

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AGENDA

July 28, 2020

CONFIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:00 pm

VIA TELECONFERENCE

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA – 7:00 pm

VIA TELECONFERENCE

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 July 28, 2020 Verona Board of Education meeting remotely via teleconference. 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 conference call. The public shall utilize the following instructions to call into the meeting:**

- 1) **Dial (857) 799-9782 via telephone.**
- 2) **Anyone from the public wishing to address the Verona Board of Education on any matter, when prompted by the Verona Board of Education will be able to press * (star) 6 on your key pad, then the number 1 when prompted and you will be placed in queue. When you are advised it is your turn to address the Verona Board of Education, please state your name and address for the record. You will have time to address the Verona Board of Education. At the conclusion of your comments the Verona Board of Education and/or the Superintendent of Schools may address your comments and/or questions.**

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

July 28, 2020

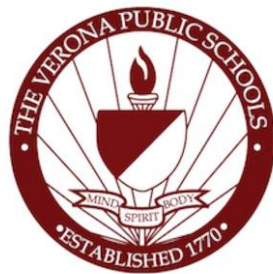
The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on July 28, 2020 via teleconference at 7:00 p.m.

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 153 members of the public present. There were 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. Public comments on Agenda Items
6. Presentations - None
7. Superintendent Report - Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools
8. Committee Reports
 - Athletics & Co-Curricular - James Day/Pamela Priscoe
 - Education - Timothy Alworth/Sara Drappi
 - Facilities - James Day/Lisa Freschi
 - Community Resources - Pamela Priscoe/Sara Drappi
 - Finance - Lisa Freschi/Timothy Alworth
9. Discussion Items
10. Roll Call Vote on Resolutions
11. Public Comments

NOTE: The next scheduled Public Meeting will be held on **MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020** beginning with a Confidential Session at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm Public Session via teleconference 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 7, 2020. 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 Herald News, Township of Verona and the VEA. Postings of this meeting setting forth the time location and agenda were posted in each of Verona's six schools, Board Office and Town Hall. This posting was also sent to the above newspapers, all SCA presidents and SCA liaisons, the VBOE 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. **Public comments on Agenda Items - None**
6. **Presentations - None**
7. **Superintendent Report - Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent of Schools**
Referendum Update

- A press release and video update will be emailed out this week. The 17 projects are progressing nicely. Roofing is being completed by the beginning of August and we are pleased with progress. Playgrounds are installed and surfacing being installed. Of particular note, there are change orders for necessary improvements behind the walls in locker rooms after asbestos abatement and demolition. HBW & FNB windows are delayed due to COVID and as of now we expect them in the fall. HVAC negotiations begins Aug 13th, reported in prior meetings no bids and then overbid, due to covid and tight timeline (costs to manufacture in short timeframe, more contractors needed to complete job in shorter time frame, too much variability)

2. **Race, Culture, Class & Identity Task Force** - letter to community and interest survey emailed on July 17th, 102 volunteer participants to date, follow up communications will go to those volunteers for

next steps

3. New VHS Course Update - <https://conta.cc/2DvHHQF>

- a. **English IV: Race, Culture & Identity**
- b. The English IV CP Curriculum is divided into two semesters, both of which address the theme of identity. In the first semester, students will examine works from a range of sources, and varied genres. Through short stories, film, novels, memoir, and drama, the students will consider how one's identity is formed and informed by one's environment. Those environments include diverse cultures, but touch on universal questions of how one sees oneself in relation to others.
- c. In the second semester, students will read works of both fiction and nonfiction, as well as poetry, speeches, and essays, by black and African American writers. Through analysis of varied works, the students will become more informed about the experiences of people of color in the United States. Varied activities include close textual analysis, Socratic seminars, research, and both written and oral presentations.
- d. AP and dual enrollment already have these themes of diversity in curriculum

