Peekskill City School District 1031 Elm Street Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION BOARD OF EDUCATION AUGUST 26, 2025

Board of Education

Mrs. Jillian Villon, President
Ms. Amy Vele, Vice President
Ms. Mary Angel Flores
Mrs. Branwen MacDonald
Mr. Frank Robinson, Jr.
Mrs. Christina Washington

Central Office

Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent
Ms. Cynthia Hawthorne, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Mr. Jamal Lewis, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services
Mr. Eudes Budhai Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education
Mrs. Rebecca Aviles-Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education
Mrs. Carmery Mendez-Battle, District Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Villon at 4:01 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

- A. Recording of Attendance Christina Washington (4:08 p.m.) and Amy Vele (4:15 p.m.) arrived late. Allen Jenkins, Jr. was absent.
- 2. Proposed Executive Session Subject to Board Approval
 - A. Open Meeting

*(Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular contractor(s) and employment history of particular person(s) for the following positions: Case Manager Specialist; Per Diem and Permanent Substitute Teachers; Dual Language Elementary Leave Replacement Teacher; Physical Education and Elementary Teachers; 6th Assignments; School Social Worker; Mentors; Certified/Classified Stipend Positions; Clerical Substitute (Per Diem); School Monitors (Lunch) and Substitute (Per Diem); Teacher Aide Substitute (Per Diem); 1:1 Teacher Aide; Classroom/Lunch Teacher Aides and Agency Workers. The Board will (or may) take action after the executive session. The public part of the meeting will open at approximately 5:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Mary Angel Flores
Branwen MacDonald
Frank Robinson, Jr.

Jillian Villon

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 5:10 p.m. Motion to Move to Public Session

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Mary Angel Flores

Branwen MacDonald Frank Robinson, Jr.

Amy Vele Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

Second: Mary Angel Flores
No: ____ Abstained:____

Second: Mary Angel Flores

No: ____

Abstained:

- 3. Resume Public Meeting 5:15 p.m.
 - Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium.

- 4. Report of President/Superintendent
 - A. Superintendent's Report
 - Peekskill Pride
- 5. Hearing of Citizens

Sue Imhoff (Retired PCSD Teacher) – Gave kudos to Carmine and his staff for the work they did in the buildings. Mrs. Imhoff purposely came to this meeting because she was glad the cell phone policy was mandated by the State. Parents should know every classroom has a phone. So when you call the main office, the office can get in contact with the student by calling the classroom. It is will be so much safer. This District is very good at letting parents know what is going on as long as your information is up-to-date.

Mrs. Imhoff also wanted to know since the City of Peekskill has been doing a lot of building, has the City been in contact with the schools about the overcrowding with the new constructions? Dr. Mauricio commented the City does contact the school when there is new construction.

Jeffrey Altofer (Parent) received his child's back to school packet and he was concerned with the notifications. He had a conversation with Carmine Crisci who alleviated his fears knowing we are not exposing the students to any harmful products.

- 6. Old Business
- 7. New Business

Dr. Mauricio commented the District is in the process of reinventing and updating our website and if you have any input to send it to Laura Belfiore. New website will be operational this fall. Angel Flores suggested establishing a form to fill out on a portal what are the usabilities for the website and also to standardize points of consistency. President Villon reiterated if you haven't received your child's back to school packet, to call the school your child attends.

8. Policy Readings

President Villon commented that at the July 7 BOE meeting, the Board approved the policy Door Hardening in Lockdown Emergencies without a policy number. For your reference the policy number is now 8130.3.

- 9. Accepting of Minutes
 - A. Reorganization/Business Meeting July 7, 2025
 - B. Business Meeting/Work Session August 4, 2025
 - C. Approval of Minutes

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

Reorganization/Business Meeting July 7, 2025 Business Meeting/Work Session August 4, 2025

Motion: Branwen MacDonald
Yes: Mary Angel Flores
Branwen MacDonald
Frank Robinson, Jr.
Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington
Second: Christina Washington
No: _____ Abstained:_____

President Villon stated for the District Wide Safety Plan, there needs to be a Board member on the safety team.

