Vestal Central Schools

Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

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| PRESENT: | ALSO PRESENT: |
| Kim Myers, President  | Superintendent Mark LaRoach |
| Joan Miller, Vice President  | School Business Administrator Jeffrey Ahearn |
| Mark Browning  | Director of Instruction Laura Lamash  |
| Jerry Etingoff  | District Negotiator Keith Olivet |
| David Hanson | School District Attorney Michael Sherwood |
| John Hroncich  | District Clerk Kay Ellis  |
| Glenna Pitarresi | Student Government Representative David Gasper |
| Michon Stuart  |  |
| Phyllis Wiley - ABSENT | About 14 Visitors  |

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| The Board meeting was called to order at 6:50 PM by Board President Kim Myers in the Board Conference Room of the Administration Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. | #090-14Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance  |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn immediately into Executive Session to discuss recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education; also a matter regarding Section 75 charges against a staff member, a bargaining unit issue and a possible claim regarding rights violations.  | #091-14Executive Session |
| The Board returned to open session at 7:16 PM. |  |
| On motion by Mark Browning, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2013 meeting as written. Glenna Pitarresi abstained from the vote. | #092-14Approval of Minutes |
| None. | #093-14Public Comments on Agenda Items |
| Student Government Representative: --The 2013-14 school year is off to a good start, high energy levels in the building, good mix of students.--Freshman are adjusting well, thanks to the mentoring program.Board President Kim Myers reported:Liaisons: Tioga Hills will commemorate 9/11 by honoring first responders tomorrow, organized by the 5th grade students. African Road Elementary staff have a positive attitude.--There are no plans to make any changes in the tax collection procedure; M&T Bank provides the service at no charge to the District.--There was good feedback from Convocation Day, opening of school was seamless.--Mark Bordeau was thanked for the new staff/end of summer picnic.--The football team won their first game last Friday.--The Board workshop is scheduled for October 16th at 4:00, suggested topics should be sent to the Superintendent or Board president.Superintendent Mark LaRoach reported: --Opening day of school went smoothly--SED has named the Senior High a Reward School for the 2013-14 year | #094-14Reports |
| On motion by Michon Stuart, second by Glenna Pitarresi, the Board voted 8 to 0 to accept Schedule F (Travel and Conference Requests) and Schedule H (Bid Awards (Contract Busing for Extra Trips); and approve Schedule P (Personnel).  | #095-14 Acceptance of Schedules F& H; Approval of Schedule P  |
| Under Schedule P, the following changes in personnel were made: |  |
| SCHEDULE IP 1 |
| RESIGNATION: INSTRUCTIONAL  |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL RESIGNATION: |
| NAME  | POSITION | TENURE AREA | EFFECTIVE DATE | REMARKS |
| Hardenstine, Ted | Math Teacher |  | 8/31/13 | Other employment |

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| SCHEDULE IP 4A |
| TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS (SUBSTITUTES): |
| NAME  | INSTRUCTIONAL LEVEL | CERTIFICATION | DEGREE | EFFECTIVE DATE | REMARKS |
| Coyle, Meghan | Elementary Special Education | Initial | MS | 9/11/13 |  |
| Hall, Tina | School Counselor | Provisional | MSED  | 9/1/13 |  |
| Kalny, Jessica | English/Special Education | Initial | MS | 7/1/13 |  |
| Penna, Albert, Dr. | Biology/Chemisty/Gen Science | Permanent | Ed.D. | 9/11/13 |  |

