

Vestal Central School District
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REORGANIZATION MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021

PRESENT:

Mark Browning
Linda Daino
Kathryn Egan
Eric LaClair
Lynne Majewski – ABSENT
Dinno Nistico
Mario Nunes
Sylvia Place
Tony Turnbull

ALSO PRESENT:

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

About 2 Visitors

The Board meeting was called to order at 6:07pm by Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn in the Board Conference Room of the Administration Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#001-22
Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The oath of office was administered by Michael Sherwood for re-elected Board member Dinno Nistico, and newly elected Board members Kathryn Egan and Eric LaClair.

#002-22
Oaths of Office

Dinno Nistico nominated Mario Nunes for Board President, second by Sylvia Place. There were no other nominations. The vote was 8 votes for Mario Nunes. The newly elected president was sworn in and took the chair.

#003-22
Election of President

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

#004-22
Election of Vice-President

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2021-22 school year:

Kay Ellis as District Clerk, with a recommended stipend \$8,439
Michelle Lewis as Deputy District Clerk, as needed

#005-22
Appointment of Officers:
District Clerk
Deputy District Clerk

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

Michael Fenn as District Treasurer
Magen Kaeckmeister as Deputy Treasurer

District Treasurer
Deputy District Treasurer

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2021-22 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

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointment for the 2021-22 school year:

Michael Sherwood as Legal Counsel, with a recommended stipend \$68,781

#006-22
Other Appointments:
Legal Counsel

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:
Hogan, Sarzynski, Lynch, DeWind & Gregory, LLP as Employee Relations Counsel, with a retainer for 2021-22 of \$48,000.

Employee Relations Counsel

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:
Law Firm of Frank W. Miller, as Special Counsel

Special Counsel

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Tony Turnbull, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 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, Marissa Ramos, Gia Picciocca

- The Regular Education teacher of the student, if appropriate
- The Special Education teacher of the student, if appropriate
- School Psychologist: Tamara Findikyan, Marissa Ramos, Gia Picciocca, Rosalie Sullivan, Maria Rizzo, Kimberly Hardy, Meghan Pariseau, 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, Marissa Ramos, Gia Picciocca

- 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, Marissa Ramos, Gia Picciocca, 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 Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 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 Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

Michael Fenn as Financial Auditor (Extra Classroom Funds)

Financial Auditor
(Extra Classroom Funds)

On motion by Tony Turnbull, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following persons certified by the Commissioner of Education to serve as Impartial Hearing Officers for Special

Impartial Hearing Officers
2021-22

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:

- 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
- Aaron Turetsky
- James Walsh
- Marion Walsh
- Mindy Wolman
- Lynn Botwinik Almeleh
- James D. Bilik

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Thomas Comerford III as the Title IX Coordinator for 2021-22
- Clifford Kasson as the Title IX Alternate Coordinator for 2021-22

Title IX Coordinator,
Alternate Title IX Coordinator
2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Thomas Comerford III as the Compliance Officer for 2021-22
- Clifford Kasson as the Alternate Compliance Officer for 2021-22

Compliance Officer,
Alternate Compliance Officer
2021-22

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- James Gana as the School Pesticide Representative for 2021-22

School Pesticide Representative
2021-22

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Matthew Bechtel as the Records Management Officer for 2021-22

Records Management Officer
2021-22

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Thomas Comerford III as the Records Access Officer for 2021-22

Records Access Officer
2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLC as Bond Counsel for 2021-22

Bond Counsel 2021-22

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Fiscal Advisors & Marketing, Inc as Financial Advisor for 2021-22

Financial Advisor 2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education appoint the building principals at each school building in the District as Dignity Act Coordinators, as required in the Dignity for All Students Act.

Dignity Act Coordinators (DASA)
2021-22

Senior High School – Dawn Young
Vestal Middle School – Sarah Wiggins
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 Mark Browning, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

Thomas Comerford III as the Designated Educational Official for 2021-22

Designated Educational Official
2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

Clifford Kasson as the Data Protection Officer for 2021-22

Data Protection Officer 2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2021-22 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

#007-22
Board Designations:
Depositories and Services

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2021-22 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education sets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm in the Board Conference Room as the regular meetings of the Board for the 2021-22 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 Linda Daino, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designations for the 2021-22 school year:

RESOLVED, that the Board establish the following liaison positions for the 2021-22 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 –Eric LaClair; Tioga Hills –Lynne Majewski; Vestal Hills – Tony Turnbull, Sylvia Place; Middle School – Mark Browning; Senior High – Kathryn Egan
Note: The entire Board is designated as alternates for school liaison positions.
5. Town/Library Liaison: Sylvia Place, Dinno Nistico
6. Audit Sub-Committee: Linda Daino (chair), Lynne Majewski, Eric LaClair
8. District Wide School Safety Team: Dinno Nistico, alternate Kathryn Egan
9. Policy Review Committee: Tony Turnbull, Dinno Nistico, Mark Browning
10. Wellness Policy Advisory Committee: Mario Nunes

