

Peekskill City School District  
1031 Elm Street  
Peekskill, New York

**BUSINESS MEETING/WORK SESSION  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MARCH 1, 2016**

Board of Education

Mr. Colin Smith, President  
Mrs. Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon, Vice President  
Mr. Douglas Glickert  
Mrs. Maria Pereira  
Mr. Michael Simpkins  
Mr. Richard Sullivan  
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 Smith at 5:06 p.m. in the George Birdas Room.

A. Recording of Attendance

Jillian Villon arrived late. Doug Glickert left at 8:00 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 7:00 p.m.)

B. Adjourn to Executive Session

Motion to Adjourn Meeting in order to enter to Executive Session

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

Doug Glickert

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Second: Michael Simpkins

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

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

Colin Smith  
Richard Sullivan

C. Adjourn Executive Session  
Motion to Re-Open Meeting

Motion: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

Second: Doug Glickert

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Doug Glickert

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

3. Resume Public Meeting

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was reconvened in the George Birdas Room at 7:12 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. Educational Plan and Budget/Budget Framework; Budget Workshop #4

The following administrators presented to the Board their PowerPoints:

- Special Education – Joyce Long
- Operations and Facilities – Carmine Crisci
- Technology Update – Janice Reid
- Budget Update – Robin Zimmerman
- SmartBond – Janice Reid, Carmine Crisci and Robin Zimmerman

B. Contracts Under \$10,000

Dr. Fine read into the minutes the following contracts under \$10,000:

- CAMP Inc./PHS; Advantage after-school program, Elton Brand Academy; March 1, 2016 - February 28, 2017; \$0
- Red House Entertainment/ Paramount of the Hudson Valley; Rental for the Middle and High School graduations in June 2016; \$8980.00
- Westchester County Board of Elections Agreement/PHS; Use of Voting Machines for Annual Budget Vote and Election;\$0
- Cablevision of Rockland/Ramapo LLC /PHS; District free Wi-Fi for the outside grounds; \$0

C. Donations/Grants under \$5,000

Dr. Fine read into the minutes the following donations/grants under \$5,000:

- Mark and Maryellen Phelan/Smart Start; \$300.00

- Donorschoose.org/a Woodside Kindergarten classroom; Various instructional materials, Valued at approximately \$1,500
- Mr. Andrew Barthelmes; Sculpture donation titled, *Unoccupied*.

6. Old Business

7. New Business

8. Policy Readings

A. First Reading/Policy #4710 Grading Systems

B. First Reading/Policy #5100 Comprehensive Attendance Policy

C. First Reading/Policy #6900 Disposal of District Property

D. Second Reading/Policy # Interscholastic Athletics and Extra Curricular Eligibility

E. Accepting of Policies

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the following policies:  
Interscholastic Athletic and Extra Curricular Eligibility

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Second: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Doug Glickert

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

9. Accepting of Minutes

A. Business Meeting/Work Session January 12, 2016

B. Business Meeting January 19, 2016

C. Joint Meeting with Peekskill Common Council January 27, 2016

D. Business Meeting/Work Session February 2, 2016

E. Approval of Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the following minutes:

Business Meeting/Work Session January 12, 2016

Business Meeting January 19, 2016

Joint Meeting with Peekskill Common Council January 27, 2016

Business Meeting/Work Session February 2, 2016

Motion: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

Second: Michael Simpkins

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Doug Glickert

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

## 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:

1. Name: Allyson Winston  
Position: Permanent Substitute teacher  
Location: High School  
Effective: January 21, 2016 (Close of business)
  
2. Name: Tasha Buchler  
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
Location: Oakside  
Effective: February 8, 2016 (Close of business)
  
3. Name: Fay Pacht  
Position: Drama Assistant  
Location: PHS  
Salary: (Antic. Stipend \$3,018) reduced to \$1,509  
Effective: February 9, 2016 (Close of business)
  
4. Name: Lauryn Carley  
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher  
Location: Oakside  
Effective: March 4, 2016 (Close of business)