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| SCHEDULE IP 4B |
| TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: ABOVE CONTRACT |
| Attached please find pages 1, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 of a master list of above contract positions for the 2013-14 school year. We are asking for approval for the person, position and stipend that is underlined and in bold print. Board meeting date: September 10, 2013 |
| **Area of Appointment** | **Area/Bldg** | Stipend | Posted | Name | APPROVED |
| INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC POSITIONS |
| **Cross Country: Varsity Asst. Boys/Girls** | **Fall Season** | $3275.00 | 3/28/13 | Olson, Michael | 9/10/13 |
| **Cross Country: Modified** | **Fall Season** | $3031.00 | 3/28/13 | Olson, Michael\* | 9/10/13 |
| **Cross Country: Modified** | **Fall Season** | $3031.00 | **3/28/13** | Lorenz, Lynann | 9/10/13 |
| DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSONS |
| LEVEL I |
| **Library** | **K-12** | TBD | **5/22/13** | Cornwell, Tracey | 8/27/13 |
| LEVEL II |
| **English** | **6-8** | $2334.00 | **5/22/13** | Herman, Darren | 9/10/13 |
| **Foreign Language** | **6-8** | $2334.00 | 5/22/13 | Padavona, Teresa | 9/10/13 |
| **Mathematics** | **6-8** | $2334.00 | 5/22/13 | Schultz, Colleen | 9/10/13 |
| **Science**  | **6-8** | $2334.00 | 5/22/13 | Miller, Jacqueline | 9/10/13 |
| **Social Studies** | **6-8** | $2334.00 | 5/22/13 | O’Brien, Kelly | 9/10/13 |
| **Special Education** | **6-8** | $2077.00 | 5/22/13 | Strano, Carol  | 9/10/13 |
| ADVISORS |
| **Drama Club** | **Middle School** | $2198.00 | 5/22/13 | Hucko, Rachel | 9/10/13 |
| **Math-a-lon** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Dinnel, Joan (co) | 9/10/13 |
| **Math-a-lon** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Place, Suzanne (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Math Counts** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | D’Angelo, JoAnn (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Math Counts** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Jeremko, Catherine (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Newspaper** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Fitzpatrick, Deborah (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Newspaper** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Guerino, Sonya (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Student Government** | **Middle School** | $2198.00 | 5/22/13 | Croteau, Ginelle | **9/10/13** |
| **Yearbook** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Jeremko, Catherine (co) | **9/10/13** |
| **Yearbook** | **Middle School** | $758.00 | 5/22/13 | Stowell, Kate (co) | **9/10/13** |
| OTHER |
| **Bus Supervision – AM** | **Middle School** | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Daino, Jeremy | 9/10/13 |
| **Bus Supervision – AM** | **Middle School**  | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Osinski, David | 9/10/13 |
| **Bus Supervision – PM** | **Middle School** | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Covert, Denton | 9/10/13 |
| **Bus Supervision – PM** | **Middle School** | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Watson, Darren | 9/10/13 |
| **Bus Supervision – AM** | **Tioga Hills** | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Hoyt, Scott | 9/10/13 |
| **Bus Supervision – PM** | **Tioga Hills** | $2470.00 | 5/22/13 | Kelly-Brunza, Monica | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 5)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Herringshaw, Joseph | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 5)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Paulo, Dean | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 6)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Covert, Denton | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 6)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Daino, Jeremy | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 7)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Fey, Jesse | 9/10/13 |
| **Cafeteria Duty (Sem 1, Period 7)** | **Middle School** | $24.37/hr | 5/22/13 | Wood, Matthew | 9/10/13 |
| **Odyssey of the Mind** | **Middle School** | $348.00 | 5/22/13 | Tripicco, Jeanette | 9/10/13 |
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| **Musical Director** | **Middle School**  | $2198.00 | 5/22/13 | Hucko, Rachel | 9/10/13 |
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| SCHEDULE IP 7 |
| LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE: |
| NAME  | POSITION | TENURE AREA | EFFECTIVE DATE | REASON |
| Arrigan, Amber | Special Education Teacher | Special Subject Area: General Special Education | 9/3/13-10/8/13 | Family responsibilities |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 4 |
| PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: |
| NAME  | POSITION | SHIFT/BLDG | PROBATION PERIOD | SALARY | REMARKS |
| Kenjar, Dijaz | Cleaner | 2nd shift, High School | 9/11/13-9/10/14 | TBD | 52 wk probationary period |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 8A |
| TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS/SUBSTITUTES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS- SUBSTITUTES: |
| NAME  | POSITION | EFFECTIVE DATE | REMARKS |
| \*DeGroat, Lisa | Teacher Aide PT/S | 9/11/13 |  |
| Horton, Nathan | Custodian PT/S | 9/11/13 |  |
| \* pending fingerprint clearance |  |  |  |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 8A.A |
| RESOLUTION FOR EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT |
| TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT/SUBSTITUTE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL  |
| The Superintendent of Schools, having advised the Board of Education that emergency conditional appointments are necessary in relation to appointment of employees, and the Board having passed policy in relation to the safety of children, and the prospective employee having filed a statement regarding criminal convictions and the Superintendent having forwarded to the State Education Department application for conditional appointment and the fingerprints of the prospective employee and on recommendation of the Superintendent, it is RESOLVED that the following emergency conditional appointment is hereby made, andBE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this appointment shall expire upon the passage of 20 business days or the approval of the appointment of such individuals, whichever occurs first: |
| NAME  | POSITION | EFFECTIVE DATE | REMARKS |
| DeGroat, Lisa | Teacher Aide PT/S | 9/11/13 |  |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 10 |
| LEAVE OF ABSENCE: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE: |
| NAME  | POSITION | SHIFT/BLDG | EFFECTIVE DATES | REASON |
| Grausgruber, Carolynn | Teacher Aide | High School | 9/1/13-10/4/13 | Medical reasons |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 11 |
| CHANGES IN STATUS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL CHANGES IN STATUS: |
| NAME  | POSITION | SHIFT/BLDG | CHANGE | EFFECTIVE | REASON |
| Pedro, Pamela | Bus Driver PT/S | Transportation | To: Bus Driver | 8/29/13 |  |
| The following employee has achieved satisfactory completion of district probationary period:  |
| Hayes, Daniel | Building Maintenance Worker | Facilities/Operations |  | 9/26/13 |  |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 13 |
| Civil Service Law Section 75: AGREEMENT |
| WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools has reached a negotiated agreement in accordance with parameters established by the Board of Education, and WHEREAS, the matter can be resolved with the District receiving a general release upon payment of an agreed sum, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that he Board of Education authorizes the payment of the agreed sum, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Education withdraws the charges initially preferred and accepts the resignation of the particular personnel. |
| Date of Charges | Bargaining Unit | Effective Date of Resignation |
| August 27, 2013 | Association of Vestal School Paraprofessionals | 9/11/13 |

