

Peekskill City School District  
1031 Elm Street  
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MARCH 7, 2023

Board of Education

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

Central Office

Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent  
Ms. Cynthia Hawthorne, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Mr. Jamal Lewis, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services  
Mr. Eudes Budhai Interim Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education  
Mrs. Rebecca Aviles-Rodriguez, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education  
Ms. Debra McLeod, District Clerk (Virtual)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President MacDonald. at 6:04 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Michael Simpkins 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: Leave Replacement Teachers (ENL, Mathematics, Special Education/Science ); Teaching Assistants; ENL Teacher; Permanent Substitute Teacher; Stipend Positions; School Monitor (Lunch); 1:1/Teacher Aides and Floater Teacher Aide; Classroom Teacher Aides; After School Food Services Administrator; and Student Teaching. The Board will (or may) take action after the executive session. 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: Samuel North

Second: Jillian Villon

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson  
Allen Jenkins, Jr  
Branwen MacDonald.  
Samuel North  
Eric Reveda  
Jillian Villon

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

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

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 7:04 p.m.  
Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Jillian Villon  
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson  
Allen Jenkins, Jr  
Branwen MacDonald.  
Samuel North  
Eric Reveda  
Jillian Villon

Second: Allen Jenkins, Jr.  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained:\_\_\_\_\_

3. Resume Public Meeting – 7:15 p.m.  
The meeting reconvened in the Ford Auditorium.
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Report of President/Superintendent
  - A. Superintendent's Report
    1. [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  
Educational Plan & Budget Workshop #3
    - [Technology](#) – Janice Reid
    - [Operations & Maintenance](#) – Carmine Crisci
7. Accepting of Minutes
  - A. Business Meeting January 24, 2023
  - B. Business Meeting/Work Session February 7, 2023
  - C. Approval of Minutes
  - D. BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the following minutes:  
Business Meeting January 24, 2023  
Business Meeting/Work Session February 7, 2023

Motion: Samuel North  
Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson  
Allen Jenkins, Jr  
Branwen MacDonald.  
Samuel North  
Eric Reveda

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained:\_\_\_\_\_

Jillian Villon

8. Consent Agenda

A. Personnel Agenda

Certificated

I. Resignation:

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

1. Name: Chelsea Johnson  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: February 10, 2023 (Last day worked 12/6/2022)
2. Name: Jerry Zehr  
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District (for the purpose of accepting a Teaching Assistant position in the District)  
Effective: February 17, 2023 (Last day worked 2/17/23)
3. Name: Michelle Anderson  
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District (for the purpose of accepting a Teaching Assistant position in the District)  
Effective: February 24, 2023 (Last day worked 2/17/23)
4. Name: Danielle Christ  
Position: Special Education Teacher  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: March 3, 2023 (Last day worked 3/3/23)
5. Name: Cami Basso  
Position: Physical Education Teacher  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: March 2, 2023 (Last day worked)

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: Christa Offenbacher  
Position: ENL Leave Replacement Teacher  
Certification: TESOL, Permanent  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Effective Start Date: March 31, 2023  
Effective End Date: June 23, 2023  
Salary: \$308 per day as worked, without benefits
2. Name: Jerry Zehr \*\*  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Certification: Physical Education, Permanent  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant  
Probationary Start Date: February 27, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 26, 2027  
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years  
Salary: \$33,340 (Prorated)
3. Name: Michelle Anderson \*\*  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Certification: Teaching Assistant, Initial  
Location: Oakside Elementary School  
Tenure Area: Teaching Assistant  
Probationary Start Date: February 27, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 26, 2027  
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years  
Salary: \$33,340 (Prorated)
4. Name: Sarah Peterson  
Position: Mathematics Leave Replacement Teacher  
(6th Assignment)  
Certification: Mathematics 7-12, Professional  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
Effective End Date: June 23, 2023  
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA)
5. Name: April Kellam

