

August 11, 2015

The regular monthly business meeting of the Port Jefferson School District Board of Education was held on August 11, 2015 at Edna Louise Spear Elementary School. Present at the 6:00 p.m. call to order by President Kathleen Brennan, were Vice-President Mark Doyle, Board Members Ellen Boehm, Adam DeWitt, Robert Ramus, Vincent Ruggiero, and Tracy Zamek, Superintendent of Schools Kenneth Bossert, Assistant Superintendent for Business Sean Leister, and District Clerk Janice Baisley.

Motion was made by Mr. Ruggiero, seconded by Mrs. Boehm, and carried 7-0 that the Board enter executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Attending executive session from 6:20 p.m. – 6:51 p.m. was a candidate for the High School Assistant Principal position. Mr. Leister exited with the candidate at 6:51 p.m. Mr. Leister returned at 7:00 p.m.

At 7:35 p.m., the Board reentered general session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Brennan opened the public comment portion of the meeting. There were no comments.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Boehm and carried 7-0 that the Board approve the minutes of the following meetings:

Reorganization & Regular Meeting held July 13, 2015

REPORTS

The Superintendent of Schools reported on preparation of buildings for school opening and new hires.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mr. Ruggiero, seconded by Dr. Doyle that as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve Personnel resolutions numbered 1 - 23 appearing on the August 11, 2015 consent agenda and walk-in resolutions 24 and 25. Motion to approve Personnel resolutions 1-25 carried 7-0. Mrs. Brennan acknowledged the retirements in resolutions 19 – 23.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mr. DeWitt, and carried 7-0, that as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve Finance resolutions numbered 1 - 7 appearing on the August 11, 2015 consent agenda.

Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Boehm, and carried 7-0, that as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve Facilities and Operations resolution numbered 1 appearing on the August 11, 2015 consent agenda.

Motion was made by Mrs. Boehm, seconded by Mrs. Zamek, and carried 7-0, that as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approve Education resolutions numbered 1 - 2 appearing on the August 11, 2015 consent agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion was made by Mr. Ramus, seconded by Dr. Doyle and carried 7-0 that the following Board committees be established for the 2015-2016 school year:

Audit – Chairperson Ellen Boehm, Vincent Ruggiero, Kathleen Brennan

Curriculum – Chairperson Mark Doyle, Adam DeWitt, Tracy Zamek

Facilities – Chairperson Vincent Ruggiero, Ellen Boehm, Tracy Zamek

Finance – Chairperson Robert Ramus, Kathleen Brennan, Vincent Ruggiero

Policy – Chairperson Adam DeWitt, Mark Doyle, Robert Ramus

Dr. Bossert reported that administrative liaisons would be assigned to the committees as follows:

Audit – Sean Leister

Curriculum – Maureen Hull

Facilities – Fred Koelbel

Finance – Sean Leister

Policy – Jodi Cahill / Kenneth Bossert

Dr. Bossert asked Facilities Committee members for their availability to tour the facilities prior to school opening. A tentative date for the tour was scheduled for September 2, 2015, at 5 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Zamek initiated discussion regarding the Board taking a stance on the governor's reform agenda and sharing it with the community. Discussion ensued. Motion was made by Mr. Ruggiero, seconded by Mr. Ramus and carried 7-0 that the Curriculum Committee prepare a proposed statement regarding the reform for the Board to review.

Dr. Bossert distributed a draft schedule of board meeting presentations and asked for feedback from the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Brennan opened the second public comment portion of the meeting.

A.Lustig – Common Core, LIPA, Spring Street School lease extension, Drive-it-Right Program

B.Snow – open dialogue on issues facing public education, use of measurable data

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:48 p.m., motion was made by Mr. Ruggiero, seconded by Mr. DeWitt and carried 7-0 that the Board enter executive session to discuss matters relating to negotiations. The District Clerk left the meeting and Mrs. Brennan acted as Clerk pro tem.

At 9:57 p.m., the Board reentered general session. Motion was made by Dr. Doyle, seconded by Mrs. Zamek, and carried 7-0 to adjourn.

