

VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

944 State Route 17K
Montgomery, New York

January 22, 2024

The special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order in the Administration Building at 5:32 p.m. by President Joseph Bond

PRESENT: Mr. Bond, Ms. McKnight, Mrs. Messing, Mrs. Revoir, Mrs. Samuelson and Mrs. Terralavoro

ABSENT: Mrs. Fox-Pizzonia

Also Present: Ms. Avila, Mr. Miller, Mr. Conklin, Mrs. Mojica and approximately twenty five students, staff and members of the community in the audience

Also Absent: Media (WVT/THR)

PLEDGE TO FLAG

Mr. Bond made the regular announcements regarding emergency egress, no smoking, and videotaping/streaming of the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bond noted the need to convene in Executive Session to discuss the employment history of a particular person or corporation.

Mrs. Messing moved, Mrs. Terralavoro seconded that the Board convene in Executive Session at 5:32 p.m. Voting YES: Unanimous [6:0]

Mrs. Samuelson moved, Mrs. Messing seconded that the Board come out of Executive Session at 5:45 p.m. Voting YES: Unanimous [6:0]

PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Financial Presentation – BPD Financial Advisors
- B. Five Year Plan Presentation – CSArch

Following introduction of this Agenda item, Mr. Conklin introduced Jason Schwartz from Bernard P. Donegan, Inc., the District's financial advisors, who presented an overview of the District's financial history and a five year projection.

Mr. Conklin then introduced Tom Ritzenthaler from CSArch, the District's architects. Mr. Conklin and Mr. Ritzenthaler reviewed the five year plan, the development process, the current Capital Project that is underway, and items for consideration in an upcoming Capital Project.

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Bond introduced this Agenda item, referenced the addendum agenda, and called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Terralavoro requested that Agenda Item D under For Approval be removed for consideration separately.

Mrs. Messing moved, Mrs. Revoir seconded that the following Consent Agenda be accepted/ approved, as amended, listed and attached.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

- A. Public Hearing Minutes dated 1/8/24
- B. Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated 1/8/24

FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report for December
- B. Acceptance of Expenditure Budget Status Report for December
- C. Acceptance of Revenue Budget Status Report for December
- D. Acceptance of Record of Claims for December
- E. Acceptance of Extraclassroom Report for December
- F. Acceptance of Cafeteria Report for December
- G. Acceptance of Investment Report for December
- H. Acceptance of Internal Claims Auditor Report for November & December
- I. Approval of General Fund December Budget Transfer

RECOMMENDATIONS OF CSE/CPSE

FOR APPROVAL

- A. Approval of Overnight Trip Requests:
 - 1. Middle School – Family, Career & Community Leaders of America Conference
 - 2. High School – JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge
- B. Acceptance of Donations:
 - 1. Valley Central School District – Monetary Donation
St. Andrew’s Episcopal Churchwomen
 - 2. Valley Central School District – Monetary Donation
Douglas & Judy Gridley
- C. Adoption of Resolutions:
Reduction of Tax Assessments and Payments of Refunds Due to Court Order and Judgment:
 - 1. Northvale Prop LLC Assoc.
 - 2. Hudson Valley Credit Union
- D. Approval of Agreement between Valley Central School District and Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Programs, Inc. *This item was removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration separately.*
- E. Approval of Agreement between Valley Central School District and Leading Education Practice, LLC

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Acceptance of Resignations:

Noninstructional

Name	Position/Building	Effective Date
1. Richard Post, Jr. (Retirement)	Custodial Worker/HS	June 29, 2024
2. Jo English	1:1 Paraprofessional/HS	January 26, 2024
3. Erin Muro	Paraprofessional/HS	January 24, 2024
4. Alexandra Ramirez	Paraprofessional/WES	January 22, 2024
5. Samira Sahmoune	1:1 Paraprofessional/WES	January 22, 2024

Extracurricular

Name	Position/Building	Effective Date
1. Stephanie Castiglione-DiMarco	Drama Club Advisor/Walden	January 5, 2024

B. Approval of Appointments:

Instructional - Annual Appointments

Name	Position/Building	Schedule/Step	Effective Dates
1. Alison Gerow	Certified Substitute Teacher/District	\$115.00 per day	2023-2024 School Year