President Villon asked for a motion to include Amy Vel as the Board representation for the District Wide Safety Team.

Motion: Mary Angel Flores
Yes: Mary Angel Flores
Branwen MacDonald
Frank Robinson, Jr.
Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington
Second: Frank Robinson, Jr.
No: _____ Abstained:____

10. Consent Agenda - Personnel Agenda

A. Personnel Agenda

Certified:

I. Resignation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty resignation(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: James Gordon Position: Assistant Principal

Location: Hillcrest Elementary School and Peekskill

Middle School

Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: August 29, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 29, 2025 (Anticipated)

2. Name: Jasmyn Lucas

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Location: Peekskill Middle School

Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: August 18, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: June 27, 2025 (Anticipated)

3. Name: Emely Fernandez
Position: Teaching Assistant
Location: Peekskill High School

Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 21, 2025 (Anticipated)

4. Name: Samara Sanchez Arredondo

Position: School Social Worker

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School

Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)

5. Name: Jennifer Crowell Position: Teaching Assistant

Location: Hillcrest Elementary School

Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District

Last Date Worked: June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)

II. Termination:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty termination(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

III. Retirement:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty retirement(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

IV. Leave of Absence:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty non-paid leave of absence(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

V. Appointment:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Leara Morales

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial

Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2),

Initial

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

2. Name: Tracy Franks

Position: Case Manager Specialist

Certification: School Social Worker, Permanent

Location: Oakside Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$350 per day, as worked, no benefits

3. Name: Lesly Perla

Position: Dual Language Elementary Leave

Replacement Teacher

Certification: N/A - Pendina

Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: October 15, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$286 per day, as worked, no benefits

4. Name: Anthony Turner

Position: Physical Education Teacher
Certification: Physical Education, Initial
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Tenure Area: Physical Education

Probationary Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 26, 2029 (Anticipated)

Length of Probation: Four (4) Years

Salary: \$58,434 (BA, Step 1)

5. Name: Rahsaan Potillo

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Students with Disabilities Mathematics

Grades 7-12, Professional

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

6. Name: Ashley MacEwan

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Students with Disabilities Social Studies,

Grades 7-12, Professional

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

7. Name: Scott Tabone

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Students with Disabilities English,

Grades 7-12, Professional

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

8. Name: Rachel O' Brien

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Students with Disabilities Generalist,

Grades 7-12, Professional

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

9. Name: Jessica Van Galen

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Students with Disabilities Mathematics, Certification:

> Grades 7-12, Professional; Students with Disabilities Generalist, Grades 7-12,

Professional

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)

Terms of employment are in accordance with Salary:

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

10. Name: Renee Torchiano

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2),

Professional; Students with Disabilities (Birth -

Grade 2), Professional

Uriah Hill Elementary School Location:

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

\$175 per day, as worked, no benefits Salary:

11.Name: Marcel Jorge

Position: Elementary Teacher

Certification: Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Initial

Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial

Reissuance (First)

Location: Oakside Elementary School

Tenure Area: Elementary

August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) Probationary Start Date: Probationary End Date: August 26, 2029 (Anticipated)

Length of Probation: Three (3) Years

Salary: \$91,987 (MA, Step 8)

12. Name: Madelyn Villar

School Social Worker Position:

Certification: School Social Worker, Provisional

Uriah Hill Elementary School Location:

Tenure: Social Work

August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) Probationary Start Date:

Probationary End Date: August 26, 2029 (Anticipated)

Length of Probation: Four (4) Years

Salary: \$99,922 (MA, Step 10)

13. Name: Shannon Silva

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2),

Initial

Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Initial Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

14. Name: Jane Ann Mulvey

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher Certification: Physical Education, Initial Location: Oakside Elementary School Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

15. Name: Destiny Quinn

Position: Per Diem Substitute Teacher

Certification: N/A

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits

16. Name: Leslie Ishoo

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Spanish (Grade 7-12), Professional

English to Speakers Of Other Languages, Initial

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

17. Name: Daysi Suero

Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification: Spanish (Grades 7-12), Permanent

Location: Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with

the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

Contract.