CONSENT AGENDA

August 11, 2015

A. Personnel

1. Extension of Leave

The Board approves the request of Kimberly Berg Pelkonen, teacher of Elementary Education, for an extension of her current leave of absence until on or about January 4, 2016, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

2. Extension of Leave

The Board approves the request of Jeanette Garofola, teacher of Special Education, for an extension of her current leave of absence to on or about February 22, 2016, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

3. Extension of Leave

The Board approves the request of Kerri Neligon, Guidance Counselor, for an extension of her current leave of absence until on or about April 18, 2016, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

4. Request for Leave

The Board grants the request of Melissa Corey, teacher of Elementary Education, for a leave of absence from on or about September 2, 2015 to on or about January 4, 2016, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

5. Extension of Leave Replacement Appointment

The Board extends the leave replacement appointment of Christina Marino, teacher of Special Education, (for Jeanette Garofola) to on or about February 22, 2016, at level MA Step 1, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

6. Leave Replacement Appointment

The Board approves the appointment of Jennifer Walling, as a .7 FTE teacher of Elementary Education, on a leave replacement basis (for Kimberly Berg Pelkonen), effective on or about September 2, 2015 to on or

about January 4, 2016, at Level MA60 Step 7, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

7. Leave Replacement Appointment

The Board approves the appointment of Janelle Bellotti as a teacher of Elementary Education, on a leave replacement basis (for Melissa Corey), effective on or about September 2, 2015 to on or about January 4, 2016, at Level MA30 Step 6.5, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers' Association.

8. Appointment - .8 FTE Physical Education/Health Teacher

The Board approves the appointment of Madeline Combs, as a .8 FTE teacher of Physical Education/Health Education, effective September 2, 2015, at Level BA Step 1, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

9. Substitutes

The Board approves the following substitute appointments for the 2015-2016 school year:

<u>Teacher</u>	
Michele Aponte	Jennifer Juhas-DePaoli
Sonia Azzam	Aroona Khan
Janelle Bellotti	Jessica Lombardi
Debra Benowitz	Irene Mazzeo
Melissa Bernstein	Jason Mehl
Janet Brancaccio	Allyson Nuss
Vanessa Carro	Susan O'Donnell
Barbara Cawley	Joyce Orrigo
Danielle Citro	Thea Panebianco
Madeline Combs	Melissa Papaleo
Robert Conlin	Sharon Pavulaan
Mary Connell	Joan Sandstrom
Lisa Costa	Ann Schwartz
Barbara Covello-Mazlin	Dawn Shackles
Michael Crisci	Priyanka Singh
Samantha Davidson	Maribeth Siskind
Alyssa DePinto	Karen Trapani
Eileen DeSimone	Jennifer Walling
Isabella DiCaterino	Eileen Weilbacher
Korey Falconi	Susan Whitman
Andrea Femoyer	Katy Wilkinson
Amanda Greco	Denise Williams
Melissa Harechmak	Irma Ana Wolber
Donna Higgins	Allyson Wolff

Teaching Assistant

Michele Aponte
Melissa Bernstein
Lisa Costa
Annmarie Fassino
Andrea Femoyer
Irene Mazzeo
Melissa Papaleo
Lorraine Serabian
Karen Trapani
Katy Wilkinson
Allyson Wolff

Teacher Aide

Michele Aponte
Debra Benowitz
Korey Falconi
Annmarie Fassino
Andrea Femoyer
Lorraine Serabian
Amy Stumpf

Custodian

Michael Crisci

Nurse

Kathleen Ferrara
Linda Love

10. Coaches

The Board approves the following coaching recommendations for the 2015-2016 school year, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association:

Appointment	Varsity Volleyball	Colleen Bellois (pending CPR & FA)
Appointment	Junior Varsity Volleyball	Nicole Spalma (pending TCL)
Appointment	7/8 Field Hockey	Madeline Combs
Appointment	7/8 Cross Country	Philip Giannusa
Rescind Appointment	7/8 Boys Soccer	Peter Esposito
Appointment	7/8 Boys Soccer	Ian Schneider (pending TCL)

11. Extra Class Assignment

The Board approves the following extra class assignments for the 2015-2016 school year, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association:

Robert Farenga - Foreign Language Grade 6, .1 FTE Fall Semester
Jesse Rosen – HS/Government, .1 FTE Fall Semester

12. Facility Use Monitors

The Board approves the following Facility Use Monitor appointments, for service as needed, for the 2015-2016 school year, at the rate of \$20.00 per hour:

