

Vestal Central School District
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REORGANIZATION MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2020

THIS MEETING WAS PHYSICALLY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

PRESENT:

Mark Browning*
Linda Daino*
John Hroncich*
Lynne Majewski*
Dinno Nistico*
Mario Nunes
Christina Pierce – ABSENT
Sylvia Place*
Tony Turnbull*

ALSO PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Ahearn
Asst Supt for Finance, Operations & Personnel Cliff Kasson*
Asst Superintendent for Instruction Laura Lamash*
School Attorney Michael Sherwood
School Business Executive Matthew Bechtel*
District Clerk Kay Ellis

About 0 Visitors

***BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF ATTENDED VIA ZOOM**

THIS MEETING WAS HELD DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. BY AN EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR ON MARCH 13, 2020, A PORTION OF THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW WAS WAIVED. SPECIFICALLY:

“Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed.”

This meeting was also streamed live on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/fK4pKpH-GdQ>

The Board meeting was called to order at 6:02PM by Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn in the South Conference Room of the Administration Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#001-21
Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The oath of office was administered by Michael Sherwood for re-elected Board members Linda Daino, Sylvia Place and Tony Turnbull.

#002-21
Oaths of Office

John Hroncich nominated Mario Nunes for Board President, second by Mark Browning. There were no other nominations. The vote was 8 votes for Mario Nunes. The newly elected president was sworn in and took the chair.

#003-21
Election of President

Linda Daino nominated John Hroncich for Board Vice-President, second by Sylvia Place. There were no other nominations. The vote was 8 votes for John Hroncich. The newly elected Vice-President was sworn in.

#004-21
Election of Vice-President

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2020-21 school year:

Kay Ellis as District Clerk, with a recommended stipend TBD
Michelle Lewis as Deputy District Clerk, as needed

#005-21
Appointment of Officers:
District Clerk
Deputy District Clerk

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Michael Fenn as District Treasurer
Luyun (Liana) Ni as Deputy Treasurer

District Treasurer
Deputy District Treasurer

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2020-21 school year:

Debra Wallace as Receiver of Taxes (pursuant to settlement agreement between the Town of Vestal and the Vestal Central School District dated 8/22/17)

Receiver of Taxes

Other Appointments:
Legal Counsel

Employee Relations Counsel

Special Counsel

Committee on Preschool Special
Education (CPSE), First
Committee on Special Education
and Second Committee on
Special Education

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2020-21 school year:

Michael Sherwood as Legal Counsel, with a recommended stipend TBD

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, DeWind & Gregory, LLP as Employee Relations Counsel, with a retainer for 2020-21 of \$48,000.

On motion by Linda Daino, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Law Firm of Frank W. Miller, as Special Counsel

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Tony Turnbull, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Appointment of Committee on Preschool Special Education:

Administrator who serves as the representative of the school district and Committee Chair: Rosalie Sullivan, Amber Dennis

A Regular Education teacher of the child, if appropriate

A Special Education teacher of the child, if appropriate

A professional who participated in the evaluation of the child

Tricia Leveille, Surrogate Parent, if appropriate

Representative of the Early Intervention program, if appropriate

Representative of Broome County: Mark Jasinski (or designee)

Representative of Tioga County: Jenna Dyer (or designee)

Appointment of the First Committee on Special Education:

Administrator who serves as the representative of the school district and Committee Chair: Rosalie Sullivan, Maria Rizzo, Amber Dennis, Kimberly Hardy, Meghan

Pariseau, Tamara Findikyan, Brittany Marshall

The Regular Education teacher of the student, if appropriate

The Special Education teacher of the student, if appropriate

School Psychologist: Tamara Findikyan, Lisa Paultre, Rosalie Sullivan, Maria Rizzo, Kimberly Hardy, Meghan Pariseau, Tamara Findikyan

Dr. Perry, School Physician

School Nurse of the student, if appropriate

Tricia Leveille, Surrogate Parent, if appropriate

Appointment of the Second Committee on Special Education:

Administrator who serves as representative of the school district and Committee

Chair: Rosalie Sullivan, Maria Rizzo, Amber Dennis, Meaghan Pariseau, Tamara Findikyan, Brittany Marshall

