

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOVEMBER 20, 2018

Board of Education

Mr. Michael Simpkins, President
Mrs. Maria Pereira, Vice President
Mr. Allen Jenkins, Jr.
Mrs. Branwen MacDonald
Mr. Samuel North
Mrs. Jillian Villon

Central Office

Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent
Ms. Robin Zimmerman, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Dr. Joseph Mosey, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Ms. Debra McLeod, District Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Simpkins at 5:20 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Branwen MacDonald and Allen Jenkins, Jr. arrived late. Jillian Villon left at 7:35 p.m. Pamela Hallman-Johnson was absent.

2. Proposed Executive Session

A. Open Meeting

- (Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters regarding Capital Project.; the appointment of a particular contractor(s) and employment history of particular person(s) for the following positions: Athletics; Home Tutoring; Math Teacher; Mentoring Program; Permanent Substitute Teachers; and Related Services Department Leader. The public part of the meeting will open at approximately 7:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Maria Pereira

Yes : Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

Second: Samuel North

No: _____ Abstained:_____

C. Adjourn Executive Session

Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.
Branwen MacDonald
Samuel North
Maria Pereira
Michael Simpkins
Jillian Villon

No: _____

Abstained:_____

3. Resume Public Meeting

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium at 7:40 p.m.

4. Hearing of Citizens

A. Public Participation at Board Meetings

Martin McDonald thanked Maria Olivier-Flores and Principal Jamal Lewis for the Saturday Academy. Mr. McDonald wanted to know what can we do to enhance our athletic program and he is there to help and support it. Dr. Mauricio commented to have a good athletic program, team work and pride are necessary along with the 3A's; Attendance, Academics, and Attitude. The District is working on improving the facilities along with providing coaches with coaching developmental programs.

5. Superintendent/Board President Report

A. [Superintendent's Report](#)

- BOCES Student of Distinction - Jennifer Villa
Superintendent of BOCES, Dr. Ryan presented to Jennifer Villa a medal and certificate for being a Student of Distinction. Miss Villa's field of study is law enforcement and she is also a leader among her peers,
- District Comprehensive and Improvement Plan (DCIP)
- [Uriah Hill Presentation](#)
- [Budget Calendar](#)

B. Superintendent Mauricio read into the minutes the following contracts under \$10,000:

- Margaret's Place Program/PKMS; Provide Domestic Violence Education; 2018/2019 School Year; \$0
- New Era Creative Space (NECS): Provide a mentoring program for PCSD students; 2018-19 School Year; \$7,000 funded through the MBK grant

C. Superintendent Mauricio read into the minutes the following donations under \$5,000:

- Mr. David Langley/Peekskill High School - Donation of a Telescope for the Astronomy Club and science classes; Valued at \$299.95
- IBM/Peekskill Middle School - Purchasing Dictionary Pens for the STEAM program; \$2,000

6. Old Business

7. New Business

8. Policy Readings

9. Accepting of Minutes

A. Business Meeting October 16, 2018

B. Business Meeting/Work Session November 6, 2018

C. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the following minutes:

Business Meeting October 16, 2018

Business Meeting/Work Session November 6, 2018

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____

Abstained:_____

Branwen MacDonald
Samuel North
Maria Pereira
Michael Simpkins

10. Consent Agenda - Personnel

A. Personnel Agenda

Certificated

I. Resignation

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following teacher resignation to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Jaclyn Gabriele
Position: Elementary Teacher
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective: August 27, 2018

II. Leave of Absence

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following non-paid leave of absence to the Board of Education for approval:

N/A

III. Retirement

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following retirement resignations to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

IV. Appointments

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Bjorn Bridgewater **/**
Position: Math Teacher
Certification Status: Mathematics (5-9 & (7-12); Professional
Tenure Area: Mathematics
Probationary Start Date: January 2, 2019
Probationary End Date: January 1, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years
Salary: \$95,511
2. Name: Erica Massimi
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
Certification Status: Pre-K, K, Grades 1-6; Permanent, Students w/Disabilities (1-6), Literacy, Professional
Effective Start Date: November 8, 2018
End Date: June 26, 2019
Salary: \$155/day, as worked not to exceed (4) four days/week.
3. Name: Shawn Jackson
Position: Scorekeeper/Timer
Program: 2018-2019 Co-curricular athletics
Effective Dates: Winter Season- Nov. 5th- Feb. 25th
Stipend: \$38/per hour in two (2) hour blocks of time