Constance Bermel	Stephen Iturrino
Regina Booker	Bonnie Kelsch
MaryKay Butera	Traci McGlynn
Elizabeth Cavanagh	Stephanie Miazga
Maureen Colon	Johanna O'Hara
Bernadine Devlin	Hope Post
Tracy Gray	Lynne Scofield
Rosemary Griffin	Mark Zimmermann
Karen Harvey	

13. Change in FTE

The Board approves the change in FTE of Robert Dunlop as a .6 FTE teacher of Technology to a .8 FTE teacher of Technology, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

14. Change in FTE

The Board approves the change in FTE of Linda Moran as a .9 FTE teacher of Business to a 1.0 FTE teacher of Business, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

15. Co-Curricular Appointments

The Board approves the following co-curricular appointments for the 2015-2016 school year, pending minimum enrollment requirements:

Elementary School

Art Club – Richard Anderson

Chess/Scrabble Club (Grades 3-5) – Francoise Schachner

Instrumental Music – Concerts – Vanessa Salzman (Strings)

Instrumental Music – Concerts – Mark Abbonizio (Band)

Vocal Music – Concerts – Jessica Pastor

Greenhouse Club – Brian Kendrick and Richard Lautato (co-advisors)

Homework Club – Amy Castaldo

Grades 4 & 5 Intramurals – Francoise Schachner and Lorraine Novellino (co-advisors)

Select Choir – Jessica Pastor and Christian Neubert (co-advisors)

Yearbook Club – Allison Coppi

Middle School:

Art Club – Stacey Schuman

Band Concert Grade Six – Christine Creighton

Band Concert Grades Seven/Eight – Edward Pisano

Chorus Concert Grade Six – Lisa Scrom until on or about January 24 2015

Chorus Concert Grades Seven/Eight – Lisa Scrom until on or about January 24 2015

Strings Concert Grade Six – Vanessa Salzman

Strings Concert Grades Seven/Eight – Christian Neubert

Drama Club – Mary LaSita

Detention – Robert Farenga & Nancy Bachety; Substitute: Christina Carlson

Environmental Club – Pete Burawa

Frost Valley Trip Coordinator – Pete Burawa & Christina Carlson (co-advisors)

Grade Six Intramurals – Pete Burawa & Robert Farenga; Substitute: Christina Carlson

Mathletes – Matt Garofola & Meg Ryan (co-advisors)

National Junior Honor Society – Michelle Landetta

Newspaper – Allison Giannusa

Science Olympiad – Adam Bouchard

STEM Club – R. Kyle Dunlop

Student Council – Allison Giannusa

Yearbook – Allison Giannusa

High School:

Academic Team - Michel Krivosta
Art/Photo Club – Lynne Edsall
Chamber Choir - Lisa Scrom until on or about January 24 2015
Community Service - Gina Fedler and Jesse Rosen (co-advisors)
Concerts Instrumental - Christine Creighton
Concerts Strings - Michael Caravello
Concerts Vocal - Lisa Scrom until on or about January 24 2015
CSI - Adam Bouchard and Amanda Brideson (co-advisors)
Detention Supervisors - Susan Federico and Carrie Morgan
Drama Club - Anthony Butera
Gay-Straight Alliance - Kristin Britt and Dinarac Camarda (co-advisors)
International Club - Heather Pisano
Investment Club - Robert Farenga
Jazz Club - Edward Pisano
Junior Class Advisor - Celiana Gandolfo
Latin Club - Anne Algieri
Leo Club - Kristine Vaccaro and Brian Chalmers (co-advisors)
LISEC - Dawn DeLeonardis and Jonathan Maletta (co-advisors)
MAST (literary magazine) - Matthew Sefick
Mathletes - Dennis Christofor
Musical Productions - Jeanette Cooper
National Honor Society - Greg Gorniok and Michel Krivosta (co-advisors)
Robotics Club - Robert Dunlop and Brian Chalmers (co-advisors)
Rotary-Interact Club - Deirdre Filippi
SCIMATECH (Science Olympiad) - Michel Krivosta and Adam Bouchard (co-advisors)
Senior Class Advisor - Taylor Forstell and Kelly Spencer (co-advisors)
Sophomore Class Advisor- Nicole Pennino-Costa and Heather Pisano (co-advisors)
Student Council - Sarah Ogden
STEM - Pete Burawa and Jonathan Maletta (co-advisors)
Technical Director (play) - John Worrell
Tri-M Honor Society - Christine Creighton
Varsity Club - Jesse Rosen
Yearbook - Carrie Morgan and Lynne Edsall (co-advisors)

16. Memorandum of Agreement – PJTA

The Board approves a certain Memorandum of Agreement dated August 11, 2015 between the Port Jefferson Teachers Association and the Port Jefferson Union Free School District relating to sign-in/sign-out procedures.