4. School Reopening Plan: <https://conta.cc/3hwAJtp>

- a. Facilities - Governance - Instruction - Operations - Technology - Wellness
- b. Task Force - 150+ committee members, 5 committees, 12 sub committees - examined the DOE guidelines
- c. Identified challenges and solutions
- d. Largest constraint is physical space to maintain 6 ft social distance and students must wear masks indoors
- e. As a result, the following schedule was necessary
- f. Important to note the actual final schedule may change depending on how many families opt to keep their children home entirely virtual
- g. This would allow our schools to schedule students in families who opt to participate in the alternating hybrid schedule with more frequency
 - i. This is particularly more important in VHS - school to bring in students with more frequency than a ABCD rotation
 - ii. High school schedule has so many different courses and levels with higher class size that it is prohibitive to bring more students in without creating potential health risks for our staff and students

- h. A/B (50% - 2 days per week) schedule K-8 & ABCD at VHS
(25% per day - 1 day per week) -
4 hour instructional day with no lunch (except free and reduced lunch will be delivered) -
Wednesday virtual day district wide
 - i. Recognize not ideal and the challenges this poses
 - ii. Constraints of first and foremost ensuring our staff and student safety - that is non-negotiable
 - iii. As mentioned, constraints of classroom size with maintaining 6 ft social distance and students must wear masks indoors
 - iv. Current survey results - intent of the survey was for a global view so our committees understand the parents intentions of sending children back to school - Current results 1026 responses 81.9% opting for alternating day model, 18.1% intending to keep child home virtual (with some homeschool - 16.9 Virtual & 1.2% homeschool)
 - v. Follow up surveys from building principals will be sent out in the near future to identify actual and specific parent requests with whether each child will actually return - actual results for VHS may allow the high - that will be the official list
 - vi. As a District, we are currently working on the details of the plan that needs to be finalized and submitted to the Department of Education by mid August. Minor adjustments are being made as we navigate this unprecedented and evolving situation.
- i. There are still adjustments being made to the schedules on the operational side
- j. Principals will communicate in the future
- k. Technology purchase is unbudgeted and will be approximately \$400k to be financed over 5 years so it's less of an impact to the budget
- l. PPE and cleaning/disinfecting costs will be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars - all unbudgeted
 - i. MERV HEPA filters \$7000
 - ii. Plexiglass
 - iii. Masks/face shields, gloves
 - iv. Soaps, sanitizers, dispensers
 - v. Cleaning and disinfecting solution, plus additional custodial/maintenance training and accreditation

- vi. Cleaning will be every day of all touch point surfaces
- vii. Additional cleaning Wednesdays and Saturdays
- viii. ABAB vs AABB being discussed but no health issues

8. Referendum Update

9. Committee Reports -

Athletics - Mrs. Priscoe met with Dr. Dionisio and Bob Merkler - District is in Phase 1 moving up to Phase 2.
Tennis to start 9/28/20
Football to start 10/2/2020
Cameras to be installed to Live Stream games

Education - Mr. Alworth/Mrs. Drappi - reviewed agenda, AP test results came in and results were good. Congratulations to all students.

Facilities - Mr. Day - reviewed agenda items - Playground at Laning is completed
Playground at Forest is completed.
Playgrounds will remain closed due to the virus.
Demo of lockers are completed. Roofers were working at 5:45 am.

Community Resources - Mrs. Priscoe - met with Dr. Dionisio and reviewed the agenda items.
Thanked Dr. Dionisio for school opening plans.

Finance - Mrs. Freschi/Mr. Alworth - discussed referendum; technology upgrades; extraordinary aid received; food service refunds to go out; DUNS number was renewed; closed old bank accounts; closed 2019-2020 opened 2020-2021; RFP's for banks to go out in December; Health Insurance portal will be available to all employees.
Mrs. Freschi - reported that the Board has completed Superintendent evaluation and Board evaluation.

10. Discussion Items

11. Public Discussion

12. Roll Call Vote on Resolutions

13. Public Comments - Mrs. Garcia - thanked the Board for the return to school plan. Concerned about live streaming; lack of privacy; concerned about respect. Teachers should be supported.

Dr. Dionisio replied. All questions and feedback is being responded to. Aware of privacy issues.

