



# Mohonasen Central School District

*Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Education  
Monday, June 13, 2016, Farnsworth Technology Center*

*The Board meeting was preceded by a Retiree/Tenure Recognition Reception at 6:00 PM in the High School Art Wing.*

## **Call to Order**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Piccirillo, at 7:30 PM. Mr. Piccirillo requested those present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** *Dominic Cafarelli, Nancy del Prado, Lisa Gaglioti, Robert Piccirillo, Patrick Ryan, Chad McFarland and Pamela Young*

**Administrators Present:** *Dr. Kathleen Spring, Chris Ruberti, Lisa Cutting, Karla Empie, Lisa Patierne, Michele Whitley, Laurel Jones, and Makensie Bullinger.*

**Others in Attendance:** *Deborah Escobar, approximately 6 faculty/staff members, 9 new faculty members, and two district residents.*

## **Communications – Superintendent**

Dr. Spring had no announcements to make.

## **Communications – Board of Education**

Mr. Cafarelli reflected on his past nine years on the Board as well as his three years prior to that as a booster club member. He thanked many people who helped him along the way and mentioned former members who he had the pleasure of working with. He talked about the many accomplishments during his term and gave a personal thanks to Mr. Ruberti and Mrs. Cutting for their guidance during his time as Board President. He thanked his wife for all her support and gave a special thanks to Dr. Spring for her guidance, support and her dedication to Mohonasen. He wished the future Board the best and hoped they enjoy their time as much as he has. He then presented a pin to Dr. Spring with a quote from Dr. Seuss.

Mr. Piccirillo announced that he attended the Rotterdam Town Board meeting last Wednesday (6/8/16) and by a margin of 3-2, the resolution of continuation of the School Resource Officer under the current contract did pass. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Piccirillo expressed concern that it was not a unanimous vote.

Mr. McFarland thanked Mr. Piccirillo for going to the Town Board meeting and speaking on behalf of the district.

## **Public Privilege of the Floor**

Ms. Susan Nelson of Vincenza Lane, a retiring teacher at the end of the month, spoke on some of the problems she feels the district is facing. She thanked the administration and Board for their hard work and dedication over the years. She voiced many concerns and offered some of her suggestions to address these issues.

## **New Business - Instructional**

*Approval of Special Education*

**Request for Approval and Arrangement of Committee on Special Education Recommendations and Student Placements and Committee on Pre-School Special Education**

*Recommendations and Student Placements*

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli, that the Board of Education approve and arrange for the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education for meetings held on May 13, 19, 23, 24, 31, and June 2, 2016. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

**New Business – Business/Personnel**  
*Approval of Lease Agreement with Town of Rotterdam*

**Request for Approval of Lease Agreement with the Town of Rotterdam**  
MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Town of Rotterdam for the use of one bus, at a reimbursement amount of \$250.00 for the trip on July 19, 2016. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

*Approval of Lease Agreement with Boys & Girls Club*

**Request for Approval of Lease Agreement with the Boys and Girls Club of Schenectady**  
MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Boys and Girls Club of Schenectady for the use of four buses, at a reimbursement amount of \$23,000 for the period June 27, 2016 through August 12, 2016. The motion was passed with seven members present and voting.

*Approval to Authorize Fund Reserve Accounts*

**Request for Authorization to Fund Reserve Accounts**  
MOTION made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:  
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Rotterdam-Mohonasen Central School District hereby authorizes the funding of the District’s approved reserves with the excess of 4% from the unassigned fund balance at June 30, 2016, after the designated amount for tax reduction has been set. The allocation of such excess fund balance will be determined subsequent to June 30, 2016 and prior to setting the tax levy. The motion was passed with seven members present and voting.

*Approval of YMCA Lease Agreement*

**Request for Approval of Lease Agreement with the Capital District YMCA**  
MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that the Board of Education approve a contract with the Capital District YMCA for the use of one bus, at a reimbursement amount of \$1,470.00 for the period July 5, 2016 to July 29, 2016. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

*Approval of Summer School/Summer Programs Salary Schedule*

**Request for Approval of Summer School/Summer Programs Salary Schedule**  
MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve the following summer school salary schedule for Teachers and TA’s (Teacher Assistants):

Teacher Summer School	2016-17 Hourly Rate	2017-18 Hourly Rate
Step 1	\$37.40	\$38.15
Step 2-4	\$38.90	\$39.68
Step 5-10	\$40.46	\$41.27