Establish Board Liaison Positions

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following designation for the 2021-22 school year:

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.*

Cooperative Health Insurance
Board

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

Jeffrey Ahearn, Payroll Certification Officer

#008-22
Management Appointments:
Payroll Certification Officer

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 school year:

- Blake Rowe, Purchasing Officer
- Dale Ball, Deputy Purchasing Officer

Purchasing Officer,
Deputy Purchasing Officer

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 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 2021-22 school year:

Vestal Senior High	Dawn Young	\$100
Vestal Middle School	Sarah Wiggins	\$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	tbd	\$ 50
Administration	Michelle Lewis	\$100
Food Service	Erin Polovchak	\$100

Petty Cash Accounts
Signatories for 2021-22

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 Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, 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 Tony Turnbull, 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 Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, 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 Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, 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 2021-22 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 Linda Daino, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following appointments for the 2021-22 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.

#009-22
Bonding of Certain Officers

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Sylvia Place, the Board voted 8 to 0 to continue the By-Laws, Policies, Resolutions and Regulations from the 2021-22 year.

#010-22
By-laws, Policies, Resolutions, Regulations

On motion by Mark Browning, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 22, 2021 and the Regular Meeting as written.

#011-22
Approval of Minutes

None.

#012-22
Public Comment on Agenda Items

Student Government Representative Samson Wong reported on the following: None

#014-22
Reports

Board President Mario Nunes reported on the following:

- the District has been asked about Critical Race Theory; we have no information or curriculum on this subject.
- the Board's Code of Conduct was discussed, no one had any changes
- August 2nd is the Board's Summer Workshop
- the senior car parade and graduation ceremony were great, everything went off without a hitch

Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn reported on the following:

- with the reinstatement of Open Meetings Law, school boards no longer have the option to meet virtually, meetings have to be held in person.
- the elementary summer enrichment program started today at Tioga Hills; we have never put this program on before and different curriculums are being looked at
- High School Principal Dawn Young shared information regarding the proposed changes in the student ranking system. No changes will be made to the current student population, the incoming class of 2025 will be the first with the new ranking system. Board members had their questions answered. This information will be posted on the website and shared with parents.
- the listing of summer workshops being offered was shared
- there are 28 current openings in the District, the personnel office staff are busy putting all the information together
- Sarah Wiggins, the new principal at Vestal Middle School was introduced
- the lawsuit against the district brought by a group of parents has been dismissed

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Tony Turnbull, the Board voted 08 to 0 to accept Schedule E – Enrollment (June 2020), Schedule F Travel & Conference; and approve Schedule P – Personnel

#015-22
Acceptance of Schedule E, F;
Approval of Schedule P

Under Schedule P the following changes were made:

SCHEDULE IP 2

RETIREMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>TENURE AREA</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Hicks, Mary Lou	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	1/1/22

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>
Gretsky, Zachary	English Teacher	Academic Area: English	Initial	9/1/21-6/30/25	9/1/25	\$60,654	

Wiggins, Principal Administrative Professional TBD TBD \$97,000
Sarah Area: Principal

*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 4A

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS (SUBSTITUTES): INSTRUCTIONAL

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>INSTRUCTIONAL LEVEL</u>	<u>CERTIFICATION</u>	<u>DEGREE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Card, Kristin	Elementary	Permanent	MS	9/1/21	
Kaschak, Nadine	Social Studies	None	MPA	7/7/21	Reinstatement
O'Connell, Patricia	Music	Permanent	MS	7/7/21	Reinstatement

SCHEDULE IP 4B

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: ABOVE CONTRACT

Attached please find pages 1 and 5 of a master list of above contract positions for the 2021-22 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>
<u>INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC POSITIONS</u>					
<u>Swimming: Varsity Girls</u>	<u>Fall Season</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/7/21</u>	<u>Tallon, Bobbi-Jo</u>	<u>7/6/21*</u>
<u>Volleyball: JV Girls</u>	<u>Fall Season</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/7/21</u>	<u>Howard, Erica</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
					*CANCEL

DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSONS

Level I

<u>Area</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
<u>Art</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Restuccia, Melissa</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
<u>Guidance</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Smith, Christi</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
<u>Library</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Cornwell, Tracey</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
<u>Music</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Harris, Gregory</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>
<u>Reading</u>	<u>K-12</u>	<u>TBD</u>	<u>6/8/21</u>	<u>Evans, Sarah</u>	<u>7/6/21</u>