Mrs. Heffernan - since of the timeline for the finalization of opening plan, will there be aftercare in September.

Dr. Dionisio responded - principals will be sending out additional information.

Dr. Dionisio will be meeting with the YMCA on aftercare.

Mrs. Jody Brown - West Essex released their plan. 5 Phase Plan - Do we have something similar? Will department heads be monitoring remote learning?

Dr. Dionisio responded.

Mr. Caracheck - Expressed his disappointment with Dr. Dionisio. Disappointed with graduation.

Mr. Chris Barrows - had conversations with the Board members on technology. Would there be a benefit for further training for the teachers. Appreciate the efforts.

Dr. Dionisio responded.

Maria Sperling - HVAC systems - next summer? Guidance and counseling. How are children responding to virtual learning.

Dr. Dionisio responded.

Mr. Bellow - Commended the Board and Administration under the circumstances. Was concerned that their child was moved from FN Brown to Laning Schools.

Dr. Dionisio responded that his child has always been zoned for Laning School. Must be considered for class sizes.

Hannah Mir - June 23 minutes - racism is taught in the home. Change minutes.

Julie DiGeronimo - Discussed diversity committee - racism must be addressed. Feels that punishment must be greater for offending students.

Dr. Dionisio responded.

Caroline Smith - Questioned the email that was sent on on-line learning.

Dr. Dionisio responded that the details are still being worked out. Concerned about scheduling siblings.

Michelle Bernardino - Thanked Julie DiGeronimo, the teachers under these circumstances, the Board of Education and Dr. Dionisio for his leadership.

George Caracheck - Technology purchase consistent with chromebooks?

Dr. Dionisio answered yes; sports - concerned about contact sports; referendum;

does it have a contingency - Dr. Dionisio answered
yes. Where is money coming from for technology? Dr. Dionisio - through
financing and budget cuts.

Marwa Alosawa - Thanked Dr. Dionisio for his participation in social justice
movement. Does not like sanitized curriculum. Needs involvement of people of
color. Wants more teaching about race.

Veronica Erickson - Program for Pre-School Program?

Dr. Dionisio - speak with Mr. Mauriello

Motion by: Mr. Day

Seconded by: Mrs. Priscoe

Be it RESOLVED the approval of Resolutions #1 - 50.

Mr. Alworth X

Mr. Day X

Mrs. Drappi X

Mrs. Freschi X

Mrs. Priscoe X

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

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

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting June 29, 2020

PERSONNEL

#2 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following salaries for staff members for
the 2020-2021 school year:

Name	Position	Salary
Jennifer Gadaleta	Director of Guidance	\$104,070

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

3.1 New Hire

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Joelle DeNotaris	HBW	Social Worker	MA/Step 8/ \$61,183	Education	Sept. 1, 2020 - Jun. 30, 2021

3.2 Resignations

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Effective on or About
Stephanie Heard	FNB	ESL	Resignation	Sept. 17, 2020
Cheryl Nardino	Board Office	Business Administrator	Resignation	July 31, 2020

#4 **RESOLVED** that the Board approve on recommendation of the Superintendent, Contract with employee Id. No. 105039 rescinded/terminated as a result of reduction in force.

EDUCATION

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

5.1 Book Adoption

Name	Location	Course	Grade
<u>Into the Arms of Strangers</u>	HBW	English/Language Arts	8
<u>No Place on Earth</u>	HBW	English/Language Arts	8

#6 **RESOLVED** that the Board rescind the following for the 2019-2020 school year:

6.1 VSEA

Name	Position	Stipend
Jeffrey Monacelli	VSEA Program Director	\$8,527
Howard Freund	VSEA Assistant Program Director	\$6,304

Debra Lawrence	VSEA Administrative Assistant	\$2,743
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#7 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following partial stipends (25% of original stipend) for work completed in preparation for the summer 2020 V~SEA program.

