

PUBLIC MEETING

November 26, 2019

The Verona Board of Education of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, convened in regular session on November 26, 2019 in the Verona High School Media Center at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Rui Dionisio. A statement was made that the meeting had been properly advertised in the designated newspapers and the agendas were posted at the appropriate locations.

The following members of the Board were present: Mrs. Lisa Freschi, President, Mr. Glenn Elliott, Vice- President, Mr. James Day, Mr. Timothy Alworth and Mrs. Pamela Priscoe. Also present was Dr. Rui Dionisio, Superintendent. Ms. Nardino was absent.

There were no members of the public present. There were no members of the press present.

Public Comment on Agenda Items-None

Presentations – AP Results & Scholars Award – Mr. Miller, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, Mr. Thomas Lancaster, Vice Principal, Verona High School, Mr. Steven Schels, Supervisor Humanities, Mr. Glen Stevenson, Supervisor STEM.

Superintendent Report

1. AP Scholars Recognition
2. VHS Football Sectional Champions playing at MetLife Stadium.
3. Referendum Update

Committee Reports

Finance

- Ernie Turner, Summit Management Solutions, LLC handling daily operations with Dr. Dionisio
- Up to date with all reports
- Referendum update - working with architectects - Ernie Turner and Dr. Dionisio meeting with architects on December 4, 2019 - going out for bid in February 2020

Discussion Items -

- School Physician contract
- Project Management RFP out in January
- Thank you Matt Laracy and town for help out
- Dec. 2 Dr. Dionisio will review audit with Gary Vinci of Lerch, Vinci, and Higgins, LLC
Andrea Kahn - Bond counselor - suggest selling bonds in January 2020
- Ernie Turner exploring direct energy early termination

- Welcome Sara Drappi
- Pilot Funds
- Cyber Security - working with Mr. Ballaj and the tech department to make sure we are up to speed

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions have been recommended by the Superintendent to the Board of Education:

RESOLVED that the Board approve **Resolutions #1 -**

Moved by: Mr. Elliott

Seconded by: Mr. Day

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

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The following resolutions have been recommended by the Superintendent to the Board of Education.

#1 RESOLVED that the Board approve the minutes of the following meetings:

Confidential & Regular Public Meeting November 12, 2019

PERSONNEL

#2 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2019-2020 year:

2.1 New Hire

Name	Location	Position	Salary	Committee	Term of Employment on or about
Michele Gruet	District	Sub Teacher	\$90/per diem	Education	SY 19-20

Mary McGuire	VHS	MLOA Vocal Music	\$265/per diem	Education	Feb. 3, 2020 - Jun. 30, 2020
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2.2 Marriage

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Dates	Notes
#102887	VHS	Math teacher	Marriage	Feb. 18, 19,20, 21, 24, 2020	5 days with pay with the cost of a substitute to be deducted
#103110	VHS	Spec. Ed. teacher	Marriage	Nov. 18,19, 20, 21, 22, 2019	5 days with pay with the cost of a substitute to be deducted

2.3 Without Pay

Name	Date/s	No. of Days	Reason
#105346	Nov. 12, 2019	Half Day	Unpaid Day
#105158	Nov. 22, 2019	Half Day	Unpaid Day

2.4 Reclassification of Days

Employee #	Explanation
#102904	Reclassify 6 Personal Illness days to 6 Family Illness Days

EDUCATION

#3 RESOLVED that the Board approve the Superintendent's presentation of HIB report as follows:

HIB Case
VHS 202941
VHS 203608
VHS 203609
HBW-OH 203887

#4 RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached District Statistical Report for the month of October 2019.

#5 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

5.1 Attendance at Conference

Name	School	Event/Location	Date	Cost	Notes
Elissa Freda	FOR/LAN	NJASL Fall Conference/E. Brunswick, NJ	Dec. 9-10, 2019	Registration \$200.00 Mileage \$49.60 Total \$249.60	
Julia Albretsen	HBW	Whole Class Novel & Independent Reading/ Paramus, NJ	Feb. 5, 2020	Registration \$200.00	
Alice Kobylarz	VHS	Whole Class Novel & Independent Reading/ Paramus, NJ	Feb. 5, 2020	Registration \$200.00	
Eugene Mordkovich	VHS	Curate & Create CI Resources/Monroe Twp., NJ	Dec. 5, 2019	Registration \$175.00 Mileage \$35.00 Total \$210.00	
Nancy Hiscano	FNB	Language is Power/ Paramus, NJ	Jan. 8, 2020	Registration \$200.00	
Dara Chamma	HBW	Ridge Ranch Elementary School/Paramus, NJ	Dec. 12, 2019	Registration \$200.00 Mileage \$10.78 Total \$210.78	
Sue Conlon	HBW	Ridge Ranch Elementary School/Paramus, NJ	Dec. 12, 2019	Registration \$200.00 Mileage \$10.78 Total \$210.78	
Gina Mainella	FNB	Ridge Ranch Elementary School/Paramus, NJ	Dec. 12, 2019	Registration \$200.00 Mileage \$10.78 Total \$210.78	
Lou Waibel	FNB	Ridge Ranch Elementary School/Paramus, NJ	Dec. 12, 2019	Registration \$200.00 Mileage \$10.78 Total \$210.78	
Dr. Anthony Lanzo	FNB	Ridge Ranch Elementary School/Paramus, NJ	Dec. 12, 2019	Registration \$200.00	