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| Position:             | Mathematics Leave Replacement Teacher<br>(6th Assignment)                               |
| Certification:        | Mathematics 7-12, Professional                                                          |
| Location:             | Peekskill High School                                                                   |
| Effective Start Date: | March 6, 2023                                                                           |
| Effective End Date:   | June 23, 2023                                                                           |
| Salary:               | Terms of employment are in accordance with<br>the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) |
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| 6. Name:              | Rahsaan Potillo                                                                         |
| Position:             | Mathematics Leave Replacement Teacher<br>(6th Assignment)                               |
| Certification:        | Mathematics 7-12, Professional                                                          |
| Location:             | Peekskill High School                                                                   |
| Effective Start Date: | March 6, 2023                                                                           |
| Effective End Date:   | June 23, 2023                                                                           |
| Salary:               | Terms of employment are in accordance with<br>the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) |
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| 7. Name:              | Minuse Thelusma                                                                         |
| Position:             | Mathematics Leave Replacement Teacher<br>(6th Assignment)                               |
| Certification:        | Mathematics 7-12, Professional                                                          |
| Location:             | Peekskill High School                                                                   |
| Effective Start Date: | March 6, 2023                                                                           |
| Effective End Date:   | June 23, 2023                                                                           |
| Salary:               | Terms of employment are in accordance with<br>the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) |
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| 8. Name:              | Jessica Van Galen                                                                       |
| Position:             | Mathematics Leave Replacement Teacher<br>(6th Assignment)                               |
| Certification:        | Mathematics 7-12, Professional                                                          |
| Location:             | Peekskill High School                                                                   |
| Effective Start Date: | March 6, 2023                                                                           |
| Effective End Date:   | June 23, 2023                                                                           |
| Salary:               | Terms of employment are in accordance with<br>the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) |
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| 9. Name:                 | Desiree Ferguson **         |
| Position:                | Teaching Assistant          |
| Certification:           | Teaching Assistant, Level I |
| Location:                | Peekskill Middle School     |
| Tenure Area:             | Teaching Assistant          |
| Probationary Start Date: | March 3, 2023               |

Probationary End Date: March 2, 2027  
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years  
Salary: \$33,340 (Prorated)

10. Name: Nina Reed \*\*  
Position: ENL Teacher  
Certification: ESOL, Professional  
Location: Oakside Elementary School  
Tenure Area: ENL  
Probationary Start Date: April 10, 2023  
Probationary End Date: April 9, 2027  
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years  
Salary: \$80,432 (MA, Step 6) (Prorated)

11. Name: Nicholas Agnello  
Position: Special Education/Science Leave  
Replacement Teacher (6th Assignment)  
Certification: Students With Disabilities - Grades 7-12 -  
Generalist, Professional  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
Effective End Date: March 31, 2023  
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with  
the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA)  
contract

12. Name: William Thompson  
Position: Special Education/Science Leave  
Replacement Teacher (6th Assignment)  
Certification: Students With Disabilities - Grades 7-12 -  
Generalist, Initial  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
Effective End Date: March 31, 2023  
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with  
the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA)  
contract

13. Name: Michael Telesco  
Position: Special Education/Science Leave  
Replacement Teacher (6th Assignment)  
Certification: Students With Disabilities - Grades 7-12 - Earth  
Science, Professional  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023

Effective End Date: March 31, 2023  
 Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract

14. Name: Jason Torres  
 Position: Special Education/Science Leave Replacement Teacher (6th Assignment)  
 Certification: Students With Disabilities (Grades 1-6), Initial  
 Location: Peekskill High School  
 Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
 Effective End Date: March 31, 2023  
 Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract

15. Name: Scott Tabone  
 Position: Special Education/Science Leave Replacement Teacher (6th Assignment)  
 Certification: Students With Disabilities - Grades 7-12 - English, Professional  
 Location: Peekskill High School  
 Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
 Effective End Date: March 31, 2023  
 Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract

16. Name: John Sotomayor  
 Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
 Certification: N/A - MA  
 Location: Peekskill Middle School  
 Effective Start Date: March 6, 2023  
 Effective End Date: June 23, 2023  
 Salary: \$120 per day as worked, without benefits (Not to exceed four (4) days per week or twenty-eight (28) hours per week)

