

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on June 12, 2018 in the Verona High School Media Center at 4:59 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Cheryl Nardino, Board Secretary. A statement was made that the meeting had been properly advertised in the designated newspapers and the agendas were posted at the appropriate locations.

Mr. John Quattrocchi, President, 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 35 citizens and one member of the press were present.

Public Comment on Agenda Items- None

Presentations

- ❖ Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent, VPS Retiree recognition
- ❖ Thomas Lancaster, Assistant Principal, Verona High School acknowledging two Eagle Scouts Philip Chivily and Adam Kazanfer
- ❖ Michelle DellaFortuna, National Honor Society Overview
- ❖ Mr. Robert Merkler, Director of Athletics and Special Programs, Spring Sports
Wrap up

Superintendent's Report

- HIB School Report Card
- Positive Coaching Alliance Update
- Strategic Plan Update
- VHS Arts Festival Update

Committees

Education/Special Education

- C.H.I.L.D. hosted luncheon for para professionals
- Personnel Items
- Mediation cases
- Preschool enrollment
- Board Policy review
- Math curriculum review team
- District testing is complete
- Reading workshop training, observations and walk throughs
- Kindergarten presentation will be reviewed

Athletics/Co-Curricular

- Spring Sports Wrap up
- Positive Coaching Alliance
- HIB Report Card

Buildings and Grounds

- Staffing
- Summer
- Appointing of AECOM as architect of record
- Referendum planning
- Analysis of ESIP savings
- Safety inspections
- Spending
- School buses

Community Resources-None

Discussion Items

- 18-19 Calendar
- Moving school board election

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolutions #1-14, excluding #2**

Moved by: Mr. Elliott

Seconded by: Mrs. Freschi

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolution #2**

Moved by: Mr. Elliott

Seconded by: Mrs. Freschi

Ayes: 4

Nays: 1

Mrs. Bernardino

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 Meetings May 22, 2018

PERSONNEL

#2 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2018-2019 school year:

2.1 Leave of Absence

Name	Reason	Begin Date on or before	Estimated Return Date on or before
#61782165	Medical Leave of Absence	May 29, 2018	Sept. 1, 2018
#19013663	Medical Leave of Absence	June 8, 2018 - June 30, 2018	

2.2 New Hire

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Nina Sapienza	FOR	Leave Replacement teacher	\$235/per diem	Education	May 29 - June 19, 2018
Brooke Raskin	District	MLOA - BCBA	\$275/per diem	Education	Sept. 1, 2018 - Jan. 14, 2019
Christian Alfano	District	Sub Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 17-18
John Cifune	District	Sub Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 17-18
Anthony Constantino	District	Sub Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 17-18
Julia Procopio	District	Sub Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 17-18

2.3 Resignation

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective
Courtney Lamkey	Laning	Paraprofessional	resignation	June 19, 2018

EDUCATION

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

HIB Case	HIB Case
VHS 04-20-18	VHS 121043
VHS 120968	HBW CH 121120
VHS 121042	

#4 RESOLVED that the Board approve the second reading of the following policies/regulations:

P4351 Healthy Workplace Environment
P0164.5 Healthy Workplace Environment
P3351 Health Workplace Environment

#5 RESOLVED that the Board approve the second reading of the District School Calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. (attached)

#6 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following for the 2017-2018 school year:

6.1 Extra Class

Name	Location	Period	Class	Time Period	Effective dates	Notes
Maria Mayo	VHS	1 and 8	Spanish IV, III	Per diem rate of \$68.20 per class x 2 = \$136.40	May 10 to June 19, 2018	Rescind
Kenya Velarde	VHS	2	Spanish III	Per diem rate of \$52.66 per class (1) = \$52.66	May 10 to June 19, 2018	Rescind

Christine Garson	VHS	5	Spanish IV, III	Per diem rate of \$59.52 per class (1) = \$59.52	May 10 to June 19, 2018	Rescind
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Name	Location	Period	Class	Prorated Additional Stipend	Salary Adjustment with Prorated Additional Stipend	Effective dates	Notes
Maria Mayo	VHS	1 and 8	Spanish IV, III	\$3,822.00	\$72,069.00	May 10 to June 19, 2018	approve
Kenya Velarde	VHS	2	Spanish III	\$1,475.00	\$54,132.00	May 10 to June 19, 2018	approve
Christine Garson	VHS	5	Spanish IV, III	\$1,667.00	\$61,187.00	May 10 to June 19, 2018	approve

#7 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following for the 2018-2019 school year:

