

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

Board of Education

Mrs. Jillian Villon, President
Ms. Amy Vele, Vice President
Mr. Allen Jenkins, Jr.
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 6:09 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Amy Vele arrived late (6:30 p.m.) Mary Angel Flores 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 Mathematics Teacher; Per Diem and Permanent Substitute Teachers; Teaching Assistant Leave Replacement; Reading Teacher; 6th Assignments; ENL Leave Replacement Teacher; Certified/Classified Stipend Positions; Teacher Mentors/Mentees; Teacher Proctors; School Monitors (Lunch); 1:1 Teacher Aide; 1:1 Floater Teacher Aide; District Messenger; 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 7:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Second: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Branwen MacDonald

Frank Robinson, Jr.

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

C. Adjourn Executive Session – 7:11 p.m.

Motion to Move to Public Session

Motion: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Second: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Branwen MacDonald

Frank Robinson, Jr.

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

3. Resume Public Meeting – 7:16 p.m.

- Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium.

4. Report of President/Superintendent

A. Superintendent's Report

- [Peekskill Pride/Opening of Schools Update](#)

District Clerk, Carmery Mendez Battle administered the Oath of Office to our new ex-officio students [Thalia Martin](#) and [Ella Morel](#).

5. Hearing of Citizens

Michael Simpkins (Former BOE Member) welcomed the new ex-officio students to the District. Their voice is very important to the School Board.

President Villon asked for a motion to include Carmine Crisci's work agreement to the agenda.

Motion: Amy Vele

Second: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Branwen MacDonald

Frank Robinson, Jr.

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

6. Consent Agenda

A. Personnel Agenda

Certified:

I. Resignation:

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

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| 1. Name: | Karen Leggio |
| Position: | Teaching Assistant |
| Location: | Peekskill High School |
| Action: | Resignation from Peekskill City School District |
| Effective Date: | August 26, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Last Date Worked: | June 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:

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| 1. Name: | Griffin Brown |
| Position: | Leave Replacement Mathematics Teacher |
| Certification: | Mathematics (Grades 5-9), Initial
Mathematics 7-12, Initial |
| Location: | Peekskill Middle School |
| Effective Start Date: | August 27, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2026 (Anticipated) |
| Stipend: | \$350 per day, as worked, no benefits |
| 2. Name: | Marcus Kirlew^ |
| Position: | Per Diem Substitute Teacher |
| Certification: | N/A |
| Location: | Oakside Elementary School |
| Effective Start Date: | September 10, 2025 (Anticipated) |

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| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2026 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits |
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| 3. Name: | Catherine Panzanaro^ |
| Position: | Per Diem Substitute Teacher |
| Certification: | N/A - Pending |
| Location: | Woodside Elementary School |
| Effective Start Date: | September 10, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2026 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits |
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| 4. Name: | Jaelin Mott^ |
| Position: | Permanent Substitute Teacher |
| Certification: | Physical Education, Initial |
| Location: | Peekskill High School |
| Effective Start Date: | September 10, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2026 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits |
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| 5. Name: | Remy Espinal Paulino |
| Position: | Teaching Assistant Leave Replacement |
| Certification: | Teaching Assistant Level I |
| Location: | Hillcrest Elementary School |
| Effective Start Date: | September 10, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | October 15, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$125 per day, as worked, no benefits |
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| 6. Name: | Kate Gomes^ |
| Position: | Permanent Substitute Teacher |
| Certification: | Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Initial |
| Location: | Oakside Elementary School |
| Effective Start Date: | September 10, 2025 (Anticipated) |
| Effective End Date: | June 30, 2026 (Anticipated) |
| Salary: | \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits |
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| 7. Name: | Melissa Mackhanlall |
| Position: | Reading Teacher |
| Certification: | Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6,
Permanent; Reading Teacher, Permanent |
| Tenure Area: | Reading |
| Effective Date: | September 21, 2025 |
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| 8. Name: | Amelia Silverman |
| Position: | 6th Assignment (0.2 FTE) |