	Employee:	Position/Program:	Effective Dates:	Stipend:
17.	Brian Cuzzi	Hillcrest Afterschool Program Teacher	February 9, 2023 - June 23, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA)

				contract (LEAP Grant Fund)
18.	Joanni Fernandez	PKMS Leap Extended Day Program Teaching Assistant	February 8, 2023 - June 23, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract (LEAP Grant Fund)
19.	Sean Dwyer	Woodside Afterschool Program Teacher	February 9, 2023 - June 23, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
20.	Heather Ausiello	Varsity (Girls) Softball Head Coach	Spring 2023	\$6,283
21.	Miranda Mattiace	Varsity (Girls) Track Head Coach	Spring 2023	\$6,283
22.	Alana Donabie	Varsity (Boys & Girls) Track Assistant Coach	Spring 2023	\$4,276
23.	Diane Eckhart	School Treasurer (MS)	2022-2023	\$2,836
24.	Ashley Martinez	Girls on the Run Advisor (shared)	2022-2023	\$425.50
25.	Jenna Burke	Girls on the Run Advisor (shared)	2022-2023	\$425.50
26.	Michelle Cruz	Girls on the Run Advisor (shared)	2022-2023	\$425.50
27.	Nigel Hatch	Modified Softball Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$1,571
28.	Michael Holliday	Modified Softball Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$1,571
29.	Dejea Shelton	Elementary Volleyball Intramurals Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$1,275
30.	Patricia Vernon	Elementary Volleyball Intramurals Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$1,275
31.	Lynn Holliman	MS Volleyball Intramurals (Girls) Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$709
32.	Rachel Sabatini	MS Volleyball Intramurals (Girls) Coach (shared)	Spring 2023	\$709
33.	Rachele Rice	Hillcrest After School Program Teacher	February 27, 2023 - June 23, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty



				Association's (PFA) contract
34.	Noel Cabassa	PHS Spring Night School Lead Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
35.	Christine Buckman	PHS Spring Night School Lead Teacher Substitute	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
36.	Sheree Gilchrest	PHS Spring Night School Counselor	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
37.	Michelle Rios	PHS Spring Night School College Counselor	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
38.	Maria Gordineer	PHS Spring Night School Financial Aid Assistant	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
39.	Todd Newby	PHS Spring Night School English Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
40.	Rachel Sabatini	PHS Spring Night School Social Studies Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
41.	Zorielle Rodriguez-Alcazar	PHS Spring Night School Social Studies Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
42.	Minuse Thelusma	PHS Spring Night School Mathematics Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty

				Association's (PFA) contract
43.	Susan Imhof	PHS Spring Night School Science Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
44.	Jessica Evans	PHS Spring Night School Science Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
45.	Jessica Van Galen	PHS Spring Night School Special Education Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract
46.	Jaclyn Baiata	PHS Spring Night School ENL Teacher	March 7, 2023 - May 31, 2023	Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association's (PFA) contract

V. Correction:

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

1. Name: Jose Fernandez  
Position: Varsity (Girls) Softball Head Coach  
Effective Dates: Spring 2023  
Stipend: \$6,283  
Action: Rescind appointment
2. Name: Heather Ausiello  
Position: Modified Softball Coach  
Effective Dates: Spring 2023  
Stipend: \$3,142  
Action: Rescind appointment
3. Name: Catherine McCabe  
Position: Varsity (Girls) Track Head Coach  
Effective Dates: Spring 2023  
Stipend: \$6,283  
Action: Rescind appointment
4. Name: Miranda Mattiace

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| Position:        | Varsity (Boys & Girls) Track Assistant Coach |
| Effective Dates: | Spring 2023                                  |
| Stipend:         | \$4,276                                      |
| Action:          | Rescind appointment                          |
5. Name: Ashley Aucar  
Position: Girls on the Run Advisor (shared)  
Effective Dates: 2022-2023  
Stipend: \$425.50  
Action: Correct stipend amount
6. Name: Melissa Mackhanlall \*\*  
Position: Reading Teacher  
Certification: Reading, Permanent  
Probationary Start Date: August 30, 2021  
Probationary End Date: September 21, 2025  
Length of Probation: Four (4) Years  
Action: Correct probationary end date due to non-paid leave of absence
7. Name: Margrethe Dasig  
Position: Music Leave Replacement Teacher  
Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Professional  
Location: Woodside Elementary School  
Effective Start Date: November 21, 2022  
Effective End Date: June 30, 2023  
Salary: \$69,456 (MA, Step 1) (Prorated)  
Action: Correct effective end date and salary amount
8. Name: Demetric Gardner  
Position: Intramurals Flag Football Coach  
Effective Dates: Spring 2023  
Stipend: \$2,550  
Action: Rescind appointment
9. Name: Nicolette Thompson  
Position: Elementary Leave Replacement Teacher  
Certification: Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Emergency COVID-19  
Location: Oakside Elementary School  
Effective Start Date: February 1, 2023  
Effective End Date: March 16, 2023  
Salary: \$244 per day as worked, without benefits  
Action: Correct effective end date

