

Peekskill City School District
1031 Elm Street
Peekskill, New York

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUGUST 13, 2020

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
Mr. Michael Simpkins

Central Office

Dr. David Mauricio, Superintendent
Ms. Robin Zimmerman, Assistant Superintendent for Business
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 4:33 p.m. Until further notice, the Board of Education will conduct its future meetings by video conference. In-person attendance will NOT be permitted. The decision to meet via video conference has been made in accordance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202 relating to the COVID-19 emergency.

A. Recording of Attendance

Michael Simpkins arrived late.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Consent Agenda

A. BOCES 2020/2021 Service Contract

That the Board of Education approve the service contract with PNW/BOCES for the 2020/2021 school year.

B. Budget Transfer

That the Board of Education approves the August 2020 Budget Transfers.

C. Donation - Daisy Jopling

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 Daisy Jopling Foundation a donation of \$1,500 for the online music classes.

D. Personnel Agenda

Certificated

I. Resignation

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

1. Name:	Jonathan Harrison
Position:	Teaching Assistant

Location: Peekskill Middle School
Action: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective: August 30, 2020 (Last day worked June 26, 2020)

II. Leave of Absence

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following non-paid leave of absence to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Hannah Brown
Position: Special Education Teacher
Action: Non Paid Leave of Absence
Effective: August 31, 2020 through June 30, 2021

III. Retirement

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

1. Name: James Senning
Position: Science Teacher
Location: Peekskill High School
Action: Retirement from the Peekskill City School District
Effective: August 15, 2020 (Last day worked June 26, 2020)

IV. Appointment

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

1. Name: Melissa Neyer
Position: Music Teacher (LOA)
Certification Status: Music – Initial
Effective Date: August 31, 2020
Effective End Date: June 25, 2021
Salary: \$67,585 MA, Step 1
2. Name: Haughton Brown
Position: ENL Teacher (0.6 FTE)
Certification Status: English to Speakers of Other Languages – Professional
Effective Date: August 31, 2020
Effective End Date: June 25, 2021
Salary: \$88,976 (.6 FTE) MA + 45, Step 3
3. Name: Nina Lopez**
Position: Elementary Teacher
Certification: Early Childhood Education & Childhood Education – Initial
Tenure Area: Elementary
Probationary Start Date: August 31, 2020
Probationary End Date: August 30, 2024
Length of Probation: Four (4) years
Salary: \$73,423 MA, Step 4
4. Name: Michelle Galdamez

	Position:	Elementary Teacher (LOA)
	Certification Status:	Early Childhood Education & Childhood Education – Initial
	Effective Date:	August 31, 2020
	Effective End Date:	June 25, 2021
	Salary:	\$67,585 MA, Step 1
5.	Name:	Anne Happel
	Position:	School Social Worker
	Certification:	School Social Worker - Provisional
	Tenure Area:	School Social Worker
	Probationary Start Date:	August 31, 2020
	Probationary End Date:	August 30, 2024
	Length of Probation:	Four (4) years
	Salary:	\$90,862 MA + 45, Step 4
6.	Name:	Kristen Aviles
	Position:	Permanent Substitute Teacher
	Location:	Woodside
	Certification Status:	Childhood Education (1-6) & Students with Disabilities (1-6) – Initial
	Effective Start Date:	August 31, 2020
	End Date:	June 25, 2021
	Salary:	\$155 per day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days/week, (28 hrs/week, no benefits)
7.	Name:	Charitssa Taveras
	Position:	Permanent Substitute Teacher
	Location:	Woodside
	Certification Status:	Childhood Education (1-6) & Students with Disabilities (1-6) – Emergency COVID
	Effective Start Date:	August 31, 2020
	End Date:	June 25, 2021
	Salary:	\$155 per day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days/week, (28 hrs/week, no benefits)
8.	Name:	Vera Ramos Rodriguez
	Position:	Permanent Substitute Teacher
	Location:	Oakside
	Certification Status:	Childhood Education (1-6) & Students with Disabilities (1-6) – Initial
	Effective Start Date:	August 31, 2020
	End Date:	June 25, 2021
	Salary:	\$155 per day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days/week, (28 hrs/week, no benefits)
9.	Name:	Claire McLaughlin
	Position:	Permanent Substitute Teacher
	Location:	Oakside

