

Minisink Valley Central School District  
Board Meeting – June 18, 2015

A regular meeting of the Minisink Valley Central School District Board of Education was held in room 108 of the middle school on June 18, 2015.

BOE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Flaherty, President  
Mr. Shawn Cahill  
Mr. William Cooper  
Mrs. Kathlee DeRose  
Mr. Alfred Gibbs  
Mr. John Odland  
Mrs. Catherine Prezioso  
Mr. Paul Rickard  
Mr. Thomas Salamone

DIST. PERSONNEL PRESENT: Mr. John P. Latini, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. Christian Ranaudo, Asst. Supt. for Curr. & Instr  
Mr. Matthew Bourgeois, Asst. Supt. for Business  
Mr. Michael Gillespie, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources  
Mrs. Elizabeth Law, Director of Pupil Personnel Services  
Ms. Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk

VISITORS: 38  
PRESS: 0

President Flaherty called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the minutes of the regular meeting of the board of education of May 28, 2015. (7-0)

Minutes

President Flaherty welcomed comments from the community. One member spoke about standardize testing and one member spoke about the Code of Conduct.

Visitors

Mr. Latini introduced Austin Demberg, President of the Class of 2015, and Emily Wilson, Treasurer of the Class of 2015. The students invited the board members and the community to graduation which will be held on Friday, June 26, at 6:00 PM. They added that the rain date is Saturday, June 27, at 1 PM. Mr. Latini reviewed the procedures for graduation and announced that baccalaureate will be on Monday, June 22, at 7 PM. President Flaherty presented the students with certificates of excellence.

Class of 2015 Officers & Grad. Info

MR. ODLAND ENTERED AT 8:13 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mrs. DeRose, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following retirement resignations: (8-0)

Retire

Fleuraine Sniffen, school bus driver, assigned to the transportation department, effective 6/25/15.

Kathleen Buckmaster, school bus monitor, assigned to the transportation department, effective 6/26/15.

Anthony Ciarfeo, English teacher, assigned to the high school, effective 7/1/15.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Gibbs, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following retirement resignations: (8-0)

Resign

Frank Pedro, mechanic, assigned to the transportation department, effective at the close of business on 6/16/15.

Harold Brickel, JROTC senior army instructor, assigned to the high school, effective 6/30/15.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following leaves: (8-0)

Leaves

Monica Mann, custodial leader, assigned to the buildings and grounds department, unpaid leave of absence extension effective 6/1/15 and ending on 6/30/15.

Danielle Zamorski, health teacher, assigned to the high school, childcare leave of absence effective on or about 10/5/15 and ending on 1/31/16.

Alison Vreeland, school counselor, assigned to the intermediate school, childcare leave of absence effective on or about 12/1/15 and ending on 6/30/16.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following appointments: (8-0)

Appts.

2015 summer school appointments as listed, contingent upon enrollment.

*Note: A complete list of appointments is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.*

2015 summer transportation appointments on the attached list.

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2015 summer buildings and grounds appointments on the attached list.

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Mr. Latini read the names of the retirees: Lourdes Desplantes, MaryLou Lewis, Daniel Roggia, Frank Vineis, Judith Davis, Leslie Marshall, Ward Lamb, Jack Latini, Theresa Latini, Charles Reynolds, Lisa McGrath, Scot Henderson, Jacqueline Przytula, Carol Freeman, Anthony Ciarfeo, Fleuraine Sniffen, Kathleen Buckmaster

Retirees

Mr. Gillespie presented those in attendance with a ceramic apple with an engraved name plate and dates of service. President Flaherty congratulated the retirees and thanked them for their years' of service to the children of the district.

The meeting recessed at 8:23 PM for a brief reception to honor the retirees. The meeting resumed at 8:42 PM.

Mr. Ranaudo reviewed the summer curriculum projects. He explained the importance of the work completed in the summer, and provided explanation regarding the process by which summer project requests are prioritized. He said some of the areas covered by the projects approved for this summer include K-5 math, HS Math, K-12 ELA, K-5 AIS, and Technology Integration.

Curr. & Instruc.

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Preschool Special Education held on May 26, 27, 28, June 2, 4 and 9, 2015 pertaining to students #24185, 24100, 24114, 24112, 23685, 23260, 23892, 22126, 21842, 23291, 23550, 23186, 23566 and 23068 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Preschool Special Education. (8-0)

CPSE

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried that the board of education, having reviewed the minutes of the Committee on Special Education held on February 11, 12, 27, March 3, 10, 13, April 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, May 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, 29, June 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9 and 10, 2015 pertaining to students # 21080, 21683, 23799, 20802, 21194, 20689, 19124, 23066, 23067, 23065, 23044, 20338, 18408, 20584, 20829, 18980, 21227, 21820, 19473, 21184, 20980, 22284, 19320, 18603, 14465, 14431, 18603, 16309, 19259, 18141, 19868, 21975, 23546, 19889, 18933, 22432, 17693, 21959, 21840, 22689, 23582, 22362,