Classified

I. Resignation:

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

1. Name: Maria Santana  
Position: Clerical Substitute (Per Diem)  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: January 30, 2023 (Last day worked effective: 1/30/2023)
2. Name: Desiree Ferguson  
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide  
Location: Peekskill Middle School  
Action: Resignation from her position for the purpose of accepting a promotion with the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: March 2, 2023 (Last day worked effective: 3/1/2023)
3. Name: Tiffany Zippelli  
Position: Classroom Teacher Aide  
Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School  
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: March 14, 2023 (Last day worked effective: 3/14/2023)

II. Termination:

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

1. Employee ID Number: 4169  
Position: Jr. Administrative Assistant (Schools)  
Action: Termination of employment from the Peekskill City School District  
Effective: March 10, 2023 (Last day worked effective: 3/10/2023)

III. Retirement:

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

1. Name: Jose Cruz  
Position: Custodial Worker  
Location: Peekskill High School  
Action: Resignation for the purpose of retirement from the Peekskill City School District

Effective:

June 30, 2023 (Last day worked effective:  
6/30/2023)

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:

1. Name: Brionna Canada  
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide  
Location: Peekskill Middle School  
Probationary Start Date: February 13, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 12, 2024 (Anticipated)  
Salary: \$18,135.00 (Prorated)
2. Name: Tania Leon Villa  
Position: School Monitor (Lunch)  
Location: Oakside Elementary School  
Probationary Start Date: February 16, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 15, 2024 (Anticipated)  
Salary: \$15.00/hour. As worked, without benefits.
3. Name: Rebecca Dymes  
Position: 1:1/Floater Teacher Aide  
Location: Oakside Elementary School  
Probationary Start Date: February 27, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 26, 2024 (Anticipated)  
Salary: \$18,135.00 (Prorated)
4. Name: Amanda Rodrigues  
Position: Classroom Teacher Aide  
Location: Woodside Elementary School  
Probationary Start Date: February 27, 2023  
Probationary End Date: February 26, 2024 (Anticipated)  
Salary: \$16,740.00 (Prorated)
5. Name: Myrka Chunci  
Position: Classroom Teacher Aide  
Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School  
Probationary Start Date: March 7, 2023  
Probationary End Date: March 6, 2024 (Anticipated)  
Salary: \$16,740.00 (Prorated)
6. Name: Nefertiti Hall

