

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on September 11, 2018 in the Verona High School Media Center at 5:59 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.

Mr. John Quattrocchi, President, Mrs. Lisa Freschi, Vice-President, Mr. James Day and Mr. Glenn Elliott were present. Mrs. Michele Bernardino was absent. Also present were Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent and Ms. Cheryl Nardino, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Approximately 2 citizens were present.

Public Comment on Agenda Items- None

Superintendent's Report

- 9/11 Memorial Ceremony
- Opening of School went smoothly despite the heat
- Heat advisory and early dismissal this past Thursday
- Summer VHS Counseling and schedule change update
- New Teacher Evaluation Changes
- Resignation with regret of Mr. Hill. Best wishes on his new endeavor.
- Supervisor of Humanities position update
- NJ Monthly Ranking Recognition
- VPS Magazine 2018 Edition publication and recognition by Rutgers University

Committees

Education/Special Education

- Staffing
- Special education cases
- HIB policies
- Curriculum revisions
- Book club with students
- Reading workshop training
- Reviewed student growth objectives, Orton Gilligham, New teacher training, mentoring program

Athletics/Co-Curricular- None

Buildings and Grounds

- Upper field bleacher maintenance and mulching beds
- Lower field restrooms almost complete
- August storm damage complete
- Discussion on air conditioning in schools
- Referendum discussion and planning

Community Resources-None

Discussion Items

- Need to set annual board goal setting and board self-evaluation

RESOLUTIONS

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

RESOLVED that the Board approve Resolutions #1-19

Moved by: Mr. Elliott

Seconded by: Mr. Day

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

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

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting August 28, 2018

PERSONNEL

#2 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations for the 2018-2019 school year:

2.1 Resignations

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective on or about
Melissa Fanning	F. N. Brown	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Aug. 24, 2018
Maria Rivera	Laning	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Aug. 24, 2018
Jillian Pilny	Laning	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Aug. 23, 2018
Gerard Benanti	F. N. Brown	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Aug. 23, 2018
Douglas Collins	Laning	Paraprofessional	Resignation	Aug. 29, 2018
Robert Hill	VHS	Physical Education Teacher	Resignation	Nov. 3, 2018

#3 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached 2018-2019 contract for Cheryl Nardino, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary at a salary of \$169,334.

- #4 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached 2018-2019 contract for Charles Miller, Director of Curriculum and Instruction at a salary of \$145,187.
- #5 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached 2018-2019 contract for Frank Mauriello, Director of Special Education at a salary of \$139,740.
- #6 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached 2018-2019 contract for Eltion Ballaj, Manager Information Technology at a salary of \$98,056.

EDUCATION

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

HIB Case
FNB 132611
FNB 122594
HBW 122548

- #8 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached contract with Caldwell University for the 2019 Verona High School and H. B. Whitehorne Graduations at a cost of \$2,900.00
- #9 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the second reading of the following policy for the 2018-2019 school year:

P5512 - Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB)
- #10 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve and ratify the 2018 - 2021 Contract Agreement with the Verona Administrators Association for the term July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.
- #11 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve and ratify the 2018 - 2021 Contract Agreement with the Verona Education Association for the term July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021.
- #12 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached “Amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement” between the Verona Board of Education and the Verona Education Association dated August 30, 2018 regarding the position of “Lead School Counselor” upon ratification.

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

13.1 Mentors

Novice Teacher	Location	Mentor	Stipend	Notes
Adam Friedberg	VHS	Eugenie Mordkovich	\$617.61	21 wks. pro-rated
Christopher Haines	HBW	Pete Foster	waived	
Angie Abdelrehim	HBW	Meredith Bielen	waived	

13.2 Non-Resident Tuition Student

Student ID No.	School	Grade
#230597	HBW	8

SPECIAL EDUCATION

#14 RESOLVED that the Board approve to an out-of-district placement at Sage Day School for Student #200140 for the 2018 - 2019 school year at a daily rate of \$335 for 180 days for a total of \$60,300.

#15 RESOLVED that the Board approve to contract with Phyllis Schoenfeld, dba PKS Educational Consultant, as a LDT-C medical leave replacement for the 2018 – 2019 school year at the rate of \$70 per hour not to exceed \$45,360.

CO-CURRICULAR/ATHLETICS

#16 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

16.1 Coach

Name	Location	Position	Stipend	Term of Employment
John MacArthur	VHS	Boys JV Soccer Coach	Step 2 / pro-rated amount of \$3,426.85	SY 18-19

FINANCE

#17 RESOLVED accept a donation from Aldayna Stone Care and Maintenance Services of 2 additional bins valued at \$90.00.

#18 RESOLVED that the Board approve the enclosed checklist(s) in the following amounts:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$506,812.07	Vendor Checks	Sept. 7, 2018

ADDENDUM RESOLUTIONS
PERSONNEL

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

19.1 New Staff

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Nicole Beck	VHS	Physical Education Teacher	BA/Step 11 \$62,281	Education	Sept. 18, 2018 - Jun. 30, 2019

19.2 Student Observer

Name	School	School/Teacher/Grade	Duration	Assignment
Celine Matta	Seton Hall Univ.	FNB/Jasterzbski/Art	30 minutes	Student Observer

PUBLIC COMMENT

- High school guidance department scheduling changes
- Technology director salary increase

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Nardino
Board Secretary