

Peekskill City School District  
1031 Elm Street  
Peekskill, New York

BUSINESS MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

Board of Education

Mrs. Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon, President  
Mr. Richard Sullivan, Vice President  
Mr. Douglas Glickert  
Mrs. Maria Pereira  
Mr. Michael Simpkins  
Mr. Colin Smith  
Mrs. Jillian Villon

Central Office

Dr. David Fine, Superintendent  
Ms. Robin Zimmerman, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Dr. Joseph Mosey, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services  
Mr. Daniel Callahan, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education  
Mrs. Mary Foster, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education  
Ms. Debra McLeod, District Clerk

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Aspinall-Kellawon at 5:33 p.m. in the George Birdas room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Michael Simpkins and Colin Smith arrived late. Doug Glickert left at 7:00 p.m., Michael Simpkins left at 7:20 p.m., and Maria Pereira left at 7:40 p.m.

2. Proposed Executive Session

A. Open Meeting

- (Note: The Board will enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a particular contractual and personnel items. The public part of the meeting will open at approximately 6:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Doug Glickert

Second: Richard Sullivan

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Doug Glickert

Maria Pereira

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

C. Adjourn Executive Session (7:00 p.m.)

Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Michael Simpkins  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Doug Glickert  
Maria Pereira  
Michael Simpkins  
Colin Smith  
Richard Sullivan  
Jillian Villon

Second: Richard Sullivan  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Resume Public Meeting
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance  
The meeting was reconvened in the Ford Auditorium at 7:02 p.m.
4. Hearing of Citizens
  - A. Public Participation at Board Meetings  
There were no citizens wishing to be heard.
5. Superintendent/Board President Report
  - A. Superintendent/President Report
    1. [Educational and Planning Budget Workshop #3](#) presented by Robin Zimmerman
      - [Operation and Facilities](#) presented by Carmine Crisci
      - [Technology](#) presented by Janice Reid
  - B. Contracts Under \$10,000  
Manhattanville College/Woodside School; Provide a Professional Development liaison;  
March 1, 2017 - February 28, 2017; \$5,000
  - C. Grants/Donations Under \$5,000  
Molly Burnett and Serge Budzyn /PHS - Smart Start Program; \$200
6. Old Business
  - A. New Agenda Item
7. New Business
  - A. New Agenda Item
8. Policy Readings
  - A. Second Reading: Policy #0100 & Regulations/Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity
  - B. Second Reading: Policy #1900 & Exhibits/Parental and Family Engagement
  - C. Second Reading: Policy #5151 & Regulation/Homeless Children
  - D. Second Reading: Policy #5152 & Regulation/Admission of Non-Resident Students
  - E. Second Reading: Policy #5300.60 Student Searches and Interrogations (TABLED)  
Motion to Table Second Reading: Policy #5300.60 Student Searches and Interrogations

Motion: Michael Simpkins  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Maria Pereira  
Michael Simpkins  
Colin Smith  
Richard Sullivan  
Jillian Villon

Second: Richard Sullivan  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

- F. Approval of Policies  
BE IT RESOLVED that the BOE approves the following policies:  
[100 & Regulation; Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity](#)  
[1900 & Exhibits 1, 2; Parental and Family Engagement](#)

[5151 & Regulation; Homeless Children](#)  
[5152 & Regulation; Admission of Non-Resident Student](#)

Motion: Michael Simpkins  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Maria Pereira  
Michael Simpkins  
Colin Smith  
Richard Sullivan  
Jillian Villon

Second: Richard Sullivan  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Accepting of Minutes
  - A. Approval of Minutes
10. Consent Agenda - Personnel
  - A. Personnel Agenda
    - Certificated
      - I. Resignation
        - A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following teacher resignation to the Board of Education for approval:  
NONE
      - 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: Nhuvia D'Alfonso  
Position: English As A Second Language Teacher  
Request: Leave without pay  
Effective Dates: March 28, 2017 through June 23, 2017
          2. Name: Christine Otero (Richard Sullivan abstained)  
Position: Special Education Teacher  
Reason: Leave of Absence; non-paid  
Effective Dates: February 6, 2017 through March 31, 2017
    - III. Appointments
      - A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following appointments to the Board of Education for approval:
        1. Name: Jessica Marrone  
Position: Art Teacher- LOA  
Certification Status: Visual Arts Education (K-12)  
Effective Dates: February 27, 2017 to May 26, 2017  
Salary: \$244 per day, as worked; no benefits
        2. Name: Kimberly Saxton  
Position: Athletic Director- LOA  
Effective Start Date: February 6, 2017  
End Date: March 31, 2017 (Anticipated)  
Stipend: \$50/per day