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| Position:                | School Monitor (Lunch) Teacher Aide        |
| Location:                | Oakside Elementary School                  |
| Probationary Start Date: | February 27, 2023                          |
| Probationary End Date:   | February 26, 2024 (Anticipated)            |
| Salary:                  | \$15.00/hour. As worked, without benefits. |
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| 7. Name:                 | Isabella Chavarria           |
| Position:                | Classroom Teacher Aide       |
| Location:                | Uriah Hill Elementary School |
| Probationary Start Date: | March 1, 2023                |
| Probationary End Date:   | February 29, 2024            |
| Salary:                  | \$16,740.00 (Prorated)       |
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| 8. Name:                 | Erika Velez                 |
| Position:                | 1:1 Teacher Aide            |
| Location:                | Peekskill Middle School     |
| Probationary Start Date: | March 2, 2023               |
| Probationary End Date:   | March 1, 2024 (Anticipated) |
| Salary:                  | \$18,135.00 (Prorated)      |
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| 9. Name:         | Andrew Weisman                           |
| Position:        | After School Food Services Administrator |
| Program:         | After School Programs 2022-2023          |
| Dates Effective: | October 1, 2022-June 23, 2023            |
| Stipend:         | \$15,000.00 -Cafeteria Fund (Prorated)   |
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| 10. Name:        | Janely Cabrera                 |
| Position:        | 1:1 Teacher Aide               |
| Reason:          | Additional Health/Safety Needs |
| Dates Effective: | September 2022-June 2023       |
| Stipend:         | \$1,000.00 (Prorated)          |
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| 11. Name:        | Sebastiana Vaz                 |
| Position:        | 1:1 Teacher Aide               |
| Reason:          | Additional Health/Safety Needs |
| Dates Effective: | September 2022-June 2023       |
| Stipend:         | \$1,000.00 (Prorated)          |
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| 12. Name:        | Adriana Rios                   |
| Position:        | 1:1 Teacher Aide               |
| Reason:          | Additional Health/Safety Needs |
| Dates Effective: | September 2022-June 2023       |
| Stipend:         | \$1,000.00 (Prorated)          |
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| 13. Name: | Aylin Calderon Perez |
| Position: | 1:1 Teacher Aide     |

Reason: Additional Health/Safety Needs  
 Dates Effective: December 2022-June 2023 (7 Months)  
 Stipend: \$1,000.00 (Prorated)

14. Name: Imani Simpkins  
 Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide  
 Reason: Additional Health/Safety Needs  
 Dates Effective: September 2022-June 2023  
 Stipend: \$1,000.00 (Prorated)

VI. Correction:

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following staff correction(s) of appointment(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:

1. Name: Kelly Quinde  
 Request: Student Teaching  
 Location: Hillcrest Elementary School  
 Assigned to: Deanna Pelaccio  
 College: Mercy College  
 Effective Dates: March 1, 2023 - June 1, 2023

	Name of Partner Agency Worker:	Location:	Organization/Program:	Effective Dates
2.	Holly Fuca	Uriah Hill Elementary School	The Guidance Center of Westchester	February 6, 2023 - June 30, 2023

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.

9. 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 38 students for declassification, classification, review and/or placement.

B. Contract - Andrus Children's Center Residential Program

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Andrus Children Center Residential Program, commencing July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023 school year.

Rate for the Special Education Program is \$10,874 for July 1, 2022 - August 31, 2022; \$65,245 for September 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023.

Rate for the Maintenance/Residential Service is \$527.97/day for Reg-Institution and \$750.56/day for HTP-Restore.

C. Contract - The Westchester School

That the Board of Education approve the contract with the Westchester School, commencing July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023. The rate is set by the State Education Department.

10. Consent Agenda - Business/Finance

A. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Months of December 2022 and January 2023

That the Board of Education accept the General Fund Treasurer's Report for months of December 2022 and January 2023.

B. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of January 2023

That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of January 2023.

C. [Budget Appropriation Transfers - February 2023](#)

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for the month of February 2023.

D. Amended Contract - Inner Being Yoga



That the Board of Education approves to amend the original contract with Inner Being Yoga dated September 28, 2022, providing additional classes at Hillcrest and Oakside afterschool programs, increasing the contract amount by \$36,800. Not to exceed \$89,800.

E. Contract - Antonia Arts/(Middle School Afterschool Program)

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Antonia Arts (Middle School afterschool program) commencing February 11, 2023 - June 22, 2023. Not to exceed \$7,650.

F. Contract - June Campolongo

That the Board of Education approve the agreement with June Campolongo commencing February 6, 2023 - June 30, 2023. Daily rate \$725.

G. Contract - Health and Welfare Services

That the Board of Education approve the following contract for Health and Welfare Services provided to the children residing in Peekskill and attending non-public schools, for the 2022/2023 school year:

Elmsford UFSD – 2 students, \$1,024.92 per student

H. Contract - Paramount Hudson Valley Arts

That the Board of Education approve the following agreements with Paramount Hudson Valley Arts:

PHS Award Ceremony June 13, 2023; Not to exceed \$2,000

PKMS Graduation June 21, 2023; Not to exceed \$3,500

I. Contract - Cristian R. Solorza

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Cristian R. Solorza, commencing March 10, 2023 - June 30, 2023. Not to exceed \$2,400.