- Certification: Mathematics (Grades 7-12), Permanent
Location: Peekskill Middle 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.
9. Name: Laura Sullivan
Position: 6th Assignment (0.2 FTE)
Certification: Mathematics (Grades 7-12), Permanent
Location: Peekskill Middle 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.
10. Name: Josie Esposito
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Biology & General Science 7-12, Permanent
Location: Peekskill Middle 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.
11. Name: Sara Sora
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: English Language Arts (Grades 5-9) Professional
English Language Arts 7-12, Professional
Literacy (Grades 5-12), Professional
Students with Disabilities - Grades 7-12 - Generalist, Professional
Location: Peekskill Middle 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.
12. Name: Lenore Viola
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification:	English (Grades 7-12), Permanent
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
13. Name:	Pasquale Salvatore
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Social Studies (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
14. Name:	Owen Scully
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Social Studies (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
15. Name:	Pat Salvatorelli
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Biology (Grades 7-12), Professional General Science (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
16. Name:	Margaret McKay
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Literacy, Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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:	Keren Larkin
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Earth Science (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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:	Michael Tanzi
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Earth Science (Grades 7-12), Professional General Science 7-12 Extension, Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
19. Name:	Emily Di Cuio
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Social Studies (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location:	Peekskill Middle 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.
20. Name:	Stephen Witter
Position:	6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification:	Mathematics (Grades 7-12), Initial Students with Disabilities, Generalist (Grades 7-12), Initial
Location:	Peekskill High School
Effective Start Date:	September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date:	December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

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

21. Name: Jason Torres
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Students with Disabilities, (Grades 1-16), Initial
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

22. Name: Alana Oran
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Students with Disabilities, Generalist (Grades 7-12), Professional
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

23. Name: Nicholas Agnello
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Mathematics (Grades 7-12), Initial
Students with Disabilities, Generalist (Grades 7-12), Initial
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

24. Name: Christopher Kness
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Special Education, Permanent
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Start Date: September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)
Effective End Date: December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary:

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

25. Name:

Apryl Shillingford

Position:

6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)

Certification:

Students with Disabilities, Generalist (Grades 7-12), Initial

Location:

Peekskill High School

Effective Start Date:

September 2, 2025 (Anticipated)

Effective End Date:

December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)

Salary:

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

26. Name:

Maria Damato

Position:

ENL Leave Replacement Teacher

Certification:

English to Speakers of Other Languages, Professional

Location:

Peekskill Middle School

Effective Start Date:

October 6, 2025 (Anticipated)

Effective End Date:

June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)

Salary:

\$85,356 (MA, Step 6)

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
27.	Ferreira, Tereasa	Oakside Elementary School - Social Studies and Science Teacher Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
28.	Doino, Brittany	Peekskill City School District - Residency Coordinator	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,026 (Grant Funded)
29.	Finney, Carolee	Peekskill Middle School - Chamber of Orchestra	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,736 (General Fund)
30.	Roldan, Patricia	Peekskill Middle School - Drama Assistant Stage Crew Director	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$3,471 (General Fund)
31.	Lester, Katrina	Peekskill Middle School - Drama Assistant	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$3,471 (General Fund)