CSE

20132, 14511, 22515, 23766, 23772, 22206, 15855, 16142, 20390, 23800, 16638, 18727, 19535, 16835, 22948, 22190, 20910, 16202, 16076, 14466, 18183, 13904, 16929, 23073, 13478, 16804, 14493, 14575, 16033, 16921, 14085, 15003, 15958, 21436, 16988, 20391, 18282, 16014, 16805, 17435, 18033, 16150, 22282, 15379, 18304, 13244, 15467, 18304, 13244, 15467, 18403, 22630, 17030, 22086, 22357, 18220, 20018, 19310, 23320, 20957, 15569, 20814, 20416, 18132, 15647, 17925, 15988, 15941, 21193, 23911, 23132, 16315, 19722, 20590, 23119, 19152, 22398, 24192, 15596, 21656, 18685, 23685, 23260, 23892, 21812, 18993, 13978, 23026, 22083, 19627, 16345, 23148, 23155, 21842, 23291, 23550, 14236, 15484, 21900, 18689, 23868, 23975, 22800, 21187, 17843, 19065, 14911, 22442, 23068, 20910, 24124 and 21073 arranges for student placement as determined by the Committee on Special Education. (8-0)

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves the following: (8-0)

Finance
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- General Fund Warrant # 34, # 36, # 38
- School Lunch Fund Warrant # 13, # 14
- Capital Fund Warrant # 11
- Special Aid Warrant D # 8, P # 6, Q # 6, U # 9
- Trust & Agency Warrant # 22, # 23, # 24

Tire Recapping and Service Bid award for the 2015-16 school year to Custom Bandag of Newburgh as the lowest responsible bidder on an "item by item" basis as per the bid document.  
*Note: A complete bid tabulation is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.*

Automotive Parts bid award for the 2015-16 school year to the lowest responsible bidders on an "item by item" basis as per the bid document (based on estimated quantities) for a total award of \$175,557.25.  
*Note: A complete bid tabulation is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.*

Athletic Equipment and Supplies Bid award for the 2015-16 school year to the lowest responsible bidders on an "item by item" basis as per the bid document (based on estimated quantities) for a total award of \$36,654.13.  
*Note: A complete bid tabulation is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.*

2015-16 Middle School Gym Floor Bid award to Atlantic Sport Floors for \$23,300.  
*Note: A complete bid tabulation is attached to the official minutes on file in the central office.*

Utilize the services of Utica National Insurance Group for the district's property, liability, auto, umbrella and legal defense insurance coverages for the 2015-16 school year at an estimated premium cost of \$505,589

Establish a Workers Compensation Reserve (A814) as permitted under General Municipal Law Section 6-j, for the purpose of funding future workers compensation claims, related medical and legal expenses, as well as self-insurance administrative costs. The reserve shall be established at a level not to exceed \$1,600,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Transfer of funds necessary to encumber funds for the purchase of 11 school buses as approved by the voters in proposition #2 at the May 19, 2015 annual meeting in the amount of \$996,592.86.

From:	To:	Amount:
A 2250.470.00.4702	A 5510.210.00.2064	\$346,592.86
A 2250.490.00.4911	A 5510.210.00.2064	\$650,000.00

Fund the Tax Certiorari Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000 as of June 30, 2015.  
 Fund the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund (A867) in the amount of \$301,213. This reserve amount will be funded by reducing the "compensated balances" portion of the Unappropriated Fund Balance (A909).

Fund the Reserve for Retirement Contributions Fund in an amount not to exceed \$3,266,000 as of June 30, 2015.

Increase in the school lunch prices for the 2015-16 school year by .05. Elementary lunch prices will increase from \$1.60 to \$1.65 while Middle School and High School lunch prices will increase from \$1.80 to \$1.85.

Change order PC-01 with Mengler Mechanical for a credit of \$399.44 for the unused portion of the allowance for wash basin installations at the middle school.

Receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2015.

Participation in the cooperative bid coordinated by the Rockland County BOCES for the purchase of electricity and natural gas.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, approves policy #7310, Code of Conduct for a second reading and adoption. (8-0)

Code of Conduct

President Flaherty, Mr. Rickard, Mrs. DeRose, and Mrs. Prezioso attended the OCSBA Annual Dinner meeting. President Flaherty said that the guest speaker was Dr. Sipple.

OCSBA

President Flaherty reported on the audit committee meeting held earlier in the evening. He said that Julie Fraino from Nugent and Haussler was there to discuss the upcoming audit for the 2014-2015 school year. President Flaherty said that Sue Peters from Cooper and Arias was also there and she reviewed the risk assessment report dated May 2015. He reported that the report was good overall.

Audit

Mr. Latini congratulated those employees with 100% attendance for the 2014-2015 school year. He thanked them for their dedication. The following employees received a certificate for perfect attendance:

Perfect Attn.