#### 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. NONE

#### III. Appointments

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

1. Name: Melissa Nicolosi  
Position: Elementary teacher; leave replacement  
Certification Status: Childhood Education; initial  
Location: Hillcrest  
Effective Date: March 29, 2016 (Anticipated)  
Start Date: March 29, 2016 (Anticipated)  
End Date: June 24, 2016  
Salary: \$244/day worked
  
2. Name: Lauryn Carley  
Position: Elementary teacher; leave replacement

Certification Status: Early Childhood and Childhood Education;  
Initial  
Location: Oakeside  
Effective Date: March 7, 2016 (anticipated)  
Start Date: March 7, 2016 (anticipated; 12 weeks)  
End Date: June 3, 2016  
Salary: \$244/day worked

B. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 permanent substitute appointments for the 2015-2016 school year, at the rate of \$120.00 per day (no benefits), to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Benjamin Faber  
Certified: Mathematics (7-12) and Students w/Disabilities (7-12); Initial  
Location: High School  
Effective: February 22, 2016 through June 24, 2016 (Monday through Thursday)  
Salary: \$120.00/day, as worked; not to exceed four days (28 hours/week), no benefits

2. Name: Deirdre Hickey  
Certified: Early Childhood & Childhood Education; Initial  
Location: Oakeside  
Effective: March 2, 2016 – June 24, 2016 (Mondays through Thursdays)  
Salary: \$120.00/day; per diem as worked; not to exceed four days (28 hours/week), no benefits

3. Name: Jewel VanOrd  
Certified: Nursery, Kindergarten and Grades (1-6); Permanent  
Location: Oakeside  
Effective: March 8, 2016 through June 24, 2016 (Tuesdays through Fridays)  
Salary: \$100/day; per diem as worked; not to exceed four days (28 hours/week), no benefits

C. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following substitute teacher appointments for the 2015-2016 school year to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Lauryn Carley

Certified:	Early Childhood and Childhood Education; Initial
Effective:	June 4, 2016 through June 24, 2016
Salary:	\$100/day; per diem as worked; not to exceed four days (28 hours/week), no benefits

D. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 Extra Co-curricular; athletic appointments for the school year to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Michael Telesco	Modified Wrestling- Head Coach	Stipend: \$1,257
2. Anthony DiCuio	Varsity Softball- Head Coach	Stipend: \$ 5,030
3. Jose Fernandez	JV Softball- Head Coach	Stipend: \$ 3,521
4. Sean Dwyer	JV Baseball- Head Coach	Stipend: \$ 3,521
5. Andrew Kane	Modified Baseball-Head Coach	Stipend: \$ 2,515
6. Donald Shropshire	Varsity Tennis (Boys)	Stipend: \$ 3,018
7. Paul Piliro	Spring Track (Boys)	Stipend: \$ 5,030
8. Troy Lepore	Varsity Lacrosse- Head Coach	Stipend: \$ 5,030
9. James Senning	Varsity Lacrosse- Asst. Coach	Stipend: \$ 3,772
10. Peter Capozzelli	Softball; Varsity - Assistant Coach	Stipend: \$3,521
11. William Moran	Varsity Track (Girls) - Head Coach	Stipend: \$5,030

E. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 LEAP; Saturday Academy, appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

Session Dates: February 27, March 5, 12, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14  
 Teachers: 8:00 AM - 8:30 AM, Prep time \$40 hour; Teaching time 8:30 AM-11:30 AM, \$48 hour

1. Gloria Blackman	6 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher
2. Elizabeth Boyle	6 <sup>th</sup> grade teacher
3. Crystal Garcia	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade teacher
4. Rahsaan Pottillo	Secondary Mathematics
5. Jonathan Harrison	Secondary Social Studies
6. Josie Esposito	Lead Teacher 7:30 AM -1:00 PM (paid an extra 2 hours per session)
7. Melissa Nicolosi	Substitute teacher

Teaching Assistants: Teaching time 8:30 AM -11:30 AM, \$38/hour  
 Session Dates: February 27, March 5, 12, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14

8. Sharon Grey	Teaching Assistant
9. Robin Hayward	Teaching Assistant

Clerical Support: 7:30 AM -1:00 PM, \$ per contractual rate  
 Session Dates: February 27, March 5, 12, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14