TA Summer School	2016-17 Hourly Rate	2017-18 Hourly Rate
Step 1	\$15.34	\$15.64
Step 2-4	\$15.95	\$16.27
Step 5-10	\$16.59	\$16.92

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

*Approval of Budget Re-appropriation*

**Request Approval of Budget Re-appropriation – 2015-16 Special Legislative Grant**

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Cafarelli, that the Board of Education amend the 2015-2016 budget as follows:

Increase A510	Estimated Revenue	\$50,000
Increase A3289	Other State Aid	\$50,000

Increase A960	Appropriations	\$50,000
Increase A2110.201-00-0000	Equipment – Grant in Aid	\$50,000

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

**Approved Minutes**

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Gaglioti, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of June 6, 2016.

The motion was passed with seven members present and voting.

**Approved Financial Reports**

MOTION made by Mr. McFarland, seconded by Ms. Young, that the Board of Education approve the following Financial Reports:

The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

**Financial Reports**

APPROVED the Treasurer’s Reports for the month of May

APPROVED the Budget Status Report for the month of May

APPROVED the Revenue Status Report for the month of May

APPROVED the Payment and Presentation of Claims for the month of May (Warrant #11P)

APPROVED the Extracurricular Activities Reports for the month of May

APPROVED the Collateralization Report for the month of May

APPROVED the Cash Flow Analysis/General Fund Report for the month of May

**Warrant #11P – May 31, 2016**

General Fund	Warrant Schedule #396	\$	110,960.18
School Lunch Fund	Warrant Schedule #13	\$	\$48.31
Federal Fund	Warrant Schedule #71	\$	9042.00
Capital Fund	Warrant Schedule #30	\$	1,443,884.85
Trust & Agency	Warrant Schedule #168	\$	1,022,339.33
TOTAL		\$	2,586,274.67
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- Approved Bids** MOTION made by Mr. Cafarelli, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that the Board of Education approve the following Bids/Change Orders:  
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.
- Contract #32 - General Construction* APPROVED the award of Contract No. 32 in the amount of \$4,800,000.00 to Plank LLC, 376 Broadway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Schenectady, NY 12305
- Contract #33 - Plumbing* APPROVED the award of Contract No. 33 in the amount of \$325,000.00 to BPI Piping, 95 Hudson River Road, Waterford, NY 12188
- Contract #34 - HVAC* APPROVED the award of Contract No. 34 in the amount of \$1,953,000.00 to DiGesare Mechanical, Inc., 3434 Carman Road, Schenectady, NY 12303
- Contract #35 - Electrical* APPROVED the award of Contract No. 35 in the amount of \$1,543,509.00 to McBain Electric, 2742 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Troy, NY 12180
- Contract #36 - Science Casework* APPROVED the award of Contract No. 36 in the amount of \$284,800.00 to Northeast Interior Systems, 228 Kimble Road, Vestal, NY 13850
- Approval of Light Bulb Service* APPROVED the award of Light Bulb Service in the amount of \$2,390.80 to Thorpe Electric, 27 Washington Street, Rensselaer, NY 12144 (various) and in the amount of \$5,788.92 to Wolberg Electric, 35 Industrial Park Road, P.O. Box 6309, Albany, NY 12206 (Various)
- Approval of Toilet Tissue & Hand Soap* APPROVED the award of Toilet Tissue & Hand Soap in the amount of \$35,351.00 to Hill and Markes, P.O. Box 7, 1997 St. HWY 5S, Amsterdam, NY 12010
- Approval of Pest Control* APPROVED the award of Pest Control in the amount of \$10,800.00 to Accurate Pest Control, 1161 Curry Road, Rotterdam, NY 12306
- Approval of Elevator Maintenance & Testing* APPROVED the award of Elevator Maintenance & Testing in the amount of \$1,747.00 to Simmons Elevator, 4892 Jockey Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020
- Approval of Lawn Care* APPROVED the award of Lawn Care in the amount of \$17,775.00 to Tru Green, 3 Fritz Blvd., Albany, NY 12205
- Approval of Boiler & HVAC Maintenance Service* APPROVED the award of Boiler Maintenance and HVAC Maintenance in the amount of \$5,600.00 and \$7,120.00 to Colonie Mechanical, 17 Railroad Avenue, Albany, NY 12205
- Miscellaneous Transportation Items* APPROVED the award of Miscellaneous Transportation Items in the amount of \$116,268.43 to the following vendors:

Atlantic	\$315.06
AutoPlus	\$9,498.75
Bus Parts Warehouse	\$5,208.35
CCP Industries	\$3,425.20
D&W Diesel	\$6,570.78
G.H. Berlin	\$19,819.33
Gorman Enterprises	\$766.08

H.L. Gage	\$12,382.36
Leonard Bus Sales	\$21,408.03
Matthew's Bus Inc.	\$6,727.82
NAPA (Schenectady Truck & Auto)	\$20,922.92
New York Bus Sales	\$5,259.87
S&J Enterprises	\$603.05
Unity School Bus Parts	\$2,440.01
Watkins Spring	\$920.92
TOTAL	\$116,268.43

Mr. Piccirillo recognized Elizabeth Rocco on her tenure appointment. He also recognized Kevin Warren and Daniella De Luca to their new Assistant Principal positions and several new teachers who were also present at the board meeting

**Approved Personnel Recommendations**

MOTION made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education approve the following personnel recommendations:  
The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

**Tenure Appointment**

Elizabeth Rocco, 451 Rudy Chase Drive, Apt. 1111, Glenville, NY 12302  
Tenure Area: Literacy  
Effective Date: December 1, 2016

***Appointments***

Kevin Warren, 54 Paradowski Road, Glenville, NY 12302

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: K-12 Assistant Principal  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: June 30, 2020  
Certification Status: School Building Leader, Initial  
Salary: \$75,000

Daniella De Luca, 1465 Siver Road, Guilderland, NY 12084

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: K-12 Assistant Principal  
Date of Commencement: July 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: June 30, 2020  
Certification Status: School Building Leader, Initial  
Salary: \$75,000

Erin Ferraro, 12 Leonard Drive, Niskayuna, NY 12309

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020

Certification Status: Early Childhood Education B-Gr2, Initial;  
Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 3 plus graduate credits

Rachel Palmer, 59 Kallen Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12304

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 2, plus graduate credits

Andrea Pigliavento, 2975 Curry Road, Schenectady, NY 12303

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Childhood Education B-Gr. 2, Professional  
Salary: Step 6 plus graduate credits

Breanna Kearney, 245 Autumn Run, Schenectady, NY 12306

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Special Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2019  
Certification Status: Literacy B-Gr. 6, Initial; Students with  
Disabilities B-Gr. 2, Professional; Students  
with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Professional;  
Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Professional  
Salary: Step 4 plus graduate credits

Bryttni Walter, 2839 Curry Road, Schenectady, NY 12303

Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: January 19, 2020 (1 semester Jarema  
Credit)  
Certification Status: Early Childhood Education B-Gr 2, Initial;  
Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 8 plus graduate credits

*Appointments (cont.)* Lisa Landell, 522 Riverside Avenue, Glenville, NY 12302  
Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Students with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial;  
Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 2 plus graduate credits

Rachel Costanzo, 7 Cephalonia Drive, Niskayuna, NY 12309  
Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Students with Disabilities Gr. 1-6, Initial;  
Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 2 plus graduate credits

Alysia Hladik, 278 Autumn Run, Schenectady, NY 12306  
Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial;  
Literacy B-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 1 plus graduate credits

Lisa Smith, 18 Wedgewood Drive, Albany, NY 12211  
Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Elementary Education  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2020  
Certification Status: Childhood Education Gr. 1-6, Initial  
Salary: Step 3 plus graduate credits

Carmella Fusco, 1134 Jerry Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303  
Appointment: Probationary  
Tenure Area: Literacy  
Date of Commencement: September 1, 2016  
Expiration Date: August 31, 2019

Certification Status: Early Childhood Education B-2,  
Professional; Students with Disabilities B-2,  
Professional; Childhood Education Gr. 1-6,  
Professional; Literacy B-6, Professional  
Salary: Step 5 plus graduate credits

Mark Hitchcock, 1132 Outer Drive, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Temporary Grounds Person  
Effective Dates: June 13, 2016 – October 21, 2016  
Salary: \$14.95

Joseph Goodrow, 1022 Riggi Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Custodial Leader – Bradt Primary School  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Todd Shafer, 102 University Street, Selkirk, NY 12158

Assignment: Custodial Leader – Pinewood Intermediate  
School  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Michael Capullo, 1861 Ferguson Street, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Custodial Leader – Draper Middle School  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Susanne Candee, 1885 Amsterdam Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12303