18. Name: Lidia Fuego

Certification: Spanish (Grades 7-12), Professional

English to Speakers of Other Languages, Initial

Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the

Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

19. Name: Tammy Weller

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher Certification: Special Education, Permanent Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

20. Name: Oscar Moscoso
Position: Teaching Assistant

Certification: Teaching Assistant Level 1
Probationary Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 26, 2029 (Anticipated)

Length of Probation: Four (4) Years

Salary: \$35,381

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
21.	Johnson, Patricia	Peekskill School District - Summer Dance Camp	July 1, 2025 - August 31, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$2,500 (OJJDP Grant)
22.	Owens, Peggy	Hillcrest Elementary School - Framework Coach	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (General Fund)
23.	Lombardo,	Oakside Elementary School -	2025 - 2026 School	\$1,157

	Jennifer	Gardening Club Advisor	Year	(General Fund)
24.	Lehoczky, Nicole	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
25.	Bloom, Benjamin	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
26.	Lobo, Christina	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
27.	Salvatorelli, Pat	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
28.	Schultz, Tricia	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
29.	Chavarria, Denise	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
30.	Luongo, Michelle	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
31.	Conte, Alexis	Peekskill Middle School - Jumpstart Orientation	August 18, 2025 August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
32.	Florez, Alexander	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
33.	Del Valle, Zuleyma	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
34.	Alvarado, Karina	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)

35.	Feliciano, Vilmarie	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
36.	O'Connor, Tatiana	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
37.	Falk, Eliza	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
38.	Jeris, Emily	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
39.	Seo, Abigail	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
40.	Thomas Cappello, Elizabeth	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
41.	Bravo, Timur	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
42.	Green, Quanasia	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
43.	Ramos, Elisa	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
44.	Almazan, Jessica	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
45.	Brown, Griffin	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
46.	Morales, Leara	Professional Learning Community - New Hire	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025	\$175 per hour (General Fund)

		Orientation	(Anticipated)	
47.	Cabrera, Stephanie	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$140 per day (General Fund)
48.	Quinn, Destiny	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$140 per day (General Fund)
49.	Quinde, Kelly	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$140 per day (General Fund)
50.	Florez, Alexander	Peekskill High School - August Scoring Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per day (General Fund)
51.	Boscia, Valerie	Peekskill High School - August Scoring Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$47 per day (General Fund)
52.	Strategeas, Maria	Uriah Hill Elementary School - Literacy Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
53.	Strategeas, Maria	Uriah Hill Elementary School - Framework Coach	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
54.	Campos, Yolanda	Uriah Hill Elementary School - STEAM Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
55.	Benitez, Jaclyn	Uriah Hill Elementary School - Math Teacher Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (General Fund)
56.	Jorge, Marcel	Peekskill Middle School - Modified Boys Soccer Coach II	Fall: August 14, 2025 - November 12, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$3,511 (General Fund)
57.	Turner, Anthony	Peekskill High School - Varsity (Boys and Girls) Bowling Head Coach	Winter: November 13, 2025 - March 10, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$3,373 (General Fund)

58.	Turner, Anthony	Peekskill High School - Varsity (Girls) Flag Football Assistant Coach	Spring: March 11, 2026 – June 14, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$5,025 (General Fund)
59.	Turner, Anthony	Peekskill Middle School - Modified Football Coach	Fall: August 14, 2025 - November 12, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$5,246 (General Fund)
60.	Turner, Anthony	Chaperone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
61.	Charles, Samuel	Peekskill High School - Junior Varsity Boys Soccer Coach II	Spring: March 11, 2026 – June 14, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$5,025 (General Fund)
62.	Rivera, Michael	Hillcrest Elementary School- Soccer Intramurals	Fall: August 14, 2025 - November 12, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$2,601 (General Fund)
63.	Rivera, Michael	Peekskill Middle School - Junior Varsity Wrestling Head Coach	Winter: November 13, 2025 - March 10, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$5,535 (General Fund)
64.	Bosica, Valerie	Peekskill High School - Curriculum Writing	July 1, 2025 - August 26, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$47 per hour (General Fund)
65.	Searight, Ramon	Hillcrest Elementary School - Soccer Intramurals Coach	Fall: August 14, 2025 - November 12, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$2,601 (General Fund)
66.	Searight, Ramon	Hillcrest Elementary School - Basketball Intramurals Coach	Winter: November 1, 2025 - March 10, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$2,601 (General Fund)
67.	Searight, Ramon	Peekskill High School -	Spring:	\$2,601