2. Casey Bannon 3. Lacey Benjamin 4. Paul Berkowitz 5. Deanna Enea 6. Diana LaBarbera 7. Andrew LaVallie 8. Antoinette Oakes 9. Rhonda Paul 10. Katelyn Paasquino 11. Suzanne Schiaffo 12. Holly Siegel 13. Nicole Speranzo 14. Kaitlyn Troy 15. Dawn Verini 16. Andrew Zunich 17. Katie Farrugia 18. Michelle Rose 19. Samantha Rowe 20. Ashley Zouzias	Proctor - January Regents/HS	\$50.00 per hour	January 23, 2024 - January 26, 2024
21. Carolyn Baker 22. John Fisher 23. Martha Santos	Substitute Proctor-January Regents/HS	\$135.00 per day (being paid as retired substitute teachers)	January 23, 2024- January 26, 2024
24. Michael Stoduto* 25. Gail DeNicola* 26. Hannah Conklin* 27. Erin Gephard	Proctor-January Regents/ALC	\$50.00 per hour	January 23, 2024 – January 26, 2024
28. Darci Fletcher* 29. Amanda Gliedman* 30. Janelle Manson-Henry*	Proctor-January Regents/HS	\$50.00 per hour	January 23, 2024 – January 26, 2024

Noninstructional

Name	Position/Building	Schedule/Step	Effective Date
1. Thomas Piascik (New Position)	Computer Technician/MS	Computer Technician/Step 1	February 2, 2024
2. Gianna Montaperto (Resignation Rep.)	Paraprofessional/BES	SRP (Para)/Step 2	February 13, 2024
3. Ana Thomas (Resignation Rep.)	Food Service Helper/EC	FSH/Step 1	January 23, 2024
4. Alexandra Ramirez (Transfer Rep.)	1:1 Paraprofessional/WES	SRP (Para)/Step 2	January 23, 2024
5. Samira Sahmoune (Transfer Rep.)	Paraprofessional/WES	SRP (Para)/Step 2	January 23, 2024

Noninstructional - Annual Appointments

Name	Position/Building	Schedule/Step	Effective Date
1. Kelly Capozzoli* (Resignation Rep.)	Paraprofessional Scheduler/HS	\$2,365.00 stipend (will be pro-rated)	January 23, 2024

* *Addendum Agenda*

Voting: YES: Unanimous [6:0]

OTHER

Mr. Bond then called for a motion to approve Agenda Item D under For Approval on the Consent Agenda, which was removed for consideration separately.

D. Approval of Agreement between Valley Central School District and Higher Heights Youth Empowerment Programs, Inc.

Mrs. Messing moved, Ms. McKnight seconded that the Board approve the agreement between Valley Central School District and Higher Heights Youth Empowerment, Inc., as presented and attached.

Mr. Bond asked if there was any discussion; Mrs. Terralavoro offered input.

Voting: YES: 5; ABSTAIN: Mrs. Terralavoro

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bond called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mrs. Revoir moved, Ms. McKnight seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Voting YES: Unanimous [6:0]

Mr. Bond adjourned the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen T. McGoldrick
District Clerk

Valley Central School District

2024-2025 Student Calendar

Adopted by the Board of Education on February ___, 2024

DRAFT

		September 2024						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
2	Labor Day	1	(2)	(3)	(4)	5	6	7
3-4	Conference Days	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
5	First Day of School for Students	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		29	30					

		February 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
4	Early Dismissal							1
17-21	Presidents' Week	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		16	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	22
		23	24	25	26	27	28	

		October 2024						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
3	Rosh Hashanah			1	2	(3)	4	5
8	Early Dismissal	6	7	(8)	9	10	11	12
11	Early Dismissal Drill	13	(14)	15	16	17	18	19
14	Columbus Day	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		27	28	29	30	31		

		March 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
4-5	Early Dismissal Parent/Teacher Conferences							1
		2	3	(4)	(5)	6	7	8
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		30	31					

		November 2024						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
5	Supt. Conference Day						1	2
11	Veterans Day	3	4	(5)	6	7	8	9
26	Parent/Teacher Conferences	10	(11)	12	13	14	15	16
27-29	Thanksgiving Recess	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		24	25	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)	30