Regular Education teacher specific to the student under consideration and different from the teacher member on the first committee

Special Education teacher specific to the student under consideration and different from the teacher member on the first committee

School Psychologist: Tamara Findikyan, Lisa Paultre, Kimberly Hardy, Rosalie Sullivan, Maria Rizzo, Meghan Pariseau

Dr. Perry, School Physician

Tricia Leveille, Surrogate Parent, if appropriate

On motion by Mark Browning, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Broome Tioga BOCES Central Business Office (CBO) be appointed to audit all claims except those submitted by the Broome Tioga BOCES, which shall be audited by the district appointed claims auditor.

Internal Claims Auditor

On motion by Linda Daino, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Michael Fenn as Financial Auditor (Extra Classroom Funds)

Financial Auditor
(Extra Classroom Funds)

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Impartial Hearing Officers
2020-21

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following persons certified by the Commissioner of Education to serve as Impartial Hearing Officers for Special Education related cases and placed on file in the office of the Chairman of the Committee on Special Education and
BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopts any subsequent revisions as indicated on the State Education Department's Impartial Hearing Reporting System (IHRS). Listed in order of contact:

- James Walsh
- Marion Walsh
- Mindy Wolman
- Lynn Botwinik Almeleh
- James D. Bilik
- Robert Briglio
- Maryanne Dimeo
- Lana Flame
- Vanessa Gronbach
- Jeffrey Guerra
- George Kandilakis
- Jeanne Keefe
- Martin J. Kehoe III
- Michael Lazan
- Nancy Lederman
- James McKeever
- Kenneth S. Ritzenberg
- Jerome Schad Esq
- Craig Tessler
- Aaron Turetsky

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Thomas Comerford III as the Title IX Coordinator for 2020-21
Clifford Kasson as the Title IX Alternate Coordinator for 2020-21

Title IX Coordinator,
Alternate Title IX Coordinator
2020-21

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Thomas Comerford III as the Compliance Officer for 2020-21
Clifford Kasson as the Alternate Compliance Officer for 2020-21

Compliance Officer,
Alternate Compliance Officer
2020-21

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Joseph Loretz as the School Pesticide Representative for 2020-21

School Pesticide Representative
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Matthew Bechtel as the Records Management Officer for 2020-21

Records Management Officer
2020-21

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Tony Turnbull, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Thomas Comerford III as the Records Access Officer for 2020-21

Records Access Officer
2020-21

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLC as Bond Counsel for 2020-21

Bond Counsel 2020-21

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc as Financial Advisor for 2020-21

Financial Advisor 2020-21

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the building principals at each

Dignity Act Coordinators 2020-21
DASA

school building in the District as Dignity Act Coordinators, as required in the Dignity for All Students Act.

- Senior High School – Dawn Young
- Vestal Middle School – Ann Loose
- African Road Elementary School – Meghan Stenta
- Clayton Avenue Elementary School – Bradley Bruce
- Glenwood Elementary School – Doreen McSain
- Tioga Hills Elementary School – Hayley Crimmins
- Vestal Hills Elementary School – Therese Mastro

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Thomas Comerford III as the Designated Educational Official for 2020-21

Designated Educational Official
2020-21

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Clifford Kasson as the Data Protection Officer for 2020-21

Data Protection Officer 2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Joseph Loretz as the Health & Safety Coordinator for 2020-21

Health & Safety Coordinator
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2020-21 school year:

Depositories and Services for School Funds, as recommended by the Administration:

- M&T BANK
- JP MORGAN CHASE BANK & CO.
- TIOGA STATE BANK
- KEY BANK
- CITIBANK

#007-21
Board Designations:
Depositories and Services

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2020-21 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education sets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm as the regular meetings of the Board for the 2020-21 school year. The meeting schedule can be modified to accommodate certain circumstances which could include, but are not limited to, special presentations, vacation schedules, immediate business, student or staff issues, training purposes or district closure.

