

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 13, 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

Central Office

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

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by President Simpkins at 6:48 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.
 - A. Recording of Attendance
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Consent Agenda
 - A. Business Meeting Minutes January 22, 2019
 - B. Personnel Agenda
 - Certificated
 - I. Resignation
 - A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following teacher resignation to the Board of Education for approval:
 1. Name: Danielle Cinquemani
 - Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
 - Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
 - Effective: February 2, 2019
 - 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: Catherine McCabe
Position: Physical Education Teacher
Certification Status: Physical Education; Initial
Tenure Area: Physical Education
Start Date: February 13, 2019
End Date: February 12, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years
Salary: \$54,899 (BA, Step 3)
2. Name: Charles Rice
Position: Physical Education Teacher
Certification Status: Physical Education; Initial
Tenure Area: Physical Education
Start Date: February 25, 2019
End Date: February 24, 2023
Length of Probation: Four (4) years
Salary: \$65,281 (MA, Step 1); (pro-rated for 2018-2019)
3. Name: Arben Cukaj
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: Engineering Course; STEM II
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
4. Name: Dora Sobral
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: College Physics (Dual Enrollment Course)
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
5. Name: Erum Hadi
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: Research Class; Grade 9
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
6. Name: Michelle Obenauer
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: College Chemistry (Dual Enrollment Course)
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

7. Name: Michelle Obenauer
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: College Forensics (Dual Enrollment Course)
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
8. Name: Nicole Kossowsky
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: Graphic Arts Curriculum
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 20 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
9. Name: Jessica VanGalen
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: Algebra I – Double Block
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 12 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
10. Name: Jaclyn Schuck
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: Algebra I – Double Block
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 12 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
11. Name: Keren Larkin
Position: Curriculum Writing
MS Course: Science; Grade 8
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
12. Name: Michael Tanzi
Position: Curriculum Writing
MS Course: Science; Grade 8
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
13. Name: Pat Salvatore
Position: Curriculum Writing

MS Course: Social Studies; Grade 8
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

14. Name: Emily DiCuio
Position: Curriculum Writing
MS Course: Social Studies; Grade 8
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

15. Name: Kevin Larsen
Position: Curriculum Writing
MS Course: Orchestra; Grades 6, 7 & 8
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

16. Name: Patrick Taylor
Position: Professional Development Workshop Teacher
PD Course: Mindfulness in Teaching
Effective Start Date: February 25, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. Not to exceed 15 hours of instruction / 15 hours of planning time –Grant Funded Title I SIG.

17. Name: Jodi Fernandez
Position: Professional Development Workshop Teacher
PD Course: Engaging Students in Academic Discourse
Effective Start Date: February 25, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. Not to exceed 15 hours of instruction / 15 hours of planning time –Grant Funded Title I SIG.

18. Name: Tara King
Position: Professional Development Workshop Teacher
PD Course: Balanced Literacy
Effective Start Date: February 25, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. Not to exceed 15 hours of instruction / 15 hours of planning time –Grant Funded Title I SIG.

19. Name: Ana Budds

- Position: Professional Development Workshop Teacher
PD Course: Multiculturalism in the Classroom
Effective Start Date: February 25, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. Not to exceed 15 hours of instruction / 15 hours of planning time –Grant Funded Title I SIG.
20. Name: Therese Wood Chang
Position: Professional Development Workshop Teacher
PD Course: Multiculturalism in the Classroom
Effective Start Date: February 25, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. Not to exceed 15 hours of instruction / 15 hours of planning time –Grant Funded Title I SIG.
21. Name: Rachel Moczarski
Position: After School Student Support Team; Counselor
Effective Dates: February 2019 through June 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 4.5 hours per week. Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA (Grant Funded).
22. Name: Ana Bueno
Position: After School Student Support Team; Social Worker
Effective Dates: February 2019 through June 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 4.5 hours per week. Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA (Grant Funded).
23. Name: Leslie Detres
Position: After School Student Support Team; Psychologist
Effective Dates: February 2019 through June 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 4.5 hours per week. Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA (Grant Funded).
24. Name: Mabel Vasquez
Position: After School Student Support Team; Psychologist
Effective Dates: February 2019 through June 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 4.5 hours per week. Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA (Grant Funded).
25. Name: Kelly LeFevre
Position: After School Student Support Team; Psychologist
Effective Dates: February 2019 through June 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 4.5 hours per week. Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA (Grant Funded).
26. Name: Michelle Van Riper
Position: Teacher

- Program: Oakeside After-School Program
Days/Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 3:00 pm - 4:30pm
Effective dates: February 11, 2019 through April 30, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
27. Name: Jennifer Feliz
Position: Teacher Leader; (will work additional 30 minutes per day)
Program: Oakeside After-School Program
Days/Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 3:00 pm -4:30pm; Thirty (30) minute preparation period per week will be provided.
Effective dates: February 5, 2019 through April 30, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
28. Name: Alyssa Gullo
Position: Teacher
Program: Oakeside After-School
Days/Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 3:00 pm -4:30pm
Effective dates: February 5, 2019 through April 30, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.
29. Name: Jaycee DeGroat
Position: Elementary Teacher; LOA Replacement
Certification: Childhood Education; Initial
Effective Start Date: February 11, 2019
End Date: March 1, 2019 (anticipated)
Salary: \$308/day, as worked, no benefits.
30. Name: Susan Olsen
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: English; Media Literacy
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
31. Name: Susan Olsen
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: English; Memoir & Non Fiction
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).
32. Name: Susan Olsen
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: English; Analyzing Photography
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019

Stipend: Not to exceed 10 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

33. Name: Susan Olsen
Position: Curriculum Writing
PHS Course: English; P.I.E.S./W.I.S.E. Internship
Effective Dates: February 13, 2019- April 30, 2019
Stipend: Not to exceed 12 hours. Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract. (Grant Funded).