3. Name: Raul Ortiz  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Baseball; Head Coach  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$5,131
4. Name: Anthony DiCuio  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Softball; Head Coach  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$5,131
5. Name: Jose Fernandez  
Position: 2016-2017 JV Softball; Head Coach  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$3,592
6. Name: Sean Dwyer  
Position: Modified Softball Coach  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$2,565
7. Name: Paul Piliero  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Track Coach- Boys  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$5,131
8. Name: Frederick Howard  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Track Coach- Girls  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$5,131
9. Name: Michael Tanzi  
Position: 2016-2017 Modified Track Coach-Boys  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$2,565
10. Name: Donald Shropshire  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Tennis Coach - Boys  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$3,078
11. Name: James Senning  
Position: 2016-2017 Varsity Lacrosse – Boys; Assistant Coach  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$3,848
12. Name: Jonathan lasillo  
Position: 2016-2017 Equipment Manager  
Effective Date: Spring Season  
Salary: \$2,465

13. Name: Amanda Smith  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Elementary Teacher (6<sup>th</sup>)  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$48/hour teaching time  
\$40/hour preparation time
14. Name: Elizabeth Boyle  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Elementary Teacher (6<sup>th</sup>)  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$48/hour teaching time  
\$40/hour preparation time
15. Name: Jonathan Harrison  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Social Studies Teacher  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$48/hour teaching time  
\$40/hour preparation time
16. Name: Rahsaan Potillo  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Mathematics Teacher  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$48/hour teaching time  
\$40/hour preparation time
17. Name: Andrea Brown  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Substitute Teacher  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$48/hour teaching time
18. Name: Robin Hayward  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$38/hour
19. Name: Tamikha Sims  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Teaching Assistant  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$38/hour
20. Name: Artilda Markolaj  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Teaching Assistant Substitute  
Effective Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>

Stipend: \$38/hour

Classified

I. Appointments

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

1. Name: Teresa Commisso  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Clerical  
Effective Dates: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: Contractual Hourly rate
2. Name: Mary Haward  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Security Aide  
Effective Dates: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: Contractual Hourly rate
3. Name: Vernon Merriweather  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Security Aide substitute, as needed  
Effective Dates: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: Contractual Hourly rate
4. Name: Tamika Sims  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Morning Program  
Position: Door Monitor (AM); substitute, as needed  
Effective Date: February 15, 2017  
Stipend: \$14 per hour
5. Name: Stephanie Dabbs  
Program: 2016-2017 LEAP Saturday Academy  
Position: Door Monitor (AM); substitute, as needed  
Effective Dates: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
Stipend: \$14 per hour

IV. Resignations

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following resignations to the Board of Education for approval:  
NONE

V. 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:

1. Name: Robert Muller  
Request: Student Teaching  
Location/Mentor: High School;Carolyn Hall  
Effective dates: March 27, 2017 through May 19, 2017
2. Name: Jordan Lyons \*

Request: Volunteer; Hillcrest Community School Initiative  
Location: Hillcrest; Afterschool program  
Effective dates: February 15, 2017

3. Name: Destiny Wamack \*  
Request: Classroom observation (8 hours)  
Location/ Teacher: High School; Kevin. Dwyer  
Effective dates: February 15, 2017 – March 31, 2017

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 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.

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

Motion: Colin Smith  
Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon  
Maria Pereira  
Colin Smith  
Richard Sullivan  
Jillian Villon

Second: Richard Sullivan  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: Richard Sullivan (10.A.II.A.2.)

