Vestal Central Schools

Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

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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 - ABSENT | District Negotiator Keith Olivet |
| David Hanson | School District Attorney Michael Sherwood |
| John Hroncich | District Clerk Kay Ellis |
| Glenna Pitarresi | Student Government Representative Nate Grossman |
| Michon Stuart |  |
|  | About 67+ Visitors |

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| The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Board President Kim Myers in the auditorium at Clayton Avenue Elementary School. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. | #380-14  Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance |
| Superintendent LaRoach welcomed everyone and began with an overview of the efforts that went into putting together the 2014-15 budget. Dr. Lamash reviewed the District’s goals and mission statement. Jeffrey Ahearn presented the budget parameters and considerations that went into the development of the budget. The second proposition on the ballot for bus purchases was reviewed. Members of the audience asked questions regarding salary increases and the Comptrollers’ audit. | #381-14  Public Hearing on Proposed 2014-15 Budget |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn immediately into Executive Session to discuss recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education. | #382-14  Executive Session |
| The Board returned to open session at 7:16 PM. |  |
| On motion by Joan Miller, second by David Hanson, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2014 meeting as written. | #383-14  Approval of Minutes |
| None. | #384-14  Public Comments on Agenda Items |
| Student Government Representative:  --Academic Awards Night was held and last week a Student Recognition Breakfast was held. Honors Night will be held next week.  --Student exchange happened last Friday; our students went to Binghamton High School for the day.  --End of year testing has started.  --The election process is beginning; there are several contested positions for next year’s student government. Campaigning will start 5/19 and the vote is 5/30.  --Relay for Life will be held this weekend at Sammon Field.  Board President Kim Myers reported:  --Liaisons: Tioga Hills is working on the end of year promotion ceremony for the 5th graders. The Glenwood fundraiser at Barnes & Noble was very successful; the GSCA is planning another family fun night with a mystery theme; Muffins with Mom was held last Friday. Clayton Avenue kicked of their summer reading program with an author visit.  --Awards Night was a great recognition for students.  --Scholarship Night is June 2nd.  --A budget review will be presented at the Senior Center tomorrow.  --Tickets are available for the district retirement dinner.  --SH parent group meeting was sparsely attended; they are looking for president/vice president for next year.  --The round table workshop at BOCES for Board president, vice presidents was attended.  --The elementary buildings have planned some fun activities for vote day next Tuesday.  Superintendent Mark LaRoach reported:  --The old tennis courts behind the transportation building were removed. This removal was recommended by the insurance company since it posed a serious safety hazard.  --The Maintenance building adjacent to Central Junior is being demolished; site work will begin 5/19. The District has provided neighbors with written communications regarding this project. Tenants in Central Junior will also receive written information since this project will impact parking in the area.  --Collaborative efforts with SUNY Broome will include 6 courses offered next year in the fall and 5 offered in the spring. Qualifying students can earn college credit for specific high school classes. | #385-14  Reports |
| On motion by Joan Miller, second by Michon Stuart, the Board voted 7 to 0 to accept Schedule E (Enrollment Report), Schedule F (Travel/Conference Report); and approve Schedule I (Budget Transfers) and Schedule P (Personnel). | #386-14  Acceptance of Schedules E and F and H; Approval of Schedules I and P |
| Under Schedule P, the following changes in personnel were made: |  |

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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 |
| Robinson, Kimberly | Elementary | Elementary | 4/30/14-5/30/14 | Family responsibilities |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 2 | | | | |
| RETIREMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL | | | | |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL RETIREMENTS: | | | | |
| NAME | POSITION | SHIFT/SCHOOL | EFFECTIVE DATE | REMARKS |
| Landon, Lynn | Teacher Aide | African Road | 6/27/14 |  |
| Sersen, Rick | Custodian | 2nd shift, Tioga Hills | 6/30/14 |  |