10. Elizabeth DeMicco	Clerical
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Security Aides: 8:00 AM -11:30 AM

Session Dates: February 27, March 5, 12, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14

11. Vernon Merriweather	Security Aide	\$ per contractual rate
12. Mary Haywood	Security Aide	\$ per contractual rate
13. Stephanie Dabbs	Security Aide	\$14/hour

F. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 LEAP; Extended Day, appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Mary Haywood  
Program: 2015-2016 LEAP; Extended Day Program  
Position: Security Aide  
Salary: \$ Contractual hourly rate

2. Name: Dan Moran  
Program: 2015-2016 LEAP; Extended Day Program  
Position: Security Aide  
Salary: \$ Contractual hourly rate

3. Name: Christine Otero  
Program: 2015-2016 LEAP; Extended Day Program  
Position: Teacher Substitute  
Salary: \$48/hour

G. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Pasquale Salvatore  
Position: TRICA instructor (PD)  
Salary: Instruction: \$48/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)  
Prep: \$40/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)

2. Name: Christine Otero  
Position: TRICA instructor (PD)  
Salary: Instruction: \$48/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)  
Prep: \$40/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)

3. Name: Tara Platt  
Position: Balanced literacy instructor (PD)  
Salary: Instruction: \$48/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)  
Prep: \$40/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)

4. Name: Tara King  
Position: Balanced literacy instructor (PD)  
Salary: Instruction: \$48/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)  
Prep: \$40/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)

5. Name: Mercedes Torres

Position: Spanish instructor (PD)  
Salary: Instruction: \$48/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)  
Prep: \$40/hour (not to exceed 15 hours)

H. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 Framework Coach appointments to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Ellen Jones  
Position: Framework Coach  
Location: High School  
Stipend: \$1,000  
(Estimated 25 hours beyond contractual work day)- Grant Funded

2. Name: Michael Telesco  
Position: Framework Coach  
Location: High School  
Stipend: \$1,000  
(Estimated 25 hours beyond contractual work day)- Grant Funded

#### IV. Tenure

A. The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following 2015-2016 tenure candidate to the Board of Education for approval:

1. Name: Maria Stratigeas  
Position: Pre -K, Elementary Teacher  
Location: Uriah Hill  
Effective: February 23, 2016

#### Classified

##### I. Appointments

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

1. Name: Clinton Travis  
Position: Maintenance Mechanic II (Bldgs.)  
Location: District Wide  
Probationary Start date: February 24, 2016  
Probationary End date: February 23, 2017  
Salary: \$ 65,259

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

1. Name: Lillian Cruz  
Position: Teacher Aide  
Location: Uriah Hill  
Effective: March 2, 2016 through June 30, 2016

##### II. Resignations



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

1. Name: Eufemio Quintero  
Position: Teacher Aide (1:1)  
Location: Middle School  
Effective: February 2, 2016 (Last day worked 2/2/16)
  
2. Name: Johanna Campoverde  
Position: Teacher Aide  
Location: Uriah Hill  
Effective: March 4, 2016(Close of business)

III. Student Teachers, Volunteers

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

1. Name: Eve Hausler  
Request: Volunteer: WJCS; Young People program  
Location: High School  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 through June 24, 2016
  
2. Name: Alana Donabie \*  
Request: Volunteer; K. Kadin, B. Kavorovic  
Location: Woodside  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 through June 24, 2016
  
3. Name: Daniel Lent\*  
Request: Volunteer; L. Panzanaro  
Location: Basketball  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 – June 24, 2016
  
4. Name: Patricia Erickson  
Request: Volunteer; M. Daniels  
Location: Uriah Hill  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 – June 24, 2016
  
5. Name: Glenn Tompkins\*  
Request: Volunteer; J. Liburd  
Location: Hillcrest  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 – June 24, 2016
  
6. Name: Shania Minard\*  
Request: Volunteer (classroom); C. Hardiman  
Location: Woodside  
Effective Dates: February 24, 2016 – June 24, 2016
  
7. Name: Dalia James

Request: Student teaching; T. Ferreira  
Location: Oakside  
Effective Dates: March 22, 2016 – May, 2016  
College/University: New Paltz

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.