Establish Dates, Times, Locations
of Board of Education Meetings

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designations for the 2020-21 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board establish the following liaison positions for the 2020-21 school year:

1. Broome-Tioga School Boards Association Legislative Committee: *Mario Nunes*, Alternate – remainder of Board
2. District Planning Group: *Tony Turnbull*, alternate *Dinno Nistico*
3. District Council: *Mark Browning*, remainder of Board
4. School Liaisons: African Road Elementary – *Linda Daino*; Clayton Avenue – *Dinno Nistico*; Glenwood – *Christina Pierce*; Tioga Hills – *Lynne Majewski*; Vestal Hills – *Tony Turnbull*, *Sylvia Place*; Middle School – *Mark Browning*; Senior High – *John Hroncich*
Note: The entire Board is designated as alternates for school liaison positions.
5. Town/Library Liaison: *Sylvia Place*, *Dinno Nistico*
6. Audit Sub-Committee: *John Hroncich* (chair), *Linda Daino*, *Christina Pierce*
8. District Wide School Safety Team: *Dinno Nistico*, alternate *Christina Pierce*
9. Policy Review Committee: *Tony Turnbull*, *Dinno Nistico*, *Lynne Majewski*
10. Wellness Policy Advisory Committee: *Mario Nunes*

Establish Board Liaison Positions

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2020-21 school year:

Cooperative Health Insurance
Board

RESOLVED, that the Board appoint *Mario Nunes* as Trustee to the Cooperative Health Insurance Board. *The balance of the Board is also appointed as Alternates as needed.*

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Jeffrey Ahearn, Payroll Certification Officer

#008-21
Management Appointments:
Payroll Certification Officer

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Blake Rowe, Purchasing Officer
Dale Ball, Deputy Purchasing Officer

Purchasing Officer,
Deputy Purchasing Officer

On motion by Mark Browning, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

Superintendent of Schools as Approving Officer for attendance at conferences, workshops and conventions

Approval of Attendance at
Conferences, Workshops and
Conventions

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments of signatories for petty cash accounts for the 2020-21 school year:

Petty Cash Accounts
Signatories for 2020-21

Vestal Senior High	Dawn Young	\$100
Vestal Middle School	Ann Loose	\$100
African Road Elementary	Meghan Stenta	\$100
Clayton Avenue Elementary	Bradley Bruce	\$100
Glenwood Elementary	Doreen McSain	\$100
Tioga Hills Elementary	Hayley Crimmins	\$100
Vestal Hills	Therese Mastro	\$100
Transportation	Kenneth Starr	\$100
Receiving	Joseph Loretz	\$ 50
Administration	Michelle Lewis	\$100
Food Service	Mark Bordeau	\$100

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Start-Up funds are authorized for the following departments:

Athletic Director	Joshua Gannon	\$1000
Food Service	Erin Polovchak	\$1500

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the authorization to sign official papers by the President of the Board; and authorization to sign all state and federal grant applications by the Superintendent of Schools. The Vice President of the Board is authorized to sign official papers in the absence of the Board President.

Authorization to Sign Official
Documents

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the authorization to sign all checks to the District Treasurer, including payroll. The Deputy Treasurer is authorized to sign in the absence of the District Treasurer.

Designation of Authorized
Signature on Checks

On motion by Mark Browning, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the authorization to transfer funds according to Board Policy #5330.

Authority to Transfer Funds

On motion by Linda Daino, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the authorization of the Purchasing Officer to participate in other government agency purchasing agreements, bids and purchasing contracts when it is determined to be in the best interests of the school district during the 2020-21 school year.

Authorization of Purchasing
Officer

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to designate the Press & Sun Bulletin and the Vestal Town Crier as the official newspapers of the district.

Official Newspapers Designation

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2020-21 school year:

A blanket bond of \$100,000 shall cover each District employee. The position of Internal Claims Auditor shall be covered by the \$100,000 blanket bond. The position of District Treasurer shall be covered by an excess indemnity bond of \$1,000,000 in addition to the \$100,000 blanket bond. The position of Tax Collector shall be covered by an excess indemnity bond of \$1,000,000 in addition to the \$100,000 blanket bond.