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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/SCHOOL | PROBATION PERIOD | SALARY | REMARKS |
| Van Steenburg, Connie | Head Bus Driver | Transportation | 6/2/14-6/1/15 | $37,000 | 52 wk probationary period |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 9B | | | | |
| PART TIME NON-COMPETITIVE APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL | | | | |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PART TIME NON-COMPETITIVE APPOINTMENT: | | | | |
| NAME | POSITION | SHIFT/SCHOOL | PROBATION PERIOD | SALARY |
| \*Teeter, Michael | Bus Attendant (DIT) | Transportation | 5/14/14-5/27/15 | $8.53/hr |
| \*pending fingerprint clearance | | | | |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 9B.A | | | | |
| RESOLUTION FOR EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL APPOINTMENT | | | | |
| PART TIME NON-COMPETITIVE APPOINTMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL | | | | |
| The Superintendent of Schools, having advised the Board of Education that an emergency conditional appointment is necessary in relation to an appointment of an employee, 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 an application for conditional appointment and the fingerprints of the prospective employee, and on recommendation of the Superintendent, it isRESOLVED, 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 individual, whichever occurs first. | | | | |
| NAME | POSITION | SHIFT/SCHOOL | PROBATION PERIOD | SALARY |
| Teeter, Michael | Bus Attendant (DIT) | Transportation | 5/14/14-5/27/15 | $8.53/hr |

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| SCHEDULE NIP 11 | | | | |
| CHANGE IN STATUS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL | | | | |
| The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL CHANGE IN STATUS: | | | | |
| NAME | POSITION | SHIFT/BLDG | CHANGE | EFFECTIVE |
| Carey, James | Bus Driver | Transportation | Revised unpaid leave dates from 4/10/14-TBD to 4/10/14-5/9/14 |  |