32.	Holden, James	Peekskill Middle School - Drama Director	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$4,629 (General Fund)
33.	Bolden, Melvin	Peekskill Middle School - Drama Sound A/V	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$868 (General Fund)
34.	Esposito, Josie	Peekskill Middle School - Environmental Awareness Club Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,893 (General Fund)
35.	Barnett, Sarah	Peekskill Middle School - Gardening Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$578.50 (Split) (General Fund)
36.	Sasaguay, Maryellen	Peekskill Middle School - Gardening Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$578.50 (Split) (General Fund)
37.	Aucar, Ashley	Peekskill Middle School - Girls on the Run (GOTR) Advisor	2025 -2026 School Year	\$434 (Split) (General Fund)
38.	Lehoczky, Nicole	Peekskill Middle School - Girls on the Run (GOTR) Advisor	2025 -2026 School Year	\$434 (Split) (General Fund)
39.	Martinez, Ashley	Peekskill Middle School - Girls on the Run (GOTR) Advisor	2025 -2026 School Year	\$434 (Split) (General Fund)
40.	Cruz, Michelle	Peekskill Middle School - Girls on the Run (GOTR) Advisor	2025 -2026 School Year	\$434 (Split) (General Fund)
41.	Carney, Norah	Peekskill Middle School - Jazz Band Director	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,736 (General Fund)
42.	Bolden, Natalie	Peekskill Middle School - Literary Magazine Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,446.50 (Split) (General Fund)
43.	Roldan, Patricia	Peekskill Middle School - Literary Magazine Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,446.50 (Split) (General Fund)
44.	Larkin, Keren	Peekskill Middle School - National Junior Honor Society	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$868 (Split) (General Fund)

45.	Burke, Jenna	Peekskill Middle School - National Junior Honor Society	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$868 (Split) (General Fund)
46.	Varuolo, Elizabeth	Peekskill Middle School - GO Treasurer	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,893 (General Fund)
47.	Quigley, Rebecca	Peekskill Middle School - Select Group (Formerly A Capella Group)	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,736 (General Fund)
48.	Kwartler, Paula	Peekskill Middle School - Sociedad De Amistad	2025 -2026 School Year	\$868 (Spilt) (General Fund)
49.	Aguero, Ana	Peekskill Middle School - Sociedad De Amistad	2025 -2026 School Year	\$868 (Spilt) (General Fund)
50.	Bolden, Melvin	Peekskill Middle School - Sound A/V - Building Level	2025 -2026 School Year	\$1,736 (General Fund)
51.	Di Cuio, Emily	Peekskill Middle School - Student Council Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$6,364 (General Fund)
52.	Mattaice, Miranda	Peekskill Middle School - Yearbook Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$4,629 (General Fund)
53.	Turner, Anthony	Professional Learning Community - New Hire Orientation	August 21, 2025 - August 22, 2025 (Anticipated)	\$60 per day (General Fund)
54.	Lombardo, Jennifer	Oakside Elementary School - PBIS Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
55.	Platt, Tara	Oakside Elementary School - Framework Coach	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
56.	Valenzuela, Valeria	Hillcrest Elementary School - Science and Social Studies Leader	2025 -2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
57.	D'Alfonso, Nhuvia	Hillcrest Elementary School - ENL Leader	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)

58.	Suarez, Diana	Hillcrest Elementary School - PBIS Leader	2025 -2026 School Year	\$2,000 (Grant Funded)
59.	Gillison, Joshua	Peekskill High School - Varsity Baseball Assistant Coach	Spring: March 11, 2026 – June 14, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$5,025 (General Fund)
60.	Gillison, Joshua	Chain Crew	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
61.	Gillison, Joshua	Score Keeper	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
62.	Gillison, Joshua	Chaperone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
63.	Siciliano, Karen	Chain Crew	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
64.	Siciliano, Karen	Score Keeper	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
65.	Siciliano, Karen	Chaperone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
66.	Florez, Alexander	Score Keeper	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
67.	Florez, Alexander	Time Keeper	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
68.	Florez, Alexander	Chaperone	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$45 per hour (General Fund)
69.	Chandler, Kyron	Peekskill High School - Varsity (Girls) Basketball Assistant Coach	Winter: November 13, 2025 - March 10, 2026 (Anticipated)	\$6,046 (General Fund)

#	Teacher Mentor	Teacher Mentee	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
1.	Charitssa Thandi	Jessica Almazan	2025 - 2026 School	\$1,559

