

Peekskill City School District  
1031 Elm Street  
Peekskill, New York

**BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2017**

Board of Education

Mrs. Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon, President  
Mr. Michael Simpkins, Vice President  
Mrs. Branwen MacDonald  
Mr. Samuel North  
Mrs. Maria Pereira

Central Office

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Aspinall-Kellawon at 6:02 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Maria Pereria arrived late. Colin Smith and Jillian Villon were absent.

2. Proposed Executive Session

A. Open Meeting

- (Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a particular contractual and personnel item. 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: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Samuel North

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

No: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

C. Adjourn Executive Session

Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Michael Simpkins

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

No: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

3. Resume Public Meeting

The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium at 7:30 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](#)

- Opening Day of School
- Summer Updates
- End of Year Data

6. Consent Agenda

A. Contract - Greenburgh North Castle Union Free School District

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Greenburgh North Castle UFSD to provide a special education program for students with disabilities for the 2017-18 school year. Certified Tuition Rate is set by NY State Education Department and will be funded by the General Fund.

B. Contract - Boy Scouts of America

That the Board of Education approve the contract with the Boy Scouts of America for 2017-18 School Year to provide the Scoutreach education program. No funds will be charged.

C. Contract - CPI-HR

That the Board of Education, of the City School District of Peekskill, to approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Business to enter into a contract with CPI-HR beginning September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

D. Personnel Agenda

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:  
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:

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Name:              | Alison Kramer               |
| Position:             | District Substitute Teacher |
| Certification Status: | Music; Professional         |

- Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
2. Name: Ashley Fernandez  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Certification Status: Educational Technology Specialist; Initial and Childhood Education (1-6); Initial  
Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant  
Probationary period begins: September 6, 2017  
Probationary period ends: September 5, 2021  
Length of Probation: Four (4) years  
Salary: \$30,994
3. Name: Alison Kramer  
Position: Music Teacher (.5 FTE)  
Certification Status: Music; Professional  
Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: \$64,571 MA Step 1 (prorated)
4. Name: Jaymie Lanera  
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
Certification Status: ESOL; Initial  
Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: \$120/day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days Week (28 hrs/wk); no benefits
5. Name: Nicole Guzman  
Position: Permanent Substitute  
Certification Status: Early Childhood Education, Childhood Education; Initial  
Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: \$120/day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days Week (28 hrs/wk); no benefits
6. Name: Jewell Van Ord  
Position: Permanent Substitute  
Certification Status: Nursery K, 1-6; Permanent  
Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: \$120/day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days Week (28 hrs/wk); no benefits
7. Name: Michelle Estevez  
Position: Permanent Substitute  
Certification Status: Pre-K, 1-6; Permanent & Students W/Disabilities, Professional

Start Date: September 6, 2017  
End Date: June 22, 2018  
Salary: \$120/day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days Week (28 hrs/wk); no benefits

8. Name: Josephine Williams  
Position: 2017-2018 Homebound Tutor  
Certification Status: Science (Biology); Permanent  
Effective Date: September 6, 2017 through June 30, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
9. Name: Matilda Zeoli  
Position: 2017-2018 Homebound Tutor  
Certification Status: Elementary (N-6) and Students W/Disabilities; Permanent  
Effective Date: September 6, 2017 through June 30, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
10. Name: Nicholas Agnello  
Position: 2017-2018 Homebound Tutor  
Certification Status: Students W/Disabilities; Initial  
Effective Date: September 6, 2017 through June 30, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
11. Name: Josephine Williams  
Program: 2017-2018 Hass' Way  
Position: Science Teacher  
Effective Dates: September 6, 2017 through June 7, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
12. Name: Christen McDonnell  
Program: 2017-2018 Hass' Way  
Position: Social Studies Teacher  
Effective Dates: September 6, 2017 through June 7, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
13. Name: Bridget Conner  
Program: 2017-2018 Hass' Way  
Position: English Teacher  
Effective Dates: September 6, 2017 through June 7, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
14. Name: Rebecca Miller  
Program: 2017-2018 Hass' Way  
Position: Mathematics Teacher