## 11. Consent Agenda - Special Services

### A. Special Services/Committee on Special Education

That the Board of Education approve the Recommendation of the District's Committee on Special Education for the following thirty-two (32) students for declassification, classification, review and/or placement:

STUDENT ID # MEETING TYPE DETERMINATION PROGRAM

43773 Program Review Continue Classification SC

46161 Initial Classified ICT

46417 Initial Classified RSO

45031 Initial Classified ICT

44055 Program Review Continue Classification SC

45402 Program Review Continue Classification SC

41005 Program Review Continue Classification CT

43801 Initial Classified ICT

47370 Amendment Continue Classification ICT

47320 Initial Ineligible n/a

42105 Program Review Continue Classification SC

40221 Program Review Continue Classification CT

42923 Amendment Continue Classification ICT

46262 Amendment Continue Classification ICT

47168 Transfer Continue Classification SC

47241 Amendment Continue Classification SC

47501 Transfer Continue Classification SC

44049 Program Review Continue Classification SC

46434 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

44281 Amendment Continue Classification SC

47239 Amendment Continue Classification SC

19075 Program Review Continue Classification CT

44224 Initial Classified ICT

40352 Amendment Continue Classification SC

47504 Program Review Continue Classification SC

43097 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

40173 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

5447 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

46500 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

40844 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

44875 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

40280 Section 504 Initial Eligible n/a

B. Contract - Ossining Union Free School District

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Ossining Union Free School District to provide School Year 2016-17 educational program for two students with disabilities, at a cost of \$65,510 each. Funding is from High Cost Tuition allocated from the General Fund.

12. Consent Agenda - Business/Finance

A. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Month of December 2016

That the Board of Education accept the General Fund Treasurer's Report for month of December 2016.

B. Budget Appropriation Transfers -December 2016

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for the month of December 2016.

C. Extraclassroom Activities - December 2016

That the Board of Education, accept the December 2016 financial statements for the Peekskill High School and Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Accounts.

D. SOUTHERN WESTCHESTER BOCES COOPERATIVE BID



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, General School Supplies, Office Supplies, Fine Paper Supplies, Audio Visual Supplies & Equipment; Custodial Supplies; Trash Liners; Custodial Paper Supplies; Laser and Ink Jet Toners OEM & Compatibles; Lumber Supplies; Microcomputer Hardware; Office & Classroom Furniture and Graphing Calculators

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.

E. Health and Welfare Services

That the Board of Education approve the following contracts for Health and Welfare Services provided to the children residing in Peekskill and attending non-public schools, for the 2016/2017 school year:

Harrison Central School District; 1 student; \$1,074.25 per pupil

Somers Central School District; 48 students; \$1,079.49 per pupil

Yorktown Central School District; 21 students; \$1,133.13

F. Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art (HVCCA)

That the Board of Education approve the contract with Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art (HVCCA) for in school programs commencing January 1, 2017 through December 30, 2017 in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 11.A. – 12.F.

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Second: Colin Smith

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

Maria Pereira

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

13. Other Agenda Items

A. Resolution to Ensure that the Peekskill City School District Continues to be a Welcoming Community of Learners

WHEREAS, the Peekskill City School District seeks to keep its students, faculty, staff and visitors safe and seeks to ensure that they are treated equally regardless of immigration status; and

WHEREAS, immigration law is a Federal concern;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Peekskill City School District shall not participate in confirming and/or determining any individual's immigration status except to the extent required by law.

14. Approving Consent Agenda

A. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda item 13.A.

Motion: Colin Smith

Second: Richard Sullivan

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

Maria Pereira

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

15. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

A. Guidelines to Speak to the Board of Education

There were no citizens wishing to be heard

16. Committee Reports/Board Reflections

- A. President Aspinall-Kellawon stated as a reminder the upcoming Legacy Awards at the middle school, the Blood Drive at the high school and that this is Black History Month. Colin Smith commented he attended Peekskill Basic's and it was well received.

17. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

B. Adjourn Executive Session

18. Adjournment

A. Adjournment

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

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Second: Colin Smith

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.  
Minutes taken by Robin Zimmerman

Debra McLeod  
District Clerk