Jeff Monacelli (V~SEA Program Director) - \$2,131.75
Howard Freund (V~SEA Assistant Program Director) - \$1,576.00
Debbie Lawrence (V~SEA Administrative Assistant) - \$685.75

#8 RESOLVED that the Board approve on recommendation of the Superintendent, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:28-9 the Board hereby abolishes two sections of Elementary, First Grade for reasons of economy and a reduction in the number of pupils.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

#9 RESOLVED that the Board approve to pay Norma Palmer for up to 25 hours during the months of July and August 2020 at the rate of \$39.72, not to exceed \$1,000.00.

#10 RESOLVED that the Board approve to contract with Delta-T Group of North Jersey for intermittent professionals (ABA Aides, One-to-One Aides, Home Instructors, BCBA, etc.) for the 2020 – 2021 school year as needed.

#11 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

Name	Days/Hours of Work	Daily Rate	Total	Position	Notes
Jennifer DaSilva	10 days	\$348.95	\$3,489.50	VHS Guidance Counselor	
Quinn Stoeber	10 days	\$285.42	\$2,854.20	VHS Guidance Counselor	
Harriette Warshaw	5 days	\$533.22	\$2,666.10	HBW Guidance Counselor	
Lynn Schussel	3 days	\$329.00	\$987.02	HBW Guidance Counselor	
Tina Stokes	1 hr.	\$43.43/hr.	\$43.43	Spec. Ed. Teacher	IEP meeting
Melissa Hanulak	1 hr.	44.88/hr.	\$44.88	Spec. Ed. Teacher	IEP meeting
Nadia Domenick	1 hr.	\$66.75/hr.	\$66.75	Science Teacher	IEP meeting

ATHLETICS

#12 RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached Allergy Action Plan for the 2020-2021 school year.

#13 RESOLVED that the Board approve the Board of Education of School District No. 5370, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as provided for in Chapter 172 Laws 1979 (N.J.S.A. 18A:11-3, et seq.) hereby enrolls Verona High School as a member of the New Jersey Interscholastic Athletic Association to participate in the approved interschool athletic program sponsored by the NJSIAA.

#14 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following stipends in accordance with the approved contract:

Athletic Trainer \$11,149

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

#15 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following organizations to use the Verona Public School facilities as additional insured for the 2020-2021 school year:

Organization/Group
C.H.I.L.D.
VFEE
District SCA's
VMPA
Lacrosse Parents' Association
Fifth Downers

#16 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following organizations for use of school buildings for the 2020-2021 school year:

Organization/Group
Girl Scouts
Boy Scouts
C.H.I.L.D.
Lacrosse Parents' Association

VFEE
Verona Junior Woman's Club
SCA's
Verona Eagles
Verona Baseball/Softball
Over 50 Men's Basketball
Kaplan Test Prep
Verona Recreation
Team Zoey
VMPA

FINANCE

#17 RESOLVED that the Board approve the enclosed checklist in the following amounts:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$3,209,225.49	Vendor Checks	June 30, 2020
\$ 36,791.64	Vendor Checks	July 2, 2020
\$1,321,019.46	Vendor Checks	July 24, 2020
44,716,700.92	Referendum Checks	July 24, 2020

#18 RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached Part Time and Substitute Salaries for the 2020-2021 school year.

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

May, 2020
June, 2020

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

May, 2020
June, 2020

- #21 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the attached list of individual transfers of line items in the 2019-2020 budget for:

May, 2020

June, 2020

- #22 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that the Certificate of Deposit with Wells Fargo Bank be closed on the date of Maturity, July 24, 2020 and that the funds be deposited into the General Operating Account.

REFERENDUM

- #23 RESOLVED** that the Board approve Change Order #3 for Northeastern Interior Services LLC in VHS locker rooms for credit for not providing and installing door opening HS24 - Girls locker room in the amount of \$3,198.

- #24 RESOLVED** that the Board approve Change Order #4 for Northeastern Interior Services LLC for additional shelf in the VHS Athletic trainer storage room #2 in the amount of \$319.