4. Name: Mya Guardino
 Position: Lifeguard- Boys Swim
 Program: 2018-2019 Co-curricular athletics
 Effective Dates: Winter Season- Nov. 5th- Feb. 25th
 Stipend: \$12/hour as worked

5. Name: Jamie Guevara
 Position: Scorekeeper/Timer
 Program: 2018-2019 Co-curricular athletics
 Effective Dates: Winter Season- Nov. 5th- Feb. 25th
 Stipend: \$38/per hour in two (2) hour blocks of time

6. Name: Rebecca Miller
 Position: Home-bound Tutor
 Effective Dates: November 21, 2018 through June 26, 2019
 Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

7. Name: Tara Tierney
 Position: Wilson Literacy Leader
 Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
 Stipend: \$2,000 (Grant Funded - Title 1A)

8. Name: Caroline Macaluso-Ramos
 Position: Wilson Literacy Leader
 Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
 Stipend: \$2,000 (Grant Funded - Title 1A)

9. Name: Kelly LeFevre
 Position: Teacher Mentor
 Mentee: Mabel Vazquez
 Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
 Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)

10. Name: Kelly LeFevre
 Position: Teacher Mentor
 Mentee: Shenea Brown
 Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
 Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)

11. Name: Luz Gonzalez
 Position: Teacher Mentor
 Mentee: Christina DelPilar
 Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
 Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)

12. Name: Luz Gonzalez
 Position: Teacher Mentor
 Mentee: Geraldine Then

- Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
13. Name: Caroline Macaluso-Ramos
Position: Teacher Mentor
Mentee: Heather Goggins
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
14. Name: Marisa Anzovino
Position: Teacher Mentor
Mentee: Shannon Connor
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
15. Name: Leslie Detres
Position: Teacher Mentor
Mentee: Brandon Juby
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
16. Name: Steven Castelli
Position: Teacher Mentor
Mentee: Reid Olmstead
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
17. Name: Elizabeth Barbaretti
Position: Teacher Mentor
Mentee: Alyssa Quartuccio
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$1,559 (Grant funded – Title II A)
18. Name: Patricia Dundon
Position: Related Services Department Leader
Effective Dates: 2018-2019 school year
Stipend: \$2,000
19. Name: Nina Reed
Position: ELL Teacher
Certification Status: ESOL; Initial
Tenure Area: English as a Second Language
Probationary Start Date: January 2, 2019
Probationary End Date: January 1, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years
Salary: \$67,242 MA, Step 2
20. Name: Catherine McCabe
Position: Health Teacher; .4 FTE
Certification Status: Health; Supplementary

Effective Start Date: November 21, 2018
End Date: June 26, 2019
Salary: \$54,889 BA, Step 3 (pro-rated; . 4 FTE)

21. Name: Ann Quinones-Narcisse
Position: Elementary Assistant Principal
Certification Status: School Building Leader; Initial Certificate
Tenure Area: Assistant Principal
Probationary Start Date: January 2, 2019
Probationary End Date: January 1, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years
Salary: \$116,411, Step 8

V. Corrections:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following corrections of appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Rita Hobby Barrett
Position: Teaching Assistant; Technology
Action: Non-paid Leave of absence
Effective: January 28, 2019 - February 1, 2019

Classified

1. Appointments

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following appointments to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

II. Resignations

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following resignations to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Ashley Spooner
Position: Teacher Aide; Classroom
Reason: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: October 20, 2018 (Last day worked 10/19/18)

2. Name: Dawn Kennedy
Position: Office Assistant (Automated Systems)
Reason: Rescind appointment to Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: November 16, 2018

III. Student Teachers, Volunteers, Interns

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following candidates for student teaching and internship to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Angelica Quizhpi *
Request: Volunteer
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Assigned to: A. McKinley; Classroom Teacher
Effective Dates: November 21, 2018 through June 26, 2019

Using an asterisk (*) at the end of the individual appointment resolutions with the following quoted language as a legend at the end of the personnel resolutions or as a legend below the consent agenda:

*For Volunteers- As per Volunteer Board Policy 4532 - the following volunteers are approved for 10 or less events for current school year

** The appointment resolutions for classroom teachers (or building principal) are conditioned upon meeting the requirement of the current tenure laws and pursuant to the provisions of Regents Rule§30-1.3. Accordingly, to be eligible for tenure consideration the probationer must have at least three years of effective or highly effective APPR ratings pursuant to §3012-c and/or §3012-d of the Education Law during the four year period under review and may not receive an ineffective rating during the last year of probation.

