

Vestal Central School District  
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

PRESENT:

Linda Daino  
David Hanson  
John Hroncich – ABSENT  
Dinno Nistico  
Mario Nunes – ABSENT  
Sylvia Place – arrived 6:40pm  
Christina Pierce  
Michon Stuart  
Tony Turnbull

ALSO PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Ahearn  
Interim Asst Supt for Finance Operations & Personnel Lorraine Paushter  
Asst Superintendent for Instruction Laura Lamash  
School Attorney Michael Sherwood  
School Business Executive Matthew Bechtel  
District Clerk Kay Ellis

About 60 Visitors

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:59pm by Board President Michon Stuart in the Board Conference Room of the Administration Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#230-19  
Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Dan Myers, Director of RIC from BOCES presented to the Board the complexity of the technology services provided to the District, the risks to data security and how they are dealt with and the upcoming regulations for technology reporting to SED.

On motion by David Hanson, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 6 to 0 to adjourn immediately into Executive Session to discuss recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education; an update on an employee status and an ongoing student legal issue.

#231-19  
Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at 6:59pm.

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 6 to 0 to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting December 18, 2018. David Hanson was not in the room for the vote.

#232-19  
Minutes from Previous Meeting

None.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Student Government Representative John Shapiro reported:

--Talent Show auditions have started  
--8<sup>th</sup> graders will visit the high school next Tuesday  
--Vestal Voices will hold a cabaret on January 17  
--Martin Luther King Day activities will be January 18 in the auditorium  
--winter sports are going well  
--rehearsals for the musical "Newsies" have begun, performances will be 2/28-3/2  
--several art students were awarded keys at the Scholastic Art Show; one students' work will go on the national competition in NYC

#233-19  
Reports

Board President Michon Stuart reported:

Liaisons: SH-John Hroncich: Absent VMS/District Council-Sylvia Place: Nothing  
ARE-Michon Stuart: No meeting CA-Dinno Nistico: Meeting is tomorrow  
GL-Michon Stuart: No meeting TH-Linda Daino: After school program starts in March, one school/one book will be in February; chorus/band concert will be 1/28  
TH-Mario Nunes: Absent VH-David Hanson: nothing Tony Turnbull: nothing  
--Legislative meeting is 1/9; Legislative Breakfast is 2/1  
--Taste of ARE is 1/16  
--Student recognition breakfast is tomorrow morning  
--VSF trivia fundraiser is 1/25

Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn reported:

--Counseling Advisory Committee has been formed in response to a new state requirement; we are actually ahead of the timetable. Focus will be on mental wellness and health and include the community, student and parents. Meetings are scheduled for February and March.

--the internal risk assessment audit was completed and the corrective action plan reviewed by the Board's audit committee

On motion by David Hanson, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 7 to 0 to accept Schedule E Enrollment December 2018, Schedule F Travel & Conference; and approve Schedule P.

#234-19  
Acceptance of Schedule E, F;  
Approval of Schedule P

Under Schedule P the following changes are approved:

**SCHEDULE IP 4A**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following TEMPORARY INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTE APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>INSTRUCTIONAL LEVEL</u>	<u>CERTIFICATION</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Nardocci, Dylan	Social Studies/Business	None	BS	1/9/19	

**SCHEDULE IP 4B**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: ABOVE CONTRACT**

Attached please find page 4 of a master list of above contract positions for the 2018-19 school year. We are asking for approval for the person, position and stipend that is underlined and in bold print. Board Meeting: January 8, 2019.

<u>AREA OF APPOINTMENT</u>	<u>AREA/BLDG</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
<b><u>Intramurals</u></b>					
<b><u>Middle School/High School</u></b>	<b><u>Winter</u></b>	<b><u>\$500</u></b>		<b><u>Fuller, Kirstin</u></b>	<b><u>1/8/19</u></b>

**SCHEDULE IP 8**

**CHANGES IN STATUS: INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL CHANGES IN STATUS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>TENURE</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Horan, Patricia	Special Education Teacher	Special Subject Area: Gen Spec Ed	Revised leave of absence dates from 1/20/18-1/20/19 to 1/20/18-6/28/19		Family responsibilities
Northrop, Chelsea	Math Teacher	Academic Area: Math	Change probation period from 9/1/17-6/30/20 to 9/1/17-11/22/20		Unpaid leave of absence

**SCHEDULE NIP 1**

**RESIGNATIONS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL RESIGNATIONS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/BLDG</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Lilly, Tina	Teacher Aide (Monitor) PT	Glenwood	1/21/19	
Zurn, Elaine	Teacher Aide (Monitor) PT	African Road	12/20/18	

**SCHEDULE NIP 2**

**RETIREMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL RETIREMENTS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/BLDG</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Hrehor, Jean	Teacher Aide	Middle School	6/30/19	

**SCHEDULE NIP 8A**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS/SUBSTITUTES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTES APPOINTMENTS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Lilly, Tina	Teacher Aide PT/S	1/21/19	

**SCHEDULE NIP 11**

**CHANGES IN STATUS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL CHANGES IN STATUS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/BLDG</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
Vojtisek, Loretta	Bus Driver	Transportation	Revised effective start date from TBD to 12/20/18	
Wells, Carol	Teacher Aide (Monitor) PT	Tioga Hills	To: Teacher Aide (Monitor) High School	1/9/19
The following employees have achieved satisfactory completion of district probationary period:				
Crentsil, Francis	Bus Driver	Transportation		1/23/19
Hutchings, Denise	Teacher Aide (Monitor) PT	African Road		1/16/19

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Sylvia Place, 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 results of the cooperative bid for Meat/Cheese/Dairy Products through the Broome County Specification Group for the period 1/1/19 through 2/28/19.

