/CO-CURRICULAR**

#10 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following pending pre-employment paperwork for the 2020-2021 school year:

**10.1 Coaches**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Stipend</b>	<b>Step</b>
<b>Carter Kenny</b>	VHS	Volunteer Boys Lacrosse	NA	
<b>Teddy Niziolek</b>	VHS	Girls Head Soccer	TBD contract negotiations	3

**FINANCE**

#11 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the enclosed checklist(s) in the following

amounts:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$3,628,278.34	Vendor Checks	February 17, 2021
\$1,099,715.84	Referendum Checks	February 17, 2021

#12 **RESOLVED** that the Board accept the 2019-20 CAFR Report ending June 30, 2020 as prepared by Nisivoccia LLP.

#13 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Corrective Action Plan for the audit year ending June 30, 2020 as attached.

#14 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached list of individual transfers of line items in the 2020-2021 budget for:

January 2021

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

January 2021

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:20-2.13(e), that as of July 31, 2020 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.

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

January 2021

#11 **Public comments**

**CONFIDENTIAL SESSION IF NECESSARY**

**RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN**

#17 **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.

**Motion by:** Mr. Day

**Seconded by:** Mr. Priscoe

Mr. Alworth X Mr. Day X

Mrs. Drappi X Mrs. Freschi X

Mrs. Priscoe X

**All in Favor:** AYE

**All Opposed:** NONE

**This meeting is adjourned at (TIME) 11:21 P.M.**

**VERONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**ADDENDUM RESOLUTIONS**  
**February 9, 2021**

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

**Motion by:** Mr. Alworth

**Seconded by:** Mr. Day

**Be it RESOLVED the approval of Addenda Resolutions #1 -9.**

Mr. Alworth X Mr. Day X

Mrs. Drappi X Mrs. Freschi X

Mrs. Priscoe   X  

**PERSONNEL**

#1 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following pending pre-employment paperwork:

**1.1 New Hire**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Salary</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Term of Employment on or about</b>
Jacquelyn Carsillo	LAN	MLOA - 2nd Grade	\$250 per diem	Education	Mar. 1- Jun. 25, 2021
Jacquelyn Carsillo	LAN	Sub teacher	\$90 per diem	Education	Feb. 24-26, 2021
Judith Dias	LAN	MLOA - Kindergarten	\$250 per diem	Education	Feb. 5 - Jun. 25, 2021
Danielle DeRuyter	FOR	Perm. Sub Teacher	\$120 per diem	Education	SY 20-21
Danielle DeRuyter	District	Sub Teacher	\$90 per diem	Education	SY 20-21
Danielle DeRuyter	District	Sub Secretary	\$90 per diem	Education	SY 20-21

**1.2 Resignation**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Effective on or About</b>
Jennifer DaSilva	VHS	Guidance Counselor	Resignation	Apr. 23, 2021

**1.3. Extra Class**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Term of Employment on or about</b>
Pamela Banta	Laning	2nd Grade coverage due to MLOA	\$80.98 per diem	Mar. 1 - Mar. 12, 2021

**ATHLETICS**

#2 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following for the 2020-2021 school year:

**2.1 Coach**

Name	Location	Position	Stipend	Step
Nicole Shanley	VHS	Strength and Conditioning	\$3,417.00	NA

**EDUCATION**

#3 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve Title 1 Part A salaries for the 2020-2021 school year for Clarie Duffy and Heather Anderson who serve as our Elementary Academic Coaches: (reference June 23, 2020 Board meeting resolution #32).

● Salaries: Claire Duffy -	\$66,000.00
Heather Anderson -	\$66,000.00
● Health Benefits:	\$52,800.00
● Professional Services:	<u>\$ 4,643.00</u>
Total	\$189,443.00

#4 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve Title II Part A funds for Professional Development for the district:

● Public:	\$41,098.00
● Non-Public:	<u>\$ 3,213.00</u>
Total	\$44,311.00

#5 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve Title IV funds for Social and Emotional Programming:

● Public:	\$12,577.00
● Non-Public:	<u>\$ 983.00</u>
Total	\$13,560.00

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

#6 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve to contract with Effective School Solutions to provide therapeutic, mental health services to the Verona School District for the 2021 – 2022 school at a cost of \$390,015.

#7 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve to contract with Effective School Solutions to provide additional Tier 2 Brief Treatment services at a cost not to exceed \$12,500 for the 2021 – 2022 school year.

**REFERENDUM**

#8 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Change Order No, 002 with Northeastern Interior Services, LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$262,000.00
Previous Change Order	(\$3,050.00)
Change Order No. 002	<u>\$6,055.00</u>
New Contract Amount	\$265,005.00

**FINANCE**

#9 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached Budget calendar for the 2021-2022 school year.