7.1 Staff Changes

Name	Current Location/Position	Current Salary	New Location/ Position	New Salary	Effective Date
Valerie Useche	HBW/1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher	\$84,341	VHS/1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher	\$84,341	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Kenya Velarde	VHS/1.0 FTE Spanish Teacher	\$52,657	HBW/0.60 FTE Spanish Teacher	\$31,594	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Emily Podolak	HBW/1.0 FTE French Teacher	\$81,973	HBW/0.80 FTE French Teacher	\$65,578.	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Jenny Qin	HBW/1.0 FTE Mandarin Teacher	\$83,585	HBW/0.80 FTE Mandarin Teacher	\$66,868	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Betty Hou	VHS/1.0 FTE Mandarin Teacher	\$103,344	VHS/0.80 FTE Mandarin Teacher	\$82,675	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

Diane Conboy	LAN/1.0 FTE Speech Language Specialist	\$94,054	FNB/1.0 FTE Speech Language Specialist	\$94,054	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Gillian Betcher	FNB/1.0 FTE Speech Language Specialist	\$55,485	LAN/1.0 FTE Speech Language Specialist	\$55,485	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Kathleen Amora	FNB/77% Kindergarten	\$37,865.52	FNB/100% Grade 2 teacher	\$49,176	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Megan Shaw	HBW/Special Ed 5th Grade	\$58,287	HBW/Special Ed 6th Grade	\$58,287	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Scott Watkins	HBW/Physical Education	\$102,019	BRK/FNB Physical Education	\$102,019	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Alyssa Roshong	BRK/FNB Physical Education	\$67,531	HBW/Physical Education	\$67,531	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 19, 2019
Megan Lavoie	BRK/4th Grade Teacher	\$75,341	BRK/2nd Grade Teacher	\$75,341	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019
Julia Albretsen	BRK/1st Grade Teacher	\$49,176	BRK/4th Grade Teacher	\$49,176	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

#8 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations for a 6th period class for the 2018-2019 school year:

8.1 Extra Class

Name	Location	Course	6th Period Amount	Salary Adjustment with extra amount	Term of Employment on or about
Christine Garson	VHS	Spanish	\$11,904	\$71,424	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Kim Vandervalk	VHS	Journalism	\$5,445	\$59,888	Sept. 1, 2018 - Jan. 31, 2019
Taylor DeMaio	VHS	Speech Arts	\$5,408	\$59,486	Feb. 1- June 20, 2019

Steven Munoz	VHS	English	\$9,835	\$59,011	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Matthew Rosa	VHS	World History RC	\$10,889	\$65,332	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Jahn Maka	VHS	US I (ICI)	\$12,803	\$76,819	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Melissa Tempesta	HBW	Extended student contact	\$10,381	\$62,287	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Jody Sewell	HBW	Extended student contact	\$16,395	\$98,368	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Albert Palazzo	HBW	English (ICI)	\$11,935	\$71,619	Sept. 1, 2018 - June 20, 2019
Meredith Bielen	HBW	English (ICI)	\$13,359	\$80,154	Sept. 1, 2018 to Jun. 19, 2019

8.2 Stipends

Name	School	Stipend	Total Amount	Notes
Taylor DeMaio	VHS	19 hrs. @ \$36.88 per hr.	\$700.72	PARCC Portfolio
Jonathan Thai	VHS	8 hr. @\$42.73 per. hr.	\$341.84	PARCC Portfolio

#9 RESOLVED that the Board approve **Pamela Burke** to be paid at a daily rate of \$337.66 for 5 days totaling \$1,688.30 to attend Syracuse University Summer Institute - Financial Accounting on July 9 - 13, 2018.

Hotel	\$540.00
Mileage/Tolls	\$150.00
Meals	<u>\$295.00</u>
Total	\$985.00

SPECIAL EDUCATION

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

10.1 Special Services Summer School

Name	Position	Stipend	Notes
Nga Pham	Nurse	\$3,550	
Lauri Lieber	Paraprofessional		rescind
Sopio Simonishvili	Paraprofessional		rescind
Diane DeMatteo	Paraprofessional	\$14.40/hr.	approve
Sandy Hambel	Sub Paraprofessional	\$15.25/hr.	approve
Isabella Vassallo	Sub Paraprofessional	\$15.25/hr.	approve

CO-CURRICULAR

#11 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following student activity finance account bookkeeper for 2017-2018 effective February 15, 2018 - June 30, 2018:

Gina Ballinger - VHS \$1,976.30

ADDENDUM RESOLUTIONS
PERSONNEL

#12 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following personnel requests for the 2017-2018 school year:

12.1 Reallocation of Days

Employee #	Explanation
#61788196	Reallocate 5 Sick Days to 5 Family Illness days
#79786182	Reallocate 5 Family Illness Days to 5 Sick Days

12.2 Without Pay

Name	Date/s	Reason
#61742219	Jun. 8, 2018	½ Personal Day without pay

EDUCATION

#13 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following for the 2017-2018 school year:

3.1 Mentor

Name	Location	Mentor	Stipend	Notes
Taylor Rehe	VHS	Erik Lynch	\$275.00	15 weeks

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Moving school board election from November back to April

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

#14 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

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl A. Nardino
Board Secretary**