- #25 RESOLVED** that the Board approve:

WHEREAS, the State Treasurer, in consultation with the Governor and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-7 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(b) has increased the bid threshold amount for school districts which do not have a Qualified Purchasing Agent, from \$29,000 to \$32,000, effective July 1, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Verona Board of Education would like to take advantage of the maximum statutory bid threshold amount of \$32,000 for school districts who do not have a Qualified Purchasing Agent;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Verona Board of Education establishes and sets the bid threshold amount of \$32,000 and the Quote threshold of \$4,800 for the Board of Education and further authorizes Ernest J. Turner, Acting Board Secretary, to award contracts in full accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a), for those purchases that do not exceed in the aggregate the newly established bid threshold amount.

- #26 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a contract, as per quote #Q20-0348, awarded to Open Systems Integrators, Inc. to upgrade the Fire Alarm System at Verona High School in the amount of \$25,905.00. This contract is being awarded as per Co-op#65MCECCPS, Bid#ESCNJ 17/18-59, a

State approved Cooperative Purchasing Agency.

- #27 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a contract be awarded to GL Group to paint the exterior of the H.B. Whitehorne Middle School in the amount of \$4,900.
- #28 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a contract be awarded to Green Valley for the removal of Bushes and Stumps at the Forest Ave. School in the amount of \$3,950.
- #29 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that an additional contract for asbestos removal at the H.B. Whitehorne Middle School Stage Area and Auditorium be awarded to Lilich Corporation in the amount of \$10,240.
- #30 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that an additional contract be awarded to AHERA Consultants Inc. for Asbestos Oversight at the Stage Area in the Auditorium at the H.B. Whitehorne Middle School in the amount of \$3,805.
- #31 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that a contract, as per Proposal #94939, be awarded to Shaw's Complete Security to Upgrade Lock Cylinders to MEDECO Restricted Key System at the FN Brown, Brookdale, Forest Avenue and Laning Elementary Schools for auditorium/cafeteria/gym door locks and VHS/HBW locker room door locks in the amount of \$14,630.
- #32 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that a contract be awarded to Open Systems Integrators, Inc. to upgrade the Fire Alarm Systems at the Brookdale, Forest Ave. and FN Brown Elementary Schools at a cost of \$10,419.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a 3-year Monitoring Contract be awarded in the amount of \$696 per year per school.
- #33 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that a contract be awarded to Tirondola Painting for interior painting at the FN Brown School at a cost of \$29,000. This contract is awarded as the lowest of three quotes that were received.
- #34 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that a contract be awarded to GL Group for Option #2, Painting of the entire Gym at Verona High School in the amount of \$18,900.
- #35 RESOLVED** that the Board approve that a contract be awarded to GL Group for painting of the entire auditorium and balcony at FN Brown School in the amount of \$8,500.

#36 RESOLVED that the Board approve that a contract be awarded to Window Repair Systems for window repairs at the Brookdale Elementary School in the amount of \$18,900.

#37 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #004 for Northeastern Interior Services, LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,256,500.00
Previous change orders	8,067.00
Change Order #004	<u>1,389.20</u>
New contract amount	\$1,265,956.20

#38 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #005 for Northeastern Interior Services, LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,256,500.00
Previous change order	9,456.20
Change Order #005	<u>851.00</u>
New contract amount	\$1,266,807.20

#39 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 for Northeastern Interior Services, LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,717,500.00
Change Order #001	<u>23,881.00</u>
New contract amount	\$1,741,381.00

#40 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 USA General Contractors, Corp. in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,402,000.00
Change Order #001	<u>1,400.00</u>
New contract amount	\$1,403,400.00

#41 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #002 USA General Contractors, Corp. in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,402,000.00
Change Order #002	<u>3,077.82</u>
New contract amount	\$1,405,077.82

#42 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 MAK Group LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$2,577,758.00
Change Order #001	<u>16,935.41</u>
New contract amount	\$2,594,693.41

#43 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 MAK Group LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,912,416.00
Change Order #001	<u>6,585.04</u>
New contract amount	\$1,919,001.04

#44 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 Lilich Corp. in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$47,600.00
Change Order #001	<u>6,000.00</u>
New contract amount	\$53,600.00