V. Corrections:

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

1. Name: Michelle Van Riper
Position: Substitute Teacher; per Diem
Program: Oakside After-School
Days/Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 3:00 pm -4:30pm
Effective dates: January 28, 2019 through April 30, 2019, as needed.

Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

Action: Rescind Per Diem appointment

2. Name: Jennifer Feliz
Position: Teacher
Program: Oakside After-School
Days/Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 3:00 pm -4:30pm; Thirty (30) minute preparation period per week will be provided.
Effective dates: January 28, 2019 through April 30, 2019
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

Action: Rescind Appointment

Classified

I. Appointments

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

1. Name: Joann Concepcion
Position: Teacher Aide; 1:1 Aide
Probationary Start Date: March 1, 2019
Probationary End Date: February 29, 2020
Salary: \$13,392.00 (Pro-Rated)

II. Resignations

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

1. Name: Melanie Fisher
Position: Teacher Aide; 1:1 Aide

Reason: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: March 1, 2019 (Last day worked 02/28/2019)

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: Savannah Garbani
Request: Observation
Location: Peekskill High School
Assigned to: Jaime Farez, & Nina Reed
College: Grand Canyon University
Effective Dates: February 2019; not to exceed 10 hours.

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.

C. Special Services/Committee on Special Education

That the Board of Education approve the Recommendation of the District's Committee on Special Education for nineteen (19) students for declassification, classification, review and/or placement:

D. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Month of December 2018

That the Board of Education accept the General Fund Treasurer's Report for month of December 2018.

E. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of January 2019

That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of January 2019.

F. Budget Appropriation Transfers - January 2019

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for the month of January 2019.

G. Extraclassroom Activities - December 2018

That the Board of Education, accept the December 2018 financial statements for the Peekskill High School and Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Accounts.

H. Tax Certiorari - Cablevision

WHEREAS, the Peekskill City School District is a respondent in certain tax certiorari proceedings pertaining to the properties identified on the tax roll as Parcel 33.30-4-14, for tax years 2013 through 2018; in the amount of \$75,423.84; and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated a tentative resolution of the proceedings, as set forth in the Consent Judgment attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the School District to resolve the proceeding in accordance with the Consent Judgment without further litigation;

NOW, BASED UPON THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the settlement of the tax proceedings as set forth in the Consent Judgment;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ingerman Smith, LLP is authorized to execute the consent judgment attached hereto, and any other relevant settlement papers necessary to effectuate the settlement;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Assistant Superintendent for Business shall be authorized to issue a refund payment in accordance with the Consent Judgment.

I. Southern Westchester BOCES Cooperative Bid

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the participating school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services, adopting this Resolution to bid jointly in those supplies, commodities, materials and equipment set forth below

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Peekskill City School District agrees to participate with other school districts of the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Westchester County, New York, adopting in this joint bidding of Art Supplies,

General School Supplies, Office Supplies, Fine Paper Supplies, Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment; Custodial Supplies; Trash Liners; Custodial Paper Supplies; Laser and Ink Jet

Toners OEM & Compatibles; Lumber Supplies; Microcomputer Hardware; Office & Classroom Furniture and Graphing Calculators

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall remain in effect until receipt by BOCES of written withdrawal from the Resolution by the school district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is agreed that the specifications as presented will be used, and that this Board agrees to bid its required amount of said commodities jointly with other

participating school districts in Southern Westchester and the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services. The recommendation of the Purchasing Steering

Committee will be considered when this Board acts on the purchase of said commodities. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the invitation to bid will be advertised by BOCES in the Journal

News in accordance with the provisions of Section 103 to the General Municipal Law.

Bid Title	Anticipated effective dates:
Art Supplies	9.01.18 – 8.31.19
General School Supplies	6.01.18 – 5.31.19
Office Supplies	6.01.18 – 5.31.19
Fine Paper Supplies	6.01.18 – 11.30.18 12.01.18 – 5.31.19
Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment	9.01.18 – 8.31.19
Bakery Goods	10.01.18 – 9.30.19
Cafeteria Food Supplies	9.01.18 – 8.31.19

Custodial Paper Supplies	7.01.18 – 6.30.19
Custodial Supplies	4.01.18 – 03.31.19
Graphing Calculators	1.01.19 – 12.31.19
Lumber Supplies	09.01.18 – 8.31.19
Laser & Ink Jet Toners, OEM	1.01.19 – 12.31.19
Microcomputer Hardware	7.01.18 – 6.30.19
Office & Classroom Furniture	6.01.18 – 5.31.19

J. Grant - Torpy Field Project

That the Board of Education approve the "Grant Disbursement Agreement" for the "DASNY and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to execute the agreement.

K. Field Trip - University of Albany and RPI, Albany, NY

That the Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for the PHS students to attend a day field trip to the University of Albany and RPI, Albany, NY on March 28, 2019.

L. Field Trip - University of Albany, Albany, NY

That the Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for 30 PHS students in the SUNY African Diaspora class, to visit the University of Albany, Albany NY on March 5, 2019.

M. Field Trip - Lafayette College and Lehigh University

That the Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for 21 PHS students attend Lafayette College and Lehigh University in PA on March 7, 2019.

N. Overnight Field Trip - Philadelphia, PA

That the Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools for the PHS students to attend an overnight field trip to Philadelphia, PA, on March 7 & 8, 2019.

O. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 2.A. - 2.N.

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____ Abstained: _____

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

3. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____ Abstained: _____

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira
Michael Simpkins
Jillian Villon

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Debra McLeod
District Clerk