On motion by Linda Daino, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to continue the By-Laws, Policies, Resolutions and Regulations from the 2020-21 year.

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn immediately into Executive Session to discuss the recommendations from the Committee on Preschool Special Education and the Committee on Special Education and an update on negotiations with VAA.

The Board returned to open session at 6:55PM.

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Tony Turnbull, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 17, 2020 and the Regular Meeting June 23, 2020 as written.

None.

Student Government Representative reported on the following: None

Board President Mario Nunes reported on the following:

--a moment of silence was requested to honor the memory of Lauren Ajax, a 17-year-old high school student who was killed tragically Saturday night.

--the Board's Code of Conduct was sent to all members; no comments or corrections were suggested

--the annual Board workshop is scheduled for Monday, August 3rd beginning at 9am. Any topics of interest should be sent to Jeff Ahearn as soon as possible.

--graduation last month consisted of 5 ceremonies to accommodate social distancing and they went well. The senior parade was wonderful and hopefully will be an annual event for the seniors. Staff and administrators were thanked for the well thought out plan and the great job they did putting it all together.

Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn reported on the following:

--Capital Project: new classroom floors are going in at ARE, along with the new office area. The steel is being put in for the new secure entrance for ARE. Abatement is taking place on the second floor at VMS. Work is moving along at the secure entrance for CA. The kitchen floor at GL is being abated and student restrooms redone. At TH the student restrooms are being redone; plans for the secure entrance have to be changed due to a storm drain that was not in the plans. HVAC and electrical work is being done at the high school.

--With no guidance from the State yet, what the re-opening of schools in the fall will look like has not been determined. Planning will begin by forming committees in several areas, such as instruction, technology, transportation, athletics, safety. The July 15th deadline to submit plans to the state was an error. All agree there is a lot work ahead to be done.

On motion by Mark Browning, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to accept Schedule E – Enrollment (June 2020); and approve Schedule P – Personnel

Under Schedule P the following changes were made:

7/7/20

#009-21

Bonding of Certain Officers

#010-21

By-laws, Policies, Resolutions, Regulations

#011-21

Executive Session

#012-21

Approval of Minutes

#013-21

Public Comment on Agenda Items

#014-21

Reports

#015-21

Acceptance of Schedule E Enrollment; Approval of Schedule P

SCHEDULE IP 3**PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENTS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>CERTIF</u>	<u>PROBATION DATE</u>	<u>TENURE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Jones-Megivern, Alaina	Special Education Teacher	Special Area: Gen Special Education	Professional	9/1/20-6/30/23	9/1/23	\$64,134	Previous NYS tenure

*To the extent required by the applicable provisions of Education Law 2509, 2573, 3212, and 3014, in order to be granted tenure the classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law 3012-c and/or 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding years. If the classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period, he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time. For purposes of this subdivision, classroom teacher and building principal mean a classroom teacher or building principal as such terms are defined in Sections 30-2.2 and 30.3.2 of this Part.

SCHEDULE IP 4B**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: ABOVE CONTRACT**

Attached please find pages 1 of a master list of above contract positions for the 2020-21 school year. We are asking for approval for the person, position and stipend that is underlined and in bold print. Board Meeting: July 7, 2020

<u>AREA OF APPOINTMENT</u>	<u>AREA/BLDG</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC POSITIONS					
Soccer: Modified Boys A	Fall Season	\$4199	3/2/20	Watson, Darren	7/7/20

SCHEDULE IP 4C**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL(OTHER)**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following TEMPORARY INSTRUCTIONAL APPOINTMENTS (OTHER):

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AREA OF SERVICE</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Hashey, Jane	Administrative	District-wide	7/8/20-6/30/21	Per diem work district wide
Penna, Albert	Administrative	District-wide	7/8/20-6/30/21	Per diem work district wide
Rotondi, Michael	Administrative	District-wide	7/8/20-6/30/21	Per diem work district wide
Sanna, Paul	Administrative	District-wide	7/8/20-6/30/21	Per diem work district wide
Zappia, Annamary	Administrative	District-wide	7/8/20-6/30/21	Per diem work district wide