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| On motion by John Hroncich, second by Glenna Pitarresi, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:RESOLVED, that the Board of Education pursuant to its authority under Section 1709(12) of the Education Law hereby accepts the following gifts:   Description Approx. Value Donor Recipient  Donation to Vestal Hills $500.00 GenYouth Vestal Central Elementary School Foundation School District  Donation to Vestal Hills $265.83 Vestal Hills PTA Vestal Central Elementary School School District | #096-14Acceptance of Gifts |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:RESOLVED, that the President or Vice President of the Board of Education be authorized to enter into a lease agreement for a period of one year with Stephen J. Appel Photography for the rental of two rooms in Central Junior High School in accordance with said agreement effective October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014. | #097-14Lease with Stephen J. Appel Photography |
| Grant Nedlik, 572 Sequoia Lane, Vestal, spoke to the Board about the impact of a Dollars for Scholars award. | #098-14 Voice of the Public |
| Tuesday, September 24, 2013; 7:00 PM; Regular MeetingBoard Conference Room; Administration BuildingTuesday, October 8, 2013; 7:00 PM; Regular MeetingGlenwood Elementary School | #099-14Future Meetings |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn immediately.  | #100-14Adjournment |
| The meeting was adjourned at 7:50PM. |  |

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Kay Ellis, District Clerk

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

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| PRESENT: | ALSO PRESENT: |
|  Kim Myers, President  | Superintendent Mark LaRoach  |
| Joan Miller, Vice President | Director of Instruction Laura Lamash |
| Mark Browning  | School Business Administrator Jeffrey Ahearn |
| Jerry Etingoff  | District Negotiator Keith Olivet – arrived 6:55pm |
| David Hanson  | School District Attorney Michael Sherwood  |
| John Hroncich  | District Clerk Kay Ellis  |
| Glenna Pitarresi |  |
| Michon Stuart  | Anne Tristan, Director of Special Education  |
| Phyllis Wiley - ABSENT |  |

Executive Session commenced at 6:53 PM in the small conference room of the Administration Building.

Recommendations and annual reviews of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education were on the agenda. Board members had copies of the IEPs for each student made available to them prior to the meeting and had reviewed them. Board members gave due consideration to each case before voting.

On motion by Jerry Etingoff, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to accept the recommendations and annual reviews of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for all students considered.

Glenna Pitaressi abstained from the vote.

The matter of Section 75 charges against a staff member was reviewed. An issue with a bargaining unit was discussed.

The possibility of a claim against the District presented.

The session was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

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 Kay Ellis, District Clerk

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