

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

**BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FEBRUARY 2, 2021**

Board of Education

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

Central Office

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 Jenkins, Jr. at 6:02 p.m. in accordance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202 relating to the COVID-19 emergency this meeting is held by video conference, and In-person attendance will NOT be permitted. The District will provide video-conference links online, as well as a section for public comments via our BoardDocs website.

A. Recording of Attendance

Maria Pereira arrived late. Michael Simpkins was absent.

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) Police Department SRO and employment history of particular person(s) for the following positions: After School Program; Extra Curricular Activities. 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: Jillian Villon

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Samuel North
Jillian Villon

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 7:17 p.m.
Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Samuel North	Second: Branwen MacDonald
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson	No: _____ Abstained: _____
Allen Jenkins, Jr.	
Branwen MacDonald	
Samuel North	
Maria Pereira	
Jillian Villon	

3. Resume Public Meeting – In Person Attendance is Not Permitted

The meeting was reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Superintendent/Board President Report

A. [Peekskill Pride](#)

5. Hearing of Citizens

A. Public Participation at Board Meetings

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

6. Superintendent/President Report Continued

A. Superintendent's Report Continued

- Black History Month
- [Board of Education Update](#)
- [Woodside Presentation](#) - Rebecca Aviles Rodriquez, Presenter

President Jenkins, Jr. asked for a motion to add Nicholas Recuppio's probationary appointment to the personnel consent agenda.

Motion: Samuel North	Second: Maria Pereira
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson	No: _____ Abstained: _____
Allen Jenkins, Jr.	
Branwen MacDonald	
Samuel North	
Maria Pereira	
Jillian Villon	

7. Consent Agenda

A. Donation - Dick's Sporting Good Foundation

That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Business that, in accordance with Education Law 1718(2), to accept from The Dick's Sporting Good Foundation a donation of \$5,000.00 for the purchase of equipment for new track.

B. MOA- SRO Agreement

That the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District (hereinafter "Board") herewith authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to enter into an agreement with the City of Peekskill Police Department (CPPD) dated February 2, 2021. RE: SRO within the School District.

C. Personnel Agenda

Certificated

I. Resignation:

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

II. Retirement:

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

III. 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

IV. Appointment:

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

1. Name: John Kozloski
 Position: Permanent Substitute
 Certification: Physical Education, Initial
 Location: Peekskill Middle School
 Effective Start Date: February 4, 2021
 Effective End Date: June 25, 2021
 Salary: \$155/day as worked, without benefits. Not to exceed four (4) days/week, or twenty-eight (28) hours/week

2. Name: Nicholas Recuppio
 Position: Secretary to Chief School Officer (CSO)
 Location: Office of the Superintendent of Schools
 Probationary Start Date: August 1, 2020
 Probationary End Date: July 31, 2021
 Annual Salary: \$71,000 (Prorated)

	Employee:	Position/Program:	Effective Dates:	Stipend:
3.	Axa Quijada	Oakside After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract.

				NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
4.	Julia Levy	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
5.	Jennifer Badurski	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
6.	Marisa Anzovino	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
7.	Renee Hess	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
8.	Joseph Tama	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
9.	Peggy Owens	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
10.	Brandon LaBella	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
11.	Amanda Teeling	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
12.	Barbara Volpe	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill

				Faculty Association (PFA) contract. NYS School Improvement Grant funding (SIG 1003)
13.	Lisa Mannion	Peekskill High School Yearbook Club Advisor	2020-2021	\$5,519
14.	Vernon Merriweather	Modified Football Assistant Coach	2020-2021	\$4,165
15.	Jonathan Iasillo	Lifeguard	2020-2021	\$14.00 per hr.
16.	Anthony DiCuio	Lifeguard	2020-2021	\$14.00 per hr.
17.	Alana Donabie	Lifeguard	2020-2021	\$14.00 per hr.
18.	Jaime Guevara	Time Keeper	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
19.	Jaime Guevara	Scorekeeper	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract
20.	Jaime Guevara	Chains	2020-2021	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract

V. Correction:

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

Classified

I. Resignation:

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

i. Name: Elizabeth Ackerman
Position: Teacher Aide
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District
Effective: February 9, 2021
Last Day Worked: February 9, 2021

II. Retirement:

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

III. 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

IV. Appointment:

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

1. Name: Diane Spuler
Position: School Nurse (RN) -Shared
Program: Empire State After School Program
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Dates Effective: 2020-2021 School Year
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA).
2. Name: Tina La Belle
Position: School Nurse (RN) -Shared
Program: Empire State After School Program
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Dates Effective: 2020-2021 School Year
Stipend: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA).

V. Correction:

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

1. Name: Sophia Skolnick
Position: Leave Replacement Occupational Therapist (1.0 FTE)
Effective Start Date: August 31, 2020
Effective End Date: June 25, 2021
Salary: \$69, 616 (Prorated)
Action: Correct Effective Dates
2. Name: Vernon Merriweather
Position: Security Aide
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Program: Empire State After School Program
Effective Dates: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aide Association (PSSAA) Contract
Action: Primary Appointment (Non-Shared)
3. Name: Chemay Venero
Position: Security Aide Substitute
Location: Peekskill Middle School

- Program: Empire State After School Program
Effective Dates: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aide Association (PSSAA) Contract
Action: Appointment as Security Aide Substitute
4. Name: Ricky Gillison
Position: Security Aide Substitute
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Program: Empire State After School Program
Effective Dates: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aide Association (PSSAA) Contract
Action: Appointment as Security Aide Substitute
5. Name: Sheonna Ellis
Position: Security Aide Substitute
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Program: Empire State After School Program
Effective Dates: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aide Association (PSSAA) Contract
Action: Appointment as Security Aide Substitute
6. Name: Phillip Stiles
Position: Security Aide Substitute
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Program: Empire State After School Program
Effective Dates: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill School Security Aide Association (PSSAA) Contract
Action: Appointment as Security Aide Substitute
7. Name: Deborah Hauptman
Position: School Nurse (RN) -Shared
Program: Empire State After School Program
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Dates Effective: 2020-2021 School Year
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA).
Action: Appointment as Shared School Nurse (RN)

Student Teachers, Volunteers, Interns:

I. Appointment:

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

1. Name: Luis Perez
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Assigned to: Ana Aguero
College: Lehman College
Effective Dates: Spring 2021
2. Name: Tess Altebrando
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Woodside
Assigned to: Elizabeth Reilly
College: Pace University
Effective Dates: Spring 2021
3. Name: Danielle Prisco
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Woodside
Assigned to: Melina Cronin
College: Pace University
Effective Dates: Spring 2021
4. Name: Olivia Astrologo
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Uriah Hill
Assigned to: Yolanda Pagan
College: Pace University
Effective Dates: Spring 2021
5. Name: Caitlin Wallace
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Uriah Hill
Assigned to: Melissa Lepore
College: Pace University
Effective Dates: Spring 2021
6. Name: Vilmarie Feliciano
Request: Student Teaching
Location: Peekskill High School
Assigned to: Rachel Sabatini
College: Pace University
Effective Dates: Spring 2021

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 (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 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.

D. Approving Consent Agenda

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

Motion: Samuel North

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Jillian Villon

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____

Abstained: _____

8. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

9. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

B. Adjourn Executive Session

10. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Second: Jillian Villon

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Jillian Villon

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Debra McLeod

District Clerk