17. Amendment to Employment Contract

That Board amends the Employment Contract dated June 23, 2015, between the District and Leonard Bozza, to discontinue his services as Interim Middle School Principal effective August 17, 2015; and, approve the services of Leonard Bozza as Interim High School Assistant Principal, effective August 17, 2015, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Employment Contract dated June 23, 2015.

18. Curriculum Project

The Board approves the following teachers for Curriculum Writing for the 2015-2016 school year, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association:
Grade 11 Common Core English-30 hours (shared) Matthew Sefick & Kelly Spencer

19. Retirement - Teacher

The Board accepts the resignation of Robert Morgan, as a teacher of Science, for the purpose of retirement, effective October 30, 2015.

20. Retirement – Custodial Worker III

The Board accepts the resignation of Gene Holland, as Custodial Worker III, for the purpose of retirement, effective October 1, 2015.

21. Retirement – Teaching Assistant

The Board accepts the resignation of Kathleen English, as Teaching Assistant, for the purpose of retirement, effective September 1, 2015.

22. Retirement – Teaching Assistant

The Board accepts the resignation of Kathleen Kelly, as Teaching Assistant, for the purpose of retirement, effective July 31, 2015.

23. Retirement – Teaching Assistant

The Board accepts the resignation of Elena Kagel, as Teaching Assistant, for the purpose of retirement, effective September 1, 2015.

24. Appointment – High School Assistant Principal

The Board approves the appointment of Kevin Bernier as High School Assistant Principal, on a probationary basis, effective on or about August 24, 2015, at the rate of \$110,000 per annum, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Administrators Association.

25. Leave Replacement Appointment – Guidance Counselor

The Board approves the appointment of Kathi Galvin as a Guidance Counselor, on a leave replacement basis, effective August 17, 2015, at Level MA Step 1, in accordance with the negotiated agreement with the Port Jefferson Teachers Association.

B. Finance

1. Free and Reduced Price Meal Policy Statement

The Board approves the Free and Reduced Meal Policy Statement, including the Family Income Eligibility Criteria, for the 2015-2016 school year.

2. Lunch Prices

The Board approves the lunch prices for the 2015-2016 school year at the following rates:

Elementary School Lunch	\$2.75
Secondary School Lunch	\$3.00
Elementary Milk	\$.50
Secondary Milk	\$.50

3. Membership Renewal – NYSSBA

The Board approves renewal of membership to the New York State School Boards Association at a cost of approximately \$13,000.00 for the 2015-2016 school year.

4. Library Services Contract

The Board approves the Library Services Contract between the district and the Port Jefferson Free Library for the 2015-2016 school year.

5. Tax Shelter Annuity Companies

The Board approves the following tax shelter annuity companies for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.
- AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company
- Employee Benefit Account (Legend)
- GWN marketing/Employee Deposit Account
- ING National trust
- MetLife
- Mutual, Inc.
- Oppenheimer Shared Holder Services

6. Affordable Care Act Administration

The Board approves the appointment of Seneca Consulting Group to work with the district on the Affordable Care Act Administration; and further, the Board approves the Benefit Consulting Agreement between Seneca Consulting Group and the Port Jefferson Union Free School District for assistance with Employer Mandate Obligations under the Affordable Care Act for the 2015-2016 school year.

7. Student Residency Investigator

The Board approves the appointment of Clifford S. Trotter Associates, Inc., as the District's student residency investigator for the 2015-2016 school year.

C. Facilities & Operations

1. Surplus Textbooks

The Board declares the textbooks listed on the attached as surplus property; and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business to dispose of same in the best interest of the district.

D. Education

1. Approval of Services

The Board of Education approves the services of Educational Vistas, Inc. (EVI) for scoring of the NYS assessments for grades 3-8 ELA & Math, and grades 4 and 8 Science for April-June of 2016.

2. Driver Education

The Board approves the following services for the 2015-2016 Driver Education program:

Kevin Vann	Driver Education Lecture Teacher
Alexander Tamuk	Substitute Driver Education Lecture Teacher