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>
Backus, Ernest	Music Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21-8/6/21	Music Summer Enrichment Program
Crissman, Ruth	Music Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21-8/6/21	Music Summer Enrichment Program
Harris, Gregory	Administrative	District-wide	7/7/21-8/19/21	Secondary Summer Enrichment Program
Laramée, Elaine	Music Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21-8/6/21	Music Summer Enrichment Program
Ruhm, Rhonda	School Counselor	District-wide	7/6/21-7/30/21	Elementary Summer Enrichment Program
Soriano, Bridgit	Speech Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21-8/20/21	Extended School Year Services
Wilson, Amelia	Music Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21-8/6/21	Music Summer Enrichment Program
Wright, Marianna	Speech Teacher	District-wide	7/12/21- 8/20/21	Extended School Year Services

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>
Bittler, Jennifer	Assistant Principal	Administrative Area: Assistant Principal	Change probation period from TBD to 7/1/21-6/30/25	7/6/21
Kasson, Clifford	Assistant Superintendent for Fin/Oper/Pers	Administrative Area: Assistant Superintendent	\$4,121 Salary Adjustment	7/1/21

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>
Dabrovolskis, Mitchell	Automotive Mechanic	Transportation	7/7/21-7/6/22	\$28,907	52 wk probation period
Shannon, Demetrius	Cleaner	2 nd Shift/ARE Complex	7/7/21-7/6/22	\$26,100	52 wk probation period

SCHEDULE NIP 8A

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS-SUBSTITUTES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

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

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Butchko, Judy	Food Service Helper PT/S	7/7/21-8/31/21	
Harman, Tammy	Food Service Helper PT/S	7/7/21-8/31/21	

SCHEDULE NIP 8B

PART TIME NON-COMPETITIVE APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

The Superintendent of Schools hereby recommends the APPROVAL of the following NON-INSTRUCTIONAL PART TIME NON-COMPETITIVE APPOINTMENTS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SHIFT/BLDG</u>	<u>PROBATION PERIOD</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Cox, Kate	0.5 Teacher Aide	Tioga Hills	9/1/21-11/15/22	\$8,633	52 wk probation period

SCHEDULE NIP 11

CHANGES IN STATUS: 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>CHANGE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Bechtel, Matthew	School Business Executive	Administration	\$2,786 salary adjustment	7/1/21	
Lewis, Michelle	Secretary to the Superintendent	Administration	\$1,390 salary adjustment	7/1/21	
White, Glenn	Custodian	2 nd shift, High School	Withdrew resignation	6/27/21	

The following employees have achieved satisfactory completion of District probation period:

Fitzgerald, James	Custodian	2 nd shift, Glenwood	7/22/21
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On motion by Linda Daino, second by Tony Turnbull, 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.

#016-22
Authorization for Hiring Personnel

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Eric LaClair, 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

#017-22
Emergency Pesticide Application Authorization

the understanding that any such application shall be acted upon by the Board of Education at its next regularly scheduled meeting after such application.

On motion by Kathryn Egan, second by Dinno Nistico, 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 2021-22 fiscal year.

#018-22
Investment Policy Re-Adoption

On motion by Kathryn Egan, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:

#019-22
Affordable Care Act

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:

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.

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution

#020-22
Bond Resolution – School Buses

WHEREAS, at the Annual Meeting of the qualified voters of the Vestal Central School District, Broome and Tioga Counties, New York, held on May 18, 2021 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 \$989,000, 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 \$989,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing of the aforesaid maximum estimated cost shall consist of the issuance of \$989,000 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 Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution
RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the Cellular Telephone Distribution listing for the 2021-22 school year, pursuant to Board of Education Policy 5322.

#021-22
Cellular Telephone Distribution

On motion by Kathryn Egan, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
WHEREAS, on April 20, 2020 the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District agreed to participate in BOCES services for the 2020-21 fiscal year, therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the President or Vice President of the Board of Education be authorized to sign the final contract for purchases for 2020-21.

#022-22
BOCES Contract for Services
Final Contract 2020-21

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Sylvia Place, 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

#023-22
Standard Workday for
Employees

the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body.

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Mark Browning, 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, 2021 through June 30, 2022, as outlined in the attached document.

#024-22
School Physician Services
2021-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education President or Vice-President be authorized to sign the services agreement with Omni Financial Group, Inc. for the 403(b) third party administration services for the 2021-22 academic year.

#025-22
Omni Financial Group
Reinstatement 2021-22

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Dinno Nistico, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept grant funds from the Vestal Hills PTA in the amount of \$900.68 for the Square One grant and in the amount of \$232.39 for special grants.