		Flag Football Coach	March 11, 2026 – June 14, 2026 (Anticipated)	(General Fund)
68.	Searight , Ramon	Score Keeper	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
69.	Searight, Ramon	Chaperone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
70.	Pena, Laura	Woodside Elementary School - Teacher Mentor	2024 -2025 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)

	Teacher Mentor:	Teacher Mentee:	Effective Dates:	Stipend:
1.	Jaclyn Benitez	Karina Alvarado	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)
2.	Yolanda Campos	Rebecca Andujar	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)
3.	Jaclyn Benitez	Marylm Costa	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)
4.	Anilda Eliazer	Erin Garone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)
5.	Katherine Orejuela	Katherine Yurek	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (General Fund)

VI. Correction:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following faculty correction(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Cynthia Pucci

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial

Early Childhood Education (Birth - 2), Initial

Location: Woodside Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Action: Adjusting Salary

Stipend: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

2. Name: Jylene Guaba

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: N/A

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School Effective Date/s: 2025 - 2026 School Year

Action: Rescinded Offer

Salary: \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits

3. Name: Elizabeth Smalley

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher

Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth Grade 2), Initial

Childhood Education (Grade 1-6), Initial

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School

Action: Rescinded Offer

Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

Classified:

I. Resignation:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff resignation(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Kaitlyn Carroll

Position: Classroom Teacher Aide Location: Woodside Elementary School

Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District

Effective Date: August 12, 2025 Last Date Worked: August 11, 2025

2. Name: Anthony Turner Position: Security Aide

Location: Peekskill High School

Action: Resignation from his current role at Peekskill

City School District to accept another position

within the District.

Effective Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 26, 2025 (Anticipated)

3. Name: Yoralis Peralta Malena

Position: Office Assistant (Automated Systems) (Spanish

Speaking)

Location: Woodside Elementary School

Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School

District

Effective Date: August 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: August 29, 2025 (Anticipated)

4. Name: Oscar Moscoso Jr.

Position: Classroom Teacher Aide Location: Oakside Elementary School

Action: Resignation from his position with Peekskill City

School District for the purpose of accepting a

promotion.

Effective Date: June 27, 2025 Last Date Worked: June 26, 2025

II. Termination:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff termination(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

III. Retirement:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff retirement(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Debbie Mojica

Position: Secretary to School Principal

Location: Peekskill Middle School

Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School

District for the purpose of retirement.

Effective Date: September 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: September 26, 2025 (Anticipated)

IV. Leave of Absence:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff non-paid leave of absence(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

V. Appointment:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval:

Name: Clemencia Calle Saeteros^
 Position: School Monitor (Lunch)
 Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
 Probationary Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)

Probationary End Date: September 1, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$17.00/Hour. As worked, without benefits.

2. Name: Kevin Riley

Position: School Monitor (Lunch) Substitute (Per Diem)

Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)

Dates Effective: September 2, 2025 through June 27, 2026

Salary: \$17.00/Hour. As worked, without benefits.

3. Name: Michele Saperstein

Position: Teacher Aide Substitute (Per Diem)

Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)

Dates Effective: August 27, 2025 through June 27, 2026

Salary: \$17.00/Hour. As worked, without benefits. Not

to exceed 4 days/week (without District

Administrator approval).

4. Name: Astrid Bizoni

Position: Clerical Substitute (Per Diem)
Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)
Dates Effective: August 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

Salary: \$21.00/hour*. As worked, without benefits. Not

to exceed 4 days/week (without District

Administrator approval).

*Unless pre-approved to work in a long-term District assignment.

5. Name: Emma German

Position: Clerical Substitute (Per Diem)
Status: Part-Time Availability (PTA)
Dates Effective: August 27, 2025-June 30, 2026

Salary: \$21.00/hour*. As worked, without benefits. Not

to exceed 4 days/week (without District

Administrator approval).