- Effective Dates: September 6, 2017 through June 7, 2018  
 Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
15. Name: Michael Sabini  
 Position: 2017-2018 Sports Announcer  
 (Football, Basketball, Baseball)  
 Salary: \$38/hour (2 hour blocks of time)
16. Name: Cheryl Kim  
 Position: District Substitute Teacher  
 Certification Status: Mathematics 7-12 Professional Certificate  
 Start Date: November 7, 2017  
 End Date: June 22, 2018  
 Salary: \$100/day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days Week  
 (28 hrs/wk); no benefits
17. Name: Cheryl Kim  
 Position: Mathematics Teacher (LOA)  
 Certification Status: Mathematics 7-12 Professional Certificate  
 Start Date: September 6, 2017  
 End Date: November 6, 2017  
 Salary: \$308 per day as worked, no benefits
18. Name: Ana Hernandez  
 Position: Spanish Teacher (.6 FTE)  
 Certification Status: Spanish 5-9 and 7-12 Initial Certificate  
 Start Date: September 6, 2017  
 End Date: June 22, 2018  
 Salary: \$64,571 MA Step 1 (prorated)
19. Name: Nicole Hernandez  
 Program: 2017-2018 Hass' Way  
 Position: English Teacher  
 Effective Dates: September 6, 2017 through June 7, 2018  
 Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract Position:
20. Name: Robert Pelaccio  
 Program: 2017 Fall Season  
 Position: Modified Volleyball Coach  
 Stipend: \$3,078

V. Corrections:

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

1. Name: Heather Beiner  
 Position: Elementary Teacher; LOA replacement

Certification Status: Early Childhood (Birth to Grade 2), Students  
W/Disabilities (1-6); Initial  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: August 30, 2017

Classified

1. Appointments

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

1. Name: Evelyn Flores  
Position: Office Assistant (Auto Sys) SP. SP.  
Location: Special Education (Admin)  
Probationary Start date: September 13, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 12, 2018  
Salary: \$43,830
2. Name: Jennifer Burns  
Position: Office Assistant (Auto Sys).  
Location: Woodside  
Probationary Start date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 5, 2018  
Salary: \$43,830
3. Name: Maritza Vinci  
Position: Teacher Aide (1:1)  
Probationary Start date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 5, 2018  
Salary: \$13,299
4. Name: Brian Lind  
Position: Teacher Aide (1:1)  
Probationary Start date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 5, 2018  
Salary: \$13,299
5. Name: Andrew Fauntleroy  
Position: Teacher Aide (1:1)  
Probationary Start date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 5, 2018  
Salary: \$13,299
6. Name: Angie Vieira  
Position: Teacher Aide (1:1)  
Probationary Start date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: September 5, 2018  
Salary: \$13,299
7. Name: Omkalthoum Yehia  
Position: Teacher Aide

Effective Date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: December 11, 2017  
Salary: \$14,508

8. Name: Nguyen Hoang  
Position: Teacher Aide; Full time  
Effective Date: September 6, 2017  
Probationary End date: November 8, 2017  
Salary: \$14,508

9. Name: Donnie Smith  
Program: Hass' Way  
Position: Security Aide  
Start date: September 11, 2017  
End date: June 7, 2018  
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aides Association (PSSAA) Contract

## II. Resignations

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

1. Name: Winter Henderson  
Position: Teacher Aide  
Reason: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective Date: September 5, 2017

## 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:

B.  
1. Name: Joann Concepcion  
Request: Boy Scouts  
Location: Woodside, Oakside, Hillcrest  
Effective Dates: September 5, 2017 through June 22, 2018

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.

E. Consent Agenda Approval

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve Consent Agenda items 6.A. - 6.D. as presented.

Motion: Michael Simpkins  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Branwen MacDonald  
Samuel North  
Maria Pereira  
Michael Simpkins

Second: Branwen MacDonald  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

- 7. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only
  - A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education
- 8. Executive Session
  - A. Executive Session
  - B. Adjourn Executive Session
- 9. Adjournment
  - A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Michael Simpkins  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Branwen MacDonald  
Samuel North  
Maria Pereira  
Michael Simpkins

Second: Samuel North  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Debra McLeod  
District Clerk