## 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 twenty-nine (29) students for declassification/ classification and/or placement:

STUDENT ID # MEETING TYPE DETERMINATION  
46815 Amendment Continue Classification  
47009 Transfer Classified  
44409 Program Review Continue Classification  
47016 Transfer Classified  
47017 Transfer Classified  
47018 Transfer Classified  
40368 Program Review Continue Classification

45183 Section 504-Initial Eligible  
44927 Initial Classified  
44916 Amendment Continue Classification  
46961 Program Review Continue Classification  
44257 Program Review Continue Classification  
44714 Parent Request Continue Classification  
42377 Manifestation Continue Classification  
43972 Amendment Continue Classification  
45289 Amendment Continue Classification  
45420 Program Review Continue Classification  
43279 Program Review Continue Classification  
45753 Initial Classified  
40618 Section 504-Initial Eligible  
42229 Amendment Continue Classification  
44873 Initial Classified  
46411 Initial Ineligible  
46056 Amendment Continue Classification  
44769 Amendment Continue Classification  
44392 Amendment Continue Classification  
44460 Program Review Continue Classification  
40136 Transfer Classified

B. Contract - Lakeland Central School District

That the Board of Education approves the contracts with Lakeland CSD for three Out of District students who are attending Special Education programs in Lakeland Schools for the 2015-16 school year. 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 2015

That the Board of Education accept the General Fund Treasurer's Reports for month of December 2015.

B. Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the Month of January 2016

That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Auditor's Report for the month of January 2016.

C. Budget Appropriation Transfers - December 2015

That the Board of Education approves the Budget Appropriation Transfers for the month of December 2015.

D. Extraclassroom Activities - December 2015

That the Board of Education, accept the December 2015 financial statements for the Peekskill High School and Middle School Extraclassroom Activity Accounts.

E. Contract - Health and Welfare Services

That the Board of Education approves the following contracts for Health and Welfare Services provided to the children residing in Peekskill and attending non-public schools, for the 2015/2016 school year:

Bedford Central School District

Valhalla Union Free School District; \$980.06; 1 student

Harrison Central School District; \$1,088.11; 1 student

F. Emergency Replacement of PHS Generator

WHEREAS, upon investigation, the School District has determined that the generator at Peekskill High School is no longer operational and is in need of replacement/repair; and

WHEREAS, the School District has determined that said condition threatens the health, safety and welfare of its students and staff; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education declares the replacement of the generator at Peekskill High School to be an emergency as a result of the aforesaid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education authorizes the replacement of the generator as an ordinary contingent expense of the Board and authorizes the Superintendent, or his designee, to take all steps necessary to remediate said condition.

G. 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; 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.

H. Shared Services Agreement/City of Peekskill

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District previously executed an agreement with the City of Peekskill, dated April 18, 2013, for shared facilities services, and now desires to amend such agreement;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Peekskill City School District hereby approves and adopts the annexed amendment to said agreement and

authorizes the School District's Assistant Superintendent for Business to execute such amendment, through to June 30, 2018.

13. Other Agenda Items

A. Side Letter of Agreement - Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA)

That the Board of Education approve the Side Letter of Agreement with Peekskill Faculty Association (PFA) dated February 23, 2016 pertaining to the revised evaluation forms/rubrics.

B. Purpose Statements

That the Board of Education approves the following Extra-classroom Activities:

Peekskill Middle School:

Art Club

Peekskill High School:

Christa McAuliffe Environmental Club

Debate Club

Interact

Irish Culture Club

Jazz Ensemble

Marching Band

Orchestra

4H Gardening Club

Josephine Williams - Environmental Awareness

Junior Class

Math Competition Team

National Honor Society

Math Honor Society

14. Approving Consent Agenda

A. Approving Consent Agenda

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves Consent Agenda items 10.A. - 13.B.

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Second: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

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

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 Smith asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Richard Sullivan

Second: Maria Pereira

Yes: Lisa Aspinall-Kellawon

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

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

Maria Pereira

Michael Simpkins

Colin Smith

Richard Sullivan

Jillian Villon

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Debra McLeod

District Clerk