*Unless pre-approved to work in a long-term District assignment.

6. Name: Dennis Quezada^

Position: School Monitor (Lunch)

Location: Woodside Elementary School

Status: Probationary

Probationary Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: September 1, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$17.00/hour. As worked, without benefits.

7. Name: Nashaya Godfrey^
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide

Location: Woodside Elementary School

Status: Probationary

Probationary Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 26, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary: \$21,314.67 (Prorated)

8. Name: Shataya Watford^

Position: Classroom/Lunch Teacher Aide Location: Hillcrest Elementary School

Status: Probationary

Probationary Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: August 26, 2026 (Anticipated)

\$21,314.67 (Prorated)

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
9.	Carroll, Kaitlyn	Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Program- Teacher Aide Stipend for Additional Health/Behavioral Needs	July 1, 2025 through August 11, 2025 (6 Weeks/30 Days - ½ Day)	\$1,500 Prorated (\$130)
10.	Hunt, Emily	Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Program- Teacher Aide Stipend for Additional Health/Behavioral Needs	July 1, 2025 through August 11, 2025 (6 Weeks/30 Days - ½ Day)	\$1,500 Prorated (\$130)
11.	Rivera-Martinez, Maria	Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Program- Teacher Aide Stipend for Additional Health/Behavioral Needs	July 1, 2025 through August 11, 2025 (6 Weeks/30 Days - ½ Day)	\$1,500 Prorated (\$130)
12.	Taylor, Stephanie	Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Program- Teacher Aide Stipend for Additional Health/Behavioral Needs	July 1, 2025 through August 11, 2025 (6 Weeks/30 Days - ½ Day)	\$1,500 Prorated (\$130)
13.	Gonzalez, Lauren	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill

				Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
14.	Martinez De Suarez, Maggy	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
15.	Niola Pauta, Lisseth	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
16.	Marrero, Victoria	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
17.	Godfrey, Nashaya	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
18.	Gray, Georgina	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025	Terms of employment are in accordance with

			(Anticipated)	the Peekskill Teacher Aides' Organization (PTAO) Contract. (General Fund.)
19.	Contreras, Sheonna	Time Keeper	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
20.	Contreras, Sheonna	Score Keeper	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
21.	Contreras, Sheonna	Chain Crew	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
22.	Contreras, Sheonna	Athletic Chaperone	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
23.	Hatch, Nigel	Hillcrest Elementary School - Soccer Intramurals Coach	Fall: August 14, 2025 - November 12, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$2,601 (General Fund)
24.	Hatch, Nigel	Time Keeper	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
25.	Hatch, Nigel	Score Keeper	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
26.	Hatch, Nigel	Chain Crew	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
27.	Hatch, Nigel	Athletic Chaperone	2025-2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)

VI. Correction:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff correction(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

Student Teachers, Volunteers, Interns:

- I. Appointment
 - A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following appointment(s) to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

#	Name of Partner Agency Worker:	Location:	Organization / Program:	Effective Dates:
1.	Rawlins, Maura	Peekskill Middle School	Westchester Jewish Community Services	Monday- Friday September 2, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
2.	Bases, Joanne	Oakside Elementary School, Peekskill High School	Bases & Bases Consulting, LTD.	Monday - Friday September 2, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
3.	Coleman, Britney	Peekskill Middle School	Student Assistance Services Corporation	Monday - Friday August 4, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
4.	Weller, Tammy	Uriah Hill Elementary School	Family Services of Westchester	Monday - Friday August 25, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
5.	Perry, Danielle	Uriah Hill Elementary School	Family Services of Westchester	Monday - Friday August 25, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
6.	Neira, Ana Melia	Uriah Hill Elementary School	Westchester - Putnam Therateam	Monday - Friday September 2, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

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.

^{***} For classroom teachers with prior tenure as a teacher (or administrators appointed after June 30, 2020) with prior tenure as a teacher or administrator

in a New York public school district or BOCES, the probationary term will be three years if there is proof of prior tenure.

**** Classroom Teachers with two years of Jarema Act Credit in this school district shall serve a two-year probationary term.