		April 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
12	Passover			1	2	3	4	5
14-21	Spring Recess	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
18	Good Friday	13	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	19
20	Easter	20	(21)	22	23	24	25	26
		27	28	29	30			

		December 2024						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
3	Early Dismissal	1	2	(3)	4	5	6	7
23-31	Winter Recess	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	Christmas Day	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		22	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	28
		29	(30)	(31)				

		May 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
13	Early Dismissal					1	2	3
22-26	Memorial Day Weekend	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		11	12	(13)	14	15	16	17
		18	19	20	21	(22)	(23)	24
		25	(26)	27	28	29	30	31

		January 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	New Year's Day				(1)	2	3	4
20	Dr. M.L. King Day	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
21-24	Regents Exams	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
29	Lunar New Year	19	(20)	21	22	23	24	25
		26	27	28	(29)	30	31	

		June 2025						
		S	M	T	W	T	F	S
4	Regents Exams	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10	Regents Exams	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
17-25	Regents Exams	15	16	17	18	(19)	20	21
19	Juneteenth	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
26-27	Regents Rating Days	29	30					
27	Last Day of School							
28	High School Graduation							

179 School Days
4 Conference Days
183 Total

Make-up days, if necessary, will begin
with
May 22, May 23, April 21 and then April 14

□ Conference Day - No School for Students
○ School Holiday
■ Regents Exams
△ Early Dismissal

Eugenia S. Pavek

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February 1, 2024

Dear Component Board,

The purpose of this letter is to request your support of my candidacy for re-election to the Orange-Ulster Board of Cooperative Educational Services. I am appealing for nomination at one of your meetings on or before March 19th and for your vote on April 18, 2024.

I previously served on the Minisink Valley Board of Education and have proudly served on the board of Orange-Ulster BOCES, serving as Vice President for four years and serving as President since 2018. I have been an active attendee at the Orange County School Boards Association (OCSBA) and at the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) Capital Conference. I have served on the Resolutions Committee for NYSSBA's annual convention and have been a member of NYSSBA's Investment Advisory Committee since 2000. NYSSBA has awarded me their Lifetime Achievement Award.

Having had the opportunity to visit many of the component districts in our BOCES, I have gained an appreciation for the uniqueness of each district as well as the common concerns that bring us together as a BOCES. I am incredibly thankful to our communities for approving the first Capital Project at BOCES since 1988 that will allow us to provide expanded programming in Career and Tech and Special Education for all districts' students as well as a better environment for learning. I am also dedicated to continuing to work together with our component districts to provide the services that they need including instructional support, health and safety, risk management, technical services, interscholastic athletics, teacher certification, communication services, print shop, records management, and consultant services.

My husband and I, as well as our children, have benefited from the programs offered by the Orange-Ulster BOCES, and I am honored to be able to repay what we have received by serving on its board. Please feel free to contact me at eugenia.pavek@ouboces.org or at 845-978-5001 if you have any questions or would like me to attend one of your board meetings.

Very sincerely yours,

Eugenia S. Pavek

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MICHAEL D. BELLO
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February 2, 2024

To My Fellow School Board Members:

Please accept this letter seeking your support for reelection to the Orange-Ulster Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

I have served on the Orange-Ulster Cooperative Board for the past eighteen years. I also served for 22 years as a board member of the Port Jervis City School District's Board of Education, having served as President and Vice President at various times and as it's delegate to the Orange County School Boards Association where I previously held the position of secretary.

With the challenges and demands placed upon school districts, Orange-Ulster BOCES has maintained a productive partnership with its component school districts. Providing a variety of career and technical education, special education services and support services, such as risk management, cooperative purchasing and professional development, BOCES has been responsive to the needs of its districts and will continue to help meet the challenges we all face for the students we share.

Many of our programs and services have grown and serves many more students thanks to the support from the component districts. Each Cooperative Board member remains committed to providing services in a cost-efficient manner and at the same time, keeping our commitment to transparency and open communications with our school board colleagues.

I would like to continue to be a positive and reasonable voice for the students we share. I ask for your nomination at your earliest board meeting and for your vote on April 18, 2024. I thank you once again for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael D. Bello".

Michael Bello