#235-19  
Bid Award – Meat/Cheese/Dairy  
1/1/19-2/28/19

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by David Hanson, 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 results of the cooperative bid for Paper Products through the Broome County Specification Group for the period 1/1/19 through 8/9/19.

#236-19  
Bid Award – Paper Products  
1/1/19-8/9/19

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that a fee of \$431.47 per pupil be established for health and welfare services available to non-resident pupils attending private or parochial schools in the Vestal School District during the 2018-19 school year.

#237-19  
Health & Welfare Charge 2018-19

On motion by David Hanson, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education acknowledges receipt of Corrective Action Plan in response to the Internal Risk Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, from the Board of Education’s Audit Committee.

#238-19  
Internal Risk Assessment 2017-18  
Corrective Action Plan

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, 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 gift:

#239-19  
Gifts/Donations – Treadmill,  
Scoring Table

<u>Description</u>	<u>Approx. Value</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Pro-Form XP 550s Treadmill Exerciser	\$500.00	Jones, Denise and Carl	Vestal Central School District
Scoring Table for Dick Hoover Stadium	\$5000.00	Vestal Central Athletic Club	Vestal Central School District

On motion by David Hanson, second by Dinno Nistico, 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 the Second Amendment to Athletic Training Services Agreement (School Year 2018-19) with Our Lady of Lourdes Memorial Hospital, Inc to provide certain athletic services (and strength and conditioning training) to students

#240-19  
Contract for Athletic Trainer  
Services – Lourdes  
2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment

participating in interscholastic athletics, in accordance with terms outlined in the attached agreement, from June 13, 2018 to June 12, 2019.

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education give permission for approximately one varsity wrestler to attend the Eastern States Wrestling Tournament at Sullivan CC in Middletown, NY on January 11-12, 2019.

#241-19  
Extended Field Trip – Wrestler to Eastern States Tournament

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by David Hanson, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education give permission to approximately 8 high school music students for a trip to Troy, NY for an ICHSA Competition at RPI on January 25, 2019.

#242-19  
Extended Field Trip- Music Students to ICHSA Competition

**Prior to public comments, Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn read a statement clarifying the status of the 8:1:1 program for 2019-20.**

#243 -19  
Voice of the Public

- James Darling, 9 Tioga Blvd, Apalachin, spoke to the Board about the plan for the 8:1:1 program at the Middle School
- Benjamin Lilly (student), 588 Bunn Hill Road, Vestal, told the Board how his brother Owen loves the school program he is in
- Michael Lilly (student), 588 Bunn Hill Road, Vestal, spoke about the 8:1:1 program and student rights
- Lynne Majewski, 148 Vestal Road, Vestal, addressed the Board about students with special needs
- Naomi Smoke-Zur, 3108 Cornell Ave, Vestal, asked the Board to do what is best for children
- Pauline Schecter, 600 Murray Hill Rd, Vestal, spoke as a parent of a special needs child
- Sunnie Williams, 131 Andrews Rd, Vestal, was concerned the 8:1:1 program would not be available for students going forward and to keep students in Vestal
- Christine Nush, 800 Overbrook Drive, Vestal, spoke to the Board about the inclusion of special needs students in the middle school
- Bethany Golebiewski, 3408 Almar Dr, Vestal, spoke as an advocate of the 8:1:1 and special education programs in Vestal
- Christina Pierce (Board member), stated an interest in combining the elementary and middle school 8:1:1 program

**Future Board Meetings**

- Tuesday, January 22, 2019; 7:00pm; Regular Meeting  
Board Conference Room – Administration Building
- Tuesday, February 12, 2019; 6:00pm; Regular Meeting  
**Tioga Hills Elementary School**
- Tuesday, February 26, 2019; 7:00pm; Regular Meeting  
Board Conference Room – Administration Building
- Tuesday, March 12, 2019; 6:00pm; Regular Meeting  
Board Conference Room – Administration Building

On motion by David Hanson, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn immediately.

#244-19  
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

Kay Ellis  
District Clerk

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School District Attorney Michael Sherwood  
District Clerk Kay Ellis  
  
Rosalie Sullivan, Director of Special Education – left 6:54pm

Executive Session commenced at 6:36pm 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 information for each student made available to them prior to the meeting for review. Board members gave due consideration to each case before voting.

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 6 to 0 to accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education for all students considered.

The Board was updated on a student legal issue status, ongoing staff legal matter

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 6 to 0 to adjourn the Executive Session and return to Open Session immediately. Sylvia was not in the room for the vote.

The session was adjourned at 6:58pm.

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Kay Ellis  
District Clerk