*** For classroom teachers with prior tenure as a teacher in a New York public school district or BOCES, the probationary term will be three years if there is proof of prior tenure and an APPR rating during the final year of service in the previous school district or BOCES.

**** Classroom Teachers with two years of Jarema Act Credit in this school district shall serve a two year probationary term if during the two years of Jarema Act service they received APPR ratings pursuant to §§3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law. Where the probationary term is shortened, to be eligible for tenure conferral, the probationer must have at least three effective and/or highly effective APPR ratings and the APPR rating in the final year of probation may not be an ineffective rating.

11. Consent Agenda - Special Services

A. Special Services/Committee on Special Education

That the Board of Education approve the Recommendation of the District's Committee on Special Education for thirty two (32) students for declassification, classification, review and/or placement.

B. Contract - Hendrick Hudson Central School District

That the Board of Education approves three (3) contracts with Hendrick Hudson Central School District to provide 2018 - 2019 School Year educational programs for three students with disabilities. Funding is from the General Fund.

C. Contracts - Lakeland Central School District

That the Board of Education approves the contracts with Lakeland CSD for three (3) Out of District Students who are attending Special Education programs in Lakeland Schools. Funding is from High Cost Tuition allocated from the General Fund for the 2018-19 School Year.

D. Contracts - Approved Education Providers (ASEPS)

That the Board of Education approves the following 17 contracts with Approved Education Providers (ASEPS) totaling \$136,337. Flo-thru funds are paid by IDEA Part B, Sections 611 & 619.

ASEP TOTAL\$

Advanced Therapeutic Concepts (ATC) \$26,633

Anderson Center for Autism \$1,337

CLEARVIEW \$5,711

Devereux Foundation \$1,337

Easter Seals Project Explore \$8,500

Greenburgh Central School District \$1,700

HTA of New York \$7,367
 Hawthorne Country Day School \$4,011
 The Karafin School \$1,337
 All About Kids (Mid Island Therapy Assoc.) \$1,700
 Lois Bronz Children's Center \$8,500
 Mt. Pleasant Blythdale \$1,700
 PARC Preschool \$1,700
 Westchester ARC/Children's School for Early Development \$25,500
 Westchester County Dept. of Health \$10,200
 Westchester Exceptional Children (WEC) \$1,337
 WESTCOP \$27,767
 TOTAL \$136,337

12. Consent Agenda - Business/Finance

- A. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Months of August and September 2018
 That the Board of Education accept the General Fund Treasurer's Report for months of August and September 2018.
- B. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of October 2018
 That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of October 2018.
- C. Budget Appropriation Transfers - September 2018
 That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for the month of September 2018.
- D. Extraclassroom Activities: July - September 2018
 That the Board of Education, accept the July - September 2018 financial statements for the Peekskill High School and Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Accounts.
- E. Contract - Family and Community Engagement Services, Inc.
 That the Board of Education approve the contract with Family & Community Engagement Services, Inc. for the 2018-19 School Year to perform Parent & Community Engagement & MBK program planning & consultancy services. Not to exceed \$25,000. Funding from MBK grant.

13. Other Agenda Items

- A. 2019-2020 Budget Calendar
 That the Board of Education approve the 2019-2020 Budget Calendar.

14. Approving Consent Agenda

- A. Approving Consent Agenda
 BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 10.A. - 13.A.

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____

Abstained: Michael Simpkins

Branwen MacDonald

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Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

15. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

- A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education
 Victoria Kravitz is concerned there are only two (2) parents on the core planning team.

16. Committee Reports/Board Reflections

- A. President Simpkins encouraged all to come out for the Saturday Academy on 12/8 at PKMS. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

President Simpkins also congratulated former student JaQuon Welch on his win at the Apollo Theater.

17. Executive Session

- A. Executive Session
- B. Adjourn Executive Session

18. Adjournment

- A. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Simpkins asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____ Abstained: _____

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Debra McLeod
District Clerk