SCHEDULE IP 7**LEAVE OF ABSENCE: INSTRUCTIONAL**

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following INSTRUCTIONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Dyer, Katherine	Math Teacher	Academic Area: Mathematics	9/1/20-6/30/21	Family responsibilities

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 AREA</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Kasson, Clifford	Assistant Superintendent for Fin/Oper/Pers	Administrative Area: Assistant Superintendent	\$3,350 Salary Adjustment	7/1/20
Lamash, Laura	Assistant Superintendent for Instruction	Administrative Area: Assistant Superintendent	\$3,364 Salary Adjustment	7/1/20

SCHEDULE NIP 1**RESIGNATIONS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/SCHOOL</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Fitzgerald, James	Cleaner PT/S	Facilities/Operations	7/8/20	To accept Cleaner, ARE 2 nd shift
Hoque, Mohammed	Bus Attendant (DIT)	Transportation	6/30/20	

Jennings, Ashlynn
Welch, Linda

Reg Prof Nurse
Typist PT

Districtwide
Glenwood

8/16/20
7/1/20

SCHEDULE NIP 2

RETIREMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/SCHOOL</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Willets, Linda	Senior Typist	Administration	12/3/20	

SCHEDULE NIP 4

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/SCHOOL</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Fitzgerald, James	Cleaner	ARE/ 2 nd shift	7/8/20-7/7/21	\$25103	52 wk probation period

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of School to make any emergency conditional appointments of staff, when needed to expedite the hiring process and in accordance to District procedure, with the understanding that any such appointment shall be acted upon by the Board of Education at its next regularly scheduled meeting after such appointment.

#016-21
Authorization for Hiring
Personnel

On motion by Lynne Majewski, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
 RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of School to approve any emergency pesticide applications in accordance with District Policy 5632, Section 33-0303 of the Environmental Conservation Law and Education Law Section 409-k, with the understanding that any such application shall be acted upon by the Board of Education at its next regularly scheduled meeting after such application.

#017-21
Emergency Pesticide
Application Authorization

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
 RESOLVED that the Vestal Central School District Board of Education has reviewed the District's existing policy regarding District investments and hereby re-adopts this policy for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

#018-21
Investment Policy Re-Adoption

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Vestal Central School District maintains a group health plan for its employees ("health plan"); and
WHEREAS, the Vestal Central School District is required to offer coverage under its health plan to eligible full-time employees pursuant to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("ACA"); and
WHEREAS, the Vestal Central School District employs persons for variable hours whose full-time status must be determined pursuant to guidance issued under the ACA;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the School District hereby is, authorized and directed to establish and maintain procedures for the purposed of compliance with the ACA, including but not limited to the following:

#019-21
Affordable Care Act

1. For variable-hour employees, the Vestal Central School District shall establish a 12-month standard measurement period beginning July 1, 2020 and ending the following June 30, 2021;
2. The initial measurement period for new variable-hour employees shall be the 12-month period beginning on the date of hire and ending on the anniversary date thereof;
3. The administrative period following the standard measurement period is the period beginning July 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2021;

- 4. The administrative period for new variable-hour employees shall be the 30-day period following the anniversary date; and
- 5. The stability period, during which time a variable-hour employee's status as eligible or ineligible for health plan coverage is fixed, is the period beginning September 1, 2021 and ending August 31, 2022.
- 6. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the School District is authorized and directed to take such actions as it determines necessary or proper to give effect to this resolution.

#020-21
 Bond Resolution – School
 Buses

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, at the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the Vestal Central School District, Broome and Tioga Counties, New York, held on June 9, 2020, a proposition was duly adopted authorizing the Board of Education of said School District to purchase new school buses, for a maximum estimated cost of \$920,150, and providing for the levy of a tax therefore to be collected in installments, with obligations of said School District to be issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to provide for such purchase of new school buses, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of **not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength** of the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District, Broome and Tioga Counties, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The purchase of new school buses for Vestal Central School District, Broome and Tioga Counties, New York, including incidental equipment and expenses in connection therewith is hereby authorized at a maximum estimated cost of \$920,150.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost shall consist of the issuance of \$920,150 bonds of said School District hereby authorized to be issued therefore pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law. Such bonds are to be payable from amounts which shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said School District, and the faith and credit of said Vestal Central School District, Broome and Tioga Counties, New York, are hereby pledged for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is five years, pursuant to subdivision 29 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as may be prescribed by said President of the Board of Education, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 5. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of such School District. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the President of the Board of Education shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- a) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said School District is not authorized to expend money, or
- b) The provisions of law which should be complied with as of the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

c) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 7. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 8. This resolution, which takes effect immediately, shall be published in full or summary form in the Press and Sun Bulletin and the Vestal Town Crier, which are hereby designated as the official newspapers of said School District for such purpose, together with a notice of the School District Clerk substantially in the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Roll call vote taken. All members voted in favor of the resolution.

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the attached schedule of fees to be charged for use of facilities by outside and community organizations, effective July 1, 2020.

#021-21
Fees for Use of Facilities

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2019 the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District agreed to participate in BOCES services for the 2019-20 fiscal year, therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the President or Vice President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign the final contract for purchase for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

#022-21
BOCES Contract for Services
Final Contract 2019-20

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Vestal Central School District, Location 70308, hereby establishes the attached listing as standard work days for its employees and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body.

#023-21
Standard Work Day for
Employees

On motion by Lynne Majewski, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 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 breakfast breaks through the Broome County Specification Group for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

#024-21
Bid Award – Breakfast Breaks
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 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 grocery products through the Broome County Specification Group for the period August 2020 through October 2020.

#025-21
Bid Award – Grocery Products
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 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 products through the Broome County Specification Group for the period August 2020 through October 2020.

#026-21
Bid Award – Meat/Cheese
Products 2020-21

On motion by Lynne Majewski, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 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 August 2020 through December 2020.

#027-21
Bid Award – Paper Products
2020-21

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 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 small wares through the Broome County Specification Group for the period August 2020 through August 2021.

7/7/20
#028-21
Bid Award – Small Wares
2020-21

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 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 snack items through the Broome County Specification Group for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

#029-21
Bid Award – Snack Items
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 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 vending items through the Broome County Specification Group for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

#030-21
Bid Award – Vending Items
2020-21

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accepts the proposal submitted by Endwell Family Physicians to provide school physician services from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, as outlined in the attached document.

#031-21
School Physician Services
2020-21

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Research Foundation for SUNY at Binghamton for social work supervision services at a SUNY Binghamton facility as outlined in the attached document.

#032-21
Memorandum of Understanding
with Research Foundation at
SUNY Binghamton

After second reading and on motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adopt the following policies as written:
#5412 Alternative Formats for Instructional Materials (new)
#5413 Procurement: Uniform Grant Guidance for Federal Awards (new)

#033-21
Second Reading of 2 Policies

None

#034-21
Voice of the Public

Tuesday, July 21, 2020 @ 6:00 PM Regular Meeting
South Conference Room – Administration Building, Via Zoom, Via Youtu.be
Monday, August 3, 2020– TBD Board Retreat
TBD

#035-21
Future Meetings

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn immediately.

#037-21
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16PM.

Kay Ellis
District Clerk

VESTAL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION
Tuesday, July 7, 2020

PRESENT:

Mark Browning*
Linda Daino*
John Hroncich*
Lynne Majewski*
Dinno Nistico*
Mario Nunes
Christina Pierce – ABSENT
Sylvia Place*
Tony Turnbull*

ALSO PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Ahearn
Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Cliff Kasson*
Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Laura Lamash*

School District Attorney Michael Sherwood
District Clerk Kay Ellis
School Business Executive Matthew Bechtel*
Rosalie Sullivan*, Director of Special Education – dismissed 6:44pm

***BOARD MEMBERS/STAFF ATTENDED VIA ZOOM**

Executive Session commenced at 6:28PM in the South 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 Tony Turnbull, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 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 the status of negotiations with VAA,

On motion by Linda Daino, second by John Hroncich, be Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn executive session and return to open session immediately.

Executive Session was adjourned at 6:54PM.

Kay Ellis
District Clerk