Dr. Anthony Lanzo	FNB	Literacy for Admins/Somerset, NJ	Nov. 15, 2019	Registration \$185.00	RESCIND
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5.2 VFEE Grant

Grant Recipients	School	Name of Grant	Grant #	Amount of Grant
Bridget Sullivan	H.B. Whitehorne	Bouncy Bands for The Science Classroom	2020-1	\$294

#6 RESOLVED that the Board approve the attached district organizational chart.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

#7 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following:

7.1 **Student Home Instruction**

Student #	School	Grade	Hrs./Week/Duration	Beginning on or about
#231014	HBW	8	5 hrs./wk./8 wks.	Nov. 12, 2019
#212543	VHS	11	10 hrs. wk./3-4 mos.	Nov. 20, 2019

#8 RESOLVED that the Board approve to contract with Saint Clare's Behavioral Health to provide crisis intervention and back to school assessments for the district for the 2019 – 2020 school year.

#9 RESOLVED that the Board approve to contract with CCBH, Inc. (Center for Children's Behavioral Health) to provide home instruction services at the rate of \$75.00 per hour for any Verona student attending CCBH through June 30, 2020, in accordance with attached contract dated November 19, 2019.

ATHLETICS/CO-CURRICULAR

#10 RESOLVED that the Board approve the following for the 2019-2020 school year:

10.1 Stipends

Name	School	Stipend	Position	Employment Date
Marisa Albano	HBW	\$2,000	56% Play Director	SY 19-20
Barbara Piercy	HBW	\$2,000	56% Choral Director	SY 19-20
Brian Michalowski	HBW	\$1,549	44% Play Director	SY 19-20
Brian Michalowski	HBW	\$451	13% Choral Director	SY 19-20
Grace Buneo	HBW	\$1,098	31% Play Director	SY 19-20
Grace Buneo	HBW	\$902	Choreographer	SY 19-20
Noel Piercy	HBW	NA	Volunteer Play	SY 19-20
Adriana Piercy	HBW	NA	Volunteer Play	SY 19-20
Floyd Bussie, Jr.	HBW	Vendor	Play	SY 19-20
Audio Inc	HBW	Vendor	Play	SY 19-20
Image Market	HBW	Vendor	Play	SY 19-20

10.2 Field Trips

Name of Chaperones	School	Club/Destination	Date of Field Trip
Jessica Calvo	VHS	Spanish Club/Mercado Little Spain/ New York, NY	Dec. 10, 2019
Steven Munoz	VHS	Drama/Choir Club/Sony Hall/New York, NY	Apr. 15, 2020
Paula Ramos	VHS	Marie Biology/New York, NY	Dec. 2, 2019
Eugenie Mordkovich	VHS	French/Drama/Majestic Theatre/New York, NY	Dec. 12, 2019

10.3 Co-Curricular

Advisor	Club Name	Location	Stipend	Term of Employment	Notes
Rich Wertz	Math Academic Competitions	VHS	\$1,141.00	SY 19-20	RESCIND
Michelle DellaFortuna	Math Academic Competitions	VHS	\$1,141.00	SY 19-20	

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

- #11 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the submission of the Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet Form M-1, the Detailed Expenditures by year and building, and the Comprehensive Maintenance Report with the Essex County Executive Superintendent's Office in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26A. (attached)

FINANCE

- #12 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the enclosed checklist(s) in the following amounts:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Check Register Date</u>
\$1,054,004.82	Vendor Checks	November 22, 2019

- #13 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a donation of a Samsung Chromebook by the Quattrocchi Family with a value of \$230.

- #14 RESOLVED** that the Board approve a donation of a Sole Elliptical by the Quattrocchi Family with a value of \$900.

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ADDENDUM RESOLUTIONS
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The following resolutions have been recommended by the Superintendent to the Board of Education.

PERSONNEL

- #15 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the following personnel recommendations pending the completion of pre-employment requirements for the 2019-2020 school year:

15.1 Extra Pay

Name	Begin Date	End Date on or About	Pay rate	Reason
Ellis Jansenovic	Nov. 25, 2019	Dec. 6, 2019	\$77.22 per diem	Music Department Coverage of Classes

EDUCATION

- #16 RESOLVED** that the Board approve the Settlement Agreement on several grievances, unfair labor practices, and other matters between the Verona Board of Education and Verona Education Association.

FINANCE

- #17 RESOLVED** that the Board approve submission of the application for Carry-Over Funds from the 2018-2019 fiscal year for the ESEA Federal Grant Programs in the following manner:

	<u>PUBLIC</u>	<u>NON-PUBLIC</u>
Title IA 100-600 Instructional Supplies	\$2,640	
Title IIA 200-300 Professional & Tech Svcs.	\$30,314	\$6,785
Title IV 200-300 Professional & Tech Svcs.	\$10,778	\$2,012

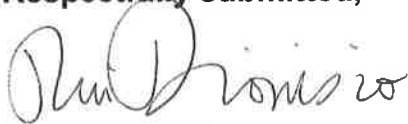
These funds will be added to the allocation amounts designated for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

FURTHER, upon approval by the Department of Education, the Verona Board of Education, hereby, accepts these funds to be utilized in the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Public Comment -

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dr. Rui Dionisio". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rui" being particularly prominent.

**Dr. Rui Dionisio
Superintendent**