			Year	(Title Grant Funded)
2.	Nancy Castro	Zuleyma Del Valle	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
3.	Axa Quijada	Tatiana O' Connor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
4.	Katrina Lester	Eliza Falk	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
5.	Nancy Castro	Lena Elsamra	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
6.	Shannon Connor	Carina Cortes	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
7.	Marie Ann Biggind	Tara Platt	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
8.	Teresa Ferreira	Marcel Jorge	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
9.	Margaret Mckay	Timur Bravo	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
10.	Norah Carney	Rebecca Quigley	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
11.	Maryellen Sasaguay	Shiara Beers	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
12.	Tricia Schultz	Brian Etchechury	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)

13.	Michelle Cruz	Daniela Antunes	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)
14.	Jonathan lasillo	Anthony Turner	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,559 (Title Grant Funded)

VI. Correction:

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

1. Name: Jessica Cabrera Guzhnay
Position: Bilingual School Psychologist
Certification: Bilingual Education (Pps/Admin), Provisional Extension; School Psychologist, Provisional
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Action: Adjusting Salary
Salary: \$108,739 (MA+45, Step 7)

2. Name: Karina Alvarado
Position: Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), Initial
Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
Action: Correcting Salary
Salary: \$73, 707 (MA, Step 1)

3. Name: Rahsaan Potillo
Position: 6th Assignment (0.20 FTE)
Certification: Students with Disabilities Mathematics Grades 7-12, Professional
Location: Peekskill High School
Effective Dates: August 27, 2025 - December 31, 2025 (Anticipated)
Action: Rescind 6th Assignment Appointment
Salary: Terms of employment are in accordance with the Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) Contract.

4. Name: Jasmyn Lucas

Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
 Certification: N/A
 Location: Peekskill Middle School
 Effective Date/s: August 27, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Action: Rescind Appointment
 Salary: \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits

5. Name: Elle Lastihenos
 Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
 Certification: Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) Initial
 Location: Uriah Hill Elementary School
 Effective Date/s: August 27, 2025 - June 30, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Action: Rescind Appointment
 Salary: \$175 per day, as worked, no benefits

6. Name: Charles Fardales
 Position: Physical Education Teacher
 Certification: Physical Education, Professional
 Location: Oakside Elementary School
 Tenure Area: Physical Education
 Probationary Start Date: January 24, 2022
 Probationary End Date: April 23, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Action: Correcting Tenure Date

7. Name: Kelly Quinde
 Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
 Certification: N/A
 Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
 Effective Start Date: August 27, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Effective End Date: June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Action: Correcting Position
 Salary: \$140 per day, as worked, no benefits

#	Teacher Proctor:	Program /Position:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
8.	Leiny Thoms Lopez	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
9.	Jessica Van Galen	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
10.	Daneila Antunes	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)

11.	Daysi Suero	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
12.	Nina Lopez	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
13.	Christine Buckman	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
14.	Briegh Garulli	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
15.	Frank Cancro	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
16.	Tania Winthal	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
17.	Patricia Johnson	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
18.	Natalie Adams Bolden	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
19.	Jaclyn Lennane	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
20.	Michael Telesco	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
21.	Kiah Mahy	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
22.	Alana Donabie	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
23.	Shirley Machado	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
24.	Angela Byrne	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
25.	Todd Newby	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
26.	April Kellam	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)

27.	Stephanie Ramirez	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
28.	Lisa Mannion	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
29.	Flor Ruiz	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
30.	Christopher Coomey	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
31.	Ralph Rodriguez	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
32.	Scott Tabone	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
33.	Laura Corcoran	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
34.	Jessica Evans	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
35.	Susan Imhof	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
36.	Joshain Fernandez	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
37.	Emily Di Cuio	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
38.	Frank Hurley	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
39.	Maryellen Sasaguay	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
40.	Apryl Shillingford	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
41.	Leslie Ishoo	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$60 per hour (General Fund)
42.	Regina Camacho	Peekskill High School - August Regents Proctor	August 19, 2025 - August 20, 2025	\$50 per hour (General Fund)

