

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 5, 2019

Board of Education

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

Student Representative on Board of Education

Akua Yeboah

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Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent
Ms. Robin Zimmerman, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Dr. Joseph Mosey, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Mr. Daniel Callahan, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
Dr. Mary Keenan Foster, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education
Ms. Debra McLeod, District Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Simpkins at 6:05 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Pamela Hallman-Johnson arrived late.

2. Proposed Executive Session

A. Open Meeting

- (Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters regarding the appointment of a particular contractor(s) and employment history of particular person(s) for the following positions: Co-Curricular PHS Drama; Curriculum Writing; Mentor for MBK; Teaching Assistant; Office Assistant, and School Lunch Monitor. 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: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

Second: Samuel North

No: _____ Abstained: _____

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 7:20 p.m.
Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Branwen MacDonald
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson
Allen Jenkins, Jr.
Branwen MacDonald
Samuel North
Maria Pereira
Michael Simpkins
Jillian Villon

Second: Allen Jenkins, Jr.
No: _____ Abstained: _____

3. Resume Public Meeting

The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium at 7:25 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Hearing of Citizens

A. Public Participation at Board Meetings

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

5. Superintendent/Board President Report

A. Superintendent's Report

- [Hillcrest Presentation](#) – Randy Lichtenwalner
- [Superintendent's Update](#)

6. New Business

A. Discussion - [Topics for Joint Council Meeting on February 13](#)

7. Consent Agenda

A. Personnel

Certificated

I. Resignation

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

II. Leave of Absence

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

1. Name: Candis Pagels
Position: Teaching Assistant; Technology
Action: Non-Paid Leave of Absence
Effective: February 1, 2019 through June 26, 2019

2. Name: Margaret Bishop
Position: Teaching Assistant
Action: Non-Paid Leave of Absence
Effective: January 28, 2019 through February 1, 2019

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: Kirk Ehrenreich
Position: Musical Director
Program: 2018-2019 co-curricular; Drama
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective date: 2018-2019 Spring production
Stipend: \$ 3,078 as per PFA contract.

2. Name: Ana Budds
Position: Parent Workshop Facilitator- Teacher
Program Title: Instructional Technology for Parents; 2.5 hours
Effective Date: January 24, 2019
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. Grant Funded by Title I and Title III ELL.

3. Name: Jessica Rondon
Position: Parent Workshop Facilitator- Teacher
Program Title: Handwriting Support for Young Learners; 2.5 hours
Effective Date: January 31, 2019
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. Grant Funded by Title I and Title III ELL.

4. Name: Amanda Zaccardi
Position: Curriculum Writing; Math & ELA
Grade Level: Kindergarten and Grade 1
Effective date: February 5, 2019 through March 27, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. Title I SIG.

5. Name: Anilda Eliazer
Position: Curriculum Writing; Math & ELA
Grade Level: Kindergarten and Grade 1
Effective date: February 5, 2019 through March 27, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. Title I SIG.

6. Name: Carlo Vidrini
Program: My Brother's Keeper
Position: Mentor
Effective dates: September 2018 through June 30, 2019
Stipend: \$1,500

7. Name: Andrea Diaz
Position: Teaching Assistant
Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant

Probationary period begins: February 25, 2019
Probationary period ends: February 24, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) years
Salary: \$31,335 (prorated)

V. Corrections:

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

1. Name: Sara Sora
Position: Literacy Teacher; Grade 8
Program: Middle School After-School Program
Duration/Days: Fourteen (14) Weeks -Wednesdays
Effective Start date: January 16, 2019
Time: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm (1 and 1/2 hours of instruction)
Thirty (30) minute preparation period per week will be provided.
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
Action: Rescind appointment
2. Name: Ashley Aucar
Position: Literacy; Substitute Teacher; Per Diem
Program: Middle School After-School Program
Duration/Days: Fourteen (14) Weeks
Effective Start date: January 16, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
Action: Rescind appointment

Classified

1. Appointments

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

1. Name: Blanca Correa Giron
Position: School Monitor
Dates Effective: February 1, 2019 through June 26, 2019
Salary: \$12/hour as worked, not to exceed 17.5 hours/week, no benefits.
2. Name: Jose Barbosa-Garcia
Position: Custodial Worker (Full Time)
Effective Date: February 19, 2019
Salary: \$49,801 (Pro-Rated)
3. Name: Marisa Chiera
Position: Office Assistant (Auto Systems)
Probationary Start Date: February 14, 2019
Probationary End Date: February 13, 2020
Salary: \$44,487 (Pro-Rated)

II. Resignations

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

1. Name: Amy Ashley-Moore
Position: Funding Coordinator
Reason: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: March 2, 2019 (Last day worked 03/01/2019)

III. Corrections

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

1. Name: Kyron Chandler
Position: Custodial Worker (Full Time)
Effective Date: January 30, 2019
Salary: \$49,801.00 (Pro-Rated)
Action: Rescind Appointment (01/22/2019); Employee Declined FT Position and wishes to remain as PT Custodial Worker.

2. Name: Kim Manghise
Position: Office Assistant (Automated Systems)
Probationary Start Date: February 7, 2019
Probationary End Date: February 6, 2020
Salary: \$44,487.00 (Pro-Rated)
Action: Rescind Appointment (01/22/2019); Employee Declined Position.

IV. Resignations

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

V. 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: Alexander DiNota
Request: Volunteer
Location: Peekskill High School
Assigned to: Ralph Rodriguez, Rodney Arthur
Effective Dates: February 6, 2019 through June 26, 2019

2. Name: Diana Tenesaca
Request: Fieldwork, Observations
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Assigned to: Rita Rosa, Teacher
College: Monroe College
Effective Dates: February 1, 2019 through April 5, 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.

B. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 7.A.

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

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8. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education

Victoria Kravitz asked for clarification on the win model and would there be anything else for students on grade level and above.

Pamela Hallman-Johnson thanked the Board for their contributions towards her Harvard scholarship.

Congratulations to the Youth Bureau for their 25th anniversary. President Simpkins thanked the Youth Bureau for being honored and also the City of Peekskill and the BOE for the nomination.

9. Executive Session

10. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Branwen MacDonald
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson
Allen Jenkins, Jr.
Branwen MacDonald
Samuel North
Maria Pereira
Michael Simpkins
Jillian Villon

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson
No: _____ Abstained: _____

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Debra McLeod
District Clerk