Certification Status:

Childhood Education (1-6) & Students with Disabilities (1-6) – Initial

Effective Start Date:

August 31, 2020

End Date:

June 25, 2021

Salary:

\$155 per day as worked, not to exceed four (4) days/week, (28 hrs/week, no benefits)

<u>Employee:</u>	<u>Position/Program:</u>	<u>Effective Dates:</u>	<u>Stipend:</u>
10. Michele Bass	Grade 3 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
11. Troy Lepore	Grade 3 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
12. Melissa Fianza	Grade 3 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
13. Gabrielle Curry	Grade 2 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
14. Jennifer Feliz	Grade 3 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
15. Ashley Fernandez	Grade 4 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
16. Michelle VanRiper	Grade 2 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA

			Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
17.Amanda Zaccardi	Grade 1 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
18.Nancy Castro	Grade 3 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
19.Jennifer Badurski	Grade 4 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
20.Jennifer Rodriguez	Grade 1 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
21.Heydi Marquez	Grade 5 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
22.Marlix Hernandez	Grade 5 Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
23.Anilda Eliazar	Special Education Teacher; Mathematics Curriculum Writing	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract. Not to exceed 12 hours per staff. (Grant Funded – SIG)
24.Ann Hoskins	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)

25.Alexis Vazquez	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)
26.Marlix Hernandez	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)
27.Milagros Guzman	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)
28.Jennifer Feliz	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)
29.Nancy Castro	Teacher Facilitator; Kindergarten ENL Screening	Summer 2020	Terms of employment are in accordance with the PFA Contract.(Grant Funded- Title I)

Classified

I. Appointments

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

1. Name: Jan Wells
Position: After Hours Clerical Support
Location: Oakside Elementary School
School Year: 2020–2021 School Year
Stipend: \$750.00
2. Name: Sherly Velez
Position: After Hours Clerical Support
Location: Woodside Elementary School
School Year: 2020–2021 School Year
Stipend: \$1,250.00

II. Corrections:

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

II. Resignations

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

1. Name: Marisa Chiera
Position: Office Assistant (Automated Systems)
Location: Woodside Elementary School
Reason: Resignation from the Peekskill City School District
Effective Date: August 17, 2020

III. Student Teachers, Volunteers, Interns

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following candidates for student teaching and internship to the Board of Education for approval: N/A

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.

E. 2020/2021 District Wide Safety Plan

That the Board of Education approve the 2020/2021 District Wide Safety Plan.

F. MOU Amendments for the 2020/2021 District Wide Safety Plans

That the Board of Education approve the following MOU amendments for the 2020/2021 District Wide Safety Plans:

Wisdom Protective Services

City of Peekskill Police Department

G. MOU - City of Peekskill Police Department (Placement of School Resource Officers (SROs)

That the Board of Education approve the MOU with the City of Peekskill Police Department for the placement of School Resource Officers (SROs) within the School District for the 2020/2021 school year.

H. Approving Consent Agenda

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

Motion: Samuel North

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Jillian Villon

3. Proposed Executive Session Subject to Board Approval

A. Adjourn to Executive Session – 4:36 p.m.

(Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing contracts)

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

Second: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

No: _____ Abstained:_____

B. Adjourn Executive Session – 8:45 p.m.

Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

Second: Michael Simpkins

No: _____ Abstained:_____

4. Resume Public Meeting

5. Adjournment – 8:45 p.m.

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Branwen MacDonald

Yes: Pamela Hallman-Johnson

Allen Jenkins, Jr.

Branwen MacDonald

Samuel North

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Jillian Villon

Second: Michael Simpkins

No: _____ Abstained:_____

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Debra McLeod
District Clerk