

Vestal Central School District  
Vestal, New York

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, April 5, 2022

**THIS MEETING WAS LIVE STREAMED AT: <https://youtu.be/8tIT2CQFamQ>**

PRESENT:

Mark Browning - ABSENT  
Linda Daino  
Kathryn Egan  
Eric LaClair  
John Hroncich  
Lynne Majewski  
Dinno Nistico  
Tony Turnbull\*

ALSO PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Jeffrey Ahearn  
Deputy Superintendent Clifford Kasson  
Asst Supt for Instruction Patrick Clarke  
School Attorney Michael Sherwood  
District Clerk Kay Ellis

About 4 Visitors

\*attended via Zoom

The Board meeting was called to order 6:00PM by Board President J Dinno Nistico in the Board Conference Room of the Administration Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#338-22  
Call to Order and  
Pledge of Allegiance

On motion by Lynne Majewski, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn into Executive Session to review the recommendations from the Committee on Special Education and the Committee on Preschool Special Education.

#339-22  
Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at 6:23pm.

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting March 22, 2022 as written.

#340-22  
Approval of Minutes

A question was raised about the resolution to change the lease agreement with the Town of Vestal for the Senior Citizens Center.

#341-22  
Public Comment on  
Agenda Items

Student Government Representative Samson Wong:

--Students participated in the NYSSMA competition; some are moving on to All States  
--60 students will be inducted into the National Honor Society  
--Winterguard won the NYS A Class Gold Award  
--Odyssey of the Mind teams (3) are moving on to the World Finals in Iowa this May  
--World Peace Day successfully raised over \$700 for Doctors without Borders

#342-22  
Reports

Board President J Dinno Nistico reported on the following:

Liaisons: CA held a poetry month that including special readings and a scavenger hunt; a fun run is scheduled for April 13. The Junior Prom was held last week; all had a good time.  
--Board candidate petitions are due by Monday April 18; the annual vote is May 17 from noon to 8:00pm in Central Junior High's gym

Superintendent Jeffrey Ahearn reported on the following:

--COVID numbers: currently 9 students, 1 teacher and 6 staff have COVID. With the holiday week coming up, it is encouraged to take precautions to prevent a spike in cases  
--the tentative timeline for the upcoming capital project was reviewed; along with the areas of focus based on the 5yr building condition survey.  
--the summer enrichment program for grades 1-5 was presented; it will be held in two sessions at Tioga Hills and registration will be open soon.

--the District had 14 teams that participated in Odyssey of the Mind; nine went to the State competition and 3 teams from the high school have advanced to the Worlds in May. On March 29<sup>th</sup> eleven students participated in Ithaca College's Math Exploration Day; one team placed third and one team came in first.

--Utica National Insurance has awarded the District the titanium level of their annual school safety award, acknowledging the District's efforts to promote a safe school environment and safety principles.

On motion by Eric LaClair, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 7 to 0 to accept Schedule E – Enrollment March 2022, Schedule F Travel & Conference and approve Schedule P – Personnel.

#343-22  
Acceptance of  
Schedules E, F and  
Approval of Schedule P

Under Schedule P the following changes were approved:

### SCHEDULE IP 1

#### RESIGNATION: INSTRUCTIONAL

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Crissman, Ruth	Music Teacher	Special Subject Area: Music	6/30/22	

### SCHEDULE IP 2

#### RETIREMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE	EFFECTIVE DATE
Shepard, Anne Marie	Speech Teacher	Special Subject Area: Speech	7/1/22

### SCHEDULE IP 3

#### PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE AREA	CERTIF	PROBATION PERIOD	TENURE	SALARY	REMARKS
Scarapicchia, Domenica	Reading Teacher	Special Area: Remedial Reading	Professional	9/1/22 - 6/30/25	9/1/25		Previous NYS Tenure

### SCHEDULE IP 4B

#### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS: ABOVE CONTRACT

Attached please find page 4 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: April 5, 2022**

AREA OF APPOINTMENT	AREA/BLDG	STIPEND	POSTED	NAME	APPROVED
INTRAMURALS					
<u>Elementary</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>Hoyt, Scott</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>
<u>Elementary</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>Siegrist, Valery</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>
<u>High School</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>David, Matt</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>
<u>High School</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>Darpino, Kate</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>
<u>High School</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>Darpino, Susan</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>
<u>High School</u>		<u>Spring</u>		<u>Malvasio, Robert</u>	<u>4/5/22</u>

### SCHEDULE IP 4C

#### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS (OTHER): INSTRUCTIONAL

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

NAME	AREA OF SERVICE	LEVEL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Caddick, Deborah	Administrative	District-wide	4/6/22-6/30/22	Per diem work district-wide