#026-22
Acceptance of Grant Funds –
VH PTA (2)

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Eric LaClair, 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 sign an amendment to the employment agreement with Jeffrey J. Ahearn, Superintendent of Schools, which extends the term of the Superintendent's employment agreement through June 30, 2025 and increase the Superintendents compensation by \$5489.00.

#027-22
Extension of Superintendent's
Contract

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Linda Daino, 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 sign an inspection renewal agreement with Davis-Ulmer Sprinkler Company Inc. to provide quarterly inspections of the systems at the African Road complex from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, in accordance with terms outlined in the attached agreement.

#028-22
Inspection Agreement with
David-Ulmer Sprinkle Company
21-22

On motion by Mark Browning, 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 be authorized to sign a service agreement with Guardian CSC to provide water management program for all District buildings from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, in accordance with terms outlined in the attached agreement.

#029-22
Agreement with Guardian CSC
21-22

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 accepts the bid for DS Services for bottled water supplies for District buildings and approves the purchase of said services for the 2021-22 school year per the attached quotation.

#030-22
Bid Award – Crystal Rock (DS
Services)
21-22

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 proposal for services provided by Atis Elevator Inspections; LLC for semi-annual inspections and annual testing and authorizes the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education to sign an agreement for the 2021-22 school year per the attached document.

#031-22
Contract with Atis Elevator
Inspections LLC
21-22

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Kathryn Egan, 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 quote for services provided by Action Fire & Safety Co for all District buildings and extends services for the 2021-22 fiscal year at a maximum increase of CPI index of 1.23%.

#032-22
Extension of Services – Action
Fire & Safety
21-22

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Tony Turnbull, 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 sign a maintenance agreement with Penn Power Systems to perform regularly scheduled maintenance and inspections of emergency power generation systems per the proposal dated 4/17/21; for the time period June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2023.

#033-22
Maintenance Agreement with
Penn Power Systems
21-23

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, 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 quote for services provided by Burke Pest Control for all District buildings and extends services for the 2021-22 fiscal year at a maximum increase of CPI index of 1.23%.

#034-22
Extension of Services – Burke
Pest Control 21-22

On motion by Eric LaClair, second by Mark Browning, 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 sign a contract with those listed below to provide services as indicated for the 2021-22 Marching Band season, in accordance with terms outlined in the attached agreements, through June 30, 2022

#035-22
Service Agreement – SH
Marching Band 21-22
Moshier, Timothy

Timothy Moshier Co-Director

On motion by Sylvia Place, 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 authorizes the President or Vice-President to sign a contract with Serafini Transportation to provide transportation services for District Special Education students July 6, 2021 through August 31, 2021

#036-22
Transportation Contract
(Summer)
Serafini Transportation

On motion by Dinno Nistico, second by Mark Browning, the Board voted 8 to 0 to approve the following resolution:
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vestal Central School District authorizes the President or Vice-President to sign a contract with Serafini Transportation to provide transportation services for District Special Education students September 6, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

#037-22
Transportation Contract
Serafini Transportation
21-22

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Tony Turnbull, 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 sign agreements with the Union Endicott CSD for two (2) Vestal student to attend the 12:1:1 special education program and receive related services as indicated under the students' IEP at the Union Endicott CSD for the 2021-22 school year at a cost not to exceed \$103,975 for both students.

#038-22
Contract with Union Endicott
CSD
12:1:1 Classroom (2 students)

None

#039-22
Voice of the Public

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Linda Daino, 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.

#040-22
Executive Session

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 @ 6:00 PM Regular Meeting
Board Conference Room – Administration Building

Monday, August 2, 2020– Board Retreat 9:00AM
Staff Development Room – Administration Building

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 @ 6:00PM Regular Meeting
Board Conference Room – Administration Building

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

#042-22
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32PM.

Kay Ellis
District Clerk

VESTAL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE SESSION
Tuesday, July 6, 2021

PRESENT:

Mark Browning
Linda Daino
Kathryn Egan
Eric LaClair
Lynne Majewski – ABSENT
Dinno Nistico
Mario Nunes
Sylvia Place
Tony Turnbull

ALSO PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Ahearn
Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Cliff Kasson
Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Patrick Clarke
School Business Executive Matthew Bechtel
School District Attorney Michael Sherwood
District Clerk Kay Ellis

Rosalie Sullivan, Director of Special Education

Executive Session commenced at 7:20PM 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 Mark Browning, second by Sylvia Place, 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.

On motion by Sylvia Place, second by Dinno Nistico, be Board voted 8 to 0 to adjourn executive session and return to open session immediately.

Executive Session was adjourned at 7:32PM.

Kay Ellis
District Clerk