^ Appointment is contingent upon successful completion of the onboarding process and contingent upon obtaining required certification by the start date.

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 35 students for declassification, classification, review and/or placement.

12. Consent Agenda - Business/Finance

- A. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of July 2025

 That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of July 2025.
- B. Extension of Contract Chartwells Compass Group
 That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent
 of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Business that the Extension of the
 Food Service Management contract for the 2025-2026 school year with Chartwells
 Compass Group be approved with an increase per the May CPI of 3.4%, and
 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Education be authorized
 to sign said contracts.
- C. Contract BOCES/RIC ONE Risk Operations Center (ROC) WHEREAS, four (4) BOCES (Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES, Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES, Madison-Oneida BOCES and Broome-Tioga BOCES) have collaborated and entered into an Article 5 General Municipal Law intermunicipal arrangement for the purpose of improving vendor management and data security and privacy practices for school districts and/or BOCES statewide known as the RIC ONE Risk Operations Center (the "ROC"); WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District, through its affiliation with a locally based Regional Information Center, participates with the ROC and desires, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, to authorize the ROC to enter into Data Privacy Agreements and related exhibits (DPAs) with vendors and third-party contractors that include the requirements of, and compliance with, New York State Education Law Section 2-d and Part 121 Regulations (collectively, "Ed Law 2d") related to student personally identifiable information (PII) and certain Teacher and Principal APPR data;

WHEREAS, the ROC also partners with NYSED, the Access4Learning Student Data Privacy Consortium (SDPC) and The Education Cooperative (TEC), to negotiate

and approve Ed Law 2-d compliant DPAs;

WHEREAS, the DPAs are presented to school districts and/or BOCES for final execution and do not require the expenditure of funds beyond those budgeted; and

BE IT RESOLVED, Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District authorizes the attorneys designated by the ROC to negotiate and approve of DPAs for software and/or technology resources; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Peekskill City School District Board of Education grants the ROC and its designated attorneys the authority to negotiate the terms and conditions of DPAs and take such actions so as to effectuate the purposes and intent of this resolution.

D. Contract - Roy Escobar (DJ Esco)

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Roy Escobar (DJ Esco) commencing August 15, 2025 - June 30, 2026. Not to exceed \$7,000 (\$125: Athletics Game/Contest/Event; \$175: Baseball/Softball Games; \$200: Tackle Football Game/Track and Field Contests)

13. Other Agenda Items

- A. 2025/026 District Wide Safety Plan and Building-Level Emergency Response Plans That the Board of Education approve the District-Wide School Safety and Building-Level Emergency Response Plans for the 2025/2026 school year
- B. Meeting Date Change

That the Board of Education approve the date change to the following scheduled meeting:

Business Meeting September 23, 2025 will now be Business Meeting September 16, 2025

C. Updated DASA Building Level Coordinators

That the Board of Education approved the DASA Building Level Coordinators (PKMS - Iris Sepulveda, & Dr. James Gordon: PHS- Dr. Jenna Ferris, Dr. Naima Smith, & Christian Cabra) at the Reorganization Meeting on July 7, 2025 and THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the corrected DASA Building Level Coordinators:

PKMS – Heidi Maraquin

PHS - Mike Diago

14. Approving Consent Agenda

A. Approving Consent Agenda

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

Motion: Branwen MacDonald	Second: Amy	Vele
Yes: Mary Angel Flores	No:	Abstained:
Branwen MacDonald		
Frank Robinson, Jr.		
Amy Vele		
Jillian Villon		

Christina Washington

15. Committee Reports/Board Reflections

President Villon welcomed back all teachers for tomorrow and students next week. She is also excited about our capital work projects that are going on in the District.

- 16. Executive Session
- 17. Adjournment
 - A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Amy Vele	Second: Mary Angel Flores	
Yes: Mary Angel Flores Branwen MacDonald Frank Robinson, Jr. Amy Vele	No:	Abstained:
Jillian Villon		
Christina Washington		

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Carmery Mendez-Battle District Clerk

Minutes taken by Debra McLeod
Deputy District Clerk