Classified:

I. Resignation:

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

1. Name: Max Popolizio
Position: Classroom/Lunch Teacher Aide
Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: June 28, 2025
Last Date Worked: June 27, 2025
2. Name: Serima Scott
Position: 1:1/Floater Teacher Aide
Location: Oakside Elementary School
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: June 28, 2025
Last Date Worked: June 27, 2025
3. Name: Susan Hernandez
Position: School Monitor (Lunch)
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: June 28, 2025
Last Date Worked: June 27, 2025
4. Name: Wesley Mojica
Position: District Messenger
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: September 6, 2025
Last Date Worked: September 5, 2025
5. Name: Odalis Alvarez Martinez
Position: School Monitor (Lunch)
Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District
for the Purpose of Accepting a Promotion
Effective Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
Last Date Worked: September 9, 2025 (Anticipated)

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: Cathleen Sniffen
Position: Classroom/Lunch Teacher Aide
Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
Action: Resignation from Peekskill City School District
for the Purpose of Retirement

Effective Date: June 28, 2025
Last Date Worked: June 27, 2025

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:

1. Name: Remy Espinal Paulino
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide
Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
Action: Non Paid Leave of Absence
Effective Date/s: September 10, 2025 through October 15, 2025
(Anticipated)

V. Appointment:

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

1. Name: Michael Perez^
Position: 1:1 Teacher Aide
Location: Peekskill High School
Status: Probationary
Probationary Start Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: September 9, 2026 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$21,313.39 (Prorated)
2. Name: Gevalia Harriot^
Position: School Monitor (Lunch)
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Status: Probationary
Probationary Start Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
Probationary End Date: September 9, 2026 (Anticipated)
Salary: \$17.00/hour, as worked, without benefits.
3. Name: Christine Reagan^
Position: School Monitor (Lunch)
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Status: Probationary

Probationary Start Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Probationary End Date: September 9, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$17.00/hour, as worked, without benefits.

4. Name: Theresa Carrabino^
 Position: District Messenger
 Status: Probationary
 Probationary Start Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Probationary End Date: September 9, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$30.00/hour, as worked, without benefits.

6. Name: Odalis Alvarez Martinez
 Position: Lunch/Classroom Teacher Aide
 Location: Hillcrest Elementary School
 Status: Probationary
 Probationary Start Date: September 10, 2025 (Anticipated)
 Probationary End Date: September 9, 2026 (Anticipated)
 Salary: \$21,313.39 (Prorated)

#	Employee:	Position / Program:	Effective Date/s:	Stipend:
7.	Merriweather, Vernon	Peekskill Middle School - Crafts and Cooking Advisor	2025 - 2026 School Year	\$1,736

VI. Correction:

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

1. Name: Damiao Dossantos
 Position: Maintenance Mechanic (Bldgs)
 Dates Effective: July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026
 Description: Asbestos/Contractor License
 Action: Correct stipend amount
 Stipend: \$1,500.00

2. Name: Robert Paulson
 Position: Maintenance Mechanic (Bldgs)
 Dates Effective: July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026
 Description: Plumbing License
 Action: Correct stipend amount
 Stipend: \$5,000.00

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: Nick Paliocha
Request: Student Teaching Experience
Location: Peekskill Middle School
Assigned to: Ashley Martinez
College/University: CUNY Lehman College
Effective Date/s: September 10, 2025 - December 31, 2025
(Anticipated)

#	Name of Partner Agency Worker:	Location:	Organization / Program:	Effective Dates:
2.	Marin, Kelly	Peekskill High School	Student Assistance Services	Monday - Friday August 27, 2025 - June 30, 2026 (Anticipated)
3.	Link, Ana	Uriah Hill Elementary School	The Guidance Center of Westchester	Tuesday, Wednesday 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.