### SCHEDULE IP 6

#### TENURE APPOINTMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE AREA	CERTIF	PROBATION PERIOD	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
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Barney, Trevor	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	Professional	9/1/18-6/30/22	9/1/22	
Fruehan, Mary	Art Teacher	Special Area: Art	Initial	9/1/18-6/30/22	9/1/22	
Hudock, Kelly	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	Professional	9/1/19-6/30/22	9/1/22	Previous NYS tenure
Kramer, Allison	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	Professional	9/1/18-6/30/22	9/1/22	
Neuhard, Helen	Reading Teacher	Special Area: Reading	Professional	9/1/18-6/30/22	9/1/22	
Osterhout, Melissa	Reading Teacher	Special Area: Reading	Professional	9/1/19-6/30/22	9/1/22	Previous NYS tenure
Vimislik, Michele	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	Professional	9/1/19-6/30/22	9/1/22	Previous NYS tenure

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

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE	EFFECTIVE DATE	REASON
Pipher, Carolyn	Elementary Teacher	Elementary	4/8/22-4/29/22	Unpaid leave – family responsibilities

**SCHEDULE IP 8****CHANGE IN STATUS: INSTRUCTIONAL**

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

NAME	POSITION	TENURE AREA	CHANGE	EFFECTIVE	REMARKS
Gilebarto, Philip	English Teacher	English	Change probation period from 9/1/21-6/30/25 to 9/2/21-6/30/24		Previous NYS tenure

**SCHEDULE NIP 2****RETIREMENT: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

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

NAME	POSITION	SHIFT/SCHOOL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Mullen, Dina	Cook Manager	Glenwood	8/30/22	
Pooler, David	Senior Stores Clerk	Senior High	9/1/18	

**SCHEDULE NIP 8A****TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS/SUBSTITUTES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

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

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE DATE	REMARKS
Adams, Jeffrey	Cleaner PT/S	4/6/22	
Brink, Jaiden	Food Service Helper PT/S	3/28/22	

**SCHEDULE NIP 9B****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:

NAME	POSITION	SHIFT/BLDG	PROBATION	SALARY	REMARKS
Foland, Shaun	Bus Attendant DIT	Transportation	4/6/22-4/18/23	\$13.20/hr	52 wk probation period
VanWie, Brianna	Teacher Aide (Monitor) PT	Glenwood	4/4/22-6/18/23	\$10032	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 CHANGES IN STATUS:

NAME	POSITION	SHIFT/SCHOOL	CHANGE	EFFECTIVE	REASON
Coates, Teresa	Teacher Aide (Monitor)	Senior High	To Teacher Aide	3/23/22	

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-President of the Board of Education is authorized to sign an agreement with the listed individual to provide interpretation services for District students as needed through August 31, 2022 per the attached agreement.  
Miki Nishikawa

#327-22  
Service Agreement –  
Interpreter Nishikawa

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Linda Daino, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, upon recommendation of the Interim Director of Facilities & Operations, declare the musical instruments from Vestal Middle School and equipment from the VHS Library Lab listed on the attachments as obsolete and authorize the disposition of these items in accordance with Board Policy 5250.

#344-22  
Declaration of Obsolete  
Equipment – VMS, SH

On motion by Kathryn Egan, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education adopt the student attendance calendar for the 2022-23 school year, as determined to comply with attendance regulations.

#345-22  
Adoption of 2022-23  
Attendance Calendar

On motion by Linda Daino, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 7 to 0 to approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve a 50% credit to the Town of Vestal in conjunction with funds paid by the town to the Vestal Central School District for rental of the Vestal Senior Citizens' Center space during the 2020-2021 school year and the 2021-22 school year. This credit amounts to a total of \$10,551 and will be applied toward the amount due from the Town of Vestal for the rental of the Senior Citizens' Center space for the 2022-2023 school year.

#346-22  
Lease Agreement –  
TOV for Senior Citizens  
Center - CHANGE

None.

#347-22  
Voice of the Public

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

**MONDAY, April 18, 2022 at 6:00pm; Regular Meeting  
Board Conference Room, Administration Building**

**Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 6:00pm; Regular Meeting and Public Hearing  
Clayton Avenue Auditorium**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022 – ANNUAL VOTE/ELECTION from noon-8:00pm  
Central Junior High gym**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022 – Regular Meeting; ~9:00pm  
Board Conference Room**

**Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at 6:00pm; Regular Meeting  
Board Conference Room, Administration Building**

#348-22  
Future Meetings

On motion by Lynne Majewski, second by John Hroncich, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn the meeting immediately.

#349 -22  
Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm.

Kay Ellis  
District Clerk

VESTAL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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Tony Turnbull*	About 0 Visitors
	Special Education Director Rosalie Sullivan

\*attended via Zoom

Executive Session commenced at 6:04pm in the Small Conference Room of the Administration Building.

Recommendations 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 Kathryn Egan, second by Eric LaClair, the Board voted 7 to 0 to accept the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for all students considered.

On motion by John Hroncich, second by Lynne Majewski, the Board voted 7 to 0 to adjourn Executive Session.

Executive Session was adjourned at 6:21pm.

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Kay Ellis  
District Clerk