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| On motion by David Hanson, second by Glenna Pitarresi, the Board voted 7 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  Signet/Selmer Student $175.00 Mr & Mrs George Vestal Central  Flute Bobinski School District  Meisel Student Violin $150.00 Mr & Mrs George Vestal Central  Bobinski School District  Cash Donation $100.00 Gannett Foundation Vestal Central  To Glenwood Elementary Volunteer Match School District  School Program  Cash Donation to Odyssey $350.00 Middle School Vestal Central  Of the Mind Student Council School District  Cash Donation to Odyssey $250.00 Middle School PTO Vestal Central  Of the Mind School District  Cash Donation to Odyssey $175.00 Middle School Vestal Central  Of the Mind Sunshine Fund School District  Cash Donation for NetSci $4,500.00 School-to-Careers Vestal Central  Conference Participation Partnership School District  Cash Donation for NetSci $2,860.00 Innovation Associates, Vestal Central  Conference Participation Inc. School District  Cash Donation for NetSci $200.00 High School Extra- Vestal Central  Conference Participation Classroom Activities School District  Cash Donation for NetSci $750.00 Stantec Consulting Vestal Central  Conference Participation Services, Inc. School District | #387-14  Acceptance of Gifts |
| On motion by Joan Miller, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District accepts the RFP extension with Postler & Jaeckle Corp for building control systems maintenance and monitoring, for the period 7/1/14 to 6/30/15, at a 1.5% cost increase, based on the average 2013 CPI. | #388-14  RFP Extension for Building Control Systems Maintenance and Monitoring |
| On motion by Glenna Pitarresi, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District accepts the RFP extension with Postler & Jaeckle Corp for district boilers and HVAC preventative maintenance, for the period 7/1/14 to 6/30/15, at a 1.5% cost increase, based on the average 2013 CPI. | #389-14  RFP Extension for District Boilers and HVAC Preventative Maintenance |
| On motion by John Hroncich, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education has agreed to participate in Broome-Tioga BOCES services for the 2014-15 fiscal year, including but not limited to the attached listing, and that the Board of Education hereby agrees to pay Broome-Tioga BOCES for said services pursuant to the following schedule - (8) equal payments beginning October 1, 2014 and ending May 1, 2015. | #390-14  Purchase of Broome-Tioga BOCES Services 2014-15 |
| On motion by Glenna Pitarresi, second by Michon Stuart, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the Board of Education give permission to approximately 8 computer science students for a trip to Berkeley, CA for the International School and Conference on Network Science, June 2, 2014 to June 6, 2014. There is no cost to the district for this trip. | #391-14  Field Trip Approval; Computer Science Students to CA |
| On motion by Mark Browning, second by Michon Stuart, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education be authorized to sign an agreement with State University of New York for use of facilities at Binghamton University for graduation rehearsal on June 23, 2014 and graduation ceremony on June 28, 2014 in accordance with the terms outlined in the attached agreement. | #392-14  Agreement with SUNY (Binghamton University) |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign agreements with the listed individuals to provide interpretation services to District students for testing through June 30, 2014, per attached agreements.  Erdem Ilter  Laura Scott  Han-Sol Kim  Sufen Gong  Sean Chanthasone  Dong Ki Kim | #393-14  Professional Services Agreements – Interpreting Services |
| On motion by Joan Miller, second by Michon Stuart, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the District Clerk, Kay E. Ellis, be authorized to fill any vacancies that might arise for the positions of Chief Inspector or Inspector, and  BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following persons be appointed as Chief Inspectors (\*) and Inspectors at the polling places as indicated for the annual meeting and election on May 20, 2014:  Chief Inspectors:  District #1 Clayton Avenue \*Kathleen Sullivan  District #2 Tioga Hills \*Edmond Mohring  District #3 Glenwood \*Antonette Mansfield  District #4 African Road \*Lowell Carman  District #5 Vestal Hills \*Eve Daniels  Inspectors: Substitutes: Kathy Berlinigi  Rose Boehlert  William Dudar  Marta Foster  Lucille Giles  Susan Hoyt  Anita Lazzarini Charles Mansfield  Marilyn Mohring  Louise Neff  Eric Neff  Joseph Schlitz  Ellen Titus  Durland Vining  Janice Vining | #394-14  Appointment of Election Workers |
| On motion by John Hroncich, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education be authorized to sign a site license agreement with Plexicomm, LLC for the rental of tower space for wireless communication signals for an annual license fee of $3600, as outlined in the attached agreement. | #395-14  Site License Agreement |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution: RESOLVED, that the President or Vice President be authorized to sign an agreement with LCP Group Inc. for demolition services per bid specifications, accepted by the Board of Education at its April 28, 2014 meeting. | #396-14  Maintenance Building Project – LCP Group, Inc. |
| Joe Herringshaw, Kimble Road, Vestal, spoke to the Board in support of the budget.  Michael Olson, State Line Road, Vestal, addressed the Board about setting the last day of instruction and bus purchases.  Jeff, Crescent Drive, Apalachin, asked the Board for clarification regarding the Comptrollers’ audit findings. | #397-14  Voice of the Public |
| **Tuesday, May 20, 2014 –9:00 PM Regular Meeting to Certify the Vote**  Board Conference Room; Administration Building  **Tuesday, May 27, 2014 – 7:00 PM Regular Meeting**  Board Conference Room; Administration Building  **Tuesday, June 10, 2014 – 6:00 PM VSF Awards Reception; 7:00 PM Regular Meeting**  Board Conference Room; Administration Building | #398-14  Future Meetings |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn into Executive Session for discussion on negotiations and a personnel matter. | #399-14  Executive Session |
| On motion by David Hanson, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn the meeting immediately. | #400-14  Adjournment |
| The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM. |  |

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Kay Ellis, District Clerk

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EXECUTIVE SESSION #1

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| Joan Miller, Vice President | School Business Administrator Jeffrey Ahearn |
| Mark Browning | Director of Instruction Laura Lamash |
| Jerry Etingoff - ABSENT | District Negotiator Keith Olivet |
| David Hanson | School District Attorney Michael Sherwood |
| John Hroncich | District Clerk Kay Ellis |
| Glenna Pitarresi |  |
| Michon Stuart | Anne Tristan, Director of Special Education |
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Executive Session commenced at 6:50 PM in the Library Media Center of Clayton Avenue Elementary School.

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 Michon Stuart, second by Joan Miller, the Board voted 6 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 Pitarresi abstained from the vote.

The session was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION #2

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

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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 - ABSENT | District Negotiator Keith Olivet |
| David Hanson | School District Attorney Michael Sherwood |
| John Hroncich | District Clerk Kay Ellis – dismissed 8:05pm |
| Glenna Pitarresi | Attorney Wendy DeWind |
| Michon Stuart |  |
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Executive Session commenced at 8:05 PM in the Library Media Center of the Clayton Avenue Elementary School. The Board was updated on the status of negotiations, the 3020A process and a tenure review.

The Board session was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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