Assignment: Food Service Leader – Bradt Primary  
School Cafeteria  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Laurie Sefcovic, 2893 Plunkett Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Food Service Leader – Pinewood  
Intermediate School Cafeteria  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Marion Lotano, 1509 Roselawn Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306

Assignment: Food Service Leader – Draper Middle  
School Cafeteria



Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

Rebekah Valachovic, 2821 Clyde Avenue, Schenectady, NY 12306  
Assignment: Food Service Leader – Mohonasen High School Cafeteria

Effective Dates: July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017  
Salary: Per MSSA Contract

David Hallenbeck, 434 Donald Drive Schenectady, NY 12306  
Assignment: Substitute Bus Driver  
Effective Dates: June 2, 2016  
Salary: \$15.00/hour

**Change in Employment Status:**

Jennifer Smith, 907 Sacandaga Road, Scotia, NY 12302  
Previous Assignment: F/T Account Clerk (Payroll Assistant/Accounts Payable)  
Current Assignment: F/T Account Clerk (Payroll Assistant)  
Effective Dates: July 1, 2016  
Salary: \$35,020/year

**2015-2016 Intramurals**

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Building</u>
Lori Moore	High School
Kevin Daviero	Pinewood
Kathleen Murnane	Pinewood
Jim Huggins	High School

<b>Bradt Summer Kindergarten Screening – 2 Days (Summer Curriculum Rate)</b>	
<u>Name:</u>	<u>Assignment:</u>
Marta Hewitt	School Psychologist – 2 Days
Mary Carrigan-Peek	Speech Pathologist – 2 Days
Lori Burke	Occupational Therapist – 2 Days

**2016 Draper MS Summer School - July 6 – Aug. 16 /Mon. – Thurs. 8am- 12:05 pm (12 days each)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Step</u>
Maureen Geagan	Success Indicators	Step 10
Fred Saccocio	Success Indicators	Step 8
Julian Williams	Teaching Assistant	Step 1

**2016 Bradt AIS Summer School – July 5 – July 28, 2016/Mon-Thurs.  
3 hrs. per day**

Name	Assignment	Dates	Step
Amanda Brousseau	Jump Start	July 5 – July 28	10
Jennifer Groth	Jump Start	July 5 – July 28	1
Bryttni Walter	Grade 1	July 5 – July 28	2
Susan Yates	Grade 1	July 5 – July 28	6
Alysia Hladik	Grade 2	July 5 – July 28	2
Colleen Palleschi	Grade 2	July 5 – July 28	1
Laura Eggleston	Reading	July 5 – July 28	10
Annetta O'Connor	SPED Reading	July 5 – July 28	2
TBD	Teacher Aide	July 5 – July 28	
TBD	Teacher Aide	July 5 – July 28	

**2016 Pinewood AIS Summer School – July 5 – August 4, 2016/Mon-Thurs. 3 hrs. per day**

Name	Assignment	Dates	Step
Michelle Getman	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	4
Christina Patterson	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	3
Josh Hughes	Teacher	July 21 – August 4	3
Kevin Cummings	Teacher	July 5 – July 20	10
Kim Trestick	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	10
Lindsey Shepler	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	3
Nicole Connelly	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	1
Rebecca Pollick	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	7
Elizabeth Breaznell	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	1
Marina Strang	Teacher	July 5 – August 4	1
Aimee Smi	Library Media Specialist	July 5 – August 4	1
Michelle Howard	Substitute Teacher	July 5 – August 4	--

**2015-2016 PM School Tutoring (\$33.93/hour)**

Name:	
Marissa Chille	Tutor

**2016-2017 Volunteer Teachers**

Name:	Subject:
Ira Goldstein – Siena College	Intro to Computer Science
Scott Vandenberg – Siena College	Intro to Computer Science

**A. Resignation**

Timothy Hulihan, 13 Lenca Court, Gansevoort, NY 12831  
Assignment: Secondary Assistant Principal

Effective Date: Close of business July 8, 2016

**Executive Session**

Motion made by Mrs. Gaglioti, seconded by Mrs. del Prado, that an executive session be convened at 8:17 PM for the purpose of discussing superintendent evaluation. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

MOTION made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. McFarland, that the executive session be adjourned at 10:50 PM. The motion was passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

**Adjournment**

MOTION made by Mrs. del Prado, seconded by Mr. Ryan, that the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 10:50 PM. The motion passed unanimously, seven members present and voting.

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Christopher J. Ruberti, District Clerk