#45 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 Lilich Corp. in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$146,700.00
Change Order #001	<u>2,000.00</u>
New contract amount	\$148,700.00

#46 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 Picerno-Giordano Construction LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$796,238.00
Change Order #001	<u>3,902.87</u>
New contract amount	\$800,140.87

#47 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #002 Picerno-Giordano Construction LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$796,238.00
Previous change orders	3,902.87
Change Order #002	<u>1,580.72</u>
New contract amount	\$801,721.59

#48 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #006
Northeastern Interior Services LLC in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$1,717,500.00
Previous change orders	18,702.00
Change Order #006	<u>71,681.00</u>
New contract amount	\$1,807,883.00

#49 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following change order #001 Askari
Construction Inc in the following manner:

Original Contract	\$362,543.00
Change Order #001	<u>17,512.52</u>
New contract amount	\$380,055.52

13. Public Comments

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN

#50 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 to adjourn the meeting:

Motion by: Mr. Dy

Second by: Mr. Alworth

All in Favor: AYE

All Opposed: NONE

This meeting is adjourned at (TIME) 9:41 P.M.

NOTE: The next scheduled Public Meeting will be held on MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2020 beginning with a Confidential Session at 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm Public Session via teleconference pending the evolving nature of COVID-19.

VERONA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – BOARD OF EDUCATION

ADDENDUM RESOLUTIONS

July 28, 2020

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 - 7.

Mr. Alworth X Mr. Day X

Mrs. Drappi X Mrs. Freschi X

Mrs. Priscoe X

PERSONNEL

#1 BE IT RESOLVED that the Verona Board of Education appoint Edward Appleton as the Interim Business Administrator and Assistant Board Secretary at a per diem rate of \$650 effective August 1, 2020 at the discretion of the Superintendent.

#2 BE IT RESOLVED the following reassignment of personnel:

Name	Current Position	Location	New Position	Location	Effective Date
Lisa Torchia	Administrative Assistant - Main Office	VHS	Administrative Assistant - Guidance/ Counseling Office	VHS	July 29, 2020

FINANCE

#3 BE IT RESOLVED that the Verona Board of Education make adjustments through reductions to the approved April 28, 2020 school budget to adjust for state aid cuts in the amount of \$181,657 per Governor Murphy:

Name	Position	Location	Original	Revised	Effective Date	Reduction	Notes
Catherine King	Social Worker	Elementary	100%	70%	9/1/2020	\$28,280	salary & benefits
Lakendra McFadden	HIB School Safety Specialist	District	100%	70%	9/1/2020	\$24,865	salary & benefits
Vacant	Assistant Marching Band Director	VHS	70%	0%	9/1/2020	\$36,818	salary
Total						\$89,963	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Verona Board of Education approve the reduction of the following budget accounts:

Item	Location	Effective Date	Reduction	Notes
School budget accounts	VHS, HBW, BRK, FOR, FNB, LNG	9/1/2020	\$44,078	supply account
Curriculum budget account	CIA Office	9/1/2020	\$6,000	supply account
Stipends	District	9/1/2020	\$41,616	Allocation for new, to be developed stipends positions
Total			\$91,694	

#4 BE IT RESOLVED the Verona Board of Education approve Nisivoccia LLP as per attached agreement in the amount of \$35,000 for the annual audit for 2020-21 and 2021-22.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Verona Board of Education approve the attached agreement with Nisivoccia LLP for a forensic audit for the years ending 2017, 2018, and 2019 in the amount of \$35,000.

- #5 **BE IT RESOLVED** the Verona Board of Education approves the Swift program for employee portal health benefits management through Brown & Brown Advisors.
- #6 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Bank Account with Investors Bank #1000427941 - "Verona Board of Education - Capital Reserve Account" be closed and the balance transferred to the General Operating Account.

BOARD POLICY

- #7 **BE IT RESOLVED** the Verona Board of Education approve a first reading of BOE Policy 0167- Public Participation in Board Meetings.