B. 2025-2026 Personnel Work Agreement

That the Board of Education approves the 2025-26 work agreement, letters of benefits and salary and authorizes the Superintendent to execute such work agreements for the following personnel effective July 1, 2025:

Name; Title 2025-26 Proposed Salary

Carmine Crisci; Director of Facilities, \$215,701

C. Budget Transfer

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Transfer request for \$25,000 to cover internal audit services for NIST Gap Analysis.

D. Contract - Healthy Kids Extended Day Program

That the Board of Education approves the Service Agreement with Healthy Kids for the Extended Day Program for the 2025-2026 school year.

E. Contract - LearnWell

That the Board of Education approve the contract with LearnWell, commencing July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026. Compensation will be at the rate of \$72 per hour for the number of hours requested through the Homebound Instruction Request form.

F. Contract - TheraTeam LLC

That the Board of Education approve the contact with TheraTeam LLC, commencing July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 to provide 1:1 related services for students that would include Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech Therapy as per services mandated by a students IEP.

G. Amended Building-Level Emergency Response Plans 2025/2026

That the Board of Education approve the amended Safety and Building-Level Emergency Response Plans for the 2025/2026 school year.

H. Meeting Date Change

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

Business Meeting September 16, 2025 will now be Business Meeting September 30, 2025

I. [Disposal of Assets - Athletics](#)

That the Board of Education approve the disposal of assets according to policy #6900 Disposal of District Property as per attached.

J. Contract - Tyler McCormick

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Tyler McCormick, commencing July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025 to provide Audio/Visual services as needed. Including but not limited to sound set up, video recordings, streaming services, and other A/V related tasks.

K. Amendment to Contract – Ameresco Inc.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District ("District") approved the Energy Performance Contract between the District and Ameresco, Inc. ("Ameresco") (the "Agreement") at its August 27, 2024 public Board of

Education meeting; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement, including the scope of work, attachments, schedules, energy conservation measures and exhibits, were submitted to the New York State Education Department ("NYSED") for review and approval pursuant to the Regulations of the Commissioner of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the District and Ameresco desire to amend the Agreement to include modifications to the terms of the Agreement, and/or modifications required by the NYSED in accordance with the terms and conditions of the First Contract Amendment;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District hereby approves the First Contract Amendment to the Agreement between the District and Ameresco, subject to SED's final review and approval of said First Contract Amendment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon the District's receipt of SED's approval of the First Contract Amendment, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said First Contract Amendment between the District and Ameresco on behalf of the Board of Education.

L. Stipulation of Settlement

That the Board of Education approve the Stipulation of Settlement dated this September 9, 2025. for A.M. and W.M individually and o/b/o P.M. Term July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

M. Stipulation of Settlement

That the Board of Education approve the Stipulation of Settlement dated this September 9, 2025. for J.J. by parent S.J. Term: July 1, 2025 -June 30, 2026

N. Addendum to Stipulation of Settlement

That the Board of Education approve the Addendum to the Stipulation of Settlement dated this September 9, 2025. for J.J. by parent S.J. Term: July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

O. Stipulation of Settlement

That the Board of Education approve the Stipulation of Settlement dated this September 9, 2025. for P.L.A. by parent R.P. Term July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

P. Addendum to Stipulation of Settlement

That the Board of Education approve the Addendum to the Stipulation of Settlement dated this September 9, 2025. for P.L.A. by parent R.P. Term July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026.

Q. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 6.A. - 6.P.

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Frank Robinson, Jr.

Second: Amy Vele

No: _____

Abstained:_____

Amy Vele
Jillian Villon
Christina Washington

7. Executive Session

8. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Second: Frank Robinson, Jr.

Yes: Allen Jenkins, Jr.

No: _____ Abstained: _____

Branwen MacDonald

Frank Robinson, Jr.

Amy Vele

Jillian Villon

Christina Washington

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Carmery Mendez-Battle
District Clerk

Minutes taken by Debra McLeod
Deputy District Clerk