J. Contract - Westchester County Board of Elections

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Westchester County Board of Elections for the use of voting machines for the annual School Budget Vote and Election on May 16, 2023 at \$0 cost to the District.

K. Contract - Westchester Jewish Community Services (LGBTQ Foundational Knowledge)

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Westchester Jewish Community Services (LGBTQ Foundational Knowledge) to provide three (3) workshops on the date of March 10, 2023. Not to exceed \$2,800.

L. Award of Proposal - Transportation Advisory Services

That the Board of Education approve the award of proposal to Transportation Advisory Services commencing February 28, 2023 - August 31, 2023. Not to exceed \$1,300 (\$162.50/hr.) per diem.

M. Southern Westchester BOCES Cooperative Bid 2023-2024

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; School & Office Supplies; Fine Paper Supplies; Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment; Bakery Goods; Cafeteria Food Supplies; Custodial

Supplies; Custodial Paper Supplies; Lumber Supplies; Laser and Ink Jet Toners OEM; Microcomputer Hardware; Furniture, Storage, and Athletic Equipment  
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.

#### 11. Other Agenda Items

- A. Field Trip Over 100 Miles - Howe Caverns, Howes Cave, NY  
That the Board of Education approve the field trip over 100 miles for PHS 10th grade Earth Science classes will be visiting Howe Caverns, Howes Cave, NY on May 18th, 2023.
- B. Field Trip Over 100 Miles - New Jersey and Six Flags  
That the Board of Education approve the field trip over 100 miles for 72 PHS music students who will be traveling to New Jersey to attend a music competition and then to Six Flags on June 3rd, 2023.
- C. Proposal for Architectural/Engineering Services 2023 Capital Project - Mosaic Associates Architects  
That the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Assistant Superintendent for Business, and according to Section 103 of the New York State Municipal Law, that the Architectural/Engineering Services for capital project services be approved to Mosaic Associates Architects, subject to school district counsel's review.
- D. Acceptance of Internal Audit Report and Corrective Action Plan  
That the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District accepts the Internal Audit Report and the corrective action plan based on the internal audit report for the 2022-23 school year.

#### 12. Approving Consent Agenda

- A. Approving Consent Agenda  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 8.A. - 11.D.

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Allen Jenkins, Jr

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

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

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

Allen Jenkins, Jr

Branwen MacDonald.

Samuel North

Eric Reveda

Jillian Villon

13. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education

There were no citizens wishing to be heard.

Board Reflections:

Pamela Hallman-Johnson commented tonight was very celebratory for Black History and it is important. Peekskill is a diverse community with a sense of harmony that we try to perpetuate and continue to work towards. African Americans have made great contributions to the country and in the City of Peekskill. It is great to be recognized and remembered. Black History is 365 days a year.

Allen Jenkins, Jr. stated it was wonderful to see the Black History exhibit at Hillcrest. There was an Audit Committee meeting and Peekskill is in a good place. He thanked Cynthia Hawthorne for taking over the reigns as Business Official. Cyber security was one of their suggestions from the committee. Allen thanked Peekskill CSD for the recognition as a Board Member. The leadership in Peekskill makes being a Board member easy and sees the Board striving in the right direction, President MacDonald commented February was a jammed pack month with all the celebrations and the Gallery Walk PreK- high school. It's an integrated learning and great seeing it all come together.

The PTO is moving forward with fund raising. They will host a movie night fund raiser when the weather gets better. The PTO are a lot of fun and can really use volunteers (peekskillpto.org).

14. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

15. Adjournment in Memory of [Mrs. Christine \(Joan\) Bristol](#) and [Ms. Helen Martin](#)

A. Adjournment in Memory of Ms. Christine (Joan) Bristol and Ms. Helen Martin

There being no further business to come before the Board, President MacDonald asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting in memory of Ms. Christine (Joan) Bristol and Ms. Helen Martin.

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

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

Allen Jenkins, Jr

Branwen MacDonald.

Samuel North

Eric Reveda

Jillian Villon

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Debra McLeod  
District Clerk