Tina Anderson, Ashley Beairsto, Denise Beck, Richard Budd, Jr., Stephen Caldwell, Megan Clark, Sally Clark, Peter DeMarco, Dennis Devine, Susan Farley, Thomas Ford, Deborah Gallant, Elizabeth Hagerty, George Hoye, Janine Izzo, Victor Izzo, Kap Jeon, Kathleen Jessie, Mary Kelly, AudreyKulibaba, Ellen Lain, Michael Larsen, Kimberly LeBlanc, Mary Lia, Jeffrey Mann, Jennifer Meere, Andrew Mink, Anthony Muccari, Erin Natalizio, David Olivo, Dominick Papa, David Roda, Thomas Sauer, Michele Semco, Cindy Tava, Joan Vernooy, Joanne Westby, and William Wing, Jr.

Mr. Latini thanked the entire faculty, staff and administration for another successful year. He said that he began his career in education in 1974 as a teacher and in 1983 he entered into the field of administration. Mr. Latini said that he has never worked with a finer group of administrators; integrity, commitment, honesty, intelligent, expertise. He thanked everyone for their years of support.

Latini Thank You

President Flaherty led a discussion regarding the board's 2014-2015 Self Evaluation. The board members reviewed their goals set for the year.

Self Eval

Mr. Latini announced that the reorganization meeting, as well as the first meeting of the board of education for the 2015-2016 school year, will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2015, at 8:00 PM in room 108 of the middle school.

Reorg Mtg

President Flaherty asked if any board members other than Mr. Cooper and himself were interested in a board office. No other members expressed and interest.

Board Officers

Mr. Latini said that this is his last board meeting. He thanked the board of education and the central office staff. Mr. Latini said the staff is the best and thanked them for always taking the high road.

Thank You

MR. SALAMONE ENTERED 9:07 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mrs. DeRose and unanimously carried, that the board of education hereby appoints Brian C. Monahan as Superintendent of Schools of the Minisink Valley Central School District for the period of time commencing July 1, 2015 and terminating on

New Supt.

June 30, 2018 with annual compensation of \$190,000, effective July 1, 2015 and through June 30, 2018; and

Further resolved, that the Board hereby authorizes its President to execute an Agreement with Mr. Monahan which sets forth the terms and conditions of his employment as Superintendent of Schools from July 1, 2015 and through June 30, 2018, a copy of which Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting. (9-0)

Mr. Monahan thanked the board of education for the opportunity to return to Minisink Valley. He said that he is looking forward to working with the faculty and staff.

Mrs. DeRose thanked Mr. Latini and staff for always having the district at heart.

Mr. Cooper attended the high school scholar award night. He announced that Kevin Gallagher has been named NYS Coach of the Year and that Scott Hendershot has been named Assistant Coach of the Year by the National Wrestling Coaching Association. Mr. Cooper said that Kevin Gallagher has also been named Region I Coach of the Year. President Flaherty attended the varsity awards ceremony at the high school. He said the wrestling team was honored for being number one in NYS. Mrs. DeRose said that Project Graduation is in need of volunteers. She said she attended the lacrosse end-of-year picnic sponsored by the booster club. Mrs. DeRose congratulated the girls' lacrosse team for being the Section IX champions. Mr. Salamone attended the 5<sup>th</sup> grade end-of-year dance. Mr. Cahill reported on the Girls on the Run event that he attended. Mr. Odland attended the elementary field day and gave kudos to Dr. Kimiecik.

District Events

A motion was made by Mrs. Prezioso, seconded by Mr. Gibbs and unanimously carried that the board of education enter into executive session at 8:42 PM to discuss the employment history of a particular person. (9-0)

Executive

During executive session, the board discussed the employment history of a particular person.

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried to resume public session at 10:15 PM. (9-0)

A motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that, in conjunction with Policy #6305, Q., Annually Determined Salary Increase for the Non-Represented Employees, upon recommendation of the superintendent approves a 3.5% base pay increase for the District Clerk, District Treasurer, District Tax Collector, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent, Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent for C&I, Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent for Business, Administrative Assistant to Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources for the 2015-2016 school year. (9-0)

Conf. Sec'y

A motion was made by Mrs. DeRose, seconded by Mrs. Prezioso, and unanimously carried that the board of education, upon recommendation of the superintendent, reappoints Michele Yorke to the position of payroll clerk, assigned to the business office, effective 7/1/15, step 8, in accordance with the negotiated agreement between CSEA and the BOE as listed. (9-0)

Payroll Clerk

A motion was made by Mrs. Prezioso, seconded by Mr. Cahill, and unanimously carried that the board of education, adopts the attached addendum revising the superintendent's contract dated May 27, 2010, as it relates to the payment of the accumulated, unused sick days in Article 3, Section I, as a non-elective employer contribution into a 403B. (9-0)

Addendum Supt. Contract

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mr. Gibbs, seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